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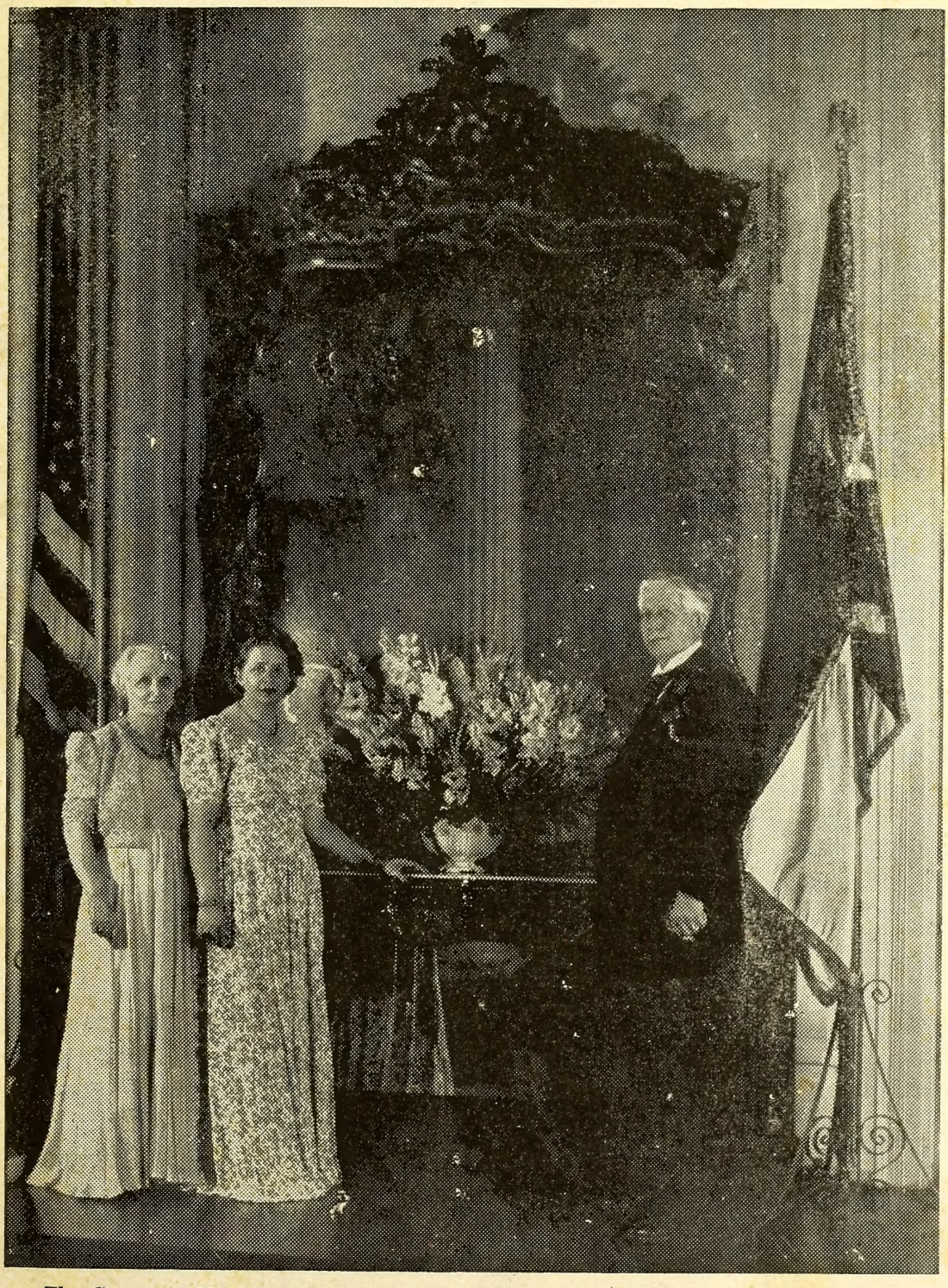
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The Governor, Mrs. Hoey and Miss Isabel Hoey, who are completing their four years residence at the executive mansion in Raleigh, N. C., on January 9, 1941

GOVERNOR HOEY LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON ADDRESSED METHODIST LAYMEN IN GREENSBORO

An appeal for laymen to awaken to the present day opportunities for service was voiced by Governor Clyde R. Hoey last Sunday afternoon when he addressed a very large group of laymen of the Greensboro district in West Market Street Methodist church. Every pastoral charge of the district was represented and the congregation that filled the church heard the distinguished speaker with obvious delight.

The group of about 700 from churches in Guilford, Rockingham and part of Stokes counties was presided over by Dr. L. L. Gobbel, Greensboro district lay leader.

Officers elected include Charles A. Hines and F. R. Stout, Greensboro, vice presidents; F. Eugene Hester, Reidsville, secretary, and T. C. Hoyle, Sr., Greensboro, treasurer. Dr. Gobbel is president ex-officio.

A note of the future plans of the united Methodist Church was sounded in the summarizing statement of Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, who said, "Before the spring is over the Methodist Church probably will be asked to help in work growing out of the world war. We will want at least a million dollars to take care of the services around the war camps, of the war relief and other necessities. We are going to have a chance to do that before the new year is out."

Invocation at the service was by Rev. J. P. Hipps, pastor of Carraway Memorial church. Mr. Hoyle read the revised constitution, which was adopted. The report of the nominating committee, headed by Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of the host church, was heard.

Others to report included Dr. Gobbel; Rev. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin, director of the Golden Cross of the Western North Carolina conference; Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, Greensboro, member of the conference board of education; Dr. A. W. Plyler, Greensboro, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate; T. A. Glascock, Greensboro, treasurer of the district fund; and O. V. Woosley, superintendent of Children's Home, Winston-Salem.

AN ORDINATION SERVICE OF UNUSUAL INTEREST

Bishop Clare Purcell last Sunday afternoon at First Methodist church, Charlotte, ordained Rev. Chas. D. Stokes and his brother, Rev. M. B. Stokes, Jr., to the Methodist ministry to which belongs their father and their two brothers, Revs. J. C. Stokes of Wilkesboro, N. C., and J. L. Stokes, II, of Franklin, N. C.

Charles Stokes was unable to be present at the annual session of the Western North Carolina conference when he reached the office of deacon, and since that time he completed the requirements which a minister must meet in order to become an elder. He was, therefore, ordained both as a deacon and an elder Sunday.

M. B. Stokes, Jr., was ordained an elder. Both young ministers thus became eligible for full connection in the conference, and this will be voted by the conference itself at its annual session next October. M. B. Stokes, Jr., is a member of the faculty of Illinois Wesleyan University. Charles Stokes expects to complete his work for a Ph.D. degree at Yale University before receiving an appointment to the pastorate.

Bishop Purcell was assisted by Dr. Grover T. Bond, superintendent of the Charlotte district, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of First Methodist church, and Dr. M. B. Stokes, father of the young ministers, with Mrs. Stokes, their mother, also present. In attendance, too, were brothers of the men ordained, these being Rev. J. C. Stokes of Wilkesboro, accompanied by Mrs. Stokes, and Rev. J. L. Stokes, II, of Franklin, with Mrs. Stokes. Mrs. Charles Stokes also was present. Rev. M. B. Stokes, Jr., is unmarried.

Temporarily, since his recent return from many years in the Methodist mission field in Korea, Dr. M. B. Stokes, with Mrs. Stokes, is at Wilkesboro. He is delivering a series of missionary addresses in the Southern States.

REMEDY FOR THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

R. H. Satterfield closes a thoughtful article in the Biblical Recorder on the theme, "Liquor—A Perennial Problem," with the following paragraph:

"The remedy for the liquor traffic is the same remedy that one uses in dealing with the danger of a rattlesnake—decapitation. We do not play with a rattlesnake, we cut its head off. In North Carolina, Christian citizens must perform this patriotic task. Democratic processes must not longer be throttled or obstructed. The voting population must never rest until we are given an opportunity to express our wishes at the ballot box. If necessary, we must block every entrance to the state house with petitions for a referendum on the liquor question. When that referendum is granted the sovereign voters of the state will speak a language that all the unpatriotic liquor forces will understand. I say 'unpatriotic' because the liquor forces are the most dangerous enemies this country has. While we are about the task of rearming let us include moral and spiritual rearmament."

THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE JOURNAL

Each pastor should have received his supply of journals by this date. The number sent is based on the requests made to the secretary. A few copies are yet available for distribution. If you need extra copies send your request to E. H. Nease, 517 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, N. C.

Please read article 5 on page 2 of the journal. The money from the sale of journals is to be sent to E. O. Cole, Treas., 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C.

Rev. J. G. Winkler, Maiden, N. C., is the statistical secretary, and any questions concerning the tables should be sent to him. These tables were printed as submitted by the pastors and because of the transitions no effort was made to make them balance.

Your secretary wishes to thank you sincerely for your co-operation.

E. H. Nease.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The district missionary institute for the Raleigh district will be held on January 7, convening at 10 a. m. at Edenton Street church, adjourning at 1 p. m.

A rich program has been arranged. We are expecting a full attendance of the preachers. In addition, we are urging that every church in the district be represented, and as largely as shall be possible. This is one of the most important meetings of the year and should make a definite contribution to every one who comes and to the progress of our work. Let's fill our cars and spend this period together.

H. I. Glass, D. S.

DURHAM DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Durham district missionary institute will convene at 10 a. m. Tuesday, January 7, at Duke Memorial church, Durham. No delegates are elected for this meeting, but all Methodists should attend, especially the members of the local church boards of missions and church extension. The program has been planned for the morning hour only, ten until one. It is expected that every church in the district will have a large delegation attending the institute.

A. J. Hobbs, D. S.

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Cherish the man of lofty soul, free from a vaulting ambition. He will swear to his own hurt and change not. Such men walk in the clear light of day free from the dark duplicity and devious ways of selfish souls.

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Beware of the man guilty of disloyalty to friend or to country. Such are aligned with Judas Iscariot and Benedict Arnold—the names that blacken history. Disloyalty and duplicity lead to the inevitable decay of soul that ends in death. To betray a friend is to go out into the night.

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The picture that appears on the front page of this week's paper should prove of great interest to our readers. We have an unusually interesting picture also for next week's Advocate. These should lead our readers to expect a better paper this year than ever before, and we hope they will not be disappointed.

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When the judge asked the old negro whether he desired a lawyer to defend him he replied, "No, no, judge, I don't want no lawyer, but I suttinly would like to have a couple of good witnesses." In like manner it may be said that the need of the pulpit is not ecclesiastical lawyers, but good witnesses. Listen to the first great commission, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me."

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It will help us to ponder well the lines of Edgar Guest:

"He did not whimper or complain,
He did not not kick about the rain
Or blame his luck when things went wrong.
But day to day he would plod along
Like a watchman on his round,
Making the best of what he found.
Through gain and loss he used to say,
All mortal men must trudge this way,
Through rain and shine, through good and ill,
On easy pathways, then up hill
They go who tread life's thoroughfare,
So why complain about your share?"

Here is a belated letter to the children's Christmas saint: "Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bisikkle so I can get to school on time. Also a punching bag so I can get strong for mowing the lawn, and a big red wagon so I can bring in stoav wood. I need roler skates, too, so I can run errands faster for mother."

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Cordell Hull, our serious minded and sensible Secretary of State, is reported to have bordered upon a brief indulgence of wise-cracking when he said of a well known newspaper columnist, "He is half right about one fourth of the time." Those who know the columnist in question are agreed that the Secretary of State was never more serious minded or sensible. This may be said of quite a number of present day columnists and radio commentators.

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An Associated Press dispatch from Chandlerville, Ill., says that the shining silver medal worn by Mrs. Gretchen Arney's German shepherd dog, "Rin Tin," proves he is a model church goer. The Congregational church gave him the medal for ten years' regular attendance at Sunday school. Since 1930, when the dog started going to church with Mrs. Arney's children, he has not missed a Sunday, always occupying the same spot in the front of the church auditorium and accompanying the primary class to its Sunday school service.

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"It's going to take a lot of intelligent planning and co-ordinated effort on the part of a lot of individuals and organizations to check the current upward trend in traffic accidents in North Carolina," Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, declared this week. Reporting that provisional figures indicate a toll of approximately 1000 killed and 9000 injured on North Carolina streets and highways during 1940, Hocutt pointed out that accidents in the state since last August have taken an upward trend which appears liable to continue into the new year.

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North Carolina Our Responsibility

THE Christian churches of this land have the one obligation to make known the world's need of Christ. The same is true of the Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, and members of the lesser groups of Christians here in this state. Christ is made known and he wins his way by the testimony of individual Christians. Our concern, however, just now is the obligations that rest upon the 350,000 Methodists here in North Carolina in 1941. Are we going to meet our full responsibility in every city, town and country place of the "Old North State?"

The vitality and energy of the Methodists in each and every Methodist church and their pulpits aflame with a gospel message will tell mightily in the homes, the schools and the business and community life of all the people. No one of us lives apart and fails to exert an influence on the group. The Methodists can do much to influence the life of all the people of the entire state. But we must first realize our own responsibility to all North Carolina. This state is the special field of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. We are striving to make this Advocate an influence at the hearthstone of the home ,the altar of the church and in the entire social and industrial life of the people. This can be done through the Methodist people found in almost every nook and corner of the commonwealth. So our one eager effort is to serve by getting into more and more homes of the Methodist folks—especially of the leaders in our churches and in the societies of Christian service.

Failure of our Methodist people to realize our personal responsibility right here and now in our own churches and communities will end in sore disappointment in the end. The same may be said of every other denominational group, for we all go up or down together.

The business and political set-up is urgently busy in the vast work of national defense, but all this will be as non-effective as was the Marginot line—the boasted French defense—unless we have the moral and spiritual forces that only the Christian church can furnish to save us from physical and moral degeneracy. The end of France will be ours.

All that we Methodists can do to save North Carolina will tend to demonstrate the possibility of the Christian churches in the nation once they have realized their responsibility. But our present concern is to hold fast to our local responsibility and to do all possible to stir the Methodists to a sense of each one's personal responsibility in this state to the new opportunities of 1941, hoping every church will do the same.

A New Year Thought for Preachers

IF a man compels you to go with him a mile and carry his luggage for him go with him another mile, was what Jesus, the world's greatest teacher, said. That is, do twice as much as you are compelled to do. This is the difference between failure and success in life, between defeat and victory. Let's see how it works out in every day affairs. Begin with a Methodist preacher because he is in the family. A young preacher starts out to do nothing but what he is compelled to do to hold his job. He may hold his job, but it will not be any bigger or better than he began with. He will continue an unwilling bearer of some other man's luggage. That is, he is a slave to the task that has been thrust upon him. He goes scourged and whipped to his dungeon.

But the man who sings at his task, who gladly does twice as much as he is compelled to do comes out more than conqueror through him who taught men this simple truth of "the second mile."

This is the new year resolution that will work like magic in the life of every man, no matter what his station in life or the task that he has set for himself. Compulsion is a hard master. Get from under his dominion.

Spiritual Mobilization— March 11, 12, 13

THIS is an announcement extraordinary for the Western North Carolina conference. The coming of John R. Mott, Edgar T. Welch and Bishop Edwin Hughes for three days in three centers of the conference is an event of major significance. After much prayerful consideration a joint committee representing the Conference Boards of Missions, Lay Activities and Evangelism is announcing "Spiritual Mobilization Week," Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 11, 12 and 13. One day meetings will be held at Asheville, Winston-Salem and Charlotte respectively on the above dates. Acceptances have been received from Dr. John R. Mott, Bishop Edwin Hughes

and Mr. Edgar T. Welch. The program of the meetings is being arranged, and definite announcements will be made in due time. This is not another "campaign," but as its name signifies, a real spiritual mobilization for all our forces. It will be noted that the time is just before our annual Easter season and the meetings will be preparatory to this special emphasis in all our churches. We have also invited another very well known minister to attend these meetings and will announce his acceptance as soon as it is received. Bishop Hughes will be heard at the Charlotte meetings, but another engagement prevented his acceptance for Asheville and Winston-Salem.

On another page of this paper is a statement by Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., reporting the meeting of the joint committee.

My appeal now is that we may all protect these dates against all other plans, and that we may be in earnest prayer that this may prove to be not simply mobilization but aggressive action which will register an advance in every area of our conference program.

Clare Purcell.

The Final Issue of a Great Church Paper

DECEMBER 27, 1940, marked the final issue of the Nashville Christian Advocate. It is a remarkably interesting issue of this great church periodical which has appeared each week for almost a hundred years. The front page carries pictures of each of the ten editors that served from 1846-1941. Their names and order of service are as follows: 1. Thomas Stringfield, 2, John B. McFerrin, 3. Holland N. McTyeire, 4. Thomas O. Summers, 5. O. P. Fitzgerald, 6. E. E. Hoss, 7. George B. Winton, 8, Thomas N. Ivey, 9. Alfred F. Smith, 10. William P. King.

On another page of this issue are brief but informing sketches of these editors who wrought so well, each during his own period of service. These men made the paper what it was, and to them the Church is greatly indebted for the fine service rendered through those eventful years.

There is a pull at this editor's heartstrings as we peruse this last issue of a paper that has been a long time friend and helper. We have known and loved the last five of these editors and the departure of this paper which has been a familiar visitor since our boyhood seems like the departure of an old companion and teacher.

The Enemy Within Our Gates

BILLIONS are being spent in building national defense and in training millions of boys to meet the enemy from without across the seas. But what about the enemy literally within our gates? At Camp Bragg the increase of soldiers has more than doubled the amount of liquor sold by the liquor stores at Fayetteville. Will anyone contend that it is otherwise at other camps? What are we going to do about the liquor sales? Billions of dollars spent for alcohol is sure to result in an increase of alcoholism in America as it did in France. In 1925, seven years after the end of the World War, and fifteen years before the fall of France, one of the great French psychiatrists concludes a lesson on the alcoholic phychosis with these warning words, as quoted by The Voice, December 1940:

"I conclude this short clinical survey, trusting that it may have impressed upon you the increasing frequency, the terrible gravity of the alcohol problem and the vital necessity for our unhappy country to check the unceasing progress of alcoholism, agent of every kind of physical and moral degeneracy. Alcoholism, under the indifferent eyes of the authorities, is indeed destroying our nation. I cannot insist strongly enough on the literal truth of this prognostic, and I solemnly affirm that from now on one might inscribe on the windows of all public houses in France these fateful words: Finis Galliae (the end of France)."

Would it not be well for us here in America to lay to heart this fateful prophecy which has been fulfilled before our own eyes? Has not the hour come for us here in North Carolina to allow the people of the state to determine what they are going to do with this enemy here in our midst? It would do much to draw national attention to the enemy within our gates as we build a national defense against Hitler.

Hamlet could see that the times were out of joint, and promptly exclaimed, "Oh, cursed spite, that I was ever born to set them right." His elect mission was to see and to talk but not to do. And his successors are ever in our midst. These kid-gloved idealists who are unwilling to undergo the grime and heat of a hard day's work are glib of speech but spurn the hard task of setting things right when they are wrong.

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People and Things

"Well folks, I've nestled down and made myself at home with Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Holmes. I arrived on December 27. I weigh 8 pounds. My name is John Julian, Jr."

Rev. J. Max Brandon, Sr., when sending three new subscribers to the Advocate from Grace-Rhodhiss adds: "Good people, good work, budget up to present and plus. Poundings in abundance. Advocate campaign in progress."

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district will have lunch together on January 7 at the missionary institute. The "wives" who have just moved into the district are especially urged to be present.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Santa Claus came by at Christmas time and left individual envelopes for each and every member of the junior, intermediate and young people's choirs of First Methodist church, Asheboro. Each envelope contained a crisp new dollar bill and a card which read: "A token of appreciation to you for your loyalty to the choir."

I am glad to report that this has been a great year with us in the service of the Master. We have held 21 revival meetings and have preached at two annual conferences. The Lord has given us 1,143 seekers at the altar this year and most all of them found victory through faith in our glorious Christ. We have preached in nine states and have traveled several thousand miles in the work. We are happy in our own soul and never loved the Lord more than now. We are determined to press the battle with all our might and covet an interest in the prayers of all the people of God.—John R. Church.

Brother Geo. L. Hackney in a personal note writes: "I have resigned as sales manager of the Dixie Furniture Co. as of January I and am leaving next Wednesday morning for Asheville, which will be my new home. I have bought an interest in the Brown Book Company, so I am going back to my old love. I know a book store is a browsing place for men of your caliber, so it is scarcely necessary to invite you to come and see me when in Asheville." Asheville in general and Central church in particular will be happy to have "Brother George" back in that good city where he was for years one of its most valuable citizens.

"The Meaning of Church Membership" is the title of the adult elective course to be used in the Adult Student during January and February, 1941. Emphasis will be on church membership as a relation providing opportunities for growth in Christian character—such as worship, study, fellowship, sharing, co-operating. Writer of the course is Dr. A. J. Walton of Philadelphia, secretary of the Department of Town and Country Work of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. He was formerly in the same type work with the General Board of Christian Education at Nashville. Sample copies of the Adult Student may be secured by writing to Dr. C. A. Bowen, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Our Oxford friends made us feel at home from the very start. We found a warm house when we arrived, and the women had fitted up a guest room especially for Mrs. Heath's father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Frank, returned missionaries from Japan. Coal was in the bin, wood in the wood shed, food in the pantry. Just around supper time cakes, rolls, roast chicken, and all the other fixings "cooked to a turn" began to come in. It has been one continuous pounding ever since—a turkey for Thanksgiving, more wood, cakes, fresh meat, and many other things. And, best of all, we have found a group of people who are loyal to their church, capable, and desirous of helping their pastor carry forward a program which is worthy of the Lord's work. We are happy in our ministry with these good people.—C. Freeman Heath, Pastor.

A story in dentistry: Because roads leading to Henderson Settlement, Frakes, Kentucky, were too impassable for the state dental trailer to be brought there, Dr. Ballau, dentist in charge, detached his equipment and established a health clinic in a room under the postoffice, reports Rev. Hiram Frakes, superintendent of the Kentucky Mountain Missions. Here he remained for a week, during which time many school children and adults visited a dentist for the first time in their lives. Many people forty or fifty years of age had never before seen a dentist or had teeth extracted by one. The dentist visited all the class rooms, and addressed chapel. During the week he pulled 56 teeth, filled 175 cavities, and did much prophylactic work. It is hoped that in another year provision can be made to bring the trailer to the settlement and that the dentist can remain for a longer period to minister to the dental needs of the people.

Just a word to tell that the Rev. R. G. L. Edwards and family are happy at Fuquay. Kindness seems to have been the watchword for us each day since getting here. I have never been received more cordially than here in all my years in the ministry. Invitations to meals have been almost daily since the first night here, November 21. Fuquay people seem never to tire in bringing good things to the parsonage for the preacher and his family. I have heard about walking out to your car after service and finding it loaded with good things, but it is now an experience of mine. The other Sunday at Cokesbury church I found so many things in the car after service that I had to do a lot of rearranging before I could get in. Things like hams, chicken, sausage, sugar, coffee, backbone, butter, potatoes, canned fruits and vegetables, cereals and peanuts. Then a day or so later at Kipling I found canned pears, peaches, pecans, jelly, potatoes, a large sack of flour, fresh sausage, coffee, sugar and buttermilk. Besides this the fruit cakes have been mighty good sent in at other times. Then to top it all, the stewards met and raised the salary $250 for the year. Yes, the Edwards' are happy at Fuquay.—R. G. L. Edwards.

The session of the annual conference recently closed marked the end of our five-year pastorate of Main Street church at Albemarle. We have greatly enjoyed serving these good people, and at this writing we desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson for a nice suit of clothes and a coat for my mother. At a farewell gathering at the church on Monday night following conference each of us was given a beautiful traveling bag, for which we express our thanks. We have been well received by all the churches of the Granite Quarry circuit. We found the work of all the churches well organized, having been left in good condition by the former pastor, Brother Honeycutt. Large crowds have been in attendance at all our services. We moved into the parsonage at Granite Quarry on Thursday after conference. The ladies of the church had prepared a good dinner and made us feel at home from the beginning. A new stone church has just been completed at a cost of $20,000. The parsonage is a nice 11-room structure. We wish to thank Mr. R. M. Brown for the donation of a ton of coal. At Bethel the work is going well. A building fund is being raised for a new hut on the church ground. The people here gave us a very fine pounding. Mount Tabor has a building fund on hand with which to build a new church, and we are expecting a good year here. Providence has well on the way to completion a church which will cost when finished around $10,000, but which will represent a much greater actual value. Our first quarterly conference was a very harmonious one and gave promise of a successful year on the circuit this year. The quarterly conference generously voted an increase of $100 per year in the pastor's salary.—C. G. Isley.

In answer to inquiries about Judith Ann: On Monday of this week the doctors of Duke orthopedic department put her in the fourth cast. She is quite active and continues her school work. We appreciate the kindness of friends. Eighteen silver dollars given in the Fairview church school to 18 persons with perfect attendance in church school this past year. An interesting Christmas on Burlington circuit. Shiloh gave the pastor a modern suit of clothes. Poundings and other thoughtful expressions were the order of the day. Expecting a successful year in 1941.—M. C. Ellerbe.

In a wedding characterized with dignity and simplicity Miss Florence Cooke became the bride of Tom Houts, Jr., Christmas afternoon at 5 o'clock at Central Methodist church, Asheboro. Rev. R. T. Houts, father of the groom, officiated, using the ring ceremony. He was assisted by Rev. J. W. Braxton, pastor of Central Methodist church. Mrs. Houts is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooke of St. Mary's W. Va. For the past several years she has been employed in Asheboro in the office of Old Dominion Box Co. The groom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Houts of Leaksville-Spray. He is the director of young people's work and choir leader of Central Methodist church, where he has been located a year and a half. He received his musical training from Salem College at Winston-Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Houts will make their home at 401 Wainman avenue.

Back to the Garland charge for the third year, we find a warm reception and a spirit of working together manifest which we appreciate much. Plans are under way to erect a church this year at Ingold. We only have a small group of people there, but quality and Christian spirit make them great. We believe with a little help from the Duke Endowment this job can and will be done, although the cost of building has advanced much in the last few months. This people have not forgotten how to make their pastor and family feel that they are mindful of them. Antioch church in Bladen county was first to fill our car with everything good to eat. We appreciate this very much, dear people, and we know too that you appreciate the things we have endeavored to do for you. On the night before Christmas the other churches descended upon us, and my, what a pounding we got. Whether these may be thought of in line of duty, in love for pastor and family, or in esteem for the ministry and the church, we can only say through the church paper, thank you all, and pray that we may be able to give ourselves more freely to you all in service through this year. We take this opportunity to thank the woman's class of Garland Sunday school for the fine turkey presented to the parsonage family for Christmas. We invite the editor to come to see us some time this year and speak to our people as a charge in the interest of the church paper. —O. C. Melton.

HEART ATTACK FATAL TO REV. N. M. MODLIN

Thursday morning, December 26, Rev. Nathan McCoy Modlin was found dead in bed at his home in Lincolnton, N. C. A heart attack during the night is given as the cause of his death. He was 77 years old and retired from the active ministry 17 years ago and had lived during these years in Lincolnton.

He was born January 5, 1863. He was twice married and is survived by his second wife and the following children: Miss Bertha Modlin, B. M. Modlin, M. E. Modlin, V. L. Modlin, and Miss Pallye Modlin, all of Lincolnton.

During his career as a minister Mr. Modlin served the following churches: Lincoln circuit, South Fork, Morganton, Denver, Denton, Cliffside, and Lowell.

The funeral services were conducted Friday, December 27.

An appropriate sketch of the life of this itinerant Methodist preacher will be provided by his district superintendent or some one appointed by him.

GREENSBORO YOUNG PEOPLE TO SPONSOR EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

On Monday night, January 6, at 7:30 o'clock in West Market Street Methodist church, Methodist young people of Greensboro and vicinity will register for courses to be presented in an Epworth training conference. This conference will be sponsored by the Greensboro City Union and will continue through four sessions, beginning Monday night, January 6, and ending Thursday night, January 9. Each session will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. and end at 10 p. m., and will include a worship program, two class periods, intermission and recreation. Certificates will be awarded on Thursday night and a candlelight consecration service will conclude the conference.

Three courses will be presented: "A Methodist and His Church," to be taught by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Centenary Methodist church; "Worship in the Young People's Division," to be taught by Mrs. John Austin, Jr., of High Point; and "Friendship and Marriage," with Rev. Rollin P. Gibbs, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant circuit, as instructor.

An enrollment of 150 young people is expected, and as enrollment in each course will be limited to 50, the young people are urged to register early to be sure of getting the course they want.

Rev. R. M. Laughlin, Dean.

1941—Greetings!

IN deep appreciation for the hundreds of cards received at our home during the Christmas season, we send forth this New Year's Greeting to all our friends throughout the Charlotte Area.

The old year is now history. We are grateful that it brought more joys than sorrows, more victories than defeats. Our hearts rejoice in the real progress made by our beloved Methodism in all parts of the earth. The New Year opens before us its portals as our world is under a great shadow. This is an urgent challenge to us not simply to make history, but to proclaim His Story!

Our prayers will daily ascend to the Father for all of you, "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God." (Ephesians 3:17-19).

Charlotte,
New Year's Day,
Nineteen Forty-One.

Clare and Ida Purcell.

"Always Something Sings"

By A. C. GIBBS

Those words, if I mistake not, were not penned by the self-complacent young minister of the Second church in Boston; for it occurs to me that the Emerson of glib philosophy and easy ways had long since changed "to a face in the fire." In the glow of the coals he had lost his beautiful but delicate wife and had marched to the strains of his marvelous "Threnody" on the death of his first-born boy. The granite of his soul had taken sharper outline like the cone of a volcano; but his presence was still kindly, his look angelic, and his voice musical. The philosophy he had now beaten out on the anvil of experience could sing—always sing.

If the Sage of Concord be right in this faith, life's festering wounds are the bed of new and living tissue. Even death itself "is swallowed up in victory." In the natural order death is the field, the soil that produces life. Death's negative. demands life's positive. Were there no death there could not be life. (I know that in trying to express this truth I am baring my breast to the charge of heterodoxy; but if there be heresy it is not to be found in the truth itself but in the expression). Paul was feeling after this thought when he declared with great boldness: "Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural."

Some modern scientists seem to tell us that all the life we know came from the infected womb of a world in travail with death. That view, however ingenious, does not profess to reach or explain the source of life; it is fairly content with a description of the course. In this it has some claim to reasonable attention. Aristotle would have been correct had he taught that fleas spring through rather than from putrid matter. Of course, so far as our knowledge goes, life rises always and only from preceding life. But that preceding life is shrouded in mist. The one indisputable teaching of history seems to be that life is on a victory march; that in spite of everything, or maybe because of everything it always sings of an "inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away."

But there are those in this fateful hour who feel and claim that the psalm of life is now forever muted on the lips of a moribund world. Life for them has become a trap of death, and war the engine of destruction that shall use the explosive passions of men till the last vestige of value shall have perished from the earth. As my father used to say with doubtful meaning, "Maybe so!" For the moment, in the whirr of motor and boom of cannon, our hearing isn't the best. Let's hold our position of faith in God a little longer, and the song will reach us.

Like our President, "I hate war!" I love the grandiose phrase, "Keep America out of war." But as I hug it to my heart, I feel a bit sheepish and silly. America has been, we all know, in the war since its incipiency. It couldn't stay out unless it were a separate creation. America, then ,is in it up to the chin. It has to be; for it is a part of the world organism. This realization was forced anew upon me when my only son volunteered for service in the army of his country. He knows we are in it. So do I.

So my concern is about what America will be when she comes through the war. Will there be something in her that can sing? There's a song in the soul. For America to lose her soul would be the real tragedy. The eternal question will not be whether she won or lost but how she played the game. America has her Charles Lindbergh, while England has her Captain Fogarty Fagen. Lovely Anne Lindbergh's recent tiny book called "The Waves of the Future, a Confession of Faith" has such a misty setting, despite her triumphant faith, one cannot follow her with the assurance one covets. There remains the speculative question: How many Charles Lindberghs would the world give for one Capt. Fogarty Fagen? Gerald W. Johnson in an article, "A Tribute to Courage," has this to say concerning the Master of the Jervis Bay: "To withhold praise from the valiant man-at-arms because statesmen are worthy of censure is as stupidly unjust a policy as the worst statesman ever pursued. We may lament sincerely the cause of this man's death, without abating at all our admiration for the way he met it. For can man die better? The question has never been answered yet. Pacifism, economic determinism, materialism and idealism are curious companions in their common repudiation of war and their common verdict that it accomplishes nothing. But it does accomplish something. Occasionally it brings a Captain Fagen to the attention of mankind; and when that happens, mankind thinks better of itself, takes heart, regains its faith in the essential greatness of the race. Some there are no doubt, who will weep for his death, but not with hopeless bitterness, and not for long, because he has left them a heritage that must assuage grief."

If divine strategy, and not cowardice, keeps America from sending her boys to Europe or China, all is yet well. God knows there should not be needless slaughter on any front. If we can best serve by keeping our soldiers at home and sending needed supplies, if and as long as that is true, all is well. But if such a course is in reality a strategy which is nothing less than a subterfuge of cowardice, then we lose whatever the issue at stake. John Wesley repeatedly warned his helpers against softness. In his eye softness was a precursor of rottenness.

It is spectacular to stand up and sing with political gusto "God bless America"! But there are sober spirits, one may hope, behind the curtain of our national existence who are praying that America may be worthy of true blessing. These true patriots would say to their country what Paul said to Timothy: "Keep that fine thing alive in your soul."

> "'Tis not in the high stars alone,
> Nor in the cup of budding flowers,
> Nor in the redbreast's mellow tone,
> Nor in the bow that smiles in showers,
> But in the mud and scum of things
> There always, always something sings."

Perhaps if we knew more about the nature of God, and also about that of man (who, we must remember, was made to some extent in the image of God, and this perhaps with a view to the Incarnation), we should see that it was just as natural for God to become man, as it was for God to create man.—W. H. Turton.

SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION PLANNED FOR W. N. C. CONFERENCE

At the call of Bishop Clare Purcell, a joint meeting of the committees of the Western North Carolina Conference Boards of Missions and Lay Activities and of the Conference Commission on Evangelism met in First church, Charlotte, on December 19 at 3 p. m. Bishop Purcell presided, and others present were G. E. Bagwell, G. T. Bond, Paul Ervin, E. K. McLarty, H. P. Powell, W. H. West, and H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. After the group had been led in prayer by Dr. E. K. McLarty, Bishop Purcell outlined suggestions for a series of three sectional meetings designed to mobilize the spiritual forces of the church for the achievement of the conference objectives of the year. The bishop suggested that meetings already scheduled through the co-operation of the Board of Missions and the Board of Lay Activities should be enlarged in scope and appeal to include an emphasis upon evangelism and inspiration for promoting the total conference program, including the activities of the Woman's Society of Christian service and of the youth of the church.

Three Great Rallies

Bishop Purcell's suggestions were unanimously approved, and it was agreed that the preachers and laymen of the conference be called together in three great meetings to be held at Central, Asheville, on March 11; at Centenary, Winston-Salem, March 12; and First church, Charlotte, on March 13.

The Commission on Evangelism was charged with arranging a spiritual life hour for the morning session at each meeting, and the bishop was asked to secure one of the outstanding preachers of America to bring an evangelistic message each day. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will be present for a part of the three-day program.

For the laymen's conferences at 3 p. m. and the laymen's banquets at 6 p. m. in each of the three cities, Mr. Edgar T. Welch of Westfield, N. Y., president of General Board of Lay Activities, has agreed to come and speak.

It was suggested that the youth organizations of the conference may arrange banquets for young people.

At the evening hour great mass meetings will be privileged to hear Dr. John R. Mott speak on the world situation.

Spiritual Mobilization Week

It was agreed that Bishop Purcell be requested to issue a call to the conference to set apart March 11-16 as "Spiritual Mobilization Week." All the district and local organizations of the church, including especially the Woman's Society of Christian Service and youth organizations, are to be asked to take part in encouraging attendance at the three conference-wide rallies, and in observing Sunday, March 16, as Spiritual Mobilization Day in each local church.

Promotion in Each District

The joint committee agreed that the district superintendent, the district lay leader, the district missionary secretary, and a representative of the Commission on Evangelism in each district should serve as a district committee to promote the observance of Spiritual Mobilization Week and attendance at the three conference-wide meetings. These committees are as follows:

Asheville district: M. T. Smathers, F. O. Dryman, H. A. Dunham, and W. A. Lambeth.

Charlotte district: J. W. Fitzgerald, H. P. Powell, Guy O. Bagwell, and G. Ray Jordan.

Elkin district: A. C. Gibbs, H. F. Duncan, D. B. Mullis, and W. H. Worth.

Gastonia district; E. M. Jones, R. C. Goforth, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., and F. C. Todd.

Greensboro district: L. B. Hayes, R. G. Tuttle, J. Elwood Carroll, and L. L. Gobbel.

High Point district: S. W. Taylor, J. L. Roberts, J. W. Braxton, and W. B. McEwen.

Marion district: J. C. Cornett, F. C. Smathers, Fletcher Nelson, and F. C. McKinzie.

Salisbury district: C. N. Clark, C. C. Herbert, Jr., E. K. McLarty, and O. A. Swearingen.

Statesville district: J. S. Hiatt, J. G. Winkler, J. W. Moore, and R. C. Bunch.

Waynesville district: W. L. Hutchins, R. C. Goforth, C. B. Newton, and J. Robert Long.

Winston-Salem district: C. C. Weaver, E. K. McLarty, Jr., F. E. Howard, Paul F. Evans, and W. A. Stanbury.

Publicity

A committee on publicity was constituted as follows: McM. S. Richey and John E. Jones for the Asheville meeting; H. G. Hardin and Fred Stockton for the Winston-Salem meeting; and H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., and G. E. Bagwell for the Charlotte meeting. In addition Bishop Purcell was requested to write each pastor in the conference concerning plans for the week.

Division of Conference Territory

It was agreed that pastors and laymen of the Asheville, Marion, and Waynesville districts should be asked to attend the meeting in Central church, Asheville. Those in the Elkin, Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem districts are to be asked to attend the meeting in Centenary church, Winston-Salem. First church, Charlotte, will be the place of meeting for those in the Charlotte, Gastonia, Salisbury, and Statesville districts.

The Laymen's Banquets

The host district superintendents will, in each case, be responsible in co-operation with local leaders for arranging the program and appointing local committees to handle finances for the laymen's banquet. It was agreed that tickets to be sold at fifty cents should be printed and distributed to the district superintendents on January 8 in order that attendance at the banquet in each city might be estimated three or four days in advance.

H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., Secretary.

HATLEY-MOORE

Of interest to their many friends is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Evelyn Juanita Hatley of Albemarle to James William Moore of Badin. The wedding took place November 22 at 2:30 o'clock in the new home of the bride and bridegroom on Sunset avenue with Rev. C. G. Isley, former pastor of the bride, officiating.

Mrs. Moore is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hatley of Albemarle. She received her education at the Albemarle high school and at Pfeiffer Junior College at Misenheimer. Mr. Moore is the son of Mrs. Myra Bell Moore of the Albemarle-Badin road. He received his education at the Badin high school. For the past several years he has been employed in the Rotary station on the Badin aluminum plant.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Moore are active workers in the Main Street Methodist church. We wish for them a long and happy married life. C. G. Isley.

The Invader and the Guest

By WINSHIP STOREY

Emerson once wrote a fine thing about Britain: "I see her not dispirited ,not weak, but well remembering that she has seen dark days before—indeed with a kind of instinct that she sees a little better in a cloudy day, and that in storm and battle and calamity she has a secret vigor and a pulse like cannon. I see her in her old age, not decrepit, but young, and still daring to believe in her power of endurance and expansion. Seeing this, I say, All Hail! Mother of Nations, Mother of Heroes, with strength still equal to the time."

There is something very fine in that: something very resolute and unyielding in the instinct that you can see a little better in a cloudy day. For it goes without saying that Emerson is speaking not of keener sight but of keener insight—a very different thing.

Things continue to go from bad to worse with us as week after week goes by. A lot of people are feeling that the Almighty is a long time in doing anything. On the basis of man's extremity being God's opportunity they are thinking it is about time he took a hand in things. We tell ourselves to wait patiently for Him; that the mills of God grind slowly; that a thousand years are in his sight but as a day—and so on. But all the time we are wishing He would show some sign of being, at any rate, a bit interested in what is happening to us as we struggle to preserve the decencies and liberties of human life.

That is one indication that we need insight rather than sight at the present time. There is all the difference in the world between an observer and a seer. It is the seer who sees better on a cloudy day. He it is of whom Faber sings:

> "Thrice blest is he to whom is given
> The instinct that can tell
> That God is on the field when He
> Is most invisible."

Now how is that sort of thing done? How can you continue to be sure of God even when he seems to take no notice of what is going on? The simplest way is never to get far away from him. I sometimes see a picture of myself when I watch a terrier dog out for a walk with his master. He rushes here, he rushes there; he explores this, he noses into that; he races forward, he comes hurrying back; he covers probably twenty times the distance that his master covers as he walks purposefully forward to his goal—and the busy little dog arrives no sooner. So, I sometimes think, I rush here and there, forgetting that not all movement is progress, and sometimes when I come back to God after impatient excursions on my own account I am surprised to find how far he has traveled in the meantime, since I left his side.

Queen Margaret of Navarre had as her emblem a sunflower with the motto, "Not having followed meaner things." There is something in that we should do well to ponder on these clouded days. The sunflower turns with the sun—always facing it—and will not be deflected by any lesser light. If we would maintain that instinct to recognize that God is on the field when he is most invisible we too must follow no meaner things. Failing this, we may find that, far from God lagging behind and doing nothing, it is we who are not keeping pace with him.

It is an easy matter in these days to lower your motives without realizing you have done so. Last September we entered this business with sad hearts but with a very exalted sense of duty to our fellows. It was significant that there was no great amount of flag-wagging and boastful talk, such as is usual at the outbreak of a war. Nobody seemed to feel that way. A great wrong had been done to people whose chief crime was that they were weak, and to defend such seemed the right thing to do, however deplorable the only method of doing it. Now we have our backs to the wall and it is dreadfully easy to let bitter resentment obscure for us the lofty purpose of our striving. One injury after another—one setback after another—one reverse after another—one disaster after another becomes superimposed upon the original background of high adventure, and we have great need of insight to keep us sure of God and near enough to him to keep clear our high purpose.

To realize how subtle this is, just reflect on the different ideas conjured up in your mind by the two words Crusade and Vendetta. The first word springs from the Latin root "Crux," a cross; the second from the Latin "Vindicta," revenge. The two are poles apart. You can only sink to the latter when you have forgotten all about the former. But you can only remember the former by keeping close to him whose sign it is. There are few more tragic spectacles than that of the man who, after setting out upon a campaign against evil and finding his inspiration in the spirit of sacrifice which urges him on, has to take some hard knocks and finds himself later in the struggle carrying on with no higher motive than to wipe out old scores.

That brings us at long last to what this article is really about: The Invader and the Guest. Now that we are faced with invasion as a very real and practical danger, we are making great efforts to repel any attack. But the probable invasion of our country is but an example, on a big scale, of ceaseless attack of evil. Evil is always an Invader, whether it be into your country or into your soul. It has no right there, however strongly it may contest for an entrance. Rather does it usurp the rights of those native to the soil, riding roughshod over ancient liberty and natural privilege.

Have you ever thought that way about your soul? Evil has no right in it, however difficult to dislodge we may find it to be. Only God, surveying the spirit of man, has the right to say: "This is my land, my native land."

And yet he chooses to come to the hearts of men as a Guest—not even demanding entrance, but seeking it, though it is his home and he comes unto his own. He needs an atmosphere of congenial welcome if he is to remain at all—but he needs nothing more to remain an inspiring and reassuring presence, no matter how the battle goes without, for us or against us.

Here is the strange thing about this spiritual warfare —and, after all, let us never forget that, however the battle may rage over one country after another, the real warfare is in the hearts of men; is, indeed, a thing of the

spirit—here, I say, is the strange thing about it: the invader, with all his fury and his swashbuckling, cannot drive out the Guest so long as we maintain the atmosphere in which he feels at home. And so long as the Guest remains, the enemy cannot enter; for there is not room for both.—Methodist Recorder (London).

DESPITE BOMBINGS, BRITISH PLAN TO OBSERVE DAY

Few of those who are close observers of the international scene could blame Prime Minister Churchill for refusing the Pope's proposals for a Christmas truce. Yet, the British at home and at the front (so far as there is a front in these days) will remember the significance of the day and pray that peace will come before another Christmas. Perhaps the words of Henry Jesson, at present a soldier in the British Army and the author of And Beacons Burn Again, sums up the matter fairly well. He wrote this a year ago: "I walked down the steep Winchester High Street at four o'clock before the sky had grown dark. The shops showed their usual blaze of light, great bunches of holly hung outside of one. Outside of another shop was a pole trimmed with holly, from which hung fat turkeys. The pavement overflowed with people, their faces glowing from the cold and all about me was the sound of many voices and laughter, but before I had left High Street and turned toward my mother's house, the dark had come. One by one the lighted shops grew black and the only light left was a dimmed light from a few cars and then I heard the clash of many soldiers marching. The glowing faces of the Christmas shoppers could no longer be seen, and gradually the darkness crept into the hearts of everyone. A black-out was upon us. But I still have a happy feeling from my walk in the country. I believe still in the possibility of a peace, and if we give up believing in that possibility, then it may not really come for years."

ARMY CHIEF PLEADS FOR HELP TO PROTECT RECRUITS

General George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States Army, warns the country that vicious interest are already at work to debauch the young men who have been conscripted. In a nation-wide radio address the head of the army pleaded for help from local communities to protect the recruits from the moral pitfalls which are being dug to trap them. General Marshall's charges were twofold. In the first place, he declared, all sorts of racketeering in room rents and similar matters are flourishing in the towns near the new army camps. But in the second place, these camps are being surrounded with dives which threaten to undermine the health and destroy the morale of the young men who have been drafted or have been taken from civilian life for national guard service. "Human nature being what it is," says General Marshall, "establishments for selling liquor are becoming increasingly active in the communities adjacent to the camps, and in some communities there has been an influx of persons of questionable reputation. The situation must be brought under control before it grows more serious." Because the army cannot control the land outside the camp confines, the general is forced to direct his appeal for help to the decent forces in the towns near army reservations. Every church in such a community should recognize this as an immediate responsibility. Certainly national organizations, such as the W. C. T. U. and the Methodist Church, have already adopted resolutions pointing out the need for protective action. But this is a situation in which more than resolutions is needed. No church near an army camp is fulfilling its obligations to the youth of America if it permits vice to flourish unchecked in its community.—The Christian Century.

THE PASSING OF THE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

The Christian Advocate is one of the major casualties of Methodist union. For almost a hundred years it has been the voice of the Methodist Church in the South. With this issue it ceases to be as a separate organ.

The passing of this great voice of the Church merits more than a casual notice. The Advocate has been a powerful stimulus to the moral and religious life of its constituency. Its ten editors have included some of the strongest leaders of the denomination. From the ranks of editors and assistant editors the Church has chosen five bishops—McTyeire, Fitzgerald, Hoss, Candler, and J. M. Moore. Vanderbilt University, in addition to having one of the editors as founder of the university, has taken two deans for its School of Religion—Summers and Winton. The Book Committee has chosen two editors—McFerrrin and Smith—as Publishing Agents.

In a glance through the long line of volumes which are the record of the Advocate, one notes the numerous sizes it has had. It frequently has changed its size and heading. At times it was a full-sized newspaper with many columns and small type. As the paper grew smaller, the type grew larger, until in 1933 it took its present magazine size and type.

A cursory exploration through the years as recorded in the volumes of the Advocate emphasizes the courageous attitudes which this voice of the Church has sounded forth on issues before the country. While its first concern has been the regeneration of the individual, the Advocate has staunchily emphasized the need for social and economic reforms of the country. The liquor issue is an instance of this. The Advocate led the long fight for the abolition of intoxicants. Incidentally, it was largely the church press which brought about the constitutional amendment; also it was the failure of the church press to continue its campaign for the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment that finally led to the repeal of the law. Other reforms can be secured by this same unity of purpose in the press.

Not always has the Church agreed on important issues within its own ranks. When these divisions have appeared, the Advocate has tried to give equal space to the arguments on both sides, leaving the constituency to make its own decision. Editorially, however, the Advocate has lived up to its name and has consistently voiced the convictions of its editors. But on matters of church polity the pages of the Advocate have been an open forum.

The passing of the Advocate leaves a vacant place in the ranks of defenders of the good life. The Church in the South, especially, will feel its loss. Our expectation is that the new Christian Advocate with which our periodical is now merged will carry on as valiantly for moral and social righteousness as has the Christian Advocate which now ends its long period of service to Christianity.

E. J. R.

A CONSPICUOUS FIGURE OF A FORMER GENERATION GONE FROM US

The death of Dr. John Thomas Gibbs, 92, Saturday, December 29, 1940, took from us a man who came to manhood during the Civil War period. He joined the North Carolina conference in the days of Reconstruction and ended his active labors following the World War. When he began his active ministerial labors much we know now and many of our leading institutions in North Carolina were not built, notably the Woman's College of the State University at Greensboro, State College at Raleigh, and Trinity College at Durham. The North Carolina Christian Advocate has become the property of the Methodists of the state rather than being a privately owned paper. This son of Warren county spent the whole of his long life as a minister in his native state.

For 66 years Dr. J. T. Gibbs was a member of his conference—49 in the active and 17 years in the retired relation. Of his active ministry 19 years were spent in the pastorate; 30 years as a presiding elder. After his retirement he made Warrenton his home, though he died at the home of his son in Pelham.

In any estimate of this itinerant Methodist preacher his thirty years on districts must be magnified. We never knew a man more devoted to the work of the presiding eldership than was J. T. Gibbs. He looked after all interests of the church and talked of every detail of his work on his district. Few preachers so long on districts—in the same line of routine of work—would have continued to study. Dr. Gibbs, to his credit, made new sermons up to the end. He did not rely on the same old sermons repeated through the decades to rattle on from place to place. Though a man of intelligence, Dr. Gibbs talked little about historic events and the social movements of the day. His conversation gathered about his daily doings on the district and his own experiences with the bishops of the church whom he held in high esteem.

Though young Gibbs came to his maturity during the Civil War and Reconstruction days, we in all our associations with him, never heard him discuss the happenings of those days. His interests centered about his own work and his conversation gathered about the events in which he had a part. But we leave it for others to tell of the labors of this devoted Methodist preacher and to estimate his place in the Methodist Church.

Dr. J. T. Gibbs died at the home of his son, John C. Gibbs, at Pelham, N. C. The services were conducted from the Hay Street Methodist church, which he twice served as pastor. Rev. R. E. Brown, the present pastor, officiated. Burial was in Cross Creek cemetery in Fayetteville.

Dr. Gibbs' second wife was Miss Mamie Overbaugh of Fayetteville, who preceded him to the grave some years ago. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. May Adams of Sanford, and Mrs. Virginia Pearsall of Warrenton; and four sons, J. C. Gibbs of Pelham, Dr. Wallace G. Gibbs of Charlotte, Richard R. Gibbs and Frank Gibbs of Warrenton.

PERSON STREET CHURCH, RALEIGH

We are getting acquainted with our new field of work, and have been graciously received by our people of Person Street Methodist church. Our address is 506 Sasser Street, Raleigh.

We are holding our services in Murphy School. Our congregations are good. Our people are enthusiastic over the prospects of a new church in the near future. We have a splendid group of young people who are enthusiastic and have a vision of future service. With the leadership from both Epworth and Central churches we have strength to do anything to which we set our hands.

We have sold Epworth church and are working out our plans to sell the Central property, complete our plans and get ready to start building our new church in early spring.

The people here know the address of the preacher. We were just getting things adjusted in the parsonage when about 50 of our members came storming up on the front porch with their arms full of almost everything that one can find in an up-to-date grocery store. When they had come in and we had made friends with them, and had started to the dining room, we found the door barred. Another force had made an attack from the rear. When we were finally allowed to enter the dining room we found the table set with beautiful covers and supplied with fruit cakes, wafers, fruit, mints, coffee and tea. After spending a couple of hours together the visitors left us with a man-sized grocery store and many expressions of appreciation, which made us feel that we are in the midst of real friends who are going to make our pastorate here one of joy and real service in the work of our Lord. We want the Plylers to remember that our home is always open to them.

The Sharpes.

A MOST UNUSUAL FUNERAL AT RAEFORD

On Sunday afternoon, December 15, 1940, was held the funeral service of Mrs. L. A. Lentz, 81, from the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Thomas. The beautiful afternoon and the large company assembled to pay a last tribute to this noble spirit, along with the gathering of all of her ten children and most of her 32 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, made this a most unusual funeral occasion. Rarely does one see such a large and representative family gathered from such a wide circle. It was an hour of victory for a favored family with a mother so loved and esteemed by all.

Mrs. Lentz was the former Miss Eugenia Shankle, daughter of the late Eli Shankle of Stanly county. After the death of her husband, L. A. Lentz of Robeson county in 1932, she moved to Durham and had lived with her son.

Surviving are three sons, Jule C. Lentz, district manager of the Aetna Life Insurance Company of Durham, DeVere C. Lentz of Asheville, and Luther A. Lentz, Jr., of Raleigh; seven daughters, Mrs. J. C. Thomas, Mrs. John K. McNeil of Raeford; Mrs. J. W. Bradley of Princeton, Mrs. B. W. Lanier of Norwood, Mrs. John E. Blalock of Red Springs, Mrs. C. S. Bennett of High Point, and Mrs. Leslie L. Bennett of Fayetteville; 32 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of Duke Memorial Methodist church of Durham, of which Mrs. Lentz was a member, Rev. E. C. Crawford of the Raeford Methodist church, and Rev. M. T. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, conducted the funeral service. Burial was in the family plot of the Raeford cemetery. Rarely does one see such a gathering of friends and relatives and so beautiful a display of flowers as on this occasion when the unity and continuity of a family for three generations were so much in evidence.

BISHOP PURCELL TO VISIT FAYETTEVILLE

The Fayetteville district missionary institute is to be held at Fayetteville from 10 to 1 Tuesday, January 7, with Dr. J. H. Barnhardt of Rockingham leading the devotions at 10 o'clock and making the opening address.

Bishop Clare Purcell is to come to Fayetteville Sunday afternoon, preach at Hay Street Sunday evening, visit Fort Bragg and other nearby sections Monday, be present for the institute Tuesday and make the closing address at noon.

W. V. McRae, D. S.

FLORIDA CAMP MEETING

Forty beautiful acres on Isis Lake near Sebring, Florida, have been secured for an annual winter camp meeting. The first camp meeting is scheduled for January 25 to February 2, 1941. Workers, Revs. H. C. Morrison, J. A. Taylor, Jim Green and others.

Address Rev. J. A. Taylor, Sebring, Fla., or Jim H. Green, Route 3, Greensboro, N. C.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Elizabeth City district missionary institute will be held in Hertford Tuesday, January 7. The meeting will begin promptly at 10 o'clock and will adjourn with lunch at 1 o'clock. A splendid program has been arranged for the occasion. Several phases of the World Service program of the Methodist Church will be discussed. All pastors and lay people are urged to attend. John R. Poe, Secretary.

REPEAL: HOW? SOME RESULTS

By James H. Bunch

Repeal was urged by its supporters as a remedy for all the ills confronting the people of the United States since the World War. The "wets" in order to secure repeal promised the people that the saloon would never return; that liquor was to be taken out of politics; that bootlegging would be reduced; that temperance would be promoted; and new revenue would roll into state and federal treasuries in vast sums. These promises, like Hitler's promises, have not been kept. The "wets," by false propaganda which covered the nation like a blanket for more than seven years without ceasing, left nothing undone to persuade the people to believe that repeal would do away with corrupt politicians, bootleggers and drunkenness, and that the old saloon would be gone forever.

Not any of the promises of the "wets" have proven to be true. The old saloon has returned. The modern "jook joint," which has been described by the Supreme Court of Florida as "Hell's Half Acre," road houses, night clubs, and other drinking places are more numerous and more degrading than the old saloons. The modern drinking places are given new names and dressed up to pretend respectability, but a rattlesnake with penciled eyebrows, a pink ribbon around its neck and a blue ribbon around its tail is still a rattlesnake. The modern saloon, although dressed up and given a new name, is still "Hell's Half Acre." Repeal has increased these dens of vice.

Repeal has given the United States more than 437,000 retail outlets and a drink bill in 1939 of more than $3,900,000,000. Drunkenness, crime and highway accidents caused by drinking drivers have increased to alarming proportions since repeal. Repeal, secured by false promises and false propaganda, has deeply entrenched the liquor traffic behind constitutional and statutory provisions and millions of wealth and has given the liquor interests the control in a large measure of city, state, and national governments. Repeal is worse than war. It is enemy Number One in the United Stattes.

LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET

The Rocky Mount District League of Stewards met in First church, Rocky Mount, Sunday afternoon, December 29, at 2:30, with an exceptionally fine attendance of both laymen and preachers.

There was only one thing to mar the delight of the afternoon, this being the illness of our district lay leader and Christian brother, Mr. W. L. Knight, which prevented him from being with us. This was his first absence from a district meeting in a number of years. It was well said by one of the speakers that no man has made such an imprint upon the life of our district as has Mr. Knight. We always miss him when he is not with us and long for his return. With the facts of such a life as his upon our minds, a life characterized by a high Christian purpose and consecrated leadership, we feel that we must never let up but stand true to our trust always.

We appreciate the very fine progress which was led by our district associate lay leader, Mr. W. J. Smith from Bethel. R. W. Bradshaw spoke on the subject, "The Need for Training Official Boards," giving as his reasons, first, the success of our work depends upon it, our own self-respect demands it, and God demands it. C. S. Bunn, district director of Golden Cross, emphasized the fact that Jesus met human need and so must we. Col. J. F. Bruton urged the workers of the district to show their love for God by making a real sacrifice. He also brought out the danger of neglecting the young people in the matter of giving to the benevolent causes of the church. Dr. W. K. Greene laid emphasis upon making the board of stewards the vital center of the whole church program. To occupy this position it must be well informed, for no one can lead another farther than he has been himself.

The thought behind the whole program was that we must first of all know where we are headed, then we must march forward under the power of God wholly consecrated to the task of building God's kingdom. If the conference laymen's program is to meet with any success in the local church, our laymen must take advantage of such meetings as this one. It is almost impossible to hear men like those who led us and go back to our task without new inspiration and a determination to give ourselves more completely to this, the greatest calling upon the earth.

N. W. Grant, Secretary.

REPORT OF FORMER M. P. WOMAN'S WORK

The women of the former M. P. women's work in North Carolina, Upper South Carolina and part of Virginia, will be interested to know that the last item of concluding that work has been accomplished, and the records are ready to be filed with those of all the other women's organizations which preceded Methodist union.

The $25 sent to Miss Brittingham for the aid of the Missionary Record brought a note of sincere gratitude from her in reply. The $50 sent Mr. Casto at Bethel Home brought along with a letter of thanks the comment, "How fine the good women have been."

Acknowledgment of the check of $100 to Mr. Minnis came in a letter dated September 20, which had been opened by the censor. His reply was written on the day he received my letter containing the check, which was mailed July 23. Mr. Minnis said: "If you have any way to get in touch with the other friends you must tell them that we greatly appreciate this last kind thought. It reminds one of the book, He Loved Them to the End." Mr. Minnis expects to come home in 1941 and J. F., Jr., will enter High Point College next fall. He graduated from high school last year and is now studying at the Bombay University which is operated by the Scotch Presbyterian Mission. J. F., Jr., is the only white boy in the school of 800 students. He lives in the home of a Methodist missionary in Bombay.

In accord with the action of the July 1940 quarterly meeting, when our obligations were all met, the remaining funds were divided between the two larger successor conferences on the basis of apportionments to the auxiliaries within the bounds of those conferences. To the N. C. conference W. S. C. S., Mrs. F. B. McKinne, treasurer, Mrs. Kearns sent $30.69, and to the W. S. C. S., Mrs. P. N. Peacock, treasurer, $64 contingent fund, and $14.76 provisional delegate fund. Both these treasurers have acknowledged the remittances with grateful thanks.

Our auditor's statement says: "This is to certify the accounts of Mrs. Coy L. Kearns, Treasurer of the N. C. Branch of Woman's Work of the M. P. Church, have been verified and found correct." Mrs. R. M. Andrews.

N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD

At the recent session of our annual conference steps were taken to increase the membership of our Conference Brotherhod. During the conference sessions and since then about forty preachers have become members. In order to secure a still larger membership, we have sent out a letter to all the pastors asking those not now members to join and requesting that they present the cause to their churches to secure non-beneficiary memberships from individual laymen, the church as a whole, or some organization in the church. These individuals or organizations would pay one dollar or more each time a preacher dies for the benefit of his widow. Special cards were sent to the pastors for use in getting laymen or organizations to sign with the suggestion that this matter, if practicable, be presented around Christmas.

We now have a membership in the Brotherhood of 196, divided as follows: 114 pastors, 20 connectional preachers, 32 superannuates, and 30 non-beneficiary memberships (laymen, churches, and woman's societies). The beneficiary memberships are divided in the districts as follows: Durham 32, Elizabeth City 19, Fayetteville 23, New Bern 19, Raleigh 26, Rocky Mount 23, and Wilmington 24.

The following preachers were asked by the Brotherhood at its annual session in Wilmington to serve in their respective districts to solicit new members: M. C. Ellerbe and L. L. Parrish, Durham; B. T. Hurley and H. F. Surratt, Elizabeth City; J. H. Lanning and A. J. Groves, Fayetteville; R. G. Dawson, New Bern; S. E. Mercer, Raleigh; W. L. Maness, Rocky Mount; and F. B. Joyner, Wilmington.

What a splendid thing it would be if each of the 732 churches in the conference would take at least one membership. If this were so, the benefit, which is now about $375, could be raised to $1000 or more. This amount would come in good for our preachers' widows in time of real need. It would not cost any individual or church more than one dollar each time a minister dies. For the past ten years we have had an average death rate of about five, which means that the average cost per year for non-beneficiary memberships is five dollars. Laymen are asked to confer with their pastors or correspond directly with the treasurer.

R. L. Jerome, Treasurer,
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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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A NEW YEAR PRAYER

I do not ask to see my way
From day today,
Just let me feel thy guiding hand,
O Lord, I pray,
And from my doubting heart
Cast out all fear—
O guide me safely through the maze
Of this New Year.

The past I leave behind, dear Lord,
'Tis in thine hand;
I know that thou dost see it all
And understand.
Though conscious of my sin and guilt
I feel and know
Thy blood can purge and make me clean,
As white as snow.

To him that overcometh, Lord,
There is a crown,
So with thine armor I'll fight on
Though often down.
The greatest triumph, dearest Lord,
I fain would win,
Is just to feel from day today
I've conquered sin.

O let me feel, dear Lord, the debt
I ever owe
To loved ones, friends and foes alike,
And kindness show.
O lead me on through this New Year
In thine own way,
And give me victory over self
From day to day.

Mrs. R. C. Stevens.
Asheville, N. C.

NEWS FROM BIG SPRINGS SOCIETY

From Mrs. Tom Cathart, secretary, comes the following interesting item from Big Spring society on the Charlotte district:

"The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Big Springs Methodist church held its fall mission study class in November at the church. Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district secretary, led the devotional and Miss Lillian Walker of Dilworth Methodist church gave the study, using as her subject "The Migrants and How We Can Help Them." After the study, luncheon was served by the ladies of the church in the dining room and a social hour was enjoyed."

FURNISHINGS FOR THE MARIA GIBSON DORMITORY

A letter has been received from Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, president of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, and member of the committee on furnishings for the Maria Gibson dormitory at Scarritt, which will be completed early in January. This letter brings to the women of our conference a suggestion of the needs of furniture for the new building, and gives each district or society of Christian service the opportunity to honor some outstanding Christian worker—a foreign missionary, deaconess or beloved volunteer in the local ranks—by furnishing one of the rooms in her honor. If this can be done, and the committee hopes it can, a simple but attractive door-plate, bearing the name of the one honored, will give the room special character and significance.

After careful study of the furnishings, the committee finds that the several pieces of furniture, together with inexpensive floor coverings and appropriate window shades can be had for about $125. With the walls and ceilings of the rooms (which are to be unplastered because of lack of funds) finished inexpensively, so as to make the rooms livable for the young women, the cost would be approximately $25 additional, making the total cost $150.

Besides helping to meet the needs existent at this time relative to the furnishings, this plan suggested by the committee gives us an opportunity to honor some one who has meant much to our woman's work and whom it would be a delight to honor. Will our local societies look into this and see if they cannot consider the suggestion given us by the furnishings committee?

Some of our districts are supporting a missionary, and how fine it would be for the members of that district to honor her by furnishing a room for those worthy young women who are going to Scarritt College that they may be prepared for better service for their Master.

Let us of the Western North Carolina conference think of this and see what response we can make to this request from the committee.

PLEDGE SERVICE IN JANUARY

January might well be called Stewardship month in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, for this is pledge month, when each woman is asked to make a personal pledge to the total budget of the woman's society for the year 1941. Pledge cards with accompanying message to each woman by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Division of Christian Service, and a lovely service prepared by Miss Noreen Dunn are available for society use. These cards are free and may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, treasurer Woman's Division of Christian Service, makes the following splendid suggestion:

"The pledge service should be as early in January as possible. I should think most of the societies would have their pledge service in connection with the January program meeting. The worship service, the program in 'Investing Our Heritage,' the pledge card and the pledge service, as arranged by Miss Dunn, will make a beautiful service. However ,there may be some societies that would prefer to make a special feature of the pledge service, and should they so desire the service arranged by Miss Dunn and the pledge cards will make a beautiful service. I am hoping this service will be made as deeply spiritual as possible and that the women will be urged to contribute to the pledge generously to carry on the work that is our responsibility. If we can bring the finances for 1941 up to and above the total income of 1939 for the uniting organizations, it will be one of the greatest victories our church has ever known, and if we all give of our best in service and finance it can be done."

CLEVELAND COUNTY ZONE MEETING

The Cleveland county zone meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held at Sulphur Springs Methodist church Thursday, December 12. Mrs. R. C. Goforth, leader, presided and opened the meeting with the hymn "Jesus Calls Us." Rev. R. M. Hauss, pastor of the Shelby circuit, led the devotionals. Roll call of societies, election of Mrs. Paul Randall as secretary, introduction of pastors and pastors' wives present and other minor items of business were disposed of before the program was taken up.

Mrs. Wilbur Baber, district secretary, introduced Mrs. John Bennett, a native of England, who told us in her own way about her native country during these perilous and trying days in Europe. Mrs. Bennett is a gifted speaker and her message was listened to with deepest interest and everyone felt a greater desire to bring to the world the Gospel message of peace, good will toward men.

Mrs. Baber followed with a talk emphasizing the importance of the January pledge service and stressed other phases of the work.

Mrs. George Hoyle, conference secretary of children's work, who was a delegate to the Jursdictional conference in Richmond, brought a message filled with inspiration, information and interest to everyone present. She gave a most accurate report of the conference and made the women feel proud that they were members of the Society of Christian Service.

Other district officers present were: Mrs. Fields Tony, secretary of supplies; Mrs. Paul Randall, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild.

The second verse of "A Charge to Keep I Have" was used as a benediction. A social hour followed the meeting with the ladies of Sulphur Springs church serving as hostesses.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Never a moment He is not there,
Never a burden He does not bear,
Never a sorrow He does not share,
Moment by moment I'm under His care.
Moment by moment I'm kept by His love,
Moment by moment I've life from above,
Looking to Jesus where glory doth shine,
Moment by moment, O Lord I am thine.

—Florence T. Stevens in Upper Room.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WAY TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To leave the old with a burst of song,
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To forget the thing that binds you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worth while of the days grown old,
To dare to go forth with a purpose true
To the unknown task of the year that's new;
To help your brother along the road
To do his work, to lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and to give a glad new year.
—Author Unknown.

A NEW YEAR WISH

That 1941 will bring to each of you, readers of the N. C. Conference Woman's Page, happiness and peace which can come only through supreme faith in God, trust in his wisdom and service to him in doing "unto the least of these."—M. E. G.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

At the very beginning of the new year perhaps it is well to refresh our minds with the names and addresses of those who are leading our conference in the various departments of work. Conference officers are: President, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount; vice president, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; recording secretary, Mrs. S. S. Holt, Graham; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers; children's work, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City; young women and girls, Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Enfield; student work, Mrs. George Halton, Star; Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. R. C. Gray, Henderson; supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon; literature, Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden; publicity and publications, Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh; secretary Durham district, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glen Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Fayetteville, Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence, Sanford; New Bern, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Raleigh, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Rocky Mount, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Wilmington, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Whiteville.

PLEDGE SERVICE IN JANUARY

A Woman's Society of Christian Service cannot hope to succeed in carrying out the program of Christ for the world if it is not imbued with a spirit of Christian stewardship. January might well be called Stewardship month in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, for this is "pledge month" when each member is asked to make a personal pledge to the total budget of the woman's society for the year 1941. Pledge cards with accompanying message to each woman by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, and a lovely service prepared by Miss Noreen Dunn are available and may be ordered from Literature Headquarters. The pledge service should be as early as possible in January and may be held in connection with the January program meeting or as a separate meeting. Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, makes an earnest plea that this service shall be made as deeply spiritual as possible and that every woman may be urged to pledge generously to carry on the work that is our responsibility in this time of great need in a war torn world. Said she: "If we can bring the finances of 1941 up to and above the total income of 1939 for the uniting organizations, it will be one of the greatest victories our church has ever known, and if we all give of our best in service and finance it can be done."

THE DEACONESS BUREAU

Plans for a Deaconess Bureau in our new Methodism are now being perfected in the various jurisdictions to form a national organization. This bureau will prove a dynamic force in the cause of missions. At the recent meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service Southeastern Jurisdiction, Miss Grace Steiner, executive secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, brought to the attention of the delegates and visitors much light upon the nature and worth of the organization and met with eligible prospective members attending the conference for the purpose of organizing a bureau in this jurisdiction. In an address Miss Steiner stated that the deaconesses who are members of the bureau are those who were under the organizations of the former branches of Methodism, namely, The Woman's Missionary Council, The Woman's Home Missionary Society, etc. This Bureau of Deaconesses will have more than 1000 workers in its membership. The entire membership of the Deaconess Bureau will consist of deaconesses, bishops and conference presidents with a membership fee of $1.00 per year. At the organization meeting in Richmond valuable suggestions as to what the Deaconess Bureau should consider were given. Some of these suggestions have to do with Bethlehem centers, Wesley houses, community work. Said Miss Steiner: "The deaconess work is making it possible for God to bless America. The Deaconess Bureau will strengthen the work and will spread the word of what God has done."

NEWS FROM FUQUAY

On September 10 at Fuquay-Varina Methodist church a number of women met to organize the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Rev. E. C. Durham, pastor, led the devotional. Fifty women marched to the altar and registered as charter members. The roll has since increased to 66. Mrs. R. E. Prince was elected president. The young women are organized as a Wesleyan Service Guild. Before the week of prayer Mrs. Prince sent letters explaining the threefold purpose of this season of prayer. The first two meetings of the society were devoted to the fall study. This was carefully planned and carried out by Mrs. W. H. Proctor and Mrs. Robert Johnson. The other two sessions of the study class were held the following week. At the first service of the week of prayer Mrs. G. K. Middleton of Raleigh gave a talk on "Strengthening Our Prayer Life"; at the second service Mrs. Forrest D. Hedden, Raleigh, talked on Scarritt College, stressing our opportunity to help this unique college. At the third week of prayer service Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville, gave a talk on "What Prayer Hath Wrought." At this service the women laid their sacrificial gifts on the altar, knelt there and joined in singing the Doxology. All these services were well attended. The offering for Scarritt College was $40.—Mrs. P. T. Farabow.

A CHRISTLY MOTIVATION

A young man in a summer camp gave three reasons for his decision to become a missionary. They are ever before him as he is going to a strange land to serve as an interpreter of One who came that we might have "good will toward men." He gave as the first reason his impression that missionary work is criticized most unkindly. Often during the long months of war in the Orient and in Europe we have heard many who are not intelligent in regard to the fine work of missionaries, questioning the value of the church and its efforts to better conditions in areas of need. The indifference on the part of church members who do not participate either by gifts or service in the missionary program of the local church gives further evidence that there is some basis for such a remark. The second motive reflects a popular attitude of earnest Christian youth. He found the church the one outstanding agency continuously working for world peace. We have long recognized missionaries as ambassadors of good will and builders of the spirit which creates a desire to understand and appreciate those who are different in race, religion and everyday life. The third argument of this young man was that he would be giving himself to a difficult task. Even as we read these words we recognize their searching truth.—The Methodist Woman.

If this be all—
And other life awaits us not—for one,
I say 'tis a poor cheat, a stupid bungle,
A wretched failure—I, for one, protest
Against it, and I hurl it back with scorn.
—Browning.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

JOY AND HAPPINESS

Our children had a most happy and joyous Christmas. They freely received and they freely gave. Back in behind the receiving and the giving was a genuine understanding of the true meaning of Christmas. Our children love Jesus. They love to think about his birth, his early childhood and his wonderful teachings. They clearly understand that but for Jesus' spirit in the hearts and minds of people today there would be no happy home, such as ours, for them to live in. So the Christmas events were thoroughly enjoyed and the good spirit still lingers. True, there was the big lighted Christmas tree out on the campus, the smaller lighted trees in every household, the stockings filled with goodies, packages for sponsored children and Santa Claus packages for all children, together with several days of freedom from work with the privilege of visiting with one another and playing throughout the range of the campus. Truly, Christmas is the children's most joyous occasion.

ENCOURAGING TRENDS

Sometimes we think that our burdens are very heavy, that our children are very annoying and that their behavior is very discouraging. But these times are not all times. Our youngsters give a great deal more cause for satisfaction than dissatisfaction. Among other evidences of balanced judgment we noticed that the entire family was anxious to give something to somebody. They were not entirely obsorbed in the expectancy of what they were to receive. Every child here gave something to somebody else. Packages and bundles were sent to all the children they knew about who want to come to the Children's Home to live. Groups were asking for instances of need with whom they might share. A group of seventh grade boys denied themselves a big weiner roast in order that the money that would have been thus expended might go to give Christmas cheer to two boys away across the mountains who can't yet be admitted into the Children's Home. Freely have our children received and gladly have they given.

ON THE MARK

Our family is now lining up for the rest of the winter activities. The elementary school boys and girls took to their books again this morning. The high school boys and girls took to their work tasks. There's a lot of sewing to be done, a lot of corn to be shucked, a lot of post holes to be dug and a lot of cleaning up to be accomplished. Following the let-down of Christmas can well come the intensive basket ball practices. Competitive games are scheduled and anticipation abounds. High school begins next week and after two weeks come the mid-term examainations, the headache of the school body. The family is lined up, on the mark, and ready to go.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

The old ten per cent apportionment bell has done itself proud in the ringing business this fall, meaning, of course, that our good people have honored themselves and helped our family in doing their year's apportionment payments early. Join with us in grateful thanks to the following congregations, who with their pastors in charge,



Our children must live in January as well as in December

have paid their apportionment within the past two weeks and caused the joy bells to ring in these parts:

Rocky Springs, Hiddenite circuit, Rev. Elzie Myers.

Mt. Zion, Norwood circuit, Rev. J. E. Rink.

First church, Elkin, Rev. H. F. Duncan.

Bethany, Liberty circuit, Rev. D. A. Bailey.

Woodleaf, Woodleaf circuit, Rev. G. W. Williams.

Pineville, Pineville circuit, Rev. J. L. Rayle.

Robbinsville, Robbinsville circuit, Rev. H. D. Garmon.

Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant - Cold Springs, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

First church, Lenoir, Rev. Claude Moser.

Love's Grove, Stanfield circuit, Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

Vanderburg and Rocky Mount, Shepherds circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Ruffin, Pelham and Hickory Grove, Ruffin circuit, Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr.

Centenary, Winston-Salem, Dr. W. A. Stanbury.

TOO GOOD TO KEEP

Dr. J. E. Kerr, Winston-Salem, who has spent many years helping other people, writes as follows: "I took a 'hobby" many years ago of writing to someone at Christmas who I thought had done more worthy by his community, state or nation than the average person had done. Under your management I have seen the Children's Home go steadily forward in its efforts to conserve human values. If all the tears and all the sorrows that you have saved the little ones and the homes from which they came, could be garnered into one bundle and cast at the feet of Him who said 'Suffer little children to come unto me,' I feel sure that you yourself would be bewildered and amazed at the greatness and magnitude of the field in which you have so successfully labored these several years. You have been faithful to a great trust."

Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, a member of our board of trustees, with whom we have worked on a number of cases, writes as follows: "Oscar, it is a pleasure to work with you in caring for the needy boys and girls of our conference. Noise does not denote speed. A jack-rabbit has no voice but he is always ahead of the hounds. More progress is made by steering wisely than by honking the horn. Thus, you do not make much noise, but your deeds are such that a careful, consecrated service is being rendered each day to make the world a better place in which to live by developing raw material into fine character."

WELL DONE

The following messages from faithful friends of parentless children give us much joy: Mason Lillard, treasurer of First church, Elkin, writes: "I enclose check for $400 paying our ten cent, $300, and $100 extra. As usual, this result due to the work of Mr. A. M. Smith, our Children's Home man."

Mrs. J. J. Snider, treasurer at Robbinsville, where Rev. H. D. Garmon, a product of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home, is pastor, writes: "We want Robbinsville Methodist church to have a part in the bell ringing, so am enclosing check for $60. Please credit it on our apportionment to the Children's Home."

Clyde R. Hoey, Jr., Canton, N. C., is evidently a chip off the old block. He writes: "I am enclosing check for $50 to help a little in the wonderful job I believe you are doing. May I wish you and all the children a very merry Christmas."

Rev. James W. Fowler, Jr., of the Ruffin circuit writes: "Enclosed you will find three checks, $72.50, Ruffin; $62.50, Pelham; and $25, Hickory Grove. We are very happy to be able to send this amount, an increase over last year, during the Christmas season. We are very appreciative for the fine way in which you are caring for our children. Our Brother Frank Williams is a real Children's Home booster."

H. D. Bailey, superintendent of the church school at Woodleaf, as an old-timer at raising the Children's Home quota. In sending his full amount he writes: "Not wanting to use the same

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT — Officers, children and friends made the heart of the superintendent very happy by their many gifts. The biggest and most appreciated gift I received was from one of our baby cottage girls. She said, "Daddy Barnes, here's my Christmas gift," and what do you suppose it was? It was a pecan, which made me very happy—not because of its intrinsic value, but because of the love that prompted the gift. I have put that pecan away with my keepsakes, as I prize it very highly. In the distant future this gift will bring back sacred memories of a happy Christmas.

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ATHLETICS — On Christmas Eve night I received a check from Mr. Frank Daniels of the Raleigh News and Observer, which came to us as our part of the proceeds from the football contest between the Catholic Orphanage and the Methodist Orphanage. Each year Mr. Daniels sponsors this contest between the two institutions, and divides the proceeds equally between the Catholic and Methodist orphanages. This large amount enables us to carry on our recreational program without having to go into our liimited operating fund. Mr. Daniels and the friends who have made this large check possible have our sincere appreciation.

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WILSON—On Sunday before Christmas Mrs. Barnes and I had the privilege of worshipping in the Methodist church in Wilson. The sermon and the music were of a very high order. A very large congregation participated in the service. Brother Porter extended to me a most cordial welcome and asked me to take part in the service. I led the opening prayer, and brought a few words of greeting from our children. In the afternoon I visited Mr. and Mrs. Graham Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bryan and Col. and Mrs. J. F. Burton. Mrs. Barnes and I took dinner with our cousin, Mrs. Lula Farmer. Her gracious hospitality was greatly enjoyed. It is always a great privilege to me to visit Wilson—my home county town. It was while I was a school boy that I felt a call to the ministry, while attending services in the Wilson Methodist church. It does my heart good to go back to my old church, where I felt my heart strangely warmed in the years gone by.

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SANTA CLAUS—Our 300 boys and girls believe in Santa Claus with all their heart. For forty-one years he has never missed visiting our children on Christmas day. On Christmas afternoon he was at the Orphanage in person and distributed hundreds of gifts to our youngsters. Banked around a beautiful Christmas tree were many nice presents for our children, which were donated by the circles of Eden-Street Methodist church. Mrs. I. M. Proctor ,one of the leading women of Raleigh, was in charge of the Christmas tree celebration, and has acted in that capacity for forty-one years. Ambassador Josephus Daniels, several of the trustees, and many prominent people of Raleigh were present and participated in the exercises. As usual, Ambassador Daniels brought greetings to our children, as he has done for the past forty-one years. On Christmas Eve night all the children had Christmas tree celebrations in their cottages. A few nights before Christmas the officers had a beautiful Christmas tree in the Burwell cottage and had delightful fellowship one with the other. From different sections of the conference friends sent gifts and contributions to make the Christmas holidays meaningful to our children. Such tangible expressions of good will and love are sincerely appreciated by our young people and official staff.

CURIOSITIES OF THE BIBLE

By Mary H. Byer

Og, king of Basham, had a bedstead of iron.

In Second Samuel 23:10 we read of a warrior who fought so long and desperately that his hand clave to the hilt of his sword.

The Bible mentions three strong persons who slew lions—Samson, David, and Benaiah.

The Prophet Isaiah acted the part of a physician by giving a medical prescription (2 Kings 20:7).

Daniel was the first president mentioned in sacred history.

Second Samuel 21:20 tells about a man that had six fingers and six toes on each hand and foot.

Absolom built a pillar to make himself remembered because he had no son.—Christian Monitor.

Arguments are the pillars and buttresses which support the building, but illustrations are the windows which let in the light.—Author Unknown.

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CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Members of the conference staff of the Board of Education and members of the district staffs of Christian education are meeting December 31 and January 1 at Louisburg College to plan for the program of work throughout the conference. In other years this meeting has been called the Conference Council, but the name is being changed to conform to the new name given to the old Educational Council of our General Board. Another change in this type of meeting for the North Carolina conference is the fact that this year a two-day rather than a one-day meeting is being held. This additional time will make it possible for the groups attending to go much more thoroughly into the work at hand than was possible in the one day. There are many matters of importance to be considered in this meeting since those attending must develop a conference-wide program, and also make plans for procedures within the various districts. In the light of new developments in our program incident to the transition to the new Methodist Church the meeting this year is of special significance. Full details of the important developments in this meeting will be presented to the workers throughout our North Carolina conference through our Advocate page and through district and sub-district meetings of those concerned with the cause of Christian education.

We are expecting a full attendance from the district staffs and the conference youth officers for this meeting, and we feel that the keen interest of this group as well as their willingness to serve will make for a great meeting. Those who make up this group are listed in another paragraph.

District Staff Members

Under the educational set-up of our church the district superintendent in each district is the head of the district staff of Christian education, and is, therefore, responsible for the district program of Christian education. Associated with the district superintendent and sharing responsibility with him for the program are three district directors of the age-group divisions—children's division, youth division, and adult division. These leaders in the age-group divisions not only have responsibility in their respective areas of work, but also share with the district superintendent the responsibility for the total district program. For this reason several general sessions will be held in our Louisburg conference, at which time matters of concern to the entire group will be discussed.

Members of the district staffs serving this conference year are as follows:

Durham district—

Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent.

Mrs. C. P. Morris, Effland, director children's work.

Rev. C. P. Womack, Durham, director youth work.

Rev. T. B. Hough, Swepsonville, director adult work.

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Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City, director children's work.

Rev. O. L. Hardwick, Plymouth, director youth work.

Rev. A. L. Thompson, Ahoskie, director adult work.

Fayetteville district—

Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent.

Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen, director children's work.

Rev. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro, director youth work.

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Rev. C. W. Robbins, Fremont, director youth work.

Rev. R. G. Dawson, Mt. Olive, director adult work.

Raleigh district—

Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent.

Miss Mabel Merritt, Raleigh, director children's work.

Mr. Francis Edwards, Raleigh, director youth work.

Rev. F. D. Hedden, Louisburg, director adult work.

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Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent.

(Director children work to be selected).

Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., Elm City, director youth work.

Rev. J. O. Long, Warrenton, director adult work.

Wilmington district—

Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent.

Mrs. W. F. Walters, Burgaw, director children's work.

Rev. F. B. Joyner, Fairmont, director youth work.

Rev. R. L. Jerome, Wilmington, director adult work.

CONFERENCE YOUTH OFFICERS

Officers of the conference youth organization together with the district directors of youth work form the Youth Council of the conference and formulate plans for the youth program of the church. The officers serving during the current year are:

President, Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton.

Vice President, Wesley Cullipher, Elizabeth City.

Secretary, Katherine Highsmith, Raleigh.

Treasurer, Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs.

Publicity chairman, Charles Davis, Roanoke Rapids.

DIVISION OF THE LOCAL CHURCH

The work of our General Board of Education is divided into three divisions: the Division of Educational Institutions, the Editorial Division, and the Division of the Local Church. The staff of the annual conference board of education is charged with the responsibility of working with each of these divisions and of promoting the work of each within the bounds of the annual conference. Thus we must, quoting the 1940 Discipline, "help to secure statistics and other information concerning the colleges and local churches within its borders; to develop support for educational institutions, pastors' schools, Wesley Foundations, and similar work in Methodist colleges, and for the entire program of Christian education in the local churches, and to promote intelligent use of the literature of the general board."

All of these interests will have some place in the program of our conference on Christian education, since they are the responsibility of those who make up the conference. That which affects the larger part of our work and likewise the larger number of our people, however, is that portion of the work that comes under the direction of the division of the local church. Our Discipline outlines in rather comprehensive terms the function of this division of our general board. It states (paragraph 1120): "The Division of the Local Church shall develop a comprehensive and unified program of Christian education which shall lead to a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, the Christian religion, and the Christian church. It shall provide for worship, fellowship, study, and service, including social, recreational, evangelistic, and missionary activities, and education in the Christian way of life. It shall be responsible for forming standards and preparing programs for the organization and work of Christian education in the local church. The term "church school" used in the Discipline is understood to mean the total Christian educational program and organization in the local church for which the board of education is responsible. It includes activities variously known as Sunday school, church school, youth meetings, such as our present Epworth League and Christian Endeavor, week day sessions and schools, vacation schools, leadership educational agencies, and all other educational work of the church with children, youth, young adults, and adults promoted by the board of education. The division, in co-operation with the editorial division, shall seek to inform the church on all phases of church school work, shall establish and maintain standards, and shall co-operate with the curriculum committee in determining the curricu-

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RING OUT, WILD BELLS

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild, wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.
Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws,
Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love and good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.
Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

—Tennyson.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Classes were suspended at noon Thursday for the Christmas holidays, which lasted until 5 o'clock January 2, 1941. The campus has been alive with the season's spirit for some time and the vacation started with glee and enthusiasm.

A series of unsual activities marked the pre-holiday season. On Monday morning, December 16, the college concert band, under the direction of Olin Blickensderfer, gave a short but splendid program in the auditorium. After rendering a group of classic numbers, the organization turned to a medley of Christmas carols for a climax. The concert, one of the finest ever heard on the campus, was received with enthusiastic applause by the teachers and the student body.

Then on Wednesday morning at the assembly hour the music department, assisted by the dramatic group, presented the impressive story, "Why the Chimes Rang." The stage set with altar, colored windows, and other cathedral effects. The characters, properly costumed, moved with great emotion, and the audience was almost breathless when little Jimmy Allred rushed in to offer his gift—the gift that made the chimes ring. Music was supplied by the college choir, and Francis Stalnaker of Spencer, West Virginia, served as reader. So successful was the event that some have insisted already that it be made an annual pre-Christmas program at the college.

The High Point College choir, assisted by representatives of the church choirs of the city, sang the "Messiah" at Wesley Memorial church Tuesday night. Miss Whitlock of the college music faculty directed the performance. A large audience was in attendance. The "Messiah" was sung last year, and it now seems to be a permanent event on the college calendar.

The recreational side of college life received attention also. The Panther basket ball team pushed to a 52 to 45 victory over Lincoln Memorial University on the local court Wednesday night. High Point is somewhat elated over this event, as the Lincoln boys came here after having defeated Duke the night before.

Fellowship parties were given in the dormitories for both boys and girls on Wednesday night after the game. This was on the eve of the holidays, and everyone shared the greetings and good wishes of the campus before leaving for the Christmas vacation at home.

CHRISTMAS AT JACKSON PARK METHODIST CHURCH

The Jackson Park Methodist church of Kannapolis enjoyed a real Christmas this year. The Woman's Society of Christian service started the celebration with a party on December 14, to which each lady brought food, which was later given to a deserving family.

The choir presented its first musical program on Sunday before Christmas in the church auditorium at 5 o'clock. "While Shepherds Watched," a Christmas story cantata, was rendered by a choir of 15 voices under the direction of Mr. R. G. McGuirt, and accompanied by Miss Daisy Ruth Nash at the piano.

An old fashioned Christmas program was enjoyed by everyone on Monday evening at 7 o'clock in the church. A large Christmas tree was decorated and lighted and a delightful program presented by the children and young people under the direction of Mrs. Lawrence Gilliam, superintendent of the children's division, and Mrs. Archie Watson, superintendent of the young people's division.

"Mothers of the World," the play appearing in the December issue of the Highroad, was given by the young people with the following cast of characters: Chinese mother, Miss Frances Widenhouse; Japanese mother, Miss Ora Hatley; German mother, Miss Hessie Benton; Finnish mother, Miss Margaret Hatley; Mary, the mother of Jesus, Miss Betty Davis; Joseph, Wayne Hatley. This play was directed by Mrs. William J. Clayton.

At the conclusion of the program Santa Claus appeared and presided over the distribution of gifts, including an overcoat for Rev. J. Julian Holmes, and a bag of fruits, candy and nuts for everyone.

The Jackson Park Methodist church has much for which to be thankful this year, not the least of these being the new church building which was occupied in September. We are pressing forward toward a brighter, more glorious year for the kingdom of our Lord.

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A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AT HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

Our family of 76 children and six workers at the High Point Children's Home have just experienced another very happy Christmas. Our Christmas really began on Thursday, December 19, when a group of women from Wesley Memorial church, High Point, came out with about 30 children bringing a tree with all the trimmings and other gifts, and greeted our children with Christmas carols and words of good cheer.

Then came other gifts from good friends in High Point, Greensboro, Asheboro and many other places. Our good friends both in North Carolina and several other states sent us money this year designated as Christmas money—out of this we gave each child some money to spend as they chose, and there was enough left to purchase for each child a useful Christmas present. Then the Rotary Club of High Point which has remembered our children every Christmas for a number of years—I cannot tell just how long—but I do know this is the thirteenth time since we have been here, sent an envelope addressed to each child, and in each envelope was a dollar bill.

On Christmas eve all of us gathered around a beautiful Christmas tree and listened to a splendid Christmas program which had been prepared by Mrs. T. F. Partin, matron in our boys' dormitory. After that Santa Claus appeared on the scene and helped the juniors and seniors to distribute the presents. Besides all this a number of the children had friends and relatives and sponsors who sent them individual presents. They were a happy lot, and they join us in this expression of deep appreciation to every one who helped in any way to make our Christmas a happy one. God bless and prosper you every one and give you a New Year filled with joy in service for Him and his needy ones.

And during the holidays friends were coming and going and many of them brought gifts of fruits, jellies and canned goods. And on yesterday, Sunday, the very last day of the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Woosley came by and left 20 of our former children for about three hours while they went to a Methodist district meeting in Greensboro.

The children had a jolly good time with our children here in the halls and on the grounds where they had romped together so many times before. We were so happy to have them. One of the smaller children was not well enough to come. We missed her. We greatly appreciate the thoughtfulness of Mr. and Mrs. Woosley in doing this. They might have gone to Greensboro so much more easily and quickly, but Mr. Woosley himself drove one of their buses and came by High Point just that the children might come. A very fine spirit, we think.

Off to School

Our children of the public school were all off to school before 8:30 this morning. But our college young people will be at home for the greater part of this week.

Once more please accept our sincere thanks for the many cans of fruit and vegetables which have come to us from communities during the fall which has now stretched into winter. We will not try to list them all because it would take too much space. A fine young woman who was eager for a college training came here and worked with us until she graduated from High Point College, and when she was ready to leave she came into our room to say goodbye. She held on to both of us, and with tears in her eyes she said, "I just thank you for everything." So using her language we would like to say to our many friends everywhere, we just thank you for everything—for the gifts and money for Christmas, for the letters with their beautiful expressions of appreciation, for the many beautiful Christmas cards, for the anxious inquiries as to what we are going to do, and for your kind thoughts and good wishes. We THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING. God bless and keep every one of you, and give you peace.

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A LITTLE RED TRAIN

The train is still standing on track number one
With the signals set ready to go.
The engine is fueled to make the long run
And the passengers sit in a row,
While back in a corner in mother's strong arms
In a rocking chair all in a heap,
Is a wee little fellow—a bundle of charms,
He's the engineer, fast asleep.

The long-spouted oil can has dropped to the floor
From the red gauntlet glove on his hand.
His cap with the big visor lies by the door
With a grimy soiled little red band.
The headlight is shining afar down the track
To tunnel so dark and so steep,
But the sound of the signal will not call him back,
For the engineer's sound asleep.

"I'll take you a twain wide tomowow," he said,
As her footsteps would silently creep
To tuck him away in his white pillowed bed
For the angels to guard and to keep.
The train and the truck were then carried away
To a corner and placed in aheap,
Awaiting the crew for another playday,
With the engineer, now asleep.

The train is still standing on track number one,
But the lights have gone out long ago:
The light that shone bright on a wonderful night
When old Santa Claus came in the snow.
The engineer dozes and dreams by his train
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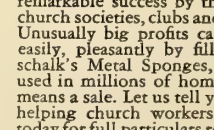
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THE CHAIR THAT WANTED A HOME

The big blue chair stood in the furniture store and wished some one would give it a home. A month ago it had been made of new dark wood, then padded with soft filling until it was fat and comfortable looking, and covered with a gay, shiny blue cloth on which were birds and flowers. Where would it go next?

That very day a tall, gray-haired woman bought the big blue chair.

"It isn't very handsome, but it will do for Aunt Edna's room," she said.

Not handsome, indeed! The big chair squeaked in disgust as the salesman rolled it away. It felt better when it arrived at the new gray house. At last it would have a home.

But, after all, the blue chair was not happy in Aunt Edna's room. It seemed she did not like big stuffed chairs and she sat upright in a small straight chair. About all she used the big chair for was to stick pins and needles in its arms.

"I'm not a pin cushion," the big chair tried to tell her, but she did not understand.

Only a year later the big blue chair was sold with some other furniture and waited in a store for another home.

"This chair is almost as good as new," said a woman one day, tipping the blue chair one way and then another until it was nearly seasick.

"I can have some comfort in that chair when I come home tired at night," said the man with her in a loud, pleasant voice. The chair liked him at once.

The big chair was placed carefully near a window in a pleasant front room. "At last I have a home," it said to the bookcase. "I wish there were children here."

After a week or two the blue chair wished itself back in the quiet room of the store.

"Don't touch the arms of that chair. Don't lean your head back or you'll soil it. Don't move the chair around because you might break it. Don't—don't—don't," said the woman from morning until night.

In two more years the chair was not considered good enough for the couple's grand new home, and it was glad when it was sent away.

One day two little boys and their mother came into the store where the chair was waiting.

"Here's a nice, big chair!" shouted one boy, and he jumped upon one arm.

"I can get way up here," said the older boy, and he climbed to the top of the chair and kicked his feet into its back.

"At last I shall get to a real home with children in it," said the chair as it left the store," but I hope they will be good to me."

But, alas! In almost no time at all the poor blue chair looked like a wreck. The boys banged and kicked it, the cat scratched it, the mother dropped things on its lap, and the father piled it with bags and bundles. The blue chair groaned and squeaked and squealed at such hard treatment, but there was so much noise going on all the time that no one heard its protests. Its gay, pretty stuffing came out in big black spots and one day when four boys jumped on it at once, a leg broke.

"That chair doesn't seem to be very strong," said the father, "we'll send it to the junk man."

The big blue chair felt very sad, for there seemed to be no hope that it would ever have a home now.

One day when the sun was shining so brightly on the snowy streets that even the old chair felt good, a short fat man entered the junk shop. He looked carefully over things, touching them gently, and finally he came to the old blue chair.

"This must have been a fine looking chair when it was new," he said, with such a beaming good-natured smile that the whole shop brightened. "It is a comfortable sort of chair. Just the thing for a farm house. I'll take it right along home with me on my truck."

The big blue chair was so pleased that it was careful not to give one single squeak all the long ride. At last the man stopped before a white farm house on a hill. The door opened and some children came racing out and calling, "Daddy's home! Daddy's home!"

"O dear! O dear! There are children here!" groaned the chair.

"Oh, what a nice fat chair!" cried a little girl.

"Let's all go to work on it and make it as good as new," said a plump, smiling woman in the doorway. "Bring it right in the kitchen and we can decide how to fix it while we eat supper."

It was pleasant in the kitchen. The tea kettle hummed on the big stove and a black cat purred on a braided rug. The long table was set with yellow dishes, ruffled curtains hung at the windows, bright shining pans sat on shelves, and in one corner was a cupboard full of toys and books.

"Oh, mother, that chair will look just right in front of the fireplace in the sitting room," said one of the boys.

The more the chair heard the better it felt. Still, it did not dare to hope it had found the right home at last. Five children and a cat might make it very hard on an old chair.

A week later the old chair felt better than ever before in all its life. Every one of the family had done something for it. Its leg was repaired, the holes mended, its wood varnished again, and it was covered over with new blue cloth in a design of apple blossoms.

"Let's bring it in by the fire," said one of the boys one evening.

Close by the crackling flames of the old brick fireplace they placed the big blue chair. The mother sat down in it and some one got a footstool for her feet. One little girl climbed into her lap and another squeezed in beside her. A boy brought in a long stick and began toasting marshmallows in the fire. Another boy lay down on the rug in front of the fireplace, and the youngest boy sat on the floor with his head against the side of the chair. The black cat purred contentedly at the mother's feet.

"Don't begin the story until dad comes in," said a boy.

In a minute the fat man came in with a dish of apples, and sat down on another chair near the fireplace.

"That big blue chair looks handsome here," he said.

"It is the nicest chair we ever had," said the mother, patting its arm kindly.

Then, with the children smiling up at her, the mother leaned back against the strong, soft arm of the chair and began, "Once upon a time—" and the old chair knew that at last it had found the right home.—Lydia L. Roberts, in Zions Herald.

WINTER

By Louise Williams Porter

I do not mind the silent falling
Of the Autumn leaves,
The cold approach of Winter
And the stiffness of the breeze.

I would not wish for Springtime
And all her nymphs to glory,
I'd rather think of Winter as
A lovely fairy story.

I would not sigh because the rain
Falls silently and slow.
I must rejoice and be content
That God would have it so.

For who am I to change his plan
From Winter snows to Spring?
I would not do it if I could—
'Twould be a foolish thing!

And so my life must always be
Free from fear and dread,
For, to make the best of Winter,
Sure—'tis Springtime just ahead!

BARN WANTED

Betty cried every time the family passed the pony farm.

"I want a pony," she sobbed.

Daddy tried to explain: "Betty, we live in the city; we have no place to keep a pony; we have no barn. Isn't there anything else you'd like to have?"

Betty blubberingly replied: "Yes, I want a barn."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Milton, Milton, 10 3
Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30 3
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10 4
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 5
Mebane, Central, 7:30 5
District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church, Durham, at 10 7
Trinity, 7:30 7
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10 9
Bynum, Bynum, 2:30 9
Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 11 12
Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3 12
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 10 14
Rougemont, Union Grove, 2:30 14
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11 19
Branson, 11 26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Laurel Hill, Snead's Grove, 11 5
St. John's, 3 5
Hamlet, 7 5
Rockingham, 11 12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 12
Ellerbe, Norman, 7 12
Siler City, 11 19
Siler City Ct., 3 19
Goldston, 7 19
Laurinburg, 11 26
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 26
Caledonia, Central, 7 26

February

Troy, 11 2
Troy Ct., 3 2
West End, 7 2
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11 5
Manteo, night 5
Kitty Hawk, 11 12
Hertford, night 12
Aulander, 11 19
Edenton, night 19
Columbia, 11 26
Creswell, 3 26
Plymouth, night 26

February

Belhaven, Trinity, 11 2
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 2
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 2
Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Roper, 11 23

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
PREACHING SCHEDULE

January

Aurora, 11 5
Grimesland, 3 5
Greenville, 7:30 5
District Missionary Institute, 10 7
Pink Hill, 11 12
Jones, Trenton, 7:30 12
Fremont, Eureka, 10 19
Snow Hill, 7:30 19
Seven Springs, 11 26
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 26
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 7:30 26

February

Pamlico, Bayboro, 11 2
Newport, 7:30 2
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Raleigh, Fairmont 1
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 5
Stem, Stem, 7:30 5
District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 7
Franklinton, 7:30 8
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 11
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 12
Benson, Benson, 7:30 12
Smithfield, 7:30 15
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 19
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 19
Oxford, 7:30 19
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 22
Princeton, Princeton, 11 26
Selma, 7:30 26
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 27
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 29

February

Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 2
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 2
Garner, Hollands, 7:30 5
Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Mamers, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Warrenton, 11 4
Warren, Providence, 11 5
Norlina, 3 5
Middleburg, 7:30 5
Weldon, 7:30 8
Farmville, 11 12
Walstonburg, 3 12
Nashville, 7:30 12
Roanoke Rapids, 11 19
Conway, Bethany, 3 19
Rich Square, 7:30 19
Northampton, Jackson, 11 26
McKendree, Pinetops, 3 26
Tarboro, 7:30 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Hallsboro, Wananish, 11 5
Carvers Creek, Council, night 5
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 12
Lumberton Ct., Buies, night 12
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 19
Elizabeth, Clarkton, night 19
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 26
Clinton, night 26

February

Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 2
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night 2
Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Fairview, Bethany, 11 5
Hillside Street, 7 5
Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 12
Merrimon Avenue, 7 12
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 19
Oakley, 7 19
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 26
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 26

February

Marshall, Marshall, 11 2
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 2
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Weaverville, 7 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Monroe, Central, 11 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 8

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Bessemer City, Concord, 11 5
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 5
Boger City, 7:30 5
Shelby, Central, 7:30 6
Bradley Memorial, Mrytle Chapel, 11 12
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 12
Fallston, 11 19
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornelt, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Rutherfordton, 11 5
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 5
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 5
Spindale, 11 12
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 12
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3 19
Marion, First, 7:30 19
Old Fort, 11 26
Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 26

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

China Grove, 11 4
Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 7:30 4

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January

Mt. Airy Ct., Salem, 11 5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain, 3 5
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 7:30 5
Rockford Street, 11 12
Pinnacle, 3 12
Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30 12
Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11 19
Thomasville, West End, 3 19
Lewisville, 7:30 19
Lexington, First Church, 11 26
Green Street, 7:30 26

February

Centenary, 11 2
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3 2
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
Ceneral Terrace, 7:30 9

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the stewards of the Spruce Pine Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to C. C. Robbins, Sr., who passed away on November 25, 1940.

Brother Robbins was a trustee of the church and an outstanding citizen of our community and state. He was a man of wide sympathies. Nothing that had to do with the public good was foreign to his interests. His simple sincerity and happy nature endeared him to the hearts of all who knew him. The memory of him shall linger long, and the inspiration of his life will mean much to all of us in the years ahead. He was truly one of North Carolina's noble sons. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we record his passing with sorrow but rejoice in the noble example of his good life.

Second, That we extend to Mrs. Robbins and the family our sympathy and love in their bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be kept in the permanent files of the church ,and that copies be sent to the family, to the Tri-County News and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

William Hickey,
Chm. Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased our heavenly Father, in his all wise providence, to remove from our midst the beloved friend and past president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. Myrtle Turrentine Clements; therefore,

Resolved, that the Woman's Society of Christian Service, on behalf of its entire membership, do hereby express our deep sense of bereavement and heartfelt appreciation of the life and influence of our earnest co-worker and friend.

Second, That the tenderest sympathy of a multitude of sorrowing hearts in our society is hereby proffered to the family and friends of the one for whom all sorrow is changed to joy, and that even in our grief for the loss to ourselves and to those nearest and dearest to her, we yet rejoice for her, that she, having done well the service appointed to her in this life, has joyously received the fullness of the more abundant life, to be lived in the fuller communion of saints and in the blessed presence of our Lord and King.

Third, That the officers and members of our society do hereby express their purpose to keep alive in our church, in our society and in our community, by every effort in His name, the spirit of cheerful consecration and willing service which this dear Christian soul imparted to countless lives with friendliness, comfort, strength and inspiration.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of Mrs. Myrtle Turrentine, and spread upon the minutes of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and printed in the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. T. W. Young, Chm.
Mrs. O. J. White,
Mrs. H. C. Satterfield.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with profound grief that we, as members of the Weddington Woman's Society of Christian Service, chronicle the sudden passing of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. J. B. Hawkins, wife of the late John B. Hawkins, who preceded her in death two years ago.

Mrs. Hawkins was a woman of many fine characteristics. She was deeply interested in every phase of the work of the Methodist church, especially the young people's organization. We count it a privilege to have worked with her. The memory of her consecrated Christian life will inspire us to higher endeavors in our Master's work. We observed that she was happiest when doing something for her Lord and for others. Her life was an example of unselfishness. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the death of Mrs. Hawkins our society has lost a faithful and beloved member.

Second, That we hereby extend our heartfelt sympathy to her children and relatives.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be given to the family, a copy be put in the minutes of the society, and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. E. W. Thomas,
Mrs. J. L. Redwine,
Mrs. A. B. Bruton.

IN MEMORIAM

It is always inspiring and soul stirring to know that a man has dedicated his life to a worthy cause, but is especially uplifting to feel the power of a man's life who has given himself without reserve to God. To know such a man makes one feel that life is very worth while and that it is a joyous privilege to live. To such a purpose Rev. R. A. Bruton gave himself, and we, the stewards of Jarvis Memorial Methodist church, Greenville, N. C., wish to record our gratitude for the fact that our church had the privilege of knowing this man and having him dwell among us for a few years.

In his death, which occurred last August 29, we feel a distinct loss. Mr. Bruton's consecration to God was a passion with him, and colored and motivated his living. This intense feeling makes us think of God. It gave him a desire to bless everything about him with a touch of the infinite and made a challenge to all who knew him to realize that a man does not live unless he lives with God.

We extend our sympathy to his family and want them to know the gratitude we have in our hearts for the life that Mr. Bruton lived among us.

T. A. Person,
J. L. Kilgo,
J. L. Little.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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method each year to raise our ten per cent apportionment, I decided to use the following lines of simple poetry:

Our children are still over there,
Looking to their friends everywhere;
For a little pair of shoes, for a little pair of socks,
A brand new suit and some pretty little frocks,
For a little bit of meat and a little bit of bread;
Let's not disappoint them lest they think we are dead.
What! disappoint those children?
No, I'm sure you'll all chip in,
For to neglect the orphans would certainly be sin.

Then we begin to call for cash and pledges on this wise:

Just speak right out, be liberal too.
We'll all be happy when we get the thing through."

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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la of the church school, including the courses of leadership education; to give direction to a comprehensive and unified program of Christian education in the local church. It shall provide for instruction concerning the significance and work of the church and the functions of its various officers and boards."

The annual conference board of education through its conference staff and its district staffs is the agency charged with the responsibility of co-operating with the general board in advancing the interests of Christian education, as outlined above. It is a tremendous undertaking and one that calls for united effort on the part of all that have a share in the great enterprise. We feel that the group meeting this week at Louisburg has this program very much at heart and will give itself to the carrying out of such a program in the conference. We covet for this entire group the whole-hearted support of all those engaged in this great task throughout the North Carolina conference.

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1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
4:27 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar.	9:53 AM
4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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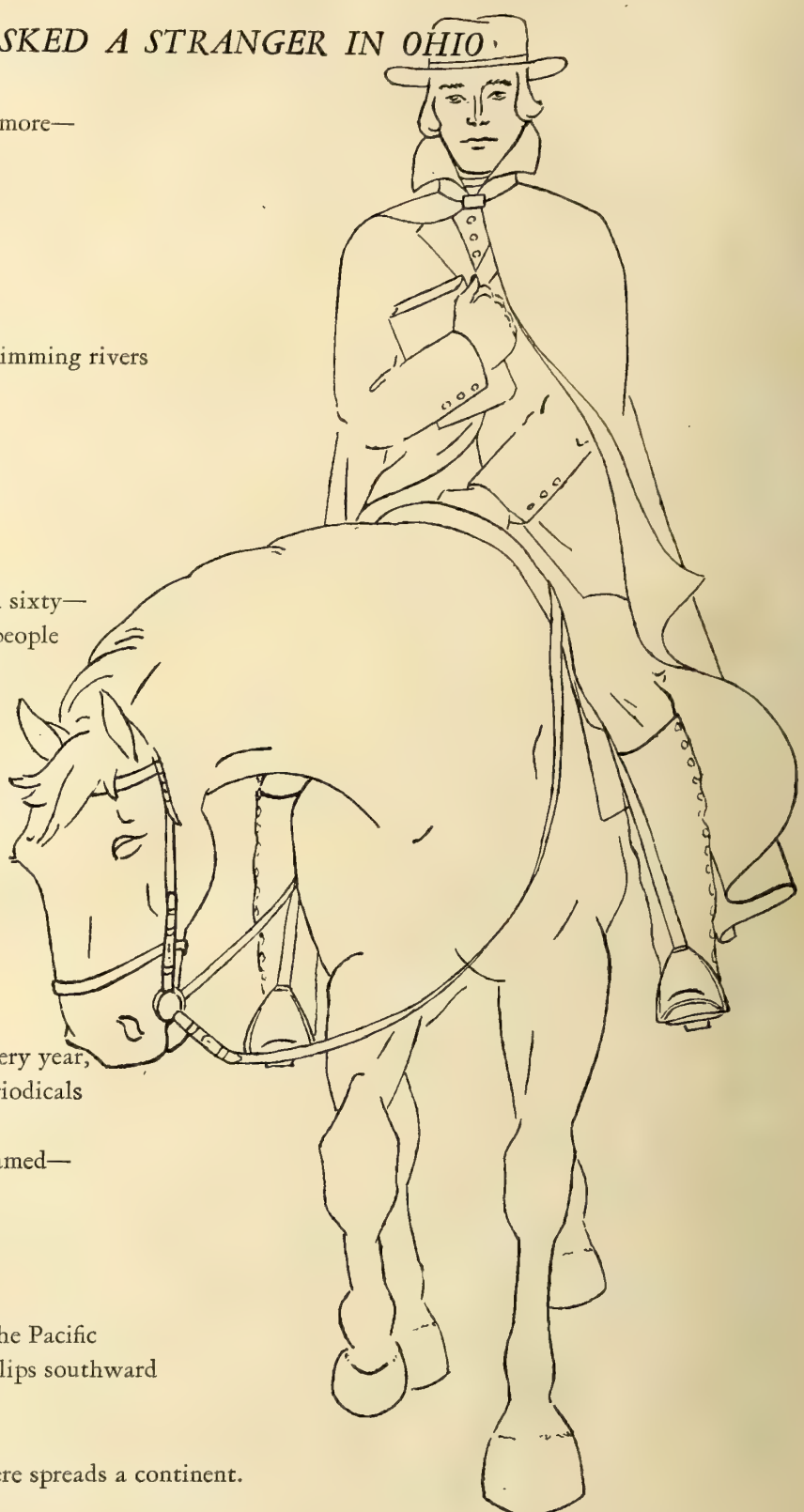
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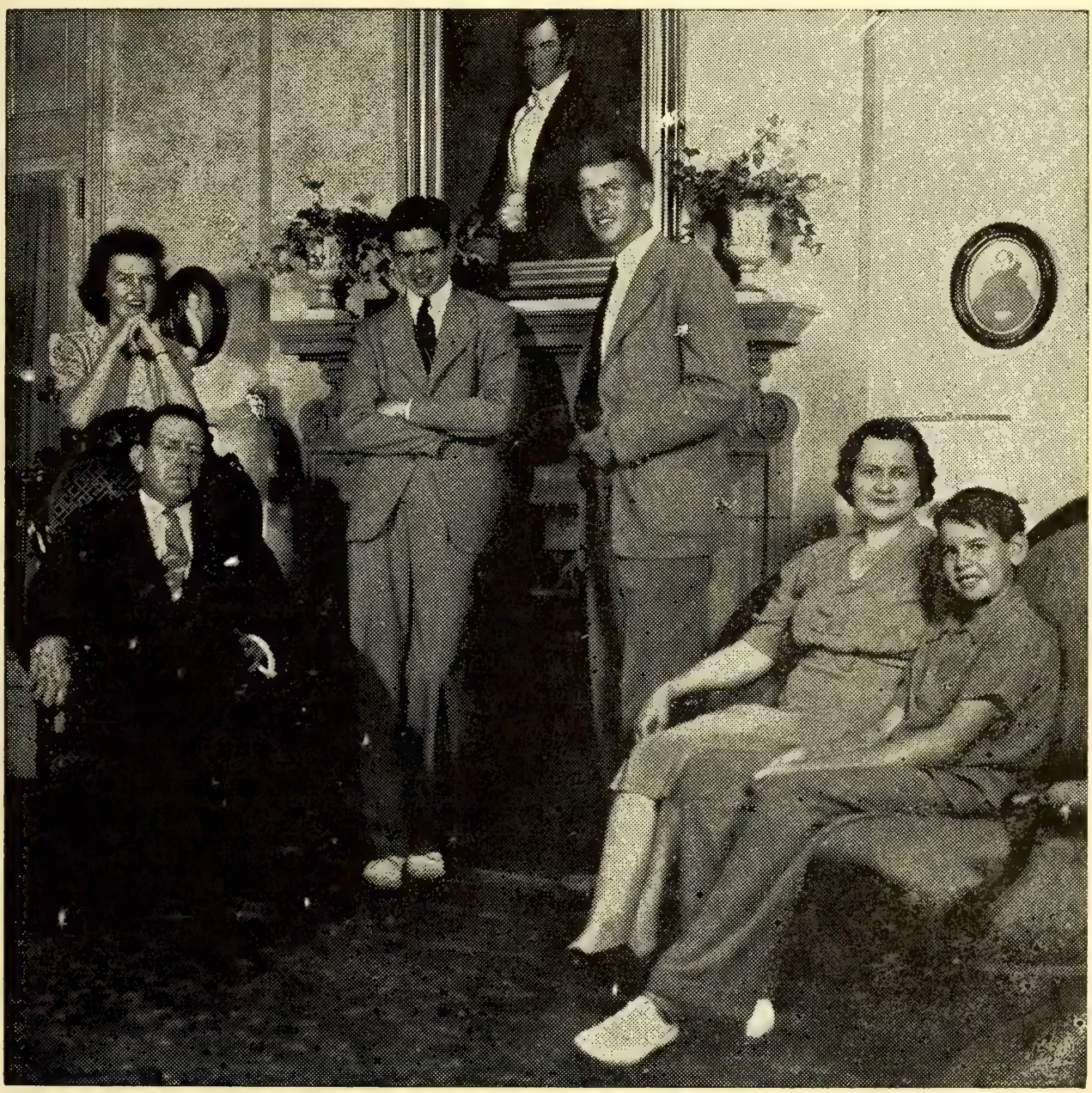
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Governor Broughton and Family



Governor Broughton and family are due to move early in January from their present family residence on Holt Drive to North Carolina's Executive Mansion on Blount Street. The Broughtons will constitute the only one hundred per cent Raleigh born family ever to occupy the Governor's Mansion. Governor Broughton is the son of the late Joseph Melville Broughton and Sallie Harris Broughton. Mrs. Broughton is the former Alice Wilson, daughter of the late William W. Wilson and Annie Partin Wilson. Mr. Broughton was graduated from Wake Forest College and later received a degree from the law school of Harvard University. This picture made at the Holt Drive residence shows the entire family. Seated beside Mrs. Broughton is Woodson, age twelve, who attends Hayes Barton School on Glenwood Avenue. The tall handsome young man standing in front of the fireplace is J. M. Jr., freshman of his father's alma mater. The other tall youth is Bobbie, a tenth grader at Needham Broughton High School. The attractive young lady standing behind her daddy's chair is Alice II, who holds diplomas from both Peace and Salem colleges.

"ALWAYS SOMETHING SINGS" AND GRIEVES

In a drab world I have learned to look for the gleam of prophetic fire—the voice of wisdom uttered from the throne room of experience, where the Still Small Voice sounds the everlasting yea to life and drowns the discords with a song. That is the reason that the article by A. C. Gibbs in our worthy conference Advocate got me. His testimony, clear as a bell on a frosty night, speaks joy to us in an age when "the darkness is visible" and faith is receding down the drear and naked shingles of humanity's shore line.

It is true that I am partial to the author by reason of enduring friendship, but I would have liked this sentiment had it been penned by Hitler or a Hottentot. Only the heart that has been bruised by the waves of sorrow and laved by the Balm of Gilead can know the lift of a song in the night, when like a lone watcher who keeps the city, he must say "midnight" and then add with faltering breath, "All is well." I see again that anyone who dips his pen in the blood of life and takes time to polish his sentences will not lack for readers among those who look for genuineness in this pretentious age. Like the scribe in Proverbs he has "sought out acceptable words" and made his grip on the eternal kindness.

And, besides this experience of a fellow pilgrim who has left footprints in the slough of despond and now climbs the delectable mountains towards the celestial city, there is the citation to Emersonian idealism, and that in a day devoted to the delusion that only the material—the mud and scum of things—is real or realizable. All is not lost if when we enter the grim lists of international strife, we hold aloft the idealism of Plato, Emerson and that line of eminent men who saw spiritual values as transcendent and regnant. Possibly the Great Transgression is this tragic abandonment of the heights—the abode of the immortals who could defy the worst the world could do and sing the songs of Zion in the strange lands of warfare and paganism. From these tablelands the stars will always shine and light up the "mournful marbles" under our cypress trees. Neitzsche and his raw superman is in the saddle today and rides flanked by the four horsemen of the Apocalypse to his fate in the chasm he has opened between nations, but the humane truth which he has assaulted will rise again, "the eternal years of God are hers."

Likewise I confess to the "sheepish" feeling when I hear of aid to England short of war, and the talk of America saving her own skin. If there is any justification of any war it is the unselfish rescue of other peoples, lifting the oppression of tyranny and stopping the persecutions of ravaged nations and not in the selfish policy of saving our fat prosperity. This parading of national patriotism under the form of good business leaves me cold. I do not care to profit at the expense of the world's misery, and somewhere we read that he that would save his life shall lose it. I not only feel sheepish but lousy when such unchristian appeals are made. If there is an issue of right and wrong in this war, then I think we should be done with temporizing and go all out for it. We are fighting a rather questionable economic battle, bloodless and not brave, and it might be well to reflect on the Oscar Wilde saying that "some do it with a kiss, a brave man does it with a sword," when speaking of the ways to kill. Is starving German children the noblest way to make war on toting guns for another to use against a common enemy a Christian motive?

There is a Hindu saying that pain and laughter are brothers. I, too, lift up my chin with pride recalling the gallantry of the captain of Jervis Bay. But that progress should cost so dearly and common liberty bought at such a price, I sing and grieve! L. B. Hayes.

ANOTHER YEAR

In spite of all the sorrow, pain, destruction, fear hunger, death ,whose shadows will darken the New Day and the New Year, multitudes still in this land of ours, and even in many another where the shadows will be deepest, greet their fellows with the time-old words, "A Happy New Year!"

The vast majority of us here in our own country cannot fail to be deeply grateful for the blessings of our human fellows whose days and nights are filled with the fears born of war and want. How can we forget them in their time of peril?

To all who read these words we do with sincere regard, wish the happiest New Year life's circumstances make possible.

The bells will peal, long-haired men will dress in golden sacks to pray for successful slaughter. And the old story will begin again.

The editors of the daily press will begin virulently to stir men up to hatred and manslaughter in the name of patriotism, happy in the receipt of an increased income. Manufacturers, merchants, contractors for military stores will hurry joyously about their business, in the hope of double receipts.—Leo Tolstoi.

AMAZING WORDS OF PROPHECY

Heinrich Heine, poet and miscellaneous writer of most unusual gifts, wrote about one hundred years ago the following paragraph that comes home to the world with telling emphasis at the present hour and the truth of which finds confirmation in German history as well as the present temper of these Nordics.

Listen to Heine and ponder what he says:

"Christianity has somehow softened the brutal German lust for battle, but it cannot root it out; and when once that restraining talisman, the Cross, is broken, then shall we hear again the clank of the savagery of the old warriors, the mad berserker fury of which the Nordic peoples do so much speak and sing. . . . Then will the old stone gods rise up out of their rubble. They will rub the millenial dust out of their eyes, and Thor with his hammer will spring forth and shatter the Gothic cathedral."

CHRISTIAN DEBT TO GREECE

The spirit of Greece has rendered inestimable service to the Christian Church in preparing the way for the coming of the Gospel which was to tell men everywhere of Him who had "brought life and immortality to light." When next you recite the Nicene Creed, remember that we owe that great profession of our Catholic faith to the deep insight of the Greek mind. The Greeks seek after wisdom, said St. Paul. Indeed they arrived at the goal." —The Scottish Guardian.

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There is a cynic who defines college something like this: Major subjects—Forward passing, end runs, line bucking and drop kicking. Minor subjects—base stealing, hammer throwing, and the 220-yard hurdle.

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To start again or, as we frequently say, to make a new start is a very old habit of mankind. It is as old as the race. Adam and Eve did it. Noah also made a new start. Most new habits, both good and bad, begin in a new start on the part of the individual. That is the philosophy of the Christian religion which would make all things new.

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The Convocation of Churches of North Carolina to assemble in High Point January 14-16 brings together a fine representative group from all sections of the state. The list of speakers is such as to assure a most interesting occasion. Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, executice secretary, has displayed wisdom and enterprise in leading the North Carolina Council of Churches. President W. A. Stanbury of Winston-Salem will preside at High Point.

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Hitherto the district missionary institutes of the North Carolina conference have been held in succession extending over a period of ten or twelve days. This year it was arranged for the seven districts to assemble on the same day for discussion and conference. The time fixed was January 7. Most of the districts adhered to this day. This editor was able to reach the Durham and the Raleigh districts. Superintendent A. J. Hobbs had a well worked out program and a finely representative delegation present in Duke Memorial church. So did Rev. H. I. Glass of the Raleigh district in his meeting at Edenton Street church. The discussions had to do with the demands upon the local churches in caring for the entire program of the church. It is evident that all earnest leaders are eager to care for the local churches. We need to lay emphasis at this point.

Many young men in every generation desire to begin life at the top. It seems to be their ambition to begin where their elders have reached after a long, hard struggle. It is a pity for a youngster to have such an inverted ambition unless he expects to be a digger of wells. These can begin at the top, but if one would erect monuments he must be willing to start at the bottom and rise as he builds.

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A man with a warped mind and sour heart is more than an object of pity, he is a source of irritation to all with whom he comes in contact. Fault finding is a bad habit. It is easily acquired and not readily broken. One should not pay too much attention to the faults of others. Cultivate the habit of looking for the best things in folks. This will save one from becoming a constant grumbler. The processes then are, first a growler, then a snarler, and in the end a cynic, where he reaches bottom, because a cynic is no account to himself or to anyone else.

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Bishop John M. Moore has been chosen editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate. This is the paper that serves Texas and Oklahoma. Following the death of Dr. A. J. Weeks last year Bishop Moore served some time as editor of that paper and showed that he could do the job just as it ought to be done. When Bishop Moore on account of the age limit retired from the active work of the episcopacy he stated to the General Conference that his family history gave him a life expectancy of ninety years. So if this retired bishop lives up to that expectancy he may serve as editor a long time. Ninety years appears to be a popular objective with well known citizens of Texas. Vice President Garner when in Washington a few days ago called upon the President and in bidding him goodbye said that he expected to live to be ninety. President Roosevelt replied by assuring him that he expected him to reach the goal that he had set for himself.

Symbol of Our National Endurance

IN one of our North Carolina homes is a highly cherished heirloom of the family now much more than a century old. This finely polished, small walnut table was consistently used by a grandsire of the family as his Bible and candle-stand. On this table through the years reposed his candle and the large family Bible from which he read and about which for years this family gathered for worship.

This great-grandfather and his immediate family along with most of the generations following have passed on. Their graves are hidden away in the old family burying grounds and are scattered over the world afar by mount and stream and sea. Others of later generations are filling well their places in the big work-a-day world, and their boys and girls are being taught the truths of the old Book and urged to act well their part in these eventful days. The candle-stand that remains, cherished by more than three devoted generations, counts for much more with the family; but better still, this Bible and candle-stand are symbols of America's greatness and they testify to the essentials of the American way of life. The Bible in the home and the minister in the church had for them a message from God for all the people. True, not many of the old candle-stands remain and few of the Bibles brought across the wide ocean by the men eager for this free land in which free men could worship God according to the dictates of a free conscience, but the same spirit abides and the same symbols are the one guarantee of our continued national greatness. These are the abiding citadels of our national defense. We certainly would do well to keep these ancient symbols to the front.

Rich indeed is a family with its heirlooms and its traditions of ancestors who were the priests of God in their households. Out from many of these humble and obscure beginnings in the ancient days of the pioneers of America have come the men and the women who laid deep and strong the foundations of our later achievements. They stood by the churches and contended for the schools in the years when these were so much in need of funds.

Let us not be led astray. The hope of all the future years rests with men and women who hold as sacred and essential the home, the church and the school in the making of the America that is to be. The Bible on the candle-stand in the home and the voice of God heard about the altars of the sanctuaries should be restored to their former prestige. Those material defenses of the nation so much exalted are of value just now, but they are of little permanent value in the long run of national existence. All such go ultimately to take their places with Babylon and the dead empires of the past. The enduring kingdoms are spiritual and not material. Hitler will finally take his place with Napoleon, but nations built about the Bible and the lighted candle will endure.

J. B. Ivey's "My Memoirs"

"MY MEMOIRS" is just from the press. It is a handsome volume of 368 pages that grips the reader from first to last. It is in Mr. Ivey's characteristic style and recounts in his own way the story of his life as a lad through those hard years immediately following the war between the states. His simple story of the life of an enterprising clerk in a little country store through the years till he became a leader in the mercantile life of Charlotte, N. C., reads like a tale of romance. This merchant prince and churchman has lived admirably through the years and the story needed no embellishment to make it a huge success in book making.

This book came from the press just before the holidays and the first edition is already exhausted and there is a demand for the second printing. This brief notice will be followed one of these days by a creditable review of "My Memoirs."

Drinking and Driving

THE New York Times, which is not an Anti-Saloon League Bulletin or a W.C.T.U. publication with a flare for an ambitious display of the evils of intoxicating drinks, but on the contrary, this paper delights to speak with moderation about the drink evil when it gives an opinion upon the subject. And for this very reason the friends of liquor should be inclined all the more to give careful attention to the editorial of this great New York paper which declares:

"A disturbing rise in the use of intoxicants in connection with traffic accidents is reported by Donald S. Berry of the National Safety Council in The Quarterly Journal of Studies in Alcohol issued at Yale University. From a nation wide survey he finds that drinking drivers involved in fatal accidents increased from 7

per cent in 1933 to 11 per cent in 1939, and drinking pedestrians so involved from 8 per cent to 15 per cent in the same period. One out of three fatal accidents at night last year was found to involve drinking either by driver or pedestrain, while the same condition prevailed in one out of five of all fatal accidents. Mr. Berry holds that drivers who have more than 0.15 per cent of alcohol in their blood are 55 times more apt to be involved in an accident than those with no alcohol. His report lends new force to the admonition: If you drive or venture into traffic afoot, don't drink—even a little. A sterner attitude toward drunken drivers and drinking pedestrians is evident among enforcement officers in many states. It should be adopted everywhere."

Chief of Staff of United States Army Utters a Timely Plea

GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL, chief of staff of the United States Army, warns the country that vicious interests are already at work to debauch the young men who have been conscripted. In a nation-wide radio address the head of the army pleaded for help from local communities to protect the recruits from the moral pitfalls which are being dug to trap them. General Marshall's charges were twofold. In the first place, he declared, all sorts of racketeering in room rents and similar matters are flourishing in the towns near the new army camps. But in the second place, these camps are being surrounded with dives which threaten to undermine the health and destroy the morale of the young men who have been drafted or have been taken from civilian life for national guard service.

General Marshall says: "Establishments for selling liquor are becoming increasingly active in the communities adjacent to the camps, and in some communities there has been an influx of persons of questionable reputation. The situation must be brought under control before it grows more serious."

The army can control the situation within its own confines, but outside of these it must look to the community for help. The decent forces of civil life should join with the chief of staff in correcting these evils that gather about army reservations.

Every church should recognize an immediate responsibility and all good men should give serious attention to the plea of General Marshall, chief of staff.

First Issue of The Christian Advocate

THE new year brought with it The Christian Advocate which may be termed the new national Methodist weekly. The first issue is dated January 2, 1941. It is a thirty-two page paper and the exact size of the Nashville Christian Advocate which closed its long years of service with the end of 1940. This first issue is interesting and attractive both in appearance and in quality of its reading matter. It gives every promise of being interesting and the public will excuse anything else in a paper except dullness. For this sin there is no forgiveness, neither in this world nor in the world to come.

The editorial staff consists of Roy L. Smith, editor; T. Otto Nall, managing editor; Clarence W. Hall, magazine editor; Chas. A. Britton, Jr., circulation manager. Assistant editors: Edward Laird Mills, Jacob S. Payton, Charles O. Ransford and R. P. Marshall. Board of special writers: William P. King, Richard S. Shipley, Emily J. Reid, Harold Paul Sloan and Charles S. Kendall. Twenty-two prominent church leaders are listed as contributing editors.

The editorial and business offices are at 740 Rush Street, Chicago, from which the paper is published and mailed to its subscribers in all parts of the country. This will be American Methodism's only national weekly. All other Methodist papers are limited to certain sections of the country. Zions Herald, for example, serves primarily the New England States, the Michigan Christian Advocate the state of Michigan, the Arkansas Methodist the state of Arkansas, the Virginia Christian Advocate the state of Virginia, the North Carolina Christian Advocate the state of North Carolina, Southern Christian Advocate the state of South Carolina, the Wesleyan Christian Advocate the state of Georgia, the Alabama Christian Advocate the state of Alabama, etc.

The new Christian Advocate will be national in its scope. These other Methodist papers are local and limited to certain sections of the country. For this reason none of these papers will be competitive but supplementary. Furthermore, the local papers will emphasize local matters and things of special interest to their own territory, a thing that a national paper of such wide territory cannot hope to do. But the two together should be able to render a better service in the church.

People and Things

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at West Market church, Greensboro, at 11 o'clock next Sunday, and at Calvary Methodist church, Greensboro, next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. R. C. Stubbins is pastor of the church.

We were pounded in quite an elaborate way a few nights ago by members and other friends from Davis Chapel. We appreciate the contents of the pounding, but the spirit that prompted the giving more.—Wm. H. Neese.

Rev. and Mrs. Fletcher Nelson and family moved last week from Terrace Place to the handsome new Methodist parsonage on King street. First church, Morganton, has one of the best new parsonages in the state for their pastor and his family.

Certainly, the First church, Greensboro, N. C., of which Dr. J. Clyde Turner is pastor, knows how to balance its giving. In the last associational year it gave as follows: Fellowship fund, $1,017.22; current expenses, $20,257.43; benevolences, $27,360.98; building fund $18,105.81; total, $66,741.44. —Watchman-Examiner.

"The people of Randleman-Union are treating us royally. We have had some great poundings from Naomi and Old Union, and every phase of the work seems to be moving along nicely. Come down to see us." So writes Ivan L. Roberts when sending some new subscribers to the Advocate. And he is treating the Advocate royally for he sends in new subscribers every few days.

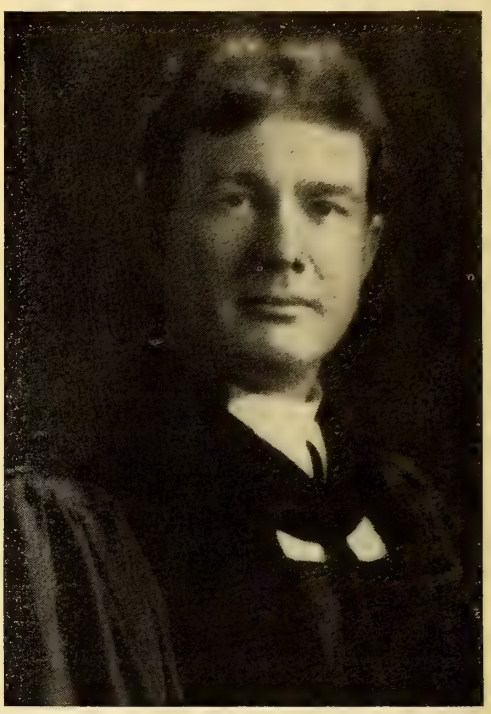
The preaching ministry of Bishop Clare Purcell brought inspirational delight to a large congregation at Central, Albemarle, on a recent Sunday morning. At the evening hour he preached before a capacity attendance at Norwood. Stanly county will long remember the visits of Bishop Purcell and will eagerly await his coming again. Methodism in this section is functioning splendidly.—R. Dwight Ware.

Brother I. L. Shaver and family are back in America. He writes: "We have finally found a house and have located in New London. So will you please send the Advocate to me here instead of Seoul, Korea. We are happy to be back in the States at this time, and have found a hearty welcome in this little town. Brother Ernest Widenhouse, the pastor of Badin-New London charge, has given us two or three poundings already."

The average attendance of the adult class of Bethel church on Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge was 13.47 for the year of 1940. This was for the 46 Sundays which the class had in session alone. There were a few Sundays that all the classes were as one and no separate class records were made. That may seem small, but the class roll was 29 and the average age of the class was 65 years. The teacher was Mr. John Lindley and the assistant Mr. Roscoe Snider. The pastor of the church was Rev. H. L. Isley.—Roscoe Snider.

Into the darkness the vessel plunges on. Heavy seas toss her; bitter wind snatches the smoke from her reeling funnel and drives the pellets of spray across her decks. She goes in peril of nature, and in peril of man. Ice, storm, submarine, and mine endanger her. Yet she goes on, steadfastly directed by men who quietly go about their business and will do it right. They may reach port, or they may perish in the deep; but their obligation to their profession lends them fortitude. The dignity of the human soul recognizes and demands loyalty to principles, devotion to duty, even though failure may result. This is one reason why lost causes have been so important. This is one reason why it is possible to say, and to mean, "Happy New Year!"—The Friend.

Dr. Henry N. Snyder, Wofford's beloved president, returned to his usual place at chapel one day last week. When presented to the Wofford student body by Acting Dean LeRoy Cox, he was greeted with loud applause. Dr. Snyder then made the announcement that he would be in his office a short time each day for consultations with students. The Advocate joins with Methodism everywhere in wishing Dr. Snyder continued improvement.—So. Christian Advocate.



Dr. Paul Austin Wolfe, who appears on program of Convocation of Churches in High Point

We have two fine hams now in process of curing and two more to be butchered as soon as the weather turns cold. We have 40 hens that are working hard these days, putting out as fine hen fruit as you ever stuck a tooth in. Then in addition to the hams and eggs we have two good cows that are giving plenty of rich milk, enough to supply a family of 12. Have said the above to say to you that you are invited to bring your family down and spend a week with us.—R. C. Kirk. Thanks, look for us about the time the young "broilers" are ripe.—Editor.

Following the annual conference we left our good friends of the Faison-Kenansville charge and came to Ahoskie. Arriving here we found a group of ladies to meet us. They had set the parsonage in order and provided a turkey dinner for us. From that first day we have known that we are friends. Furnishings have been needed in the parsonage and they have been generously provided. Thanksgiving came and with it a big turkey and many delicious provisions for our table. At the church school hour on December 22 we received one of the largest poundings we have ever seen. It included hams and fruit cakes, sugar, lard and coffee, cash money and invitations from service stations to have our car serviced and the tank filled with gas. We have a fine and efficient board of stewards and leaders in every department of the church, and they have assured us that they are anxious for the program of the church to move along successfully this year and that they stand ready to do their part in making it so. We are very happy here among such a fine people in such a splendid town.—A. L. Thompson, Pastor.

PASSING OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT RECORDER

While the members of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are mourning the passing of the Nashville Christian Advocate the members of the former Methodist Protestant Church are no less grieved over the discontinuance of the Methodist Recorder, until a year ago the Methodist Protestant Recorder. This paper which has been published at Baltimore, Maryland, for the past one hundred and twelve years was the spokesman for the Methodist Protestant Church. Some of us began to read it as soon as we were able to read. Its editors have always been among the foremost thinkers of the denomination. When the final issue came a week ago and I realized that the dear old paper was dying to live again in the new (national) Christian Advocate there was a feeling of both sadness and joy. sadness because of the severance of ties that had bound all of us together for so long and in the fact that henceforth we shall hear very little from those whose names and faces were familiar whether they were in the east, north, west or south. But there was some joy in the fact that the former Methodist Protestant Church was contributing its part to the paper which is to serve all of the Methodists of the nation. But the giving up of the dear old paper is like the giving up of the conference paper, the Methodist Protestant Herald and the Children's Home and many local churches—it is a part of the price to be paid for Methodist union. There would have been no point to uniting if everything was to go on just as formerly. All of this, I trust, is in the interest of efficiency, economy and for the best interest of the kingdom.

J. E. Pritchard.

ALCOHOLISM CALLED GREATEST PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM

Alcoholism is the greatest public health problem at the present time which is not being systematically attacked, declared Dr. Winfred Overholser, superintendent of St. Elizabeth Hospital, government institution for the mentally ill, in opening a symposium on alcoholism. The meeting was arranged by the Research Council on Problems of Alcohol, of which Dr. Overholser is chairman of the board of directors, in connection with the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Philadelphia. Over 100,000 persons are suffering from alcoholism in the United States today, he said. Yet in all but the largest cities, practically the only institution in which an acutely intoxicated person may be cared for is the local jail.—Science News Letter.

REIDSVILLE CIRCUIT

At the close of our last annual conference my name was read out as pastor of Reidsville circuit for the eleventh year. The people have given us a hearty welcome as they have done in former years. We are just as glad to be back on this charge as we have been at any time. We do not feel that we should ever be tired of serving a people so kind, so generous and so co-operative.

The work of the new conference year is going along in fine shape along all lines. Our first quarterly conference was well attended, and nearly one-fourth of the salary paid. Every one is pleased to have back our district superintendent. Of course we had not expected any change at this time.

Christmas is just over, and the good people of the charge made it possible for this to be an unusually happy occasion. Lowe's congregation started off with a generous pounding and have kept it up all along until the new year. The Bethlehem people just about filled our car with good things to eat just before Christmas. The adult Sunday school classes of Mt. Carmel also gave us a nice and generous pounding, including some gifts that we can keep and use through the coming years. The young people's class of Mt. Carmel church presented the pastor with a nice Parker pen and pencil set. The Salem congregation gave us a nice box of fruits, candies, and other good things to eat. Many other gifts, too numerous to mention, have come to the parsonage from all over the charge, all of which we greatly appreciate. We expect to be enjoying the good things to eat for many days to come, and we hope and expect to spend strength derived therefrom in useful service to a people who so richly deserve the best we can give.

T. V. Crouse.

GRACE CHURCH, WINSTON-SALEM

We were returned to Grace church for a second year. We were happy to come back for another year. Soon after conference we found ourselves in a special Thanksgiving service which was conducted by our young people. Quite a good supply of things for the pantry was brought by those who came for the service. The pantry supplies were distributed to families of the community who were in need of such things. Not long after the Thanksgiving service we found ourselves working with the young people and the children getting ready for a Christmas program by the children, and a play by the young people. The children and the young people were the happy recipients of many complimentary remarks concerning the program.

At the conclusion of the children's Christmas program there were several individual gifts presented by our Sunday school superintendent, Mr. E. H. Beeson. The church presented the pastor with a new suit.

Tuesday night, December 31, we held a watch night service. God came down and blessed us in a great way. The service began at 8:30 with a sermon by Rev. W. B. Thompson. Brother Thompson did bring us a great message.

The ladies have been doing some refurnishing work for the parsonage since conference. Many of the people remember us in a way that puts more good things in the pantry.

Our new district superintendent, Dr. C. C. Weaver, found a warm welcome awaiting him and his good wife when they came to the district after conference. Dr. Weaver has preached for us once and held our first quarterly conference. He has a big heart in him, and it is full of sympathy, kindness and love for the brethren. I have never had a deeper longing and a greater desire to be all God wants me to be than today.

R. L. Forbis.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College students resumed their work on Friday morning, January 3, following Christmas holidays, which began December 19. Most of the students returned for classes at 8 o'clock while a few prolonged their stay at home due to illness.

Examinations will begin Friday, January 17, lasting until January 23, with the second semester of work beginning on January 24.

Religious emphasis week will be observed at the college February 9-14, sponsored by the Y. W. C. A. Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, Ann Arbor, Mich., will be the speaker for the occasion. Mrs. Overton is a well known lecturer and author and the "Y" feels fortunate in being able to have Mrs. Overton as its guest speaker. Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, is president of the "Y."

MRS. B. H. BLACK HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Through the columns of the Advocate Mrs. Black and I wish to thank our friends throughout the conference for their kind thoughts, cards and gifts during Christmas and Mrs. Black's stay in Duke Hospital. We deeply appreciate every remembrance and will use each one to our comfort and blessing.

Following Saturday, January 4, 1941, Mrs. Black will be at home on Guess Road, Rt. 2, Durham, N. C. Her condition has greatly improved though she will remain in a cast for several months due to an injured spine. B. H. Black.

DURHAM DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET

The Durham District League of Stewards met last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in the Methodist church at Carrboro, with Prof. F. S. Aldridge, district lay leader, presiding. After devotional service conducted by Professor Aldridge, a list of the charges was called, and about 25 pastors and between 100 and 200 laymen, officials in the various churches, answered. Professor Aldridge made a statement as to the purpose of the meeting and read the report of the conference board of lay activities, giving special emphasis to various items in the report. The following persons were introduced and spoke on the subjects assigned them: Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, on "The New Financial Plan." He asked for a larger acceptance on the benevolent budget. Mr. C. C. Durham of West Durham spoke on "An Adequate Financial Plan," including the every member canvass and payment of all financial obligations monthly. He gave some emphasis to the unified budget system, and urged that a pledge be made by each member of every family, rather than one pledge for the whole family. Mr. J. C. Lentz, Golden Cross director for the district, made some statements concerning that work, showing that approximately $3500 was raised in this cause in the conference during the past year and that Durham district led the conference in this matter. Rev. R. L. Hethcox of the Mt. Hermon charge, whose charge paid more than $90 to the Golden Cross during the year, leading the district, spoke on "When, How, and Why Make a Successful Enrollment for the Golden Cross." He suggested a director who believes in this cause be selected for each church. As to the time he recommended that this matter be taken up at a time when it is not overshadowed by some other important cause, but when it can be properly emphasized. As to why this should be done, he urged that we go talk with Jesus about it, then look at the needs around us, and the answer will be forthcoming. Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University spoke on the "Duties and Opportunities of the Charge Lay Leader." He urged a better knowledge of the program of the church, a division of responsibility, and a closer fellowship with Christ. Rev. A. S. Barnes spoke briefly of the Methodist Orphanage, referring especially to the Christmas season at the orphanage. In the closing message Dr. F. S. Hickman spoke earnestly and forcefully on "The Purpose of It All." He spoke of the early beginnings of Methodism and the conditions prevailing at that time. Into this unwholesome atmosphere Methodism and its early leaders were released. In speaking of united Methodism he warned the church to guard against two subtle dangers: First, of becoming all machinery, and second, of becoming all politics. He urged the church to magnify the spiritual and to prove its place in the world through the service it renders to mankind. The world is yearning for spiritual food today as never before, and we must keep the altar fires burning. Any great upheaval in a community is an evidence that the church has been active in preparing the way. The way to solve any of the church's problems is to keep the spiritual fires aglow. Rev. A. J. Hobbs made some statements concerning the district missionary institute to be held January 7 at 10 a. m. at Duke Memorial church. He gave emphasis to the Methodist Orphanage, the conference brotherhood, and the new financial plan.

The meeting was adjudged a great success. The church was crowded with ministers and laymen from practically every charge in the district. After the singing of a hymn Rev. S. F. Nicks dismissed the meeting with prayer.

S. J. Starnes, Secretary.

DR. JORDAN'S NEW BOOK

Why the Cross? Dr. G. Ray Jordan. Abingdon Cokesbury Press. $1.00.

Here is a volume of eight chapters from the heart and pen of my friend and fellow pastor, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, now minister at the First Methodist church of Charlotte, N. C. Let me say at the outset that this book is not comfortable reading for a careless age and a society that first of all demands mere material conveniences. Its pages will bring all easy going people up with a jerk and startle them into a recognition of something at Calvary terribly bitter. Coming off the press as it does at this particular time of world chaos, Why the Cross? is most appropriate in its challenge to men who are merely loafing and laughing and wise-cracking their way along. Dr. Jordan's statement in the first chapter, "If Jesus were to come again, we would kill him," sends a chill through one's being because of its sad truth. As I read the first twenty-five or thirty pages of the volume I realized that the modern age has perhaps crucified Jesus as tragically as no other age in these twenty centuries. I also realized that the year nineteen forty has driven the spear deeper into his side than any other year since he first appeared. The first chapter of the book comes as nearly as anything I know to the heart and fundamental message of Dr. Jordan's great preaching.

The chapter on Judas Iscariot is with one exception the sublimest delineation of this strange man I have ever read, first because of the marvelous defense of the traitor in an unequaled apologetic, and second because of the revelation of his hideous infamy. The chapter is a bit of superb writing and preaching. The theme from beginning to end in Why the Cross? is just this: As long as there are treasonable men in the world like Judas ,slackers in society like Simon Peter, political tricksters akin to Herod and Pontius Pilate, despotic ceremonialists and ecclesiastics like Annas and Caiaphas, there must always be a cross. But greater than these earthly reasons, there must inevitably be a cross because of Jesus himself, what he was and who he was, and also because of the fatherly God and his endless consideration and love for carnal men like ourselves.

One seldom in the reading of many books discovers so much of the cruciality of the cross as in this small volume of fewer than one hundred and fifty pages. I recall standing some years ago with Dr. Jordan on a certain college campus when a very selfish woman rode up in a car costing a small fortune. She was bejeweled and adorned as no woman I had ever seen before, petted and pampered, flattered and fawned upon by a multitude of associates. Dr. Jordan turned and made this comment, "What does such a creature know about the cross, about God, about anything morally valuable?" His statement then might be a sort of index to the volume he has so ably written. Such a question perhaps is the crux of the theme in Why the Cross? comfort and pagan indulgence where there ought to be renunciation and the Via Dolorosa for our selfish and bewildered world.

I might add that the first seven chapters of the book are most suitable for all modern ministers to read, such a sentence as the one on page twenty-one especially challenging, "Jesus could have been a popular pastor." Yes, he might have held the biggest appointment in the Roman empire and preached to a ripe old age in the highest steepled cathedral in the Mediterranean world, but he chose a cross instead. The final chapter is unusually a good one for laymen, and especially for the average church member. Upon this section of Christendom does the cross also make a heavy demand, and to Calvary must the laity give a one hundred per cent allegiance. I trust that both clerical and lay Christians will avail themselves of this book's weighty message to a sorely stricken humanity.

C. Excell Rozzelle.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The Board of Education of the North Carolina conference completed its annual two-day meeting at Louisburg College at noon January 1. Executive Secretary R. W. Bradshaw who was in full charge of the assembly said that this was one of the most successful meetings of the board, and pointed out that one of the principal aims of the board for the coming year would be the increasing of church representation in the several summer assemblies held at Louisburg College during the vacation period.

Over 40 leaders of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church attended this meeting, including six district superintendents, 15 pastors, 12 lay workers and four staff members of the board.

The total educational work of the year was planned and new staff plans discussed and explained. Since this is the only meeting of the year at which all of the district staff officers are present a great deal of detailed work was completed relating to the year's work.

A special program was prepared for the group celebrating the New Year's entrance. Rev. F. W. Hedden led the group in recreational activities until 11:30, after which a Watch Night service was held until midnight, when a special communion service was held with Rev. R. W. Bradshaw in charge and district superintendents Parker and Russell assisting in the distribution of the elements.

AMERICAN NEWSREEL IN VARIETY

Sign on a car with Kansas license plates seen at the American Legion Convention in Boston: "Please drive carefully: we have lived through drought, dust storms, prohibition and the New Deal, and we want to see what happens next."—The Atlantic Monthly.

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The Baptist church in Sunland, Calif., during revival meetings was picketed by a man made up as the devil and carrying this sign: "Evangelist Anderson's program unfair. This institution entices many servants away. Local No. 666, Union of Amalgamated Beelzebubs." Record crowds passed the picket line to attend the meetings.—A. P.

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The "God Bless America' 'automobile horn is proving a money-maker for its manufacturers. The horn is operated by a push button and plays the full title of God Bless America. Other titles available include In My Merry Oldsmobile, Merrily We Roll Along, Hunting Call, Highways Are Happy Ways, and Happy Days Are Here Again. Installation is easy because the horn fits all cars and trucks. The item is approved by traffic authorities.—Billboard.

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF CHURCHES TO BE HELD IN HIGH POINT JANUARY 14-16

The fifth annual State-wide Convocation of Churches will open Tuesday, January 14, at 7:30 p. m. at the Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point. Dr. Paul Austin Wolfe, pastor of the Brick Presbyterian church, New York City, will deliver the first in his series of three addresses.

Also appearing on the first evening's program will be Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor of Centenary Methodist



Dr. W. A. Stanbury

church, Winston-Salem, and president of the North Carolina Council of Churches, who will deliver the president's annual address. Bishop Edwin A. Penick, chairman of the executive committee of the N. C. Council of Churches, will preside.

The Convocation will be held in High Point under the sponsorship of the High Point Ministerial Association in co-operation with the Chamber of Commerce of that city. Much credit is due the many High Point citizens for their fullest co-operation in the promotion of this annual state-wide religious event.

Those persons attending the forthcoming Convocation will have a greater selection of group institutes to choose from than ever before. Space does not permit the inclusion of any more than a brief announcement of these but a summary of the purpose and program of each will be furnished those attending the meetings.

The following institutes have been scheduled:

January 15 and 16

1. "Week-day Religious Education."
2. "The Rural Church and the New Rural Community."
3. "The Church's Use of Radio."
4. "The European Church Today and Tomorrow."
5. "Youth in Quest of Religious Reality."
6. "Music Clinic."
7. "The Church Program."
8. "Children's Religion—in Home."
9. "The Rights of the Minority."
10. "Drama in the Church."
11. "The Present War and Protestant Needs."
12. "Protestant Conceptions of the Church."

Appearing on the three-day program will be many state and outof-state clergymen and religious lay leaders who will deal with the theme, "The Faith of the Church and the World Crisis."

The music of the Convocation will be in charge of Mr. J. Gurney Briggs, director of music of Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point. Choirs from many parts of the state will provide worship periods of music.

In connection with the group institutes, Prof. W. P. Twaddell, one of the state's outstanding musical directors, will conduct two music clinics, giving special emphasis to the organization of the musical life of the local church.

The Convocation must be self-sustaining and therefore it is necessary that every one attending purchase a Convocation Membership of $1.00, payable in advance or at the door. This membership is transferable and you are urged to let your friends use yours for sessions you are not able to attend. For the convenience of all concerned, registration booths will be open at the Wesley Memorial church all day January 14.

AN INCIDENT IN THE LIVES OF TWO NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNORS

Sunday, January 29, 1940, was "Clyde Hoey Day" in Edenton Street church, Raleigh, since Governor Hoey's term of office would expire January 9. The Sunday school hour was given over largely to the laudation of Mr. Hoey on account of his fine services as teacher of the big men's Bible class during the past four years.

Among the speakers were Prof. Ben L. Smith, superintendent of the city schools of Greensboro, N. C., and Governor Hoey's successor, Governor Broughton, who among other things said that Governor Hoey in his marriage exercised his usual good judgment and married a Baptist, and then the present governor of North Carolina added that he himself exercised fine judgment in his selection of a wife and married a Methodist girl.

Dr. R. M. Courtney, pastor of College Place church, Greensboro, had the honor of being guest preacher at the 11 o'clock service and greatly pleased the immense congregation that assembled for the services of that hour. Dr. John C. Glenn, the pastor, had charge of the service.

The day was delightful in every particular.

MRS. JULIA CLAYTON ISLEY

I want to say a few words in memory of my friend, Mrs. Julia Clayton Isley.

I met Mrs. Isley when I was a girl, and during the years she has been, in my opinion, a model Christian, teaching her children the fundamental things of life and religion, and testifying for the Lord. It was always a pleasure for her to tell what the Lord had done.

"Practicing Christianity" was her motto. She helped the needy, visited the sick, and was loyal to her pastor and church. It is no wonder that from the influence of so great a mother we have in our conference a great preacher, Rev. H. L. Isley.

Though the home may be empty and loved ones sad at her going, yet in that beautiful home of the soul I think she is waiting and beckoning for them to come.

Mrs. G. A. B. Holderby.

The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand

By OLIN ADER

"The kingdom of heaven is at hand," says Jesus. It is not a place to be sought in a far away world, but it is "at hand"—"within you" now and here. It is a present world experience in which men do the will of God on earth as it is done in heaven. This kingdom experience in the mind—heart—will of man is to be sought above all else on earth; for it is a pearl of great price, and is to be prized above all earthly possessions.

The greatest thought that ever entered the mind of man is the thought of God, and of his kingdom in all the world. God lays hold of the mind of man with this idea as the sun grips the world by the law of gravity; and when man lives in the light of this idea new life springs up in the soul as new life springs up in the earth while it basks in the light of the sun in the spring.

Some see this new life experience, this renewing of the mind and transformation of man, as an educational process wrought by the spirit of truth, creating a new man in Christ. Faith lays hold of truth, the mind-life of God; and by that faith man is lifted into the mind of Christ, and so is he saved. This is the mental side of regeneration; but there is something more to be seen, if we look deep enough.

A Word of Fire

In mind we are saved by faith, which is a right attitude of mind toward God; but that is only one third of man's salvation, and that is not sufficient. The truth must not only enter man's mind, if he is to be saved, but it must be planted deep in his heart. Holy Scripture uses the word "heart" rather than the word "mind," when it would lead man into the way of life. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues (thoughts) of life." "For out of the heart proceed—thoughts," etc. Thought in the mind is like corn in the crib; it lies lifeless—food for rats: thought in the heart is like corn in the ground; it soon springs up into new life. Pharisees had the law in mind; not in the heart. The Psalmist had it in his heart and cried, "Oh, how love I thy law—" Hence Jesus says, "Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Phariseees, ye shall in no case enter the kingdom of heaven."

One day a Pharisee-lawyer asked Jesus the great question, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" The answer was in his mind, and Jesus let him give it: "Thou shalt love—and thou shalt live." "Love and live." That word of fire was too hot for the cold hearted-lawyer, and he dropped it quick to pick up another cold word—"neighbor." "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus answers with the most beautiful story of a man who broke down all barriers, racial and religious, and showed mercy to a man, his enemy, in trouble. To this legal snob Jesus says, Rise above Semitic snobbery, as did this good Samaritan: Go and do thou likewise.

Here the deep secret of entrance into the kingdom of life is given in a word of fire—"love." The kingdom of heaven is a kingdom of love. The only way to enter is by the door of love.

Do I owe so much love to God that I should love the Lord with all my heart, soul, strength, mind, as the law commands me? Yes, I do; I owe God for everything. Name every good that comes to me: I owe God for it all. Do I try to pay my debt to God? Have I paid the debt I owe to him? If not, then am I the greatest sinner in the world. This is a supreme sin, that man owes this sacred debt, and does not seek to pay it.

"Drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe."

Only love can repay this divine debt. Can any man sincerely claim to be an honest man and neglect this debt he owes to his God? "Love fulfills the law." Nothing else can.

The new birth is an entrance into the life of love. "Every one that loveth is born of God." This is the old-time religion that made men shout for joy. Love is the fire of heaven that makes all hearts divinely warm, while hate is a fire of hell that makes hell hateful and horrible. "War is hell," and a lost world is perishing in its flames today.

The church is called to repentance, because it has lost its first love; and the church is reproved for its lukewarm state and called to repent lest Jehovah cast it away as a nauseating thing. The servants of God must pass through a pentecostal experience and be baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire, the fire of love, before they can witness for God. The last question Jesus asked Peter before sending him out to witness for him was this heart-searching question: "Lovest thou me?" No one is fit to feed the flock of God; no one is qualified to care for the lambs until he loves. "We know we have passed from death unto life" when we love. Love divinely warms the heart, and gives a tongue of fire as one testifies for Christ. Love gives new understanding to its possessor. No one can understand any person until he loves; no one can understand anything at its best until he loves the thing. The child that does not love its teacher is made mentally blind by dislike. Mother is the best teacher in the world because of her love. Hence Peter must not preach till he loves.

"Now we see through a glass darkly" because we lack perfect love. "But when that which is perfect (love) is come, then that which is in part shall be done away." "Then shall I know even as I am known"—when I am perfect in love even as our heavenly Father is perfect. Love illuminates the soul as the sun illuminates the world.

> The Mind has a thousand eyes,
> And the Heart but one;
> But the light of the whole life dies,
> When love is done.

Methodism, baptized with the fire of love, set England on fire—and America. "One heart of love will set another on fire," cried a saint with soul aflame. Paul prays for the Ephesians that they may "know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge." The heart knows some things that the head cannot understand; it has a knowledge that passeth all the wisdom of this world.

A conceited young preacher spoke rather scornfully of emotion in religion, because he had head knowledge but not heart understanding. His ignorance made his ministry cold, dead, dumb, futile, foolish. Intellectual fanaticism in religion is as fatal as is emotional fanaticism. Steer your ship with infinite care between Scylla and Charybdis of fanaticism. Thought is powerful; love is infinitely more powerful. "God is love"; and the only way we may know God is by love. Agree with John 4:8?

An educated ministry that has not the love of God shed abroad in its heart by the Holy Spirit, who is given unto us (Romans 5:6) and that lowers the love temperature of the church, leads the Sardis church to its death. To him the risen Saviour says, "Thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead." The corpse may have dignity, but it has no divinity. The heart was made for love, and it finds no rest till it rests in the everlasting arms.

Let the fire burn. Listen intellectuals: intelligent emotional expression is the highest reach of intelligence. You find it in poetry. You find it in art and architecture, if you know its language. You find it in oratory. You find it in the prophet who speaks the truth with a tongue of fire, inspired by a heart made strangely warm in the saving grace of God.

Thrice shame that man who robs God of his emotional life, and steals away with his pent-up feelings to dance hall, wine shop, political arena, ball game, and battle field, and spends his money for that which is not bread and his labor for that which satisfieth not. Why not give our emotions to God our Maker, to whom they belong with all their beautiful and blissful powers and potentialities? David danced with all his might around the altars of God; and our

God-loving fathers and mothers of Methodism made halls and hills and homes ring with shouts of joyful praise, giving free expression to an inward fire of love; and while Zion travailed in birth pangs of love, sons and daughters were born into the kingdom.

If Methodism, with its mighty, mechanized military organization, grows cold, fireless, formal, dead ,devoid of emotional life, and begins to seek satisfaction in wine and wantonness, in coca-cola, chewing gum, cigarettes, and carnality —and in imitating colored folks (who have sincere religious feeling in its simplicity) by singing their spirituals in a sort of poor, sacreligious imitation—then write "Ichabod" over her doors, and sweep over the daughter of Zion whose forsaken altars stand as scare-crows in a watermelon patch. The young people of this age, and of all ages, will turn from such lifeless religion, seeking that abundant life of love and fire the Master brings to men. He says, "I come to kindle a fire on earth."

Methodism, filled with the fire of divine love flung firebrands over England, America, and other lands, till the world lit up by her light. It was that light that placed the torch of liberty in the hands of that high statue that stands as an inspiration to the nations. It was that light that gave birth to democracy at its best, and that must continue to light the world if it is made safe for democracy. It was that light that kept home fires burning and lit a million family altars all over America, and led millions of little children to Christ and into his church.

Let love's light burn forever in the heart of Methodism, that she may live forever.

Love makes a circle, like the sun,
That takes in you and every one;
Who breaks that circle, sad to tell,
He makes his bed in hell.

Love builds a heaven everywhere,
Hate builds a hateful hell:
Take your choice, my brother dear,
In love I wish you well!

Look close, please, at Luke 10:27-28, and read: "Thou shalt love—and thou shalt live."

SELF-DEFEATING

Principles of violence in aggression defeat themselves. It may be said there is honor among thieves, but the fact remains that eventually there is bound to be violence over the division of the spoils. The same rapacities which ruled the gang in its war against society, once the necessity for internal unity has passed, are still in control. The only recourse is the desetruction of each other. This holds for private as well as international gangsters.

The same universal ethical laws hold for individuals. We cannot, in the long run, beat the game. The student who fancies he cheats the teacher in "getting by" has primarily cheated only himself out of useful knowledge, or self-development, or self-respect, which will show up later in incompetence before a harsh and uncompromising world. The constitutional liar may begin by deceiving those who trust him, but his lies kill that confidence which alone can make his lies effective. Finally he comes to live in a false world of self-deception in which he cannot discern the truth when it would be to his own advantage. We unconsciously attribute the motives which control us to those around us and thus come to live in a world in which we principally meet up with ourselves. The cheat looks on all men as cheats, the avaricious man on all as avaricious, the impure sees all as impure and thus builds his life into a false world that bears the seeds of its own destruction. The inevitable law of action and reaction holds as surely as the course of the sun.—Ralph Tyler Flewelling, in The Personalist.

NEW YEAR'S FACTS AND FANCIES

The ancient Egyptians, Phoenicians and Persians began the new year at the fall equinox, September 21, when the days were growing short. The old Greeks and Romans began the new year at the time of the winter solstice, December 21.

The Jewish civil year began in their month of Tishri —about September 6—but their religious year started March 21.

The mediaval Christians counted March 25 as the New Year.

The early Julian calendar was used since before the time of Christ, but in 1582 an error in its calculations was corrected by the Pope Gregory. The new calendar was called the Gregorian calendar and was accepted by most of the nations. It is estimated that the present calculation is so nearly correct that our seasons will not vary more than a day in two hundred centuries.

New Year has been celebrated as a holy festival from earliest times. The Jews kept the Feast of Trumpets; the Druids cut sacred mistletoe and made sacrifices, sometimes human, to their gods.

In many countries gifts were exchanged on New Year and in Scotland it used to be allowable to ask for a gift on that day.

The lovely Open House custom is English. It started with the family gathered around a large bowl of wine while the father drank their health. Each in turn drank to the others' health. This was called "Wass Hael," or the "wassail" of later years and simply means "to your health." Later in the day the poor neighbors would come in for refreshments, and the first caller on any family on New Year's day was considered to be lucky.

Many important events have taken place on a New Year's day. Here are a few:

In the year 1000 many Christians expected the end of the world and gave away their belongings.

1673 saw the beginning of mail service between Boston and New York.

1781 marked the revolt of the Pennsylvania Revolutionary troops because of lack of pay and horrible living conditions. They marched on Congress which was convened in Philadelphia at the time, but that august body fled before the angry soldiers reached the city.

1801 importations of slaves to the United States prohibited.

1863 Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

1873 the united German empire came into being and started the rivalry which has caused untold sorrow to the world.

1905 the Japanese showed their power when they forced Russia out of Port Arthur. Speaking of the Japanese, we are told they still celebrate New Year by cleaning house, wearing new clothes and pay their debts. If a man cannot see his way open to pay all bills on New Year's, he will sell some property at a sacrifice in order to obtain the necessary money.

In our country in past generations, the social time ending with a Watch Night Prayer Meeting at a home or church was the usual way of greeting the New Year. The present trend seems to be away from religion and towards hilarity.—Religious Telescope.

History is never antiquated, because humanity is always fundamentally the same—Rauschenbusch.

MISS SARA ELIZABETH RANKIN WED TO DR. J. S. HIATT, JR.

With the bridegroom's father, Rev. Joseph Spurgeon Hiatt of Statesville officiating, Miss Sara Elizabeth Rankin and Dr. Joseph Spurgeon Hiatt, Jr., of Duke University, were united in marriage on Friday evening in Main Street Methodist church.

Robert Barkley, church organist, presented a program of nuptial music, and voice numbers were given by Dr. Cyrus L. Gray of Sanatorium.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, John Robert Rankin, and the bridegroom had as best man James Whitin Rankin.

The bride was attired in a wedding gown of off-white Duchess satin created in the princess mode. The fitted bodice was caught to the waistline at the back with tiny covered buttons and the sweetheart neckline featured a Queen Anne collar of Chantilly lace. The long sleeves, puffed to the elbow, extended in fitted points over the wrist, and the graceful train was long and flowing. Her veil of bridal illusion fell train-length from a halo of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of calla lilies and her only ornament was a lavaliere set with diamonds and petals, which was her father's gift to her mother on their wedding day.

Miss Anna Frances Shuford attended the bride as maid of honor. Mrs. James Whitin Rankin was dame of honor, Mrs. James Whitin Rankin was dame of honor, and bridesmaids were Misses Ruth and Faye Hiatt of Statesville, sisters of the bridegroom, Mrs. John Pierce of Canton and Miss Sara Killian of Gastonia.

Groomsmen were Dr. J. Lamar Callaway of Duke hospital; Dr. W. G. Snow of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Duke hospital; Dr. C. A. Munroe of Charlotte and Duke hospital; Dr. Albert F. Lee of Seattle, Wash., and Duke hospital; Dr. C. Williard Camalier of Washington, D. C., and Ralph Rockett of Gastonia.

After the ceremony a small reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Rankin, her family being one of the most prominent in Gaston county. She was prepared for college in the local high school and was later graduated from Duke University at Durham. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta national sorority, and for two years has been a member of Dilworth faculty of Charlotte city schools. She is a member of the Spinsters' Club and was very widely entertained both here and in other North Carolina cities in the weeks preceding her marriage.

Dr. Hiatt is the only son of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph H. Hiatt of Statesville. He was graduated from Statesville high school, Duke University and Duke medical school and is now serving his internship at Duke hospital where he is a member of the medical staff. While a student at Duke he was a member of Delta Sigma Phi social fraternity, was district president of Kappa Kappa Psi national music fraternity and is a member of Phi Chi medical fraternity.

After the reception Dr. and Mrs. Hiatt left for a trip to Florida, after which they will be at home in Durham.

YANCEYVILLE'S IDEAL QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Saturday, January 4, 1941, at Prospect church was the time and place of an ideal quarterly conference for the Yanceyville charge. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, our district superintendent, was at his best, delivering a most persuasive sermon upon the text, "Follow me and I will make you to become fishers of men." Following the sermon two young men sought the recommendation of the quarterly conference to the district conference for license to preach. These two young men bear the same name, though not related—John William Carter, a member of Prospect church, and James Edwin Carter, a member of Shady Grove. Both were elected delegates to the district conference. Each spoke appropriate words of appreciation of the confidence which the conference had placed in them and asked the prayers of every one present. Needless to say there were many moist eyes to be seen over the conference room. We are justly proud of John and Edwin and wish for them the blessing of God in all their labors.

Five hundred dollars was accepted on the benevolent askings and $148 reported already paid of this amount with a Christmas thank offering. One- fourth of the district superintendent's salary has been paid, together with one-fourth of the bishop's fund, conference claimants, and ministers' retirement fund. Shady Grove has paid half of their acceptance on benevolences. A building committee was appointed for the Yanceyville church with authority granted them to either remodel the present building and add church school rooms, or to build a new church. The decision on this is to be made at a church conference February 2. Incidentally, the pastor received two poundings in one day from Prospect and Locust Hill. And that's not all; the pastor has been given a year's membership in the Yanceyville Rotary Club, this as a Christmas gift. Yes, we are happy in the work here on our new field of labor. J. V. Early.

WHEELBARROW RELIGION

By Benedicite

I read a story one day that ran something like this: The American agent of General Motors in a Chinese city asked a Christian missionary if he considered Confucius a real competitor of Christ. The answer was, "Do you sir, when you try to sell a Cadillac or a LaSalle, have much competition from the Chinese merchant who sells a wheelbarrow?" The answer is supposed to be No, and yet I judge there is considerable competition.

For the moment, I am attorney for the wheelbarrow. Having used it many a time I have considerable affection for it. It is the world's first wagon and it is not outmoded yet. There is a knack in handling it, of course. Dad taught me that knack when I was a boy. I have seen men with bodies rigid extend their hands and lift a heavily loaded wheelbarrow. The next day their backs were sore. There is a knack in everything and that is true in handling wheelbarrows. Two of the best springs ever invented are in your knees and God designed them, among other things, to help you in handling wheelbarrows. Bend your knees when you take hold of the handles and then lift the wheelbarrow, not with your back, but by gradually straightening the knees. It will save you a bill for Sloan's liniment.

One day the formerly common virtue of thrift was being laughed at as obsolete by guests in a certain restaurant. The sensible woman who operates it—and it is a good one, too—snapped out, "Why laugh at a thing because it is common, or democratic? Wheelbarrows have done more for the world than automobiles." As attorney for the wheelbarrow just now, I stand ready to defend her statement. I know people who have gone "broke" paying for an automobile. I have never known anyone to reach that state through buying a wheelbarrow. If virtue and decency have shrieked and died in automobile joy rides, character has never been crucified through joy riding in a wheelbarrow. Stuffed shirts may laugh at it, but what worth while person cares for the opinion of a stuffed shirt? Whenever an automobile honks its derision at a wheelbarrow, the latter may well say, "Laugh all you please. Remember I did my full share in building the highways over which you run." The wheelbarrow has always been a decent, plodding, but at the same time progressive citizen and I hesitate not to say that if so-called twentieth century civilization used the automobiles a little less and the wheelbarrow a little more ,the world would be better off.

The watchword of the wheelbarrow is service. It is no sacrilege to say that the wheelbarrow has keen appreciation of the Saviour's statement, "I am among you as he that serveth." That is the wheelbarrow's whole philosophy of life. It lives that statement better than 90 per cent of the Christians. With neither a grunt nor a groan it has rendered yeoman service in the march of civilization. It has only one talent, that of service, and that tal-

ent has never been buried. The people who sneer at horse and buggy days are generally the same brand of cattle who poke fun at wheelbarrows. To such Benedicite would say, "Despise not the days that produced the most rugged, virile, vigorous people that our republic has known, days resplendent with the virtues of a Washington or a Lincoln."—United Presbyterian.

THE GREATEST MIRACLE

By J. R. McCrary

Many years ago a baby was born. Just a little baby with tiny hands and feet. In a few days it opened its eyes and its eyes were like that of all other children and it grew up like even our own children grow and no one but its mother knew its meaning.

It did not go to school for there were no schools then. It never read a newspaper nor a printed book. The child became a man and never traveled a hundred miles from his birthplace. He had not home or wife or child and died a felon's death. And yet, his life was the greatest miracle that ever happened on earth.

Kingdoms and empires pass away. Potentates and priests die and are forgotten. Armies gather and the earth trembles as they march to and fro and then dissolve forever. This man's mortal life was ended in a few short years and yet he is still living here among us. Living in the hearts of men and women and little children, living in the mansions of the rich and in the humble huts of the poor, living in the mountains and in the swamps, living even in the hearts of those who stand in battle lines armed with weapons of destruction.

A mountain is a miracle, an ocean is a miracle, and a shining star and an evening sunset. But the greatest miracle of all is the life of the Babe of Bethlehem, the one altogether lovely, the great Shepherd, the Rose of Sharon, the Blessed Redeemer and the Friend of All Mankind.

GERMANS CONFISCATE NOBEL FUNDS

German troops of occupation in the "Protectorate of Norway" have finally cleared the name of the German Reich of a terrible stain. The awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to the famous German pacifist, Carl von Ossietzky, several years ago while he was in a concentration camp caused considerable embarrassment to the Fuehrer, at that time straining his propaganda bureau to the limit in order to instill in the minds of his Hitler Youth the doctrine of the glory of war. For a German, therefore, to be awarded a prize for promoting the cause of peace was, in Hitlerian language, "intolerable."

Now all is well. On October 16 the Nazi troops confiscated all credits of the Nobel Committee deposited in the Bank of Norway in Oslo. Interest on these funds amounted to $40,000 a year. From now on no Nobel Peace Prize can be given unless Germany pays back the stolen funds.

At the same time the Swedish Nobel Committee, which distributes the prizes for natural sciences and literature, has announced that for the time being it is in no position to award any prize. This is scarcely surprising, since Germany would never allow the prize to be awarded to a subject of the Anglo-Saxon world or of a German-occupied country.—Nofrontier News Service.

GREETING THE UNSEEN WITH SMILES

In one of Mr. Riley's novels a Methodist minister tells of how his grandfather, also a minister, met the unseen. "He was roaring with laughter just before the attack came on," he said. "Something he was reading in Punch tickled his fancy. Then the paper dropped out of his hands, and he was gone. I was glad he went like that, with laughter on his lips."

The famous Sammy Hicks died like that, smiling if not laughing. Thinking him unconscious, some of those round him as he lay awaiting his call were speaking of the difficulty there would be in getting his large and heavy corpse downstairs when he opened his eyes and said: "Friends, ye've been takkin' thowt for my poor body. I'll tell ye what t'do. When I dee, ye tak a couple o' sheets, an' carry me downstairs in 'em by t'fower corners, an' then put me in t'coffin." Just before he passed he smiled at his friends, and said: "Nurse, nurse, get t'sheets ready," and was gone.

I found that in an American book of Methodist stories, and next to it a reporting of the last words of Dr. Samuel F. Upham, professor at Drew, which were even more remarkable, as in one sentence of three words he both revealed his irrespressible sense of humor and his knowledge of church history. For hours he had been in a coma, and his family round his bedside at last thought he had passed away. One felt his feet under the blankets, and said: "No, he's not dead. His feet are still warm. No man ever died with warm feet yet." Then the professor opened his eyes and replied: "John Huss did"—and shortly after he was dead. Huss, you remember, was burned at the stake in 1415—Methodist Recorder (London).

DR. GEORGE A. BUTTRICK'S ADVICE

Condemning Hitlerism for its "treacheries, paganism and abysmal cruelty," and declaring that in some way Adolf Hitler "must be stopped," Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick, retired president of the Federal Council of Churches, told the 500 delegates attending the recent convention of interdenominational organizations at Atlantic City that the task of the church was to insure grounds for a just and enduring world peace. "Let others talk of military victory or defeat, of defense and preparedness," he said. "They are incurably sanguine of the fruits of armed victory. But the church must say that military victories can only blast, and that the blasting is but a desolation unless in the conflict and after it good will comes to build." Dr. Buttrick, who is the pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church in New York City, urged a ministry of reconciliation, a transcendantal loyalty to God and continuation of the work of evangelism. Contrasting reconciliation, which he said means to "make friendly again," with appeasement, which means "to pacify by concessions," he said that "appeasement may blink at wrong, but reconciliation builds on truth; appeasement meets the concessions of war, while reconciliation grapples the causes of war."

Nothing led more believers to Christianity, even from cultivated circles, than the sure answer it gave to the questing respecting another world, and the hope it offered of eternal life to those whose earthly expectations had been destroyed.—Gerhard Uhlhorn, D.D.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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A new year is at hand. One cannot tell what it will bring. If it brings peace how thankful we will be. Meanwhile I feel we may all find a message of encouragement in these lines:

"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year: 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way.' So I went forth and finding the hand of God, trod gladly into the night.

"And he led me toward the hills and the breaking of the day in the lone East."—1939 Christmas broadcast, King George VI. (From The Methodist Woman).

"Let us begin today to build a highway into the new year over which we shall travel with confidence in the love and fear of God."

ATTENTION, SECRETARIES

Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

From Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, we have the following announcement which is of interest to the secretaries of this department in the local auxiliaries. It is very necessary for each secretary to have this literature to which Mrs. Andrews is calling attention, and we urge a careful reading of this list of helps.

1. The Handbook for the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities will be ready by January 1, 1941. Every secretary and committee member should have one as soon as possible. Price 10 cents each at Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

2. When ordering the handbook be sure to ask for the free leaflet entitled "Duties and Plans for Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities."

3. "The Child Labor Day Packet" for 1941 is now available for 25 cents. (National Child Labor Committee, 419 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y.) Child Labor Day should be observed January 25-27, 1941.

4. The "Prayer Card" prepared by the committee on the World Federation of Methodist Women is now available at Literature Headquarters. This prayer for world peace should be in the hands of every Methodist woman and used constantly.

Mrs. Andrews is exceedingly anxious to get her department work started right away and she urges immediate attention to securing the suggested helps, which are of much value in the work of the department.

If the name of the secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities in your auxiliary has not been sent to Mrs. Andrews, send to her at once. Address, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, 607 Guilford Avenue, Greensboro, N. C.

GOOD NEWS FOR 1941

(Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, Secretary Organization and Promotion, W. D. C. S.)

"Rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing."

"The charter membership of the Woman's Society of Christian Service exceeds a million. The goal set by the Ad Interim committee was 750,000 charter members by October 15, 1940, but the reports from the conferences reveal these amazing and gratifying results. Out of 106 conferences, 94 have reported the following figures: 19,716 charter societies; 1,135,000 charter members. What limitless possibilities are represented in a million Christian women united for service! We shall face this new year with high hope, 'for of this I am confident, that He who hath begun a good work in us, will go on completing it' according to His plan and purpose. Because we have passed the million mark in charter members, the M. M. M. becomes the vanguard in the second million which we hope to have enrolled in the ranks of the Woman's Society of Christian Service by the end of this quadrennium. . . . With more than 4,000,000 women over 14 years of age belonging to the Methodist Church, the second million should be easy of attainment, especially when we consider that only adults were counted in the charter membership. The M. M. M. and thousands of new Wesleyan Service Guild young women and girls, as well as children, who are now a part of our membership were not included in the first million. Surely it is within the realm of possibility to reach a goal of a second million by 1944. Persistent personal work on the part of each one who now belongs should bring this result. Like a mighty army a million Methodist women march into 1941, sounding a clarion call to all who have not enlisted to join the ranks to help a distraught and broken humanity realize 'a world wherein dwelleth righteousness.' Let this be our aim and purpose—A SECOND MILLION BY 1944." How many of this second million will be enlisted in the Western North Carolina conference? Let us get busy and secure a goodly number of new members!—(Editor).

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, February 28, 1941, the first Friday in Lent, is the date for the World Day of Prayer, "when the women of 51 countries will unite, as they have done in similar services of worship, to discover in prayer and in a dedication of themselves, the only unity possible in a time when hatred cleavages and destruction are rocking all nations and races." The theme of the day's program is "Thy Kingdom Come" and the 1941 service has been prepared by the Shanghai committee of the World Day of Prayer.

"Coming out of a city that has been battered and war-torn, it is an exquisite example of the spirit of Jesus searching the hearts of men and pointing us all upward to a higher dedication of our lives.

This Shanghai committee has on it Americans, English, Chinese and Japanese members, who have in years past held marvelous union services with as many as 18 nationalities present.

In America, aside from eight thousand or more services, a number of radio broadcasts are being arranged. Far more than ever we need to feed the hunger for unity and good will and that innate love for all men everywhere which the Christian has deep at heart. Only the Prince of Peace can satisfy us as—

'Safe through the windy world we bear,
In the folded hands of prayer,
The Light Divine.'"

—Margaret Applegarth, in The Methodist Woman.

A WONDERFUL PRAYER

"When General Chiang Kai-Shek Prayed" is the title given to this great prayer, described in Methodism's World Mission, by Prof. Henry P. VanDusen in these words:

"I never expect to hear such a prayer again in all my life. The general began with a simple expression of thanks for their personal safety. Then he added thanks for the courage of the nation under fire. Then he prayed for strength for the men in the field and along the firing lines; he prayed for strength for himself, and added a most earnest plea for guidance and wisdom that he might not fail the people.

"But the most amazing thing in his prayer was a plea that God would help him and help China not to hate the Japanese people. He prayed for the Japanese Christians and all the suffering multitudes of Japan whose impoverishment was making the war on China possible.

"In the simplest and humblest terms he laid himself at the service of the Almighty God, and begged that he might know the divine will and do it on the morrow.

"No wonder it is said that China's government has today the most Christian leadership of any in the world. What other could possibly be compared with it?"

CHRIST STILL LIVES

The world cannot bury Christ,
The earth is not deep enough for his tomb;
The clouds are not wide enough for his winding sheet;
He ascends into the heavens,
But the heavens cannot contain him.
He still lives—in the church which burns unconsumed with his love;
In the truth that reflects his image;
In the hearts that burn as he talks with them by the way.

—The Hymnal for American Youth.

The human story is the criticism of a loving God upon the selfish purposes of men.—Canon Simpson.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

MOST IMPORTANT BOARD MEETS

The Board of Missions and Church Extension, comprised of a membership of 92 members, elected by the jurisdictions, 31 bishops and 48 advisory members, held its first annual meeting in Philadelphia, Penn., November 21-29. Each division worked out its own appropriations, which were presented and approved in turn by the board. The Division of Foreign Missions appropriated approximately $1,600,000 for its work; the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension set its figure at approximately $1,300,000. The Joint Division of Education and Cultivation and Cultivation has an appropriation of something aruond $250,000. The Woman's Division of Christian Service pledged $3,617,120. The Woman's Division of Christian Service made up to 72 women, including advisory members and six bishops, held its annual session on November 23-25. Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president, presided. There was great rejoicing when Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, executive secretary of education and cultivation, reported 1,113,-580 charter members to date, 19,468 charter organizations and additional reports being received in her office daily. In his closing message to the board Bishop Arthur Moore, president, based his message on three facts: "We must go out to lead our people to a wiser discernemnt of the world's need and God's purpose in those needs. We must pioneer by bringing our people into the procession of the fellowship of the saints. We must not only salute but prosecute a crusade of redemptive action."

OUR PUBLICATIONS

Speaking at the meeting of the Jurisdictional Conference in Richmond on December 6, Miss Bettie Brttingham, editor of The Methodist Woman, stated that it is the purpose of the editorial board of missions to take news of the departments of work and make them live on the pages of the missionary publications of the Methodist Church. "The World Outlook," said she, "is a paper from the board that is going to send to us a world outlook. We must go forth and gain new subscriptions to the World Outlook. It is the desire of the editors to make it a bigger paper than before; to make it minister to every man, woman and child in Methodism." Speaking of The Methodist Woman, Miss Brittingham stated: "The Methodist Woman has a different purpose from the World Outlook. The Methodist Woman will deal with plans of work." To have witnessed Miss Brittingham's enthusiasm concerning our publications was to have become even more thoroughly convinced that no true Methodist should be without the World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. As members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service each of us should be subscribers and readers of these two periodicals and, going "the second mile," should help others to see the vital importance of their purpose and function. Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, is conference secretary of publications.

LOOKING AHEAD WITH YOUTH

There are certain hopes which we have as we look ahead to youth's participation in the new work of Methodist women. We earnestly desire that the youth of Methodism may become so well informed of the great missionary task of our church that there may be no unkind criticism. We trust that the young women and girls may be so intelligently interested in the projects of the Woman's Division of Christian Service that they will be able to build up membership, increase their giving, and find the abundant life. The responsibility of promoting the missionary education of young women and girls is before every Woman's Society of Christian Service. The one who may be elected to the leadership of the work of the girls' missionary organization will not be able to do her best work unless she has the loyal support of the women in the society. It is not too much to hope that every woman will carry her membership pledge of "giving prayer" and "service" over into the strengthening of the young people's work. In a sense we are pioneers, for we are participating in the creation of a new church and a new organization for girls. Any beginnings have multiplied possibilities. We trust that the multiplied possibilities may be developed into a harmonized plan for youth work in the local church that will offer a greater appeal and wider horizons than we have ever known.—Helen L. Johnson in The Methodist Woman. Editor's note: Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Enfield, is secretary of young women and girls' work in the North Carolina conference.

HARVEST DAY PROGRAM

At the Harvest Day meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Edenton Street church on December 18, Mrs. H. O. Lineberger and Mrs. A. W. Hoffman presided. Dr. John C. Glenn opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Lineberger is president of the society and Mrs. Hoffman is former president of the Mary Pescud auxiliary and is president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street. The Mary Pescud auxiliary has become a unit in the Guild. Miss Helen Yates reporting for the finances in the Mary Pescud stated that the auxiliary began the year with 38 members and gave $465.60 for missions. This group is supporting a scholarship at Colegio Bennett in Brazil. Under the leadership of Miss Daisy Waitte standard mission and Bible study classes have been held in the spring and fall. Others reporting for the Mary Pescud auxiliary were: Miss Vara Herring, Christian social relations; Mrs. E. F. Pescud, publications. Mrs. H. B. Harris, recording secretary of the W. S. C. S., revealed that the present membership of the society is 342, divided into 14 circles. In the combined circles of the W. S. C. S. and W. S. G. there are 547 members. Mrs. James Allison, Jr., reported on the mission and Bible study classes; Miss Mary Gardner, children's work; Mrs. O. L. Bailey, publications; Mrs. Mattie Gardner, publicity; Mrs. W. D. McGee local work; Mrs. James Thiem, welfare and finances; Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith, Christian social relations. The society sent $1485.29 to the conference treasurer last year. Awards of $15 and $10 were given to circles number 20 and 3 respectively for having gained the largest number of members during 1940. Following the harvest day program the program of the general meeting was given. Mrs. Jas. H. Overton, Jr., led the devotional; a poem given by Mrs. Cale Burgess and a solo by Mrs. E. D. Weathers were heard with pleasure and inspiration. Dr. Gertrude Cox, guest speaker, chose as her subject "Possessions and Their Spiritual Value." Dr. Cox is head of the experimental department at State College and an ordained deaconess. She was introduced by Mrs. L. A. Watts. Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., pronounced the benediction.

CHARTER MEETING AT SANFORD

In an impressive service the Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized at Steele Street Methodist church, Sanford. Rev. A. P. Brantley, pastor, called the meeting to order and conducted a ritual service. Interesting reports were made by Mrs. C. M. Reeves, chairman of study committee, and Mrs. L. P. Wilkins and Mrs. Paul Kiser read the consttution and by-laws of the new society. Mrs. Clarence Jones presented a lovely solo, "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Victor King. As soft music was played 207 women filed by the registering tables and signed as charter members. Mrs. L. C. Davis submitted the list of new officers, which was accepted: President, Mrs. P. L. Johnson; vice president, Mrs. M. H. Newlin; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. L. Jewell; treasurer, Mrs. B. Cole; secretary missionary education, Mrs. C. M. Reeves; Christian social relations, Mrs. J. D. Hill; literature and publications, Mrs. W. L. Seawell; supplies, Mrs. L. C. Isenhour; student work, Mrs. D. M. Gurley; children's work, Mrs. C. A. Lane. Mrs. Johnson announced the following committee: Spiritual life, Mrs. B Cole, Mrs. L. P. Wilkins, Mrs. R. F. Snipes; program, Mrs. M. H. Newlin, Mrs. C. M. Reeves, Mrs. L. P. Wilkins; finance, Mrs. L. C. Davis, Mrs. W. L. Jewell, Mrs. M. E. Blalock; membership, Mrs. J. T. O'Neal, Mrs. W. R. Williams, Mrs. W. L. Seawell; fellowship, Mrs. F. Y. Hanner, Mrs. A. P. Brantley, Mrs. Phil Buchanan; status of women, Mrs. E. A. Griffin, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Mrs. W. H. White; publictiy and printing, Mrs. H. A. Palmer, Mrs. A. C. Atkins, Mrs. Harold Makepeace; local, Mrs. O. P. Makepeace. Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Mrs. Frank Brinn.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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COME AGAIN—GONE AGAIN

Our college students have come and gone. They came in the midst of the Christmas rush, financially broke but filled with Christmas anticipation. They all needed a little money and a place to stay during the holidays. In the midst of our joy over their return we found ourselves somewhat exercised in trying to find places for them to sleep and money for them to spend. But they had a good Christmas and we enjoyed their visit. Now that they have gone back to school we find ourselves wishing that we had had more time to discuss with them their ambitions, their hopes and their purposes. To be sure, we have kept up with their scholastic and financial records pretty well, but we have not had enough time to just sit down and talk. Our youngsters have learned to make the most of a little bit of personal attention, for they know that the family is too large to expect a great deal. Having deployed themselves to the various schools, they are writing back expressing grateful thanks for the happy Christmas days and setting forth firm determinations to make the most of the ensuing school term. This is encouraging.

WORKED TOO HARD

Raymond came home from college and worked in the postoffice during the Christmas rush, as did several other of our college boys. He needed money so very much that he asked for the privilege of working overtime. The privilege granted, he worked and he worked. In fact, he worked too much, undermining his resistance to such an extent that he got sick and is now in the hospital unable to return to the opening of school. But Raymond will get well, and he will do more than that, he will tackle hard jobs and do something with them.

OFF HE GOES

Albert is leaving today. This scribe will take him to a neighboring city where he will go in training for becoming a watch fixer. The youngster has been at the Children's Home a long time. He has never known about any other home. He is leaving his twin brother, still here, with whom he has been so closely tied and with whom he has associated so much that we never think of one without taking into consideration the other. But Albert wants to mend watches and the brother wants to learn the hosiery mill business. So off they go. Can you, kind reader, remember when you left home to face an uncertain future with a lump in your throat so big that words would not get over it? Well, Albert has that lump.

OUR CHILDREN OVER THERE

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon came over one day last week and we carefully discussed matter having to do with the welfare of our children who are still at the High Point Children's Home. The Dixons reported a happy Christmas, the health of the family good, and that they were feeling fine themselves. Dr. Dixon has been suffering with neuritis quite a good deal during the fall. It was good to see him well again. The two groups of our family, both boys and girls, will be playing basket ball against one another this week. The teams at High Point are very strong, they not having been interrupted by the transfer of children over here. It is not so long any more until a complete merging of the two homes will have been consumated. Pending that time, we are meeting all requisitions from the High Point Home family.



A Boy with an idea

THE BELL STILL RINGS

The ten per cent apportionment bell still rings, but not so long at a time. Those who have pulled the cord this week are herewith listed. Before they rang the bell they had paid their ten per cent apportionment in full. Kindly note the congregations, with their pastors in charge, who have kept the joy bell ringing:

Ward Street, High Point, Rev. J. E. McSwain.

Main Street, Reidsville, Rev. J. H. Armbrust.

Mt. Herman, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

BOWLES, LITTLE AND COMPANY

Read this note from Rev. Charles P. Bowles, pastor of First church, Wadesboro, and slap your hands: "On Saturday before the fifth Sunday, Tom Little, church school superintendent, called me stating that he wanted to leave town but would not go unless I promised to personally see to it that our offering to the Children's Home would amount to $50. I promised but did not know what could be done on the Sunday after Christmas. I made the appeal from two standpoints: First, that many schools would go under their usual amount on this particular Sunday and, second, that during the period of transition when the two homes were being consolidated more money would be needed. Then I went to work on the men's Bible class. As a result we had $76 at the close of the church school. Then we decided to assess Tom Little $10 for being absent and W. J. Ross said he would collect the other from others who were absent. Thus the check for $100, signed by Miss Essie Collier, church school treasurer, is being forwarded you."

DOING BUSINESS OVER THERE

A young minister from a given mountain area where the going is hard and deprivations are plentiful, in sending quite a contribution to the Children's Home, writes as follows: "It makes me feel good to read in the Advocate about the charges paying their ten per cent apportionments in full. The way things move in these parts makes one feel at times that he is a member of a football team whose opponents are gaining the most yardage. Right now we have the ball on the seven yard line, second down and goal to go. We need a touchdown. Kicking would only give the ball to the other team. We must make a good run or negotiate a good pass. We have some spirit but we need someone to call the right signals." This young pastor serves a charge in which there is not enough level ground for a football field. But he has the gridiron spirit and will win his game.

NOTES OF THANKS

The boys and girls have written their notes of thanks for Christmas remembrances. In every instance does every boy and girl write to the giver of the good gifts coming to them. The Children's Home provides the postage but the boys and girls provide the thoughts. Scores and scores of notes of thanks have gone out, 85 going from one cottage. When Don Crook, now ten years old, whose picture, taken some two years ago, is herewith presented, had written his notes of thanks he wrote another one and sent it down to this scribe on this wise: "Dear Pop, I had a good Christmas. I feel so good about it. I have thanked everybody who sent me anything. I want to thank you for letting Christmas come."

CRACKLINGS

It is now hog killing time up around the meat house. Following such times comes the extraction through the frying process of grease from the fat portions of the meat. After the greasy time comes the crackling time. Our frying-size boys do like those cracklings. Yesterday it was noted as we were getting ready to go to church that Douglas Teague's pocket was bulging in an undue fashion. Inquiry revealed that the lad had filled it with cracklings. It was his idea to serve refreshments during the morning preaching hour.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A HELPFUL SERVICE—On Tuesday night, the last day in December, we had a most interesting and helpful service in the Vann auditorium. Rev. L. A. Watts, chaplain at the state prison, delivered a most timely and helpful address to our high school boys and girls. The address was pitched on a high plane and made a great hit with our youngsters. He held their undivided attention for about 25 minutes, and all were high in their praise of the message he brought. A warm welcome awaits Brother Watts any time he can come our way again.

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STRIKING CONTRAST—The Barium Springs Presbyterian Orphanage reporting its Thanksgiving receipts up to December 20, had raised $34,162.38. Up to December 20 our own Methodist Orphanage had received $5804.83 from the Thanksgiving season. In view of the foregoing facts, there is ground for much reflection upon the part of our North Carolina conference. Some years ago it was not anything unusual for us to receive from $15,000 to $20,000 in specials during the Thanksgiving season. Surely our need is much greater now than it was several years ago. I am hoping that there will be a marked change for the better in our receipts for 1941.

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THE NEW YEAR—The Methodist Orphanage has a feeling of deep gratitude for the good things that came to us in 1940. The Father of the fatherless put it into the heart of our people to minister to the needs of our 300 children. We face the new year with courage and optimism, believing that He who has watched over us and given us every good gift, will guide and sustain us through this new year. All should bear in mind that He has no hands but ours to work for Him, no tongues but ours to speak for Him. Unless we be about our Father's business and speak his message, the program of the church will not go forward. Let us remember that all that is done for the well being of his little ones Christ accepts as done unto him.

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LEAGUE OF STEWARDS — The District League of Stewards is a comparatively new movement in Methodism and gives promise of accomplishing great results. When the man power in the churches is organized and harnessed like the women's organization, a better and brighter day will dawn for Methodism. It was my happy privilege to attend the Durham District League of Stewards in Carrboro on the fifth Sunday in December, where a large number of laymen and preachers assembled to discuss matters of vital concern to the church. All the addresses were of a high order. Doctors Childs and Hickman of Duke University delivered two of the best addresses I have heard in many a moon. Prof. F. S. Aldridge, district lay leader, presided over the meeting in an enthusiastic and inspiring way. I appreciate the fact that Professor Aldridge gave me a few minutes in which to say a word in behalf of our 300 fine boys and girls. Our pastors and church members are going to rally to the cause of our fatherless children this year as never before.

NAMING THE NAVY

The custom naming the United States battleships after states of the Union originated in 1819 with a resolution of Congress which also provided that frigates should be named for rivers and sloops-of-war for principal cities and towns. This is the present system of nomenclature:

Battleships—States.
Cruisers—Cities.
Aircraft carriers—Historic naval vessels or battles.
Destroyers — Officers and enlisted men of the Navy or Marine Corps, former Secretaries of the Navy, members of Congress or inventors.
Submarines—Fish.
Mine sweepers—Birds.
Gunboats—Smaller cities.
Seaplane tenders—Sounds or bays.
Submarine tenders—Pioneers in submarine development.
Oilers—Rivers.
Ocean-going tugs—Indian tribes.
Cargo ships—Stars.

—U. S. Naval Institute Proceedings.

GLEANINGS

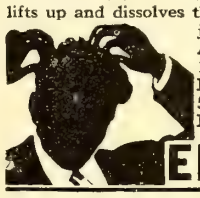
I've gathered all the summer long
A flower here, a bird's sweet song;
And pictures of the Master's own
I'll see again when all alone.
Oh, I have treasures stored within
To use when winter shuts me in!

If I can garner as I go
Some sweetness and a lot bestow
And chase the gloom from some dark place,
Make smiles to brighten childhood's face,
Then I'll have memories stored within
To use when winter shuts me in.

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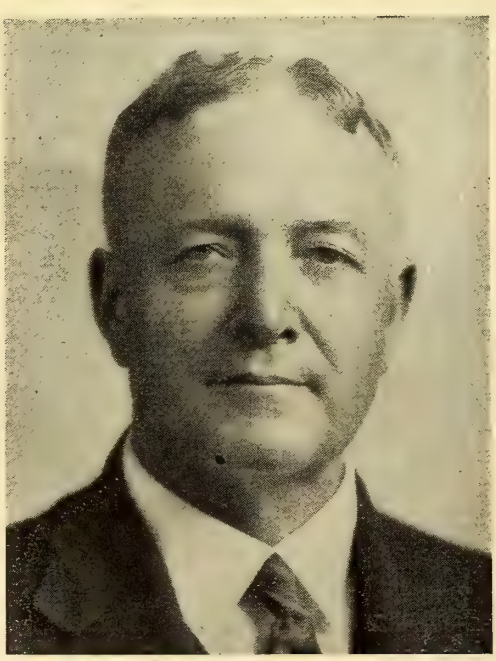
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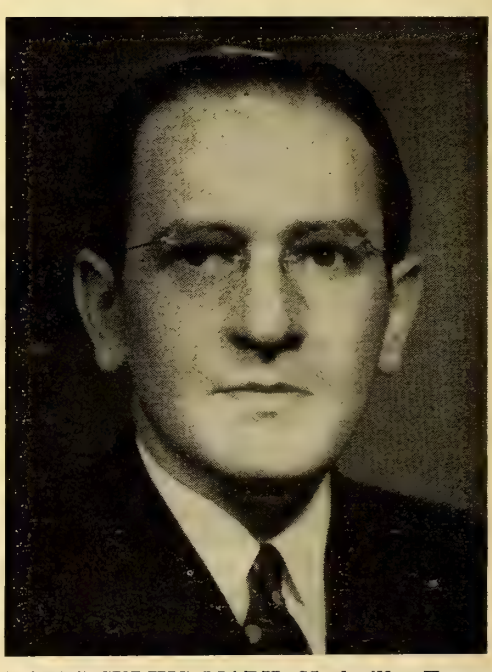
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For Ministers and Laymen

BALTIMORE CHURCH, WEST FORSYTH CHARGE, REV. A. BURGESS, PASTOR

Christmas has come and gone and Tuesday night before Christmas we gave a play entitled "He Came to Bethlehem," and presented Christ in the manger. The star that led the wise men to the manger was a striking feature as it moved slowly down the main auditorium and stood over the manger with Mary, the mother, and the two angels.

After our Christmas program the superintendent honored 15 members of our Sunday school with gifts who had not missed a single Sunday last year. We hope in the coming year this number will increase. The people of our church remembered our pastor and wife with a nice pounding which was greatly appreciated.

Our pastor delivered a wonderful message Sunday morning. Reading from 1 Cor. 11:23-24, he based his theme on the Lord's Supper, "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death tlil he come." Let no Christian excuse himself from the supper saying, "I am unworthy." This is sinful. Christ wants every Christian to take the supper. Then we should take it reverently, thinking of its meaning so that we may discern his body, broken for us. Paul warns of eating the supper unworthily or in an unworthy manner. The communion service was held after the message.

As the new year has begun, may we each resolve to do more and accomplish more for our Master in the future than we have in the past. "For without his followers he can do nothing, and without him we can do nothing." Josephine Phillips, Reporter.

LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF JOHN WESLEY

"Whereinsoever I have been mistaken, my mind is open to conviction. I honestly desire to be better informed. I say to God and man: what I know not, teach thou me. Are you persuaded you see more clearly than me—it is not unlikely that you may—then treat me as you would desire to be treated yourself upon a change in circumstances. Point me out a better way than I have known, show me so by plain proof of Scripture and if I linger in the path I have been accustomed to tread, and I am unwilling to leave it, labor with me a little, take me by the hand nad lead me as I am able to bear.

May I request you further not to give me hard names in order to bring me into the right way. Suppose I were ever so much in the wrong, I doubt that this would set me right. Rather it would make me run so much further from you, and get more and more out of the straight and narrow way.

Nay, perhaps if you are angry so shall I be too, and then there shall be small hopes of finding the truth. If once the anger arises the smoke will dim the eyes of my soul and I shall be able to see nothing clearly. For Christ's sake, if it is possible to avoid it, let us not provoke one another to wrath. Let us not kindle in each other this fire of hell, much less blow it up into a flame. If by that light we can discern truth, would it not be loss rather than gain? For how far is love even with many wrong opinions, to be preferred to truth itself without love, and knowledge."

Yes, we need the spirit of John Wesley today. The nations do need religion—religion will get a chance when there are enough people who are individually realizing its importance and everlasting worth and yield themselves whole heartedly to the Spirit of God. The world is not going to be saved until there are enough people in the world who get enough religion to save it, and that means you and I must give God right of way in our own individual lives. Ira G. Shamel.

MAKE ME A MAN

By Rev. H. L. Harrell

Dear God, how this world needs men!
Give me courage and strength to be a man!
Help me meet life's problems, suffer its pains;
Take my share of its load.
Give me tasks to do and loads to lift,
Give me hope and faith to brave all storms,
To keep my ideals high, my goals so pure.
And Father, help me lead others upward;
Leading them to the peaks of life, but
Helping them stoop to help their fallen brothers.
Give me a passion for men's hungering souls,
Help me light the darkened pathway of others,
Teach me to heal broken hearts,
How to comfort, cheer, inspire anew.
Grant that I might know the trials of others.
That I might through some friendly way
Find a place in their lives somehow
To wash away all worry, anxiety and fear.

Oh God, I want to know the depths of life,
I want to take my rightful place in life,
And give myself to thee and others.
Father, prepare me for this great task;
Give me wisdom, insight, and all else I need
To serve my neighbor, share his load,
To point him to thy way of life,
To make him happy, free from sin,
And let him be reborn in thee.

Father, I am a child no more,
But I am so frail and so weak,
Unworthy of thy great and wondrous love.
Let me grow up in thy strength,
And in thy love and wisdom let me find
The strength of soul to offset sin,
To keep me pure and spotless in this world.
Let me live above my human powers,
Above the dictates of my lower self.
Make me all that this great life demands,
Oh God, make me a man! Make me a man!

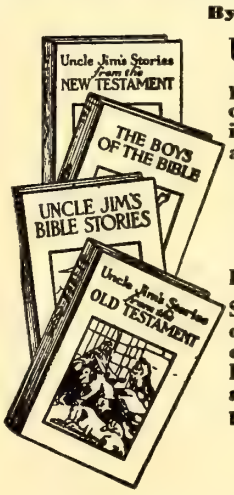
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A NEW BRIDGE BETWEEN THE AMERICAS

By Blair Niles

I remember a day in Guatemala when an Indian woman, pretty but lank-haired, stopped me on a mountain trail. We had met several times previously in the village market, and always she had appraised me—a woman from far away North America—with keen interest.

As she stopped me now her black eyes held that same gleam of curiosity. "You know," she said in Spanish, "you could tell me many interesting things." I thought: She wants to hear about my country. Perhaps about our schools, our highways, our hospitals, our skyscrapers. It must be one of these—one of the many marvels of North America. So I said eagerly: "What do you want to know?"

Shyly, she replied: "You could teach me how to curl my hair."

I have remembered this little incident because it is, to me, a symbol of the universal interest in the simple things of life. We all want to know about the larger things, but equally we want to know about how our fellow beings live their daily lives, how they work and play and dress, what they think about, what seems important to them.

This is one reason, I think, why The Reader's Digest in Spanish will quickly achieve success throughout all Latin America. For, interwoven with its articles of lasting interest in the realm of ideas, there will run colorful threads of the every day human interest things that people everywhere enjoy knowing about other people.

My imagination follows "Selecciones del Reader's Digest" on its journeys through Latin America. It will go, of course, to the cities—to Rio, Beunos Aires, La Paz. But it will also go into the interiors by river steamer, by railroad and by plane; on the backs of men and mules, and by canoe on jungle shadowed rivers.

It will be read by every kind of person; by men and women cosmopolites, by miners and ranchers, by teachers and students, by shopkeepers and politicians. And perhaps some Indian child who has been schooled will read it aloud to groups of elders who have never learned to read, just as in the markets of Bogota I have heard such youngsters read penny-sheets of Spanish verse, while eager adults clustered about.

All these people will welcome "Selecciones." I am certain that they will enjoy it, that they will learn much from it, and that they will be eager to share their knowledge with others, for I know both The Reader's Digest and the keen, appreciative minds of the peoples of Latin America.

Each month "Selecciones" will convey to Latin America a vivid cross section of the United States—telling people not only about our important thoughts and hopes and achievements but also about the human side of our daily life. This is the best way to create good will and understanding, to build a new and enduring bridge of friendship without which democracy in the American republics cannot survive.—Reader's Digest.

SERMON LATTICE

God is here, without and within, waiting to be appropriated. If we do not have God as an ever present resource of wisdom and peace and power, it is because we have not learned the simple laws by which we may avail ourselves of him. Electricity was in the world always. The savage, squatting in his cave, grinding out his meal with a crude stone pestle, isolated from his neighbors in the next hillside, was surrounded by the same electromagnetic field as are we whose houses are brilliantly lighted, whose food and clothes are turned out by power machinery, who sit in our homes and listen to Mr. Kaltenborn in New York carry on a conversation with Mr. Shirar in Paris and Mr. White in London. The difference between our lot and that of our primitive ancestors is that we have learned the formulas by which to tap the reservoirs of light and power all about us. So we, in our darkness and gloom and perplexity and pain and sin, are surrounded by the same resources which gave Jesus light and joy and peace and health and virtue. God is an available now as he was then. The trouble is not in God's absence or unwillingness, but in our own ignorance or misuse of the formulas, techniques and methods by which our little, feeble, ineffective, tense lives might appropriate the life of God. The vocation of Jesus had a different dispensation but not a different Deity. God is the same yesterday, today and forever.—Albert Edward Day.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

A church full of sleepers has few pillars.

It's the chap who knows the least who always talks the most.

Before a man begins to enjoy a peaceful conscience he should first be sure it isn't the peace of death.

Where one is eligible for the hall of fame there are a thousand who qualify for the hall of fools.

Many a man who wears the sign of the cross without his the $ sign engraved on his heart within.

Why is it that so many baldheads who scorn to wear another man's clothes are perfectly willing to wear another man's hair?

Too often the man who boasts to his pastor—"I always send my children to the Sunday school," neglects to add, "so I can sleep later on Sunday morning."

The expanding power of a dollar is amazing. It looks like a nickel at a ball game, a dime at a movie, but big as a cartwheel when given to foreign missions.

If people were as afraid of sin as they are of being out of style, old splitfoot would soon hang crepe on the doors of perdition and retire from business.

There will be greater hope for France when she ceases to be light, and beholds the "Light of the World"; for England when she loves a lord less and the Lord more; for America when she ceases to bow before the golden calf and kneels before "The Lamb of God."

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Children's Storyland



NEW YEAR'S DAY IN THE WOODS

By John Strong

"Do I look nice?" asked the Rabbit, addressing his friend the Chipmunk.

"Very nice," said the Chipmunk, "that is, for a person who has no tail to speak of. But, of course, you can't help that."

The Rabbit looked into the looking glass pond and saw his little white bob of a tail. "Don't you want to lend me yours just this once?" he asked. "I would take great care of it."

"No, I cannot do that," said the Chipmunk, "but I can lend you the tail of my late uncle. It is such a fine one that we have kept it to brush out the nest with."

"The very thing!" said the Rabbit.

So the Chipmunk brought the tail of his late uncle and tied it on to the Rabbit's stub.

"How does that look?" asked the Rabbit.

"Fine," said the Chipmunk. "Now tell me how I look."

"Well enough," said the Rabbit. "Of course, you would look better if you had long ears."

"Dear me!" said the Chipmunk, and he too looked into the looking glass pond. "Haven't you a spare pair that you could lend me?"

"Why, yes," said the Rabbit. "There's a pair that belonged to my grandfather hanging on the wall at home. I will get those."

So the Rabbit got the ears and tied them on to the Chipmunk's head.

"How do I look now?" asked the Chipmunk.

"Splendid," said the Rabbit. "Now let us go and make our New Year's calls. Where shall we go first?"

"I wish to call on Miss Woodchuck," said the Chipmunk.

"So do I," said the Rabbit. "We will go there first." And off they went.

They came to Miss Woodchuck's door and knocked and she opened the door. "Mercy!" she cried. "Who are you, and what do you want?"

"We are Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Chipmunk," said the two friends, "and we have come to make you a New Year's call."

"More likely you have come to steal the nuts!" said the lady angrily. "I know Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Chipmunk well, and neither of you is either of them. Who ever heard of a long-tailed rabbit or a long-eared squirrel? Get along with you! You are frights and probably thieves as well." And she shut the door in their faces.

The two friends walked a little way in silence; then they stopped and looked at each other.

"You said I looked fine," said the Rabbit.

"I—I meant the tail," said the Chipmunk. "It is a fine tail. But you said I looked splendid."

"I was thinking of the ears," said the Rabbit. "They are splendid ears."

They walked on until they came once more to the looking glass pond. They looked at themselves; then they looked at each other; then all in a minute off came the long ears and tail.

"There!" cried the Chipmunk. "Now we look as we were meant to look, and I am bound to say, Rabbit, that it is much more becoming to you."

"So it is to you," replied the Rabbit. "Now shall we call on Miss Woodchuck again?"

"Come on," said the Chipmunk.

So they went to Miss Woodchuck's house and knocked once more at the door, and Miss Woodchuck opened it.

"Oh!" she cried, "Mr. Chipmunk and Mr. Rabbit, how do you do? I am glad to see you. A happy New Year to you both!"

"The same to you, ma'am," said the Rabbit and the Chipmunk.—Evangelical Messenger.

THE NICEST THING

By Mildred M. North

We used to believe in fairies
Who did the nicest things;
They hid from the eyes of mortals,
They swung in cobweb swings.

We used to believes in Santa
Who stockings came to fill,
But we found he was just the spirit
Of kindness and good will.

We've long outgrown the fairies
Who flew on rainbow wings—
But much nicer are real people
Who think of kindly things.

IN THE DARK

By Vivian T. Pomeroy

This is a story for quite little children, because Eve was only five years old and she was very scared of the dark. She would never, never go to sleep without the little lamp with the deep green shade. Once she woke up and the light had gone out, and she screamed and screamed until mother came, and she sobbed that there were lions in the room. Mother said: "Well, if there are, they are very good lions, and all they want is a little company." But Eve said "No, no. Put the light on."

One day Eve came home from playing with a friend, and she called: "Mother, mother, just listen to me. I know a new prayer," and she said:

"God keep me safe this night,
So that I have no fears;
Thine angels guard me while I sleep,
Till morning light appears."

"That is a lovely prayer," said mother. Shall you say it tonight?"

Eve nodded; and when it was time for her bed she did say her new prayer.

And then she jumped into bed, and mother tucked her in, kissed her, opened the window, and turned off the big light, and left the little lamp with the deep green shade just aglow.

It was quite some time later that pattering steps came down the stairs, and there was Eve. Mother said: "Why, Eve! What is it? Are you feeling sick?"

"No," said Eve, "but, mother, I stayed awake all this time and waited for God's angels, and they didn't come at all." And Eve began to cry.

Mother took Eve on her lap and she said: "Listen, darling. There are some lovely things which only come in the dark. You can only see the stars in the dark, you know, and angels are that way, too."

Eve stopped crying, and she said: "Are lions scared of angels in the dark?"

Mother said: "Lions and bears and elephants and all are God's creatures, and they grow gentle when the angels come."

"Would they just lick my toes when the angels are there?" asked Eve.

"Yes, I think that is just what they'd do," said mother.

"I'll go to bed now," said Eve; and she went up with mother, and mother tucked her in and kissed her again, and stopped by the little lamp with the deep green shade.

Eve popped up her head. "Put out the light, mother," she said.

And mother put it out. "There," said mother. "Now I'll leave you with the angels."

Do you want to know if Eve saw the angels? Well, that is something I must not tell. But I do know this, that never again did she ask for the little lamp with the deep green shade; ever after she slept in the dark.

And I can tell you something else, too. Make what you can of it. Eve very often poked her toes right out of her little bed.—Christian Leader.

A little fellow was on a visit to his uncle and grandfather.

"Uncle," he said, after his grandfather had left the room, "how old is grandpa?"

"I couldn't tell you," answered his uncle, "without looking it up in the family Bible."

"My word!" gasped the child, "is he old enough to be mentioned in the Bible?"—Tit-Bits.

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North Carolina Conference

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FIRST ROUND

January
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10 9
Bynum, Bynum, 2:30 9
Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 11 12
Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3 12
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 10 14
Rougemont, Union Grove, 2:30 14
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11 19
Branson, 11 26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Rockingham, 11 12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 12
Ellerbe, Norman, 7 12
Siler City, 11 19
Siler City Ct., 3 19
Goldston, 7 19
Laurinburg, 11 26
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 26
Caledonia, Central, 7 26

February
Troy, 11 2
Troy Ct., 3 2
West End, 7 2
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Kitty Hawk, 11 12
Hertford, night 12
Aulander, 11 19
Edenton, night 19
Columbia, 11 26
Creswell, 3 26
Plymouth, night 26

February
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 2
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 2
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 2
Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Roper, 11 23

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
PREACHING SCHEDULE

January
Pink Hill, 11 12
Jones, Trenton, 7:30 12
Fremont, Eureka, 10 19
Snow Hill, 7:30 19
Seven Springs, 11 26
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 26
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 7:30 26

February
Pamlico, Bayboro, 11 2
Newport, 7:30 2
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 11
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 12
Benson, Benson, 7:30 12
Smithfield, 7:30 15
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 19
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 19
Oxford, 7:30 19
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 22
Princeton, Princeton, 11 26
Selma, 7:30 26
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 27
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 29

February
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 2
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 2
Garner, Hollands, 7:30 5
Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Manners, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Farmville, 11 12
Walstonburg, 3 12
Nashville, 7:30 12
Roanoke Rapids, 11 19
Conway, Bethany, 3 19
Rich Square, 7:30 19
Northampton, Jackson, 11 26
McKendree, Pinetops, 3 26
Tarboro, 7:30 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 12
Lumberton Ct., Bules, night 12
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 19
Elizabeth, Clarkton, night 19
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 26
Clinton, night 26

February
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 2
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night 2
Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 12
Merrimon Avenue, 7 12
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 19
Oakley, 7 19
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 26
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 26

February
Marshall, Marshall, 11 2
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 2
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Weaverville, 7 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March
Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Boone, 11 12
Watauga, Valle Crusis, 7:30 12
Mocksville, 11 19
Mocksville Ct., Unino Chapel, 1:30 19

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Bradley Memorial, Mrytle Chapel, 11 12
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 12
Fallston, 11 19
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Oak Ridge, 11 12
Tabernacle, 11 19
Moriah, 7:30 19
Leaksville, 11 26
Spray, 7:30 26

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Spindale, 11 12
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 12
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3 19
Marion, First, 7:30 19
Old Fort, 11 26
Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 26

February
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 2
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 2
Henrietta, Henrietta, 7:30 2
North Morganton, 7:30 9
Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April
Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January
Rockford Street, 11 12
Pinnacle, 3 12
Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30 12
Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11 19
Thomasville, West End, 3 19
Lewisville, 7:30 19
Lexington, First Church, 11 26
Green Street, 7:30 26

February
Centenary, 11 2
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3 2
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
General Terrace, 7:30 9

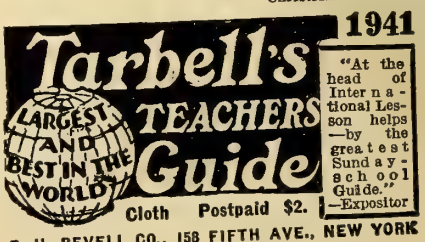
The small boy was taking part in children's day exercises. He was only seven years old and recited so well that he was encored.

"Well, Harry, and how did you get on?" asked his proud father when he returned home.

"Why, I thought I had done it all right," replied Harry, "but they made me do it again."

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SANTA'S RIDE

By R. C. Lawrence

Old Santa dwells in Smokies Park
In cabin much like Noah's ark.
Now once again he rouses up—that's queer!
"Oh, yes!" says he, "the Yuletide's here!"
So he dons his suit so red
With cap of fur upon his head.
His sleigh he builds up Mitchell's way,
His deer on Pisgah munch their hay.
From bounteous stores his pack he fills
With goodies for his Jacks and Jills.
Then fares he forth to Chimney Rock
To practice there until the clock
Strikes twelve!
Back to Murphy now he'll go
To start from there to Manteo,
And visits every home and child
From mountain peak to ocean wide.
In Gaston's town he'll surely call,
To show the cripples Santa Claus;
And for these precious Tiny Tims
Awaiting cure for little limbs,
He'll have an extra pretty toy
For every single girl and boy.
And at the orphans' home he'll stop,
To leave a dollie or a top.
Hospitals, too, he will not fail,
He'll even stop at every jail;
For when one is ill or very sad
Old Santa wants to make them glad.
Grand man!
Then like a flash away he bounds;
Only six hours to make his rounds!
A mile per tinkle is his slowest gait,
A house per jingle his normal rate.
And then through all the countryside
He dives into each chimney wide,
Or through the keyhole in the door,
Of every home, both rich and poor.
What glee!
But help my soul! 'tis almost day!
With another visit yet to pay
To Raleigh's town to bless the State,
My! my! 'tis growing very late.
So just as day begins to dawn,
As squirrels run on capitol lawn,
Old Santa cracks his whip once more
And reins up at the mansion door.
"'Ray for Christmas!" he merrily cries.
Out comes the Governor, all surprise,
To see St. Nicholas standing there
While spreading gladness everywhere.
The Governor bows in grand salute,
Old Santa gives his horn a toot.
Then in a voice that's filled with love
As though it came from God above
He shouts:
"For every person, old and young,
The grandest story ever sung,
'Peace on earth, goodwill to men,'
Oh, let the world sing it out again,
Health and prosperity in fullest measure,
Bounteous joy and wholesome pleasure.
This is my gift for Carolina,
Now could there anything be finer?"

NAZI FLAG LOWERED

To be vanquished and yet not surrender, that is victory.—Joseph Pilsudski.

Recently King Christian of Denmark noticed a Nazi flag flying over an official building and remarked to a German officer that this was contrary to the treaty between Denmark and Germany. The officer replied that the flag was flown according to instructions from Berlin.

"The flag must be removed before 12 o'clock; otherwise I will send a soldier to do it," the monarch declared. At five minutes to twelve the flag was still flying. The King announced he was sending a soldier to take it down.

"The soldier will be shot," the Nazi officer warned him.

"I am the soldier," the King replied calmly.

The Nazi flag was lowered.—Overseas News Agency.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We join in paying tribute to Mr. D. T. Gaster, who died November 1, 1940. He was a faithful member of Bethany church and had been a member of the quarterly conference almost ever since he joined the church in 1894.

His loyal courage in the darkest hours of the church, his service as superintendent for 30 years, his often repeated prayer that the Sunday school would be the means of winning many young people to Christ and his unfailing interest in the Children's Home are a few of the outstanding points in his useful Christian life. Therefore be it resolved:

That in the passing of Mr. Gaster we have lost a valuable member, but we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

That the members of the quarterly conference of the Randolph Gray's Chapel charge do hereby extend our sympathy to the bereaved wife and brother and sister.

That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of the quarterly conference, a copy be sent to his devoted wife, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Florence Baldwin,
Mrs. A. O. Adams,
C. C. Hemphill,
J. C. Brower.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased our heavenly Father, the giver of every good and perfect gift, to take from our midst our faithful and beloved member, Archie G. Warren, who departed this life November 30, 1940.

Therefore be it resolved, that the men's Bible class of Grace Methodist church school, Wilmington, has lost a most faithful and interested member and that our community has lost a valuable citizen.

Be it further resolved, that we convey our sympathies to the bereaved family, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to them, also a copy to our local newspapers and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

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In Memoriam

JOYNER—James Hiram Joyner was born September 22, 1869, and died July 8, 1940—just short of 71. He became a member of Browning's Methodist church on the Mt. Olive circuit something like 55 years ago and was a faithful member to the last. Forty-seven years ago he married Mrs. Minnie Lee McCullen, widow of T. A. McCullen. Mrs. Joyner is still living. Mr. Joyner was very ill for six months to the day of his death. He was faithful to his wife, his friends, and his church and is not soon to be forgotten.

J. L. Joyce, P. C.

BALLARD—Dorus J. Ballard, the son of Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ballard, was on his way home for the Christmas holidays from State College in Raleigh, where he was in his junior year, when he was struck down and instantly killed by a car just outside the town limits of Newton and a short distance from his home. Young Ballard was earnestly and seriously preparing himself for life by working his way through State College, having finished Pfeiffer College.

He leaves behind his parents, a twin brother and two sisters, who are grief-stricken by this sudden and terrible calamity. The funeral was conducted from the Newton church with the writer along with Dr. Sharpe of Pfeiffer College and Rev. W. S. Cherry conducting the service.

Mark Q. Tuttle.

BULLOCK—John J. Bullock passed away on November 8, 1940, being 68 years of age. For several months he was a constant sufferer. While confined to his bed he bore all his suffering with Christian fortitude and patience. He was a member of Salem Methodist church, where he served as steward for almost 40 years. Brother Bullock was a sincere Christian and expressed himself as being ready to meet his heavenly Father in peace. He loved his family and friends and wanted to remain with them, but God in his wisdom called him home. He leaves wife, daughter, grandson, two brothers and two sisters, and a number of friends and relatives. The funeral was conducted in the home by the pastor, assisted by Rev. J. D. Bundy and Rev. Frank Culbreth, and burial took place in the family cemetery.

J. C. Williams.

HOLLAND—Again Mt. Holly Methodism has lost one of its noblest laymen in the death of John W. Holland, who at the age of 63 years has been called to his eternal reward. For most of his mature manhood Mr. Holland has served most devotedly in many civic, fraternal, educational and religious affairs. A steward in the Mount Holly Methodist church and a leader in all its forward looking enterprises, a member of the city council and a promoter of its best interests, a business executive of rare gifts in office and mill, a prime mover in several fraternal circles, and for years a member of the Mt. Holly school board.

On Sunday afternoon, November 10, the funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Dr. Watson O. Goode, assisted by his friends of years standing, Rev. C. Excell Rozzelle of Gastonia and James J. Huggin of Waynesville.

In young manhood Mr. Holland was married to Miss Mayme Dunn of his native city, and to this union was born one daughter, Miss Amy Holland, now associated with Dr. R. L. Ownbey in the Myers Park Methodist church of Charlotte, a young woman of many talents in church and religious work. Truly Methodism has lost one of its most devoted servants and the town of Mt. Holly an influence for righteousness which it can ill afford to lose.

C. E. R.

BOGGS — Margaret Rosa Boggs, daughter of Andy and Adeline Boggs of Cleveland county, was born July 12, 1866, and died November 24, 1940. It was the end of a beautiful life beautifully lived. Her age was 74 years, 14 months and 12 days. In early youth she joined St. Peter's Methodist church and was faithful until death.

On December 12, 1882, she was united in marriage with John Ambrose Peeler, who preceded her to the grave on July 7, 1938. This union was blessed with nine children: Mrs. Noah Hubbard, Summa Peeler, Barney Peeler of Belwood, John Peeler, Mrs. Sallie Royster, Mrs. Ralph Hull of Cherryville, Clayton Peeler of Staunton, Va., Mrs. Robert Lackey of Shelby, and William Robert Peeler, who died September 14, 1893.

In her heart we believe dwelt the peace of God—the peace that passeth all understanding. She was never critical nor unkind, but showed a calmness of spirit possessed by few, and it has been granted unto her to complete the journey with an undiminished faith and to realize anew the glories of the Eternal.

Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father, in thy gracious keeping
Leave her now thy servant sleeping.

J. M. Morgan, Pastor.

IN MEMORIAM

This memorial tribute to Mrs. Emma C. Lewis is offered by her surviving children.

Mother was born March 9, 1859, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Peter Vaught of Horry county, S. C. In 1876 she married Armlin C. Willard, and they made their home a few miles below Southport, N. C. In 1892 mother was left a widow. In 1895 she married Francis Prior Lewis, who passed from time in December, 1938.

On November 12, 1939, mother suffered a serious fall, which resulted in a fractured hip. She lingered in much pain until her final release about nine days later, November 21.

Our mother was truly one who loved to serve. Self-sacrificing by nature, she was always ready to surrender her wishes if by so doing she could add to the happiness of her loved ones. Her life span of 80 years was filled to the brim with toil, sorrow and suffering. So willing a worker was she, even beyond her strength and ability, that it was often difficult to get her to take needed rest.

Her earthly life, so crowded with unselfishness, so barren of pleasure, reached its close, and she laid down her cross, so uncomplainingly carried, for a crown. Very fittingly they sang as her body lay in the quiet rest and peace of death:

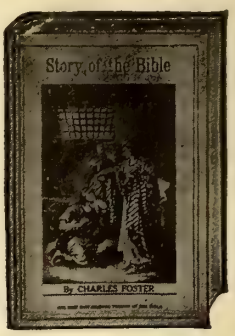
"In the Cross, in the Cross,
Be my glory ever,
Till my raptured soul shall find
Rest beyond the river."

May God help us, her children, to meet and be with her in "The beautiful home of the soul."

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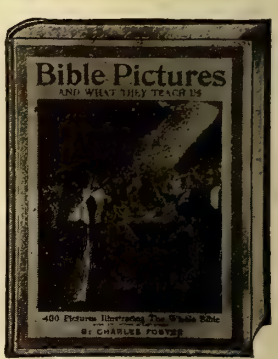
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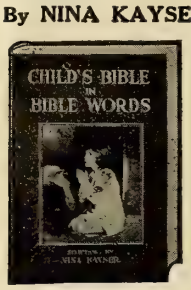
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Let's Have Some Diversity

By Halford E. Luccock

If all the speeches which have been made in the United States during the last six months on the need for national unity were laid end to end they would reach from Skowhegan, Me., to San Diego, Cal., and back again. The need for unity leaps out of nearly every newspaper page. It is the theme song of most radio programs. Indeed, we could paraphrase the psalms and say of this plea for unity: "Whither shall I flee from its presence? If I hide in the caverns of New York City, it is there, and if I flee to the uttermost parts of Arizona, it is there."

It is an appeal to which we all give heartiest response. We would be blind in eye, indeed, and sluggish in mind and heart, if we did not feel the need for a positive and determined affirmation to the spiritual values in the best of the American tradition.

Yet, in the midst of all this call for national unity, I would make a fervent plea for some national diversity. That is not perverse. It does not come from desire for difference, just for the sake of diversity. It does not spring from an adolescent desire to be "in opposition." It stems rather from American history, from a recognition of the historical fact that effective American unity has rested on a tradition of respect for differences of opinion within the bounds of loyalty. It comes from the remembrance that the essence of democracy includes creative conflict. It comes also from the sharp realization that a type of national unity may be, and is, the most ugly and vicious thing in the world. For its other name is "totalitarianism."

The kind of national unity which reaches its apex in Nazi Germany is the most anti-human and anti-christian thing in the world. Every day the crimes known to the imagination of man are committed in its name—murder, starvation, looting, the rolling of a Juggernaut over every human dignity and freedom. There is one place in every community where complete unity is attained—the graveyard. There is no discussion there, no conflict, no ferment of ideas. National unity under the swastika is the unity of a graveyard, where the significance of the individual, where human worth, rooted in a sense of divine origin, has died.

If one wishes to test the truly patriotic character of an appeal for diversity of thought and conviction at this time he has only to look at a United States fifty-cent piece, and listen to it as it speaks. On one side of it are the familiar words, "E Pluribus Unum." The fifty-cent piece speaks language and creed different from that of the German mark. Its high eloquence comes from the "E Pluribus"—out of the many. That speaks of the genuine democratic unity of America, a living thing, which comes from the inclusion of diverse thinking. Our great danger lies in such an emphasis on the "Unum" that we forget the "E Pluribus."

The classic expression of praise to beauty that comes from diverse and individual qualities is Gerard Manly Hopkins' lovely poem entitled "Pied Beauty," a poem with great meaning for America today:

"Glory be to God for dappled things—
For skies of couple-color as a brindled cow;
For rose-moles all in stipple upon trout that swim;
Fresh firecoal chestnut-falls; finches' wings;
Landscape plotted and pieced—fold fallow, and plough;
And all trades, their gear and tackle and trim.

All things counter, original, spare, strange;
Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how?)
With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim;
He fathers-forth whose beauty is past change:
Praise him."

—Christian Advocate.

A NEWSPAPER MAN'S TRIBUTE TO THE RELIGIOUS PRESS

By William T. Ellis, Foreign and War Correspondent; Newspaper Syndicate Writer

For nearly half a century my life has been chiefly devoted to reading and writing. My calling has made me an addict to secular periodical literature; yet every week I have also perused carefully several religious papers.

Now, looking back, I want to bear tribute to the value of these religious publications. They have been a large part of my education. Through them I have got a continuous picture of life in its more serious aspects. They have kept me **au courant** with the religious movements of the world. Their editorial and contributed articles, their quotations from the wise of all ages, and their good poetry, have entered largely into my literary inheritance.

Best of all, the religious press has continually fertilized my spiritual life, giving me a ceaseless awareness of the things of God. Without the corrective of these to my constant newspaper reading, I am sure that my own outlook would have been materialized and distorted. Times beyond count I have met God in the pages of the religious press.

"MY BENCH-LEGGED FYCE"

In this day of dog shows, big dogs, little dogs, hairless dogs, and dogs that the Angora cat might envy, are all gathered together for the admiration of all lovers of dogs—Great Danes, St. Bernards, Airedale terriers, Bull terriers, Fox terriers, Irish terriers, Scotish terriers, and many other breeds of terriers, and just as great variety of hounds, setters, pointers, spaniels and collies. The entire list of the different breeds are too numerous to mention in this connection. But in the long list of dogs gathered in a modern dog show we have never seen listed the bench-legged fyce. What a pity!

It required a poet of the rare gifts of Eugene Fields to duly appreciate this rare specimen of a dog in our stream-lined age. Listen to Fields:

"Speakin' of dorgs, my bench-legged fyce
Hed most o' the virtues, an' nary vice.
Some folks called him Sooner, a name that arose
From his predisposition to chronic repose.
But rouse his ambition, he couldn't be beat—
Yer bet yer he got thar on all his four feet!"

NOTICE

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E. H. Nease, Secretary.

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"He is a good man" has from time immemorial been a common saying. Two questions arise at once. First, what is he good for? Second, whom is he good to? In other words, what does he do, and how does he treat other people?

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Are you a sleeper or a pillar in the house of God? Are you a power or a problem, a peacemaker or a peace breaker? Is your presence a bane or a blessing, do you work for God or only worry people? What sort of a church member are you anyhow?

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Amid the tragedies that beset the behavior of the nations of earth it is well to have a bit of comedy. And we have it. For instance, there is Harry Hopkins at the Court of St. James as representative of the American nation. Winston Churchill and Harry Hopkins dining together—a lion and a mouse at the same table is decidedly comical. But we must have some fun.

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In the Southern Christian Advocate of January 2 was published the Upper South Carolina conference calendar for 1941. A glance at this was almost enough to overwhelm one. How could all these meetings be attended and enough time remain to do the work at home? The same situation holds in any of our conferences. Surely every leader will be constrained to concentrate every effort on the work in the local church.

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Dr. J. S. Betts of Greensboro furnishes the Advocate a copy of the epitaph of Robert Burns. It follows:

"The poor inhabitant below
Was quick to learn and wise to know,
And keenly felt the friendly glow
And softer flame;
But thoughtless follies laid him low
And stained his name."

Somebody has written a piece on "The Bad Spots in Church Folks." He found quite a few of these and some of them are of an ebony hue. Why not now write a companion piece on the "Good Spots in Church Folks"? And many of these would shine as stars of the first magnitude. It is a delightful experience to be able to look up at the stars of heaven.

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The late President W. P. Few in his quiet, even tones often remarked, "To flunk a boy, the reflection is on the teacher rather than on the student." We often wonder what would be the consequences in our college and university faculties were the same rule applied that holds in athletics. Coaches are expected to get results. Not so many boys would sleep in the lecture room and fewer teachers would put the writing of dull books above the teaching of bright students. Professor Horace Williams of Chapel Hill held to the view that writing books tended to ruin a teacher.

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William S. Knudson, who is now in charge of the present defense program of which we hear so much at the present hour, was born in Denmark, came to America at the age of 20, began work in shipyards of New York, worked for 18 months in Erie railroad shops. He was in charge of building assembly plants and later production manager of Ford Motor Co. In 1922 he was appointed vice president of Chevrolet Motor Company; later he became president. He was executive vice president of General Motors from 1933-1937 with supervisory control of all General Motors automobile and body manufacturing activities. He has been president of General Motors since 1937 until pressed into the service of the federal government, where he has the biggest job that has ever been intrusted to any one man in this country, and his appointment has inspired the American people with confidence that his task will be completed in due time.

Concentrate on the Local Church

LAST week one of our district superintendents spoke with deep conviction, saying that we should concentrate our efforts this coming year on the work in all our local churches. Said he, the past two or three years we have been stressing the numerous general demands connected with the union of our three Methodisms. The time has come, he insisted, for us to magnify local affairs. We are convinced that most of our thoughtful people would agree with this district leader.

We wait to find what the crowd thinks and to see the direction in which the mass moves. This tendency gets into all our church affairs. So we feel that not much can be done until we get the crowd on the march. This reliance on the movement of the mass tends to discount the place of the local church in our vast Methodism. We unduly minify the value of the small group. Think what would happen were each of our nearly two thousand churches in North Carolina to become active and really vigorous centers in the life of the state. Though it be a small group in some obscure community, it is none the less effective if in this there be a few devoted and consecrated men and women willing to do all they can to exalt their Lord.

Each and every pastor, church school superintendent and woman's society should set themselves to making the church of five or of fifty or of fifteen hundred members count for the most possible this coming year. Then we will be able to do most for the national and world movements in which our Methodism is enlisted.

Press and radio, by day and by night, ring the changes on national defense and Washington is almost jittery over the present situation. But all these elements, so much to the front just now, count for less in national defense than do the thousands of Christian churches in city, town and obscure country places of our land. These are the real citadels of democracy and the strong defenses of the American way.

Let Down Your Bucket

AGAIN and again we have heard President W. P. Few tell the passing generations of Duke University students to "let down your bucket where you are." His emphasis was on the "where you are." The beloved president has passed on but his wise injunction stays with us. The average American should certainly lay these words to heart.

Through all our history we have looked for richer lands and greener fields. The spirit of Daniel Boone stirs in most of us still as we look to the regions beyond our present horizon. But we are being constrained; yea, forced to draw in the wanderings of our mind and seek the treasures under our feet. Acres of diamonds lie about us all and fresh waters are under our craft; but we fail to profit for want of wisdom and enterprise.

Think of the wonderful record we Methodists would make this present year were each and every layman and preacher to let down his bucket where he is instead of waiting for a more promising hour and opportunity! We often recall a young preacher years ago who was always boasting of what he was going to do when he got a bigger and more lucrative church where he had something to do with. In his present charge no one could make a record. "There just isn't anything to do with here with such as this crowd," he insisted again and again. The long years have proven that this man never got that church he imagined was in waiting for him. Had he made the unexpected happen in those unpromising fields his church would have heard of him and called for his services. He failed year after year to "let down his bucket where he was." How great his failure! How bitter the disappointment of his later years!

Roger William Riis Is Now for the Churches

THE Reader's Digest says:

"Roger William Riis started as a reporter on the New York Sun, served in the Naval Intelligence during the World War, became an associate editor of Collier's, did publicity work for several large corporations, and finally set up his own public relations office in New York. With all this, he has found time to contribute frequently to leading magazines. He is the son of Jacob Augustus Riis, the Danish immigrant who became one of America's great humanitarians, and whose books, How the Other Half Lives, and The Children of the Poor, helped to bring about many needed reforms in New York's tenement districts."

This gifted son of a talented father, who like many other Danish immigrants have bestowed added glory to American history, declares in the American Mercury that "Six months ago I scoffed at the churches. Then one day, on a sudden whim, I attended a service. Since then I have been going steadily, first out of curiosity to see what the much-attacked

churches are up to, lately out of rising excitement. I have not 'got religion'; I always had that. But I have found out that churches today are dispensing something I need, and that church and religion go together.

"One day last May the newspaper offered me this: 'Rotterdam is ablaze. Shooting is heard in every street.' That was the morning I happened into a church, for the first time in 22 years. And what did the church offer me? A simple, reverent service, featured by a sermon on 'Peter, The Rock,' on the permanence and beauty of the church.

"I found that I was acutely interested in hearing about anything that had permanence, beauty and unselfish endeavor. It fell on my spirit like water on a desert, and I went out stirred and grateful.

"A week later I took my curiosity to another church and heard the minister, in a singularly lovely building, talk simply and beautifully on 'The Ascending Life.' Without a trace of sanctimonious heroics, he conversed informally about the insistent demand of life to rise, to grow, to improve itself. It was adult, it was spiritual; and to me, personally, it was helpful. Since then, as business and vacation travel took me about the country, I have made it a point to attend and study churches—all kinds. I have tried to discover what makes the leading churches vital in their communities."

The Italian's Empty Coffee Cups

THE Italians are now drinking to the dregs the bitter cups of war. But they have one cup without bitter dregs because it is empty. It is a coffee cup.

The word has gone round that the Italians who are fond of their coffee have been singing, perhaps in the catacombs or some other secluded place, these sad words:

When in Rome a king held sway,
I drank coffee every day.
An emperor he became as well,
Still I sniffed the coffee smell.
When he seized Albania's land,
Even that mere smell was banned.
If Benito stays, I know,
Even the coffee pot will go.

If the men and women who lived in the South through the sixties when the Federal blockade compelled our people to make their coffee out of parched rye and parched potatoes were living they would have a care for the suffering Italians of this present hour. Our readers will recall how Henry W. Grady in Boston begged his Yankee auditors to forgive those Southerners for their rebellion because they had suffered enough in the years when compelled to drink wheat coffee.

Home Fires and Taxes

WE are hearing much of the American way of life and the zeal with which we should defend the things that we hold dear. Two of the characteristics of the men who pioneered this land and made possible the nation which we hold dear were their devotion to the fireside and their fear of taxes. Of late we hear little of keeping the home fires burning and the ancient fear of taxation. To heap up taxes for future generations to pay and to discard the sanctities of the fireside have come to be two of the deplorable practices of the present day. With reckless abandon the nation lays heavy burdens upon the shoulders of generations unborn and discounts the ancient virtues of family life that made this nation great.

Even during the World War we sang the praises of those who kept the home fires burning, but not much do we hear at present of such sentimental strains. Destroyers, bombers and all those material engines of land, sea and air are uppermost in our thoughts. Press, radio and platform proclaim the dire threat of the enemy as they call for national preparedness. Money and more money, energy and more energy, in the enlistment of all the material resources of the world are the pleas that ring from side to side across the land to save us from the perils that threaten. Our defense is largely a matter of the material.

But back of all real security lies the character of the people. The English these days stand out in glorious contrast with the French. The same finds illustration in many other periods of the nation's history. In the days of the Kaiser when Germany was threatening the world we heard Hugh Black of Scotland assert in ringing assurance, "Germany will yet beat herself to pieces on the naked soul of man." That was what happened. Hitler will yet do the same. The new Europe of which he boasts does not belong to the centuries. This conviction enabled Parick Henry in the darkest days of the American Revolution to cry out in defiance, "Armed in the holy cause of liberty, with such a country as that which we possess, we are invincible against any foe the enemy may send against us." We are still such so long as we retain that spirit.

People and Things

Rev. L. S. Helms requests us to announce that his post-office address will be Forest City, N. C., Route 1.

Rev. W. B. Shinn, pastor of Hopewell church that was burned last Sunday morning, sends us the good news that plans for rebuilding are under way. It is hoped that work will begin at an early day.

Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Ervin of Farmer have just returned from a pleasure trip to Florida. The trip was a gift of their children to these fine parents of a fine family. We are sure these Florida visitors enjoyed the trip and the youngsters who sent them enjoyed it even more.

Let each district superintendent send the name and address of an alert news gatherer from his district. We will send postal cards to each for his use in reporting items of news. We hope to complete the list from both conferences by next week.

Dr. R. A. Milliken, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, says, "Men who know very little of science, and men who know very little of religion, do get to quarreling and onlookers imagine there is a conflict, but in my judgment, there is no excuse for conflict between science and religion."

The district reporters for the North Carolina Christian Advocate appointed by the district superintendents are as follows: Asheville, McMurry S. Richey; Charlotte, John H. Carper; High Point, J. C. Madison; Elkin, H. F. Duncan; Gastonia, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.; Marion, H. M. Wellman; Salisbury, A. C. Waggoner; Winston-Salem, H. G. Hardin, Jr. The other districts will appear next week.

Thirty-five years ago J. Melville Broughton, who last week became governor of North Carolina, when a freshman at Wake Forest College, roomed with Santford Martin, now editor of the Winston-Salem Journal. This year J. Melville Broughton, Jr., is a freshman at Wake Forest, and he rooms with another freshman, Santford Martin, Jr. How does this stack up as an interesting coincidence?

The Asheville District Ministers' Wives' Association held a luncheon meeting Monday, January 13, in the Pine Room at the S. & W. Cafeteria. After a short business meeting a delightful program was given which included games, poems and an inspirational talk by Mrs. Steidley, noted evangelist. The next meeting of the association will be held in April, during the district conference.

Dr. S. W. Taylor, our district superintendent, spent last Sunday with Brother C. H. Hill on Why Not charge. He reports that some splendid improvements have recently been made on the church buildings both at Flag Springs and at New Zion. The popular pastor is serving his seventh year on this charge. Next Sunday Dr. Taylor will be with Brother C. L. Grant, on Richland charge.—J. C. Madison, Dis. Rep.

The Parker Recognition Fund at Emory University moves on toward success in all conferences. Lacking less than twenty per cent of the $100,000 goal, final victory is assured. To date $81,878.75 has been raised, with only $18,-121.25 still to be raised. Second to reach its quota in full is the Western North Carolina conference, the Kentucky conference being the first. The Louisiana conference has completed its quota.

Mrs. Emmeth Tuttle Cochran, daughter of the late D. H. Tuttle, died at the hospital in Asheboro on December 21. Funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Moser. The service was conducted by Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., assisted by Rev. L. F. Tuttle of Thomasville and Rev. R. G. Tuttle of Gibsonville, cousins of Mrs. Cochran. Mrs. Cochran's passing followed an illness of several months.

Senator E. D. Smith has been elected member of Phi Beta Kappa in the new chapter at Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C. Senator Smith is an alumnus of Wofford, having been graduated in the same class with the late Dr. W. P. Few.

Bishop Arthur J. Moore has been made lecturer on Evangelism at the Candler School of Theology. With his vital approach and wide back ground in evangelism, Bishop Moore will make a very important contribution toward the training of young ministers in the School of Theology.

We are enjoying our work fine here at Rockford Street church, Mt. Airy, and the Lord is blessing. The people have received us cordially and pounded us severely. They encourage us by saying the interest and attendance are increasing. We can see the sun rise and set on top of the hill from the parsonage without even stepping out of the house. Hence the outlook is inspiring in several ways.—C. E. Williams.

A radiogram from Dr. Arthur D. Berry, missionary in Tokyo, Japan, sent from the S. S. President Coolidge, gives the information that his sister, Miss Anna J. Berry, died on board ship on January 7. Dr. Berry was returning to America with his sisters—the Misses Anna J. and Effie A.—who had spent recent years with him in Tokyo. They were returning home because of Miss Anna's illness. The President Coolidge is due to dock in San Francisco on January 16. Messages to Dr. Berry may be sent in care of Miss Marjorie Merrill, 83 McAllister Street, San Francisco, Cal., or in care of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City. It is understood that Dr. and Miss Berry will go to their home in Mexico, N. Y.

At First Methodist church, Mebane, everything seems to be going fine. The parsonage has been repaired, which adds much to its appearance, especially on the inside; and a new range has been placed in the kitchen. The church has been covered, and our Woman's Society of Christian Service is raising the money to paint the church on the inside, which will improve its appearance. A few weeks before Christmas the people gave their pastor a good Methodist pounding, just the kind that pleases a preacher and his family, and it has been coming in ever since. We also received many gifts from the people here, for all of which we are very grateful. These kind expressions of appreciation make us want to render more and better service. The people seem to have a mind to work and the year is starting off well, and we are expecting great things.—C. L. Spencer, Pastor.

Dr. Henry W. Jordan of Belmont is moving to Cedar Falls, where Dr. Jordan will devote his full time to the management and operation of a large textile manufacturing plant located at that place. He will be associated with his brother, B. E. Jordan, and some other members of his family who operate a chain of mills in that section of the state. For 21 years Dr. Jordan has been a popular and influential citizen of Belmont and community. After 21 years' service to the community as a dentist, he has thousands of friends, and in addition wide and extensive practice has brought him financial security. In addition to his wide practice, he has been a part of the growth and life of Belmont. He has served in some capacity in every form of activity. He is a past master of the local Masonic Lodge, a past commander and charter member of Auten- Stowe Post of the American Legion a past president and charter member of the Belmont Rotary Club, a director of the Belmont Merchants' Association, a member of Main Street Methodist church and for many years a teacher of its largest Bible class and also for many years was chairman of its board of stewards.

Several of the Asheville district preachers went 'possum hunting one night recently. As far as we know, the hunt was not an officially scheduled, district superintendent-approved enterprise. One of the preachers unfortunately could not distinguish between an o'possum and one of those striped kitties. It is reported without confirmation that one of the congregations affected threatened a walk-out on the arrival of their preacher the following Sunday. (This news not passed by censor).—McM. S. Richey.

Bishop Clare Purcell last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock occupied the West Market pulpit, Greensboro, for Dr. J. B. Craven. At 7:30 in the evening he preached for Rev. R. C. Stubbins at Calvary church, Greensboro. At 11 o'clock the Calvary congregation honored with a special service the charter members of this church that was organized 16 years ago. In these years the growth of the church has been gratifying and it is now one of the enterprising churches of Greensboro. Dr. Stubbins is in high favor with his people and they are doing a good work.

Members of the board of stewards of Myers Park church were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Vickers, 1800 Providence Road, last Monday evening. The monthly business meeting of the board was held following the dinner, and much enthusiasm was manifested over the good prospects of liquidating the church debt by April 1, 1941. The debt now stands at $27,700, and may be easily wiped out if present subscriptions are paid promptly and in full. At the meeting of the board a committee was appointed to work out plans for a program for the dedication of the sanctuary.—Church Bulletin.

The Grifton charge began the new conference year in an active manner, to the encouragement of the new pastor. When he arrived he found a number of the ladies in the parsonage making additions to the furnishings and in other ways "setting their house in order." A few days later the members generously stocked the larder. The two Woman's Societies of Christian Service are entering enthusiastically into the enlarged program of the organization. An Epworth League and junior choir have been organized in the Grifton church with a good sized membership under the leadership of the pastor's wife. The church schools are increasing in interest and attendance. There are signs of progress manifested in all departments of the church.—E. M. Hall.

To the ladies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Centenary Methodist church, who have been so thoughtful and have rendered such valuable assistance; to Dr. and Mrs. Weaver whose kindness and interest we can never forget; to our own people of the six churches of the West Forsyth charge, we want to thank in all sincerity for what they have done for our little parsonage home. It is comfortable and we like it. May your compensation be the occasion to rejoice with us in a mighty harvest of souls for which we solicit your earnest prayers. To our friends elsewhere may we say that you live in our hearts and thoughts. We crave your prayers. We are happy in Him who has called us to this blessed fellowship of service.—A. Burgess.

J. E. Koonce of Chadbourn says: "We have our population throughout the nation divided into three classes, as follows: the wills, the won'ts, the can'ts. The wills represent the progressive, the achieving, the constructive element of our people. We likewise have these three classes of people in our church membership; the wills are those we always depend on. The problem of both church and state is to convert, regenerate and use the won'ts and can'ts, really make them also the wills. Lord Bacon, the great philosopher of his day, says, 'A little philosophy inclineth men's minds to atheism, but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds to religion.' We must recognize we have a period of cultivation. We must inform our people, our church membership, which can and will be done by subscribing to our church organs, the best literature we put out through the church, and other literature. Most of all familiarize our people with a knowledge of the Bible, that they may know God and his will. Information, inspiration and application locally and throughout the bounds of Methodism."

Our good friend, Dr. John Van Schaick, Jr., editor in chief of The Christian Leader, the organ of the Universalist Church of this country, has an abiding interest in all Christian churches and is personally one of the most delightful companions we know. This friendly and broad-minded editor has written appreciatively of the new Methodist paper. His fine sense of humor just will manifest itself in unexpected places as it does in the midst of his editorial when he exclaims: "What a stupendous job such a paper has! It represents eight million Methodists. When we think of all the hades that fifty or sixty thousand Universalists can kick up at times, we are appalled at the thought of what eight million Methodists might do."

A recent issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate contained a most worthy tribute to the passing of the late Dr. John Thomas Gibbs at the ripe old age of 92. In my early girlhood John Thomas Giggs was the first Methodist preacher of whom I have any recollection. He was a frequent guest in our home in his early ministry. Dr. Gibbs' first wife, the beautiful Sallie Walace, was our cousin, and naturally interested in him, we would keep in touch with him. Dr. Gibbs made a great record as a Christian minister, as pastor and long time presiding elder. He was a devoted servant of God. After his retirement he was in constant communion with the Infinite, which made his life beautiful. May his children rise up and call him blessed.—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

We are getting off to a good start in the year's work at the Hayes-Barton Methodist church. The people have been most cordial in the reception of their new pastor and family and seem anxious to maintain the splendid record which they have made during their four years' existence as a church. Indications are that this will be done. Twenty-seven new members have been received during the present conference year and the prospects for others are constanlty coming to the attention of the pastor. Hayes-Barton church has a bright outlook for the future. The spirit of her people is adventurous, as a group her membership is loyal and the atmosphere which visitors note upon arrival is most congenial. We are happy to be associated with this delightful group of people in their noble task.—E. D. Weathers, Pastor.

A NEW $18,000 COUNTRY CHURCH BURNED

The newly completed Hopewell church, located about seven miles southeast of Thomasville in Randolph county, was almost totally destroyed by fire shortly before noon Sunday, January 12.

Members of the prominent Finch family who aided in construction of the building, said the loss would probably exceed $15,000. The church was completed last February at a cost of approximately $18,000 and only a few of the granite blocks used in the construction were saved. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

The fire originated in the furnace room in the basement of the church while the Sunday morning service was being held. However, the congregation was able to vacate the building without injury. Even though smoke had been noticed in the church auditorium earlier the flames had gained much headway before it was discovered the building was afire and few, if any, of the interior fixtures were saved.

When the Hopewell church was completed last February it was described as one of the most beautfiul churches in that section. It was the old home church of the late Thomas A. Finch, a prominent and prosperous citizen of Randolph county. His sons who are successful business men of Thomasville maintained an interest in their father's and mother's church and the church of their childhood.

MARION DISTRICT

Rutherford College.—J. R. Duncan, pastor, moved into the new parsonage two weeks ago.

Pleasant Grove.—H. C. Peace, pastor, Forest City, installed electric chimes recently.

Old Fort.—R. M. Varner, pastor, remodeled parsonage at considerable cost.

Henrietta.—M. C. Reece, pastor, remodeling parsonage at about $500 cost.

Clinchfield.—H. M. Wellman, pastor, contracted for new pews to replace opera chairs. Marion Mills charge balanced their budget for the quarter at first quarterly conference December 22, 1940. H. M. Wellman, Reporter.

METHODIST EMERGENCY COMMISSION

A Million Dollars for Camp Service and Overseas Relief

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes has received a letter from Dr. T. Ferrier Hulme, ex-president of the English Wesleyan conference, and well known to American Methodists. This letter, under date of December 4, tells of the bombing of Bristol by the German airplanes a few days before. The following quotations relate to famous Methodist shrines:

"The upper half of the best known shopping arcade in Bristol has gone. Wesley's 'New Room in the Horse Fair,' as he called it—the mother chapel of world-wide Methodism, opened by him 39 years before the original City Road Chapel in London, is separated by a wall from the lower portion of the arcade. If that part of the arcade had perished, our most sacred shrine in the world would have gone too. But thanks be to God it is intact. The life-size equestrian statue of John Wesley is still safe. So is the statue of Charles Wesley.."

"Charles Wesley's house in Charles Street is still whole, though the adjoining property is destroyed."

"Also, all the property next to the room where John Wesley ordained Coke, Whatcoat, and Wesley is wiped out. But the room, with the memorial tablet, is untouched."

English Methodists rejoice that thus far these sacred historic places are preserved.

But, in general, British Methodists have suffered dreadfully in personal deprivations and in destruction of church property.

American Methodists will keep all this in heart and mind for the Day of Compassion, March 2, 1941.

BISHOP HUGHES TO HOLD MEETING IN THOMASVILLE

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will hold a week's meeting for Rev. Lee F. Tuttle in Main Street church, Thomasville, early in this spring (we do not have the exact date in mind, it will appear later). Thomasville is fortunate to secure the services of this great preacher and princely gentleman.

The episcopal time limit retired Bishop Hughes last May, but time limits cannot retire men of his character. Since that date he has had more calls for service than ever before. He now is leader of "Spiritual Mobilization Week" in the interest of war relief for the churches of England, China, and other countries which are suffering the ravages of war. He expects to raise $1,000,000 for this relief and may go beyond that limit because the need is so great.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Jack D. Lee, student at High Point College, has been selected by the county commissioners as office clerk in the office of Joseph D. Shore, who was recently elected clerk of the superior court to succeed A. Wayland Cooke, deceased. Mr. Lee has enough credits to graduate at the end of the first semester of the college session and he will do so. He has the highest scholastic standing of anyone in the senior class and probably would have graduated in the spring as valedictorian of his class. Besides making a remarkable scholastic record, he was editor of the Zenith, college annual, and was prominent in debating and student government activities. Guilford county is fortunate.

Prof. A. C. Lovelace, instructor in the education department at High Point College, has been selected by the West End Baptist church of this city as its pastor for the next 12 months, while Rev. T. H. Biles, the regular pastor, serves as chaplain in the U. S. Army for a year. Mr. Lovelace has been ordained recently and has been granted license as an ordained minister. Previous to his appointment as pastor Mr. Lovelace taught a large men's class at the West End church.

Officials of the High Point Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the North State Conference basket ball tournament here this year, have set dates of the tournament to be February 20, 21 and 22. This tourney will not conflict with the Southern Conference tournament which will be held one week later in Raleigh.

All games will be played in Harrison Gymnasium at High Point College. The tournament this year will decide the conference champions and therefore the interest in the meet is greater than ever. Plans are going forward for the tournament which will attract the eight teams of the conference—Appalachian, Elon, High Point, Guilford, Atlantic Christian, Lenoir-Rhyne, W. C. T. C., and Catawba.

High Point College's basket ball team has two extremes in the matter of height and both men are regulars. Bill Keene, 6 feet, 8-inch center, is the tall man and Cel Malfregeot, 5 feet, 6 inches, is the short fellow.

JOHN DRAKE HOUSE, JR.

1917—1940

John Drake House, Jr., son of John Drake House and Roberta (Robinson) House, was born at Thelma in Halifax county, N, C., September 19, 1917. He graduated from Littleton high school, attended Fork Union Academy in Virgina, and State College of the University of North Carolina. He honrably withdrew from State College after a brief period of residence in 1938 and joined with his father in farming and lumbering at Thelma. March 11, 1939, he and Miss Rachael Stillman of Cresswell, N. C., were married. In January, 1940, John Drake House, Jr., entered Duke hospital as a patient. He could not be relieved of his malady by operative treatment. He therefore returned to his home in Thelma and, after much suffering, died there September 21, 1940. He was buried in the family cemetery at Thelma December 31, 1940.

"John D.", as he was affectionately called, joined Calvary Methodist church when he was 12 years old. He enjoyed the church and was a faithful member. The deep resources of his religious heritage and loyalties he displayed in the courage and patience with which he endured suffering. He enjoyed his home, his friends, and his work and play, giving them the ready response of an affectionate and enduringly loyal heart, and eliciting from them an abundant spiritual return.

He was joyously nurtured in the affections of his father and mother, his brothers and sisters, his many relatives. He was happy in the love of his wife and comforted by her unfailing care. Pain set the course, but could not break the tone of his brief maturity; so that he was daily enriched in spirit and was a source of spiritual enrichment to all who loved him. These were, indeed, many; friends who had come to know him at school, at work, and at play, both white and black; relatives from far and near—all joined in tribute to a ripeness of manhood, none the less abundant in quality for its brevity in time.

R. B. House.

McNAIR LECTURES AT CHAPEL HILL

The twenty-second series of the McNair Lectures will be delivered on January 20, 21 and 22 of this year at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, by Prof. William Ernest Hocking of the department of philosophy, Harvard University.

This lecture series is offered on a foundation established by the Rev. John Calvin McNair (Presbyterian) of the class of 1849. The object of the lectures is to show the mutual bearing of science and theology upon each other.

The general subject of the lectures will be: Contemporary Science and the Idea of God. The three lectures of the series are entitled respectvely, (1) Psychology and the Cure of Souls (January 20); (2) Sociology and Humanism (January 21); (3) Physics, Astronomy and the World Meaning (January 22).

MINISTERS' WIVES OF WILMINGTON DISTRICT MEET AT LUNCHEON

The ministers' wives of the Wilmington district, having attended the district missionary institute, met at a delightful luncheon at Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, on January 7 and reorganized their district association of ministers' wives.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. A. S. Parker, chairman; Mrs. B. H. Houston, vice chairman; Mrs. R. S. Harrison, secretary-treasurer.

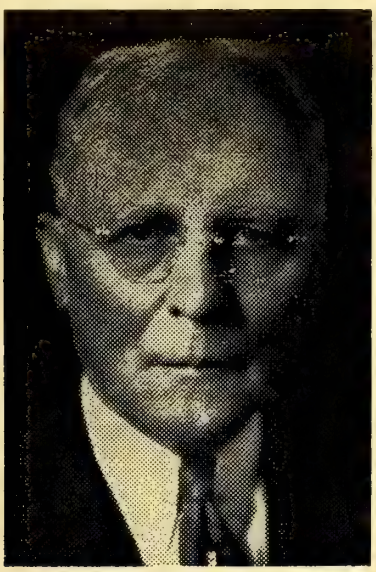
The association adjourned to meet again at district conference in April at Bethlehem church at White Oak on the Bladen circuit. About 25 "wives" were present.

Mrs. Russell S. Harrison.

NEWSPAPERMEN TO HOLD ANNUAL GATHERING AT CAROLINA AND DUKE

A session on defense and the press and a touch of South American flavor will be new features of this year's annual Newspaper Institute.

This will be the 17th such institute put on by the State Press Association and the University of North Carolina and Duke University. The sessions open Thursday afternoon and continue through Saturday noon. The usual Friday night dinner session will be held at Duke University.



Dr. Robert L. Flowers

The foreign affairs program scheduled for the Friday luncheon will have two headline speakers from within the profession. Edward Beattie, Jr., who is one of the top-notch foreign correspondents for the United Press and who will get back just in time to bring "Late Reports from the War Fronts," and Dr. Aurelio Miro Inesada, editor of "El Comercio" in Lima, Peru, will bring the South American viewpoint and the latest developments in the important new Pan-American goodwill program.

Dr. R. L. Flowers, acting president of Duke, and Fred Essary, director of the Washington Bureau of the Baltimore Sun, will be the principal speaker at the annual social feature at Duke on Friday evening. Another feature will be the presentation of awards for the year. Henry R. Dwire, director of public relations at Duke, will preside, and President Gifford will also speak briefly.

APPEAL FOR THE GOLDEN CROSS

Dr. James R. Joy in the first number of the new Christian Advocate refers to 1881 when there was no hospitals belonging to the Methodist Church. He quotes from an editorial by James M. Buckley then editor of the New York Christian Advocate: "Nowhere in this metropolis (New York), and nowhere else as far as we are able to learn, can a Methodist find congenial church surroundings in a hospital . . . It seems to have been the rule in St. Luke's Hospital that no religious service, not Episcopal, should be conducted there. A terrified nurse once rushed to a doctor saying, 'Doctor, Doctor, a Methodist preacher is praying with one of our patients.' 'Stop him, stop him,' said he, 'before his prayer reaches heaven.' "

Most of our people know of our splendid hospital at Elkin, but few know of the great number of charity cases treated there. Without the help of the funds from the Golden Cross this could not be possible. If more was given still more of this mission of healing could be done. Why wait until the end of the year to present the Golden Cross to our congregations? Or why wait until May when Dr. L. B. Abernethy cannot fill half the calls made upon him?

Have your Golden Cross Sunday now and Dr. Abernethy will be glad to come to your church and tell you of the fine Christian service that is being given at our own hospital.

One or two districts report a contribution from every church on the district. Let's make the whole conference 100 per cent this year, and let us double our offerings.

J. B. Ivey, Chairman.

BRITAIN'S LORD BADEN-POWELL, BOY SCOUT HEAD, DIES

Lord Baden-Powell, 83, a veteran soldier who spent the last 30 years of his life working for peace as the founder of the Boy Scout movement, died January 6 at his home in Nyera, Kenya Colony, Africa. He had been in precarious health since last November, when he suffered a series of severe heart attacks.

A lineal descendant of the early American settler, John Smith, Lord Baden-Powell had visited the United States on numerous occasions—the last time in April, 1937, when he delivered a radio address to the Boy Scouts of the world at San Francisco.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Rev. Grady Hardin, assistant pastor and director of religious education at Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, captivated his large audience at the regular vesper service at Greensboro College last Sunday evening at the student activities building, when he addressed the group emphasizing the importance of having your own beliefs and believing in them. As an illustration he gave the Beatitudes as representative of Jesus' beliefs and urged the students and faculty to stand up for their own beliefs. Miss Louise Taylor, Oxford, sang "Day Is Dying in the West," accompanied by Miss Albertine Lefler, Norwood. Miss Dorothy Stevens, Varina, was in charge of the program.

The Y. W. C. A. plans to sponsor evening mediation in Main building each night during the examination period from January 17-23, with organ music being rendered by various members of the school of music.

MINISTERS' WIVES ENJOY LUNCHEON

Twenty-four ministers' wives enjoyed a delicious luncheon and social hour, followed by a short business session on January 7, during the district missionary institute in Hertford.

The meeting with the president, Mrs. J. R. Poe presiding, was opened with the singing of "We Welcome You" to the wives who have recently come into the district. Mrs. R. F. Munns in her usual friendly manner brought greetings. Mrs. R. H. Willis expressed her delight in having the wives meet in the Hertford church. The "round robin" letter will soon begin in the Ahoskie parsonage, and we hope before the close of the conference year that the robin has made the rounds and brought the parsonage families a little closer together.

Mrs. Poe in a most unique and interesting way brought a message, using as her topic "The Betseyship," with Mrs. B. B. Slaughter as chief steward.

After singing one verse of Blest Be the Tie That Binds, we adjourned to meet during the district conference of the church in the spring. Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Christ the Interferer

By A. A. Kyles

Scripture: Mark 1:16-28.
Text: Mark 1:24, "Let us alone."

Christ disturbs men's minds. He interferes with their habits. His great truths confront men on every road of life. He will not let men go on in their sins to destruction without casting himself in their path even if it means a cross to him. Jesus met disciples as they walked along a lonely road, and so he meets us sometimes in a quiet place. Even though we sometimes try to close the door of our minds to him he comes as he did to the disciples in the upper room. Sometimes he comes to us in the midst of the milling mob of men. He meets men on the highways and by ways of life and stands in their presence to condemn the evil and challenge the good in their lives. To the penitent sinner he says. "Go thy way and sin no more." To those who would be his disciples he says, "Leave that which is sinful and worthless behind and take up your cross and follow me."

1. Christ Interferes with Sin in Individuals

Evil doers hate the light. Liars try to evade the truth. Sinful men shun holiness. But the light cannot be destroyed, and truth is forever knocking at the door of a guilty conscience seeking to enter and liberate the soul that is bound by sin and fear. Truth confronts men. Truth crushed to earth will rise again. Truth makes men free. Take the wings of the morning or call on the darkness to hide the guilty soul, but there is no escape from his presence.

Christ's presence at first makes sinners uncomfortable and miserable and they want him to go away. Like Peter, the sinful person's first reaction to Christ finds expression in the words, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord," There is a suspicious and fearful attitude, a feeling that Jesus has come to destroy or harm. Note the words of the demoniac in our lesson. But Jesus came not to destroy the sinner. He came to save the sinner by destroying sin. But, before Jesus can give abundant life to the sinner some things in the sinner's life must die. Christ interferes with everything in men that would keep them from being and doing their best. Christ calls for a transformation of character. Old things must pass away if one is to follow Christ, for he makes all things new. Christ demands a change and rebellion is always a part of adjustment.

2. Christ Interferes with Complacency in Churches

Christ is absolutely intolerant of formalism, sanctimoniousness, self-complacency, selfishness, self-seeking, lukewarmness, improper attitude in the church. If Christ were present in body today in many churches he would be labeled a disturbing element! He would condemn not only some of the actions of church members but many of their attitudes. Note that the man in our text was in the church. Perhaps he attended religious services regularly. He might have been on the official board. It is possible that he was the most liberal contributor in the congregation. But Jesus condemned him because he had an unclean spirit or an improper attitude. The man was impudent. He assumed his right to be in the church and proceeded to tell Jesus what to do. The one thing he wanted Jesus to do was to let him alone. Can we not hear him saying something like this: "Now we have been doing it this way for twenty years. I have been sleeping comfortably in this pew (which my grandfather gave) for a long time. I'm not in favor of any changes and don't want to be bothered with any new ideas or methods. I'll have nothing to do with you if you start anything new"? Jesus had something to do with him. He had a great deal to do with him. He did not tell the man to get out of the church—as some would do—but he insisted emphatically that the devil must get out of the man; for there is no place for evil in a man's heart or in God's house. When evil came out of the man he had an awfully disturbing experience. When Christ gets into the church some things get out.

3. Christ Interferes with Some Things in Business and Society

Christ's call to the early disciples meant not simply a few minor changes in principles and methods but a complete change of occupation. Many things had to be let go. "They left all and followed him." Christianity has always had something to say against injustices in society and unfair practices in business. When the owners of the fortune-telling girl found that the hope of their gain was gone, because she had learned about Jesus through the apostles, they preferred charges against the apostles. When Jesus healed the Gadarene demoniac at the cost of a herd of swine the hog raisers raised a disturbance. They asked Jesus to get out of their country. Gold meant more than girls. Pigs meant more than people. Cash came before Christ. What about the white slave traders, the dealers in intoxicating beverages, greedy profiteers, corrupt politicians, etc., today? Let a preacher speak out openly and emphatically against any of the great social evils today and a multiude of voices will be heard saying, "We want to hear the gospel preached." No, they don't. What they really mean to say is, "LET US ALONE." A Christian or Christian church cannot do that.

NEWS FROM WHITEVILLE

The good people of Whiteville do not stop merely with extending a new preacher a gracious welcome upon his arrival among them. This gracious attitude seems to be one of their permanent characteristics. We had been in Whiteville scarcely a week when they came to the parsonage one evening in large numbers and gave us one of those old-fashioned poundings of which you have occasionally heard but never witnessed or experienced. They seemed to understand our every need and those needs they supplied for many days to come. Then on Christmas Eve, among the many greetings and expressions of good cheer which we received from our new friends, was a large basket filled with good and useful things most beautifully arranged. The center of the basket was occupied by a large ham. The honors of this basket were the members of one of the actively loyal families in Whiteville Methodist church.

Whiteville is a church most of whose officials are keenly alive to the challenge which the church presents in these troublous times. The official board is well organized with an active finance committee. The people are earnestly considering the prospect of increasing the church school facili-

ties by the addition of class rooms. They assured us immediately upon our arrivel in Whiteville that they are going to build the old into a lovely new parsonage, this work to begin the first of the new year. We anticipate a very fruitful year in the Lord's service here. We are profoundly grateful that it is our lot to serve with such a gracious and cordial people. L. V. Harris, Pastor.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE MET BISHOP PURCELL IN CHARLOTTE JANUARY 8

Morning and afternoon sessions of the bishop's cabinet of the Western North Carolina conference were held in First Methodist church, Charlotte, Wednesday, January 8. The district superintendents constituting the body were M. T. Smathers of Asheville, G. T. Bond of Charlotte, A. C. Gibbs of Elkin, E. M. Jones of Gastonia, L. B. Hayes of Greensboro, S. W. Taylor of High Point, J. C. Cornett of Marion, C. N. Clark of Salisbury, J. S. Hiatt of Statesville, W. L. Hutchins of Waynesville, and C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem.

Matters which were discussed at the cabinet meetings included conference benevolences, support of the ministry, work among the Cherokee Indians in the Waynesville district, emergency war work with particular reference to an appeal to be made in all the charges Sunday, March 2, and expansion of the field of service of the new Christian Advocate published in Chicago.

The district superintendents by formal action instructed that a reporter be secured in each district for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. These reporters have been nominated by the several district superintendents, each for his own district. The names of these reporters appear elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate.

Plans for a missionary institute in each district were approved, most, if not all, of these to be conducted Sunday afternoon and evening, March 30. Rev. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin, conference missionary secretary and director of the Golden Cross, reported on missionary and hospital work.

Attention was called to the return to this country of several missionaries who have been in Japan and Korea, these being on furloughs ranging from six months upward, and it was agreed that work for such ministers, at least for temporary periods, must be found.

"Spiritual Mobilization Day" was given due attention by the bishop and district superintendents and provision made therefor.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will speak at the regional meeting in Charlotte during "Spiritual Mobilization Week." At all three rallies—in Charlotte, in Asheville and Winston-Salem—messages will be given by Dr. John R. Mott of New York, who has occupied the topmost positions in the Young Men's Christian Association, and Edgar T. Welch of Westfield, N. Y., president of the General Board of Lay Activities of the Methodist Church. Morning, afternoon and night sessions, with a dinner also included, are planned.

"Spiritual Mobilization Day" is to be observed in each charge Sunday, March 2.

Bishop and Mrs. Purcell had the district superintendents as guests for lunch Wednesday in their Charlotte home and it goes without saying that these guests enjoyed a delightful hour, but these guests did say quite a bit about the good time they had. We are sure these men would now vote for an extension of the six year limit.

FAITH IS THE ANSWER

"Faith Is the Answer" published by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press in late 1940 is a book in which a specialist in medicine and psychiatry, Smiley Blanton, M. D., and a successful pastor, Norman Vincent Peale, D.D., collaborated. The two are eminently prepared to work together in the writing of such a book because they have established and conducted a church clinic in which they have successfully helped, as they say, "normal people" to adjust their lives to regain fresh joy in living. As this statement would indicate the authors wrote the book not on the experiences of abnormal people but on the needs of those whom we consider normal folk.

Dr. Blanton states in the preface his position and to this he is faithful throughout the book. These are his words: "It is my belief that the phychiatrist has a substantial contribution to make to the religious life of the normal man or women. But he can do this only if he remains in his own field." Although Dr. Blanton is scientifically trained in this field of service and writes his parts of the book from the point of view of the psychiatrist and psychoanalyst, never does he become technical or involved to the degree of losing his reader.

Dr. Peale, who is pastor of Marble Collegiate church in New York City and co-author of this volume, agrees with Dr. Blanton that each man should keep within his own province. His part of the book is prepared entirely from the standpoint of the pastor. He states in the preface the hope that "religion and phychiatry joining hands as in this volume will be of practical help to all who read these pages"; and the belief that religion and psychiatry will make an increasing contribution in bringing to troubled personality the needed adjustment for radiant living.

There are nine chapters in the book, and they are double chapters, for on each subject Dr. Blanton states the problem, giving concrete examples, and makes the analysis, and in the second half of the chapter Dr. Peale shows how faith is the answer. The chapter headings are: I. The Power of Faith; II. The Hidden Energies of the Mind; III. Fear, Worry and Anxiety; IV. Conscience and the Sense of Guilt; V. Self-Criticism, Failure, and Success; VI. Grief and Sorrow; VII. The Company of the Lonely; VIII. Love and Marriage; and IX. The Faith That Heals.

This is the most fascinating and spiritually rewarding book in this field it has been the writer's privilege to read. It is so fascinating and helpful one can hardly lay the book aside until it is completed and then one wants to read it again. Not only is it a necessary book in every minister's library and life, but every doctor of medicine should read it and every layman would find in it a source of physical, mental and spiritual help. "Faith Is the Answer" is the answer for a book readable and scientifically and spiritually sound.

E. H. Nease.

The moral argument for our immortality is, after all, the strongest of those upon which reason can fall back. It is no fancy which insists that Eternal Justice cannot close his account with any human conscience at the moment of death; that there must be an after-world in which the too unequal balance of suffering and happiness, of good and evil during life, will be surely rectified.—Canon Liddon.

RALEIGH DISTRICT HAS HIGH HOPES, FAITH AND COURAGE

The Raleigh district faces the year 1941 with high hopes, aspiration, courage and faith. This was evidenced by the large attendance at the district missionary institute which was held at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh January 7.

Under the splendid leadership of the district superintendent, Rev. H. I. Glass, a most inspiring, informing and challenging program had been planned. All those who participated on the program were equal to the occasion and each person present felt the time spent at the district missionary institute was well spent. Many said it was the best missionary institute they had attended.

A well balanced program, finely executed, contributed to the occasion.

Dr. F. S. Hickman on the subject, "World Need and Ministry Through Methodism," gave a most stirring address. It was heart-searching and inspiring. He led those present into and through the closing hour of the institute and made it a mountain top experience for all. The service came to a most fitting close with a solo of consecration by Mrs. E. D. Weathers, followed by silent prayer. Those present went from the service determined to do more for missions in the spirit of the Master. E. D. Weathers, Secretary.

BETHEL-BOGER CHARGE

We were appointed pastor of the Bethel-Boger charge at the last session of our conference. Although our ministry here has been for only a few weeks, we are glad to say that Mrs. Graham and I have been well received into the hearts and homes of these good people.

Dr. G. T. Bond, our much beloved and very efficient district superintendent, was with us for the first quarterly meeting, held with the Bethel church December 15. Prior to holding the business session, Dr. Bond brought a very timely and helpful gospel message. A constructive program for our church activities this conference year was adopted. Reports of our church leaders indicated progress and increased interest in all departments. Bethel church has an active local organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Recently this society bought and paid for a beautiful carpet for the pulpit and rubber tracking for the aisles of the church at a cost of around $275. This much needed improvement has been completed, and it certainly adds much to the already attractive auditorium. The good women have also placed insurance on the parsonage property.

We have an active young people's organization at Bethel. This organization gave a Christmas program including a pageant, "Christmas With Christ," which was enjoyed by a large congregation. At this service we raised $14.25 in cash and some special gifts for our orphanage.

We have added several members to our church rolls and are expecting other additions at an early date.

We are planning for a real revival in each church, which we trust will be a great spiritual awakening in our members, the salvation of sinners and many additions to our membership.

We are expecting to enjoy a profitable ministry here and, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, we hope for much progress in all departments of our church work. We covet your prayers to the end that our highest expectations will be realized. Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

WESTWARD, HO!

As is known I retired at the recent session of the N. C. conference and began immediately to make preparation to come to Phoenix, Arizona, that my daughter, who had been a great sufferer from bronchial asthma practically all her life, might have a chance to breathe and live without great suffering. So, in company with my daughter, Alma, and Miss Annie Hicks, a member of my family the past 32 years, who suffered a broken leg six months ago but who is now walking by the use of crutches, I took leave of Raleigh at sundown the 6th of December in my Plymouth car, taking the southern route, and arrived here just two weeks later to the hour. It was a journey of 3,000 miles without accident or incident. All the way my engine behaved perfectly, not even a spark plug failed me. Of course friends will wonder why we were so long en route. Well, because of the feeble physical condition of my folks it was necessary that much time be consumed. We were worn out on arrival and both daughter and Miss Hicks were confined to their beds for two days. After a few days we moved into a rented duplex house near the business area, 747 East Polk Street, and, to the happiness of us all, daughter is breathing without suffering for the first time in the past five years, not since she lived in this section for three years previously. The only interruption we encountered, on account of weather conditions, was a rain storm we ran into in southern Louisiana; but that was only for the portion of a day. However, the weather has been rainy here most of the time since our arrival—citizens say, the worst for the past 45 years.

Now I must say something about this rapidly growing city of the great southwest. Phoenix, designated a city of palms, was founded in 1871, and seemingly has grown rapidly through the succeeding years. In 1900 its population was 5500 and at the close of 1940 it had increased to 126,500. It is located in the Salt River valley with ranges of lofty mountains surrounding it. Much citrus fruit is grown in this area. Oranges, tangerines and grapefruit are grown even in the front and rear of many of the homes in the city. Withal, it is a beautiful city. There are many beautiful tourist courts here and, in many instances, well appointed and comfortable. I have heard of the "wild and woolly west" all my life and I do believe I have struck that country. Everybody does about as he pleases and Sunday is regarded about as any other day of the week.

This final word. The customs are so different here from back home, I see I shall have to readjust myself to fit in with the change, but not to lose my religion of course. We hope to live and be happy out here. Pray for us that health may be restored to our sick and that we may hold the finer things of life dear. J. A. Dailey.

NEWS ITEMS FROM LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The International Relations Club of Louisburg College was guest of the International Relations Club of the University of North Carolina on Tuesday evening, January 7, in Chapel Hill. The occasion was an address deliverd by Hon. William C. Bullitt, former ambassador to France. Mr. Bullitt's speech was "America and the War." Following the speech a reception was given in his honor. The address was broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company.

President and Mrs. Walter Patten will keep open house on the Sunday afternoons of January from 2 to 5 o'clock for faculty members, students and their friends.

On February 5 at 10:30 a. m. Jules and Harriette Walffers will appear in piano and violin concert in the college auditorium. This is the second in the Louisburg College concert series.

GASTONIA DISTRICT

Pastors of the Gastonia district, guests of their superintendent, Rev. E. M. Jones, at a luncheon conference in Main Street church on January 13 adopted the following schedule of assessments for a district fellowship fund:

1.% of salaries from $1500 to $1999.
.2% of salaries from $2000 to $2499.
.3% of salaries from $2500 to $2999.
.4% of salaries from $3000 to $3499.
.5% of salaries from $3500 to $3999.
.6% of salaries from $4000 to $4499.
.7% of salaries from $4500 to $5000.

The fund is to be used for emergency relief and salary adjustments.

Golden Cross directors in the Gastonia district will meet with Rev. L. B. Abernethy and district director Earl H. Brendall in Cherryville February 16 at 2:30 p. m.

H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

ANNOUNCING "THE CHURCHES MAKE NEWS"

Council-sponsored radio review of Carolina and world church news. WPTF, Raleigh. Allyn P. Robinson, Jr., commentator. Each Sunday, 2:15-2:30 o'clock. Your comments invited.

I FIND LIFE GOOD: A RETROSPECT AT NEARLY NINETY

By Daniel Dorchester

I am in the last quarter of my ninetieth year. Most of the relatives and friends of my generation finished their earthly career when they were much younger; they are now in what is said to be a better world and are there facing the realities. They know the answers to my importunate questions. They are in the places for which they are fitted; and there they have plenty of congenial work. "They follow the Lamb," it is said, "whithersoever he goeth." And whither does the Lamb, the eternal redemptive passion in the heart of God, lead? "Apart from us," the apostle says, "they are not made perfect." That means plenty of work for their ransomed powers.

I still cling to life here with its limitations, uncertainties, tragedies, and mysteries, and I find it good. Like Browning's artist monk, who was a gay fellow, I love this present world, its wonder, bloom, changes, and surprises. "It means intensely and means good. To find its meaning is my meat and drink." The good I see and experience is a very small part of the goodness I dimly see and understand. The supreme vocation, whether here or hereafter, is to know God and do his will, whatever happens, and in whatever circumstances. This is to live eternally.

Most of my inner household furniture is still intact. Reason, memory, and imagination still function and bring to me choice gifts. I have the Bible and the "friendship of books," without which I should feel lost, but with which I have congenial companionship. My body, with its wonderful senses, that dear yokefellow, which has brought my soul so much to transmute, still serves me and has no aches or pains worth the mention.

Because of the loss of vocal chord, I can do no preaching or public speaking; but I am mercifully compelled to commune more "with mine own heart"; and my spirit must make "diligent search" to make "my calling and election sure." The impairment of my hearing condemns me to be a lost soul so far as listening to preaching is concerned, but I am still "on praying grounds." I turn to my choice hymns and repeat them while the preacher does his stunt. The poetry of religion, especially that of the Bible and litreature, does me the most good. "Art," said Dante, "is God's grandchild." Poetry belongs to his family. Systems and creeds, though valuable, are distant relatives.

Not only do I find life in this sin- and war-cursed world good, but I also believe that there never was so much goodness at work in human affairs as there is now. It has many more forms of beneficence; and it is on a much larger scale than ever before.

I am painfully aware, however, that there is a most masterly mobilization of evil forces in Europe. It knows no God but military force, and no use for man but to conscript him for its base purposes. Evil has always warred against the good. To go no farther afield: at the first Christmas, Herod sought "to slay the young child," "in whom all the world was to be blessed." Through all the sinning, aspiring centuries since, malign forces have mobilized to strangle what is best in man and supplant it by what is base. In every crisis there has been, as there is now in Britain, a summons "to blood, toil, tears, and sweat." Our civilization has no institution or tribunal that has sufficient power to settle the disputes of nations and safeguard their rights. The town, the city, the state, the nation, each in its own sphere, has such power and its judgments are accepted, though often with a patient or rebellious shrug. But each nation does what is "right in its own eyes" and often tramples upon the rights of others. Hence, wars are inevitable. Force contends with force until one yields and there is a breathing time of peace. War is not the best thing in the world, nor is it the worst. It is our common human nature in arms. There is no fiercer hatred on the field of battle than that which rages in business, politics, and society. There is no finer heroism or nobler sacrifice than that of the soldier who gives his life for his country. War has taught salutary lessons, righted wrongs, and made readjustments that were long due and sorely needed. War has also made the bad worse; it has made nations bankrupt; it has broken families, and has been one of the greatest curses of mankind. "War is hell," but hell has its uses. It brings the deed with its terrible consequences home to the doer; and it points the way to repentance and purification.—Zions Herald.

MRS. C. W. ROBINSON

By A. S. Barnes

Mrs. C. W. Robinson reached the end of her earthly pilgrimage on August 13, 1940, after a long and useful life of service in the Master's cause. Before her marriage to Rev. C. W. Robinson she was Miss Rosa Helen Chandler of Caswell county, N. C., and was born on October 1, 1870. She was the faithful and devoted wife of an itinerant Methodist preacher, and graced the parsonage on many charges throughout the bounds of the North Carolina conference. Her husband preceded her to his heavenly reward on April 8. 1921 After his translation Sister Robinson lived in Clayton, N. C., where she owned a little home, until several months before she died. She passed away in the home of her sister, Mrs. Jake Thompson, near Roxboro. Her funeral was conducted from the chapel of the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh by the writer of this memoir. During the pastorate of Brother C. W. Robinson on the Granville charge I became intimately acquainted with Brother and Sister Robinson, as I was pastor on the Oxford circuit, adjoining his work. For more than 30 years I was in constant contact with the subject of this sketch.

Brother Robinson made me the executor of his will, and this brought me in still closer contact with Sister Robinson. In her declining years she consulted me frequently about her business affairs, and it was my happy privilege to transact much of her business for her. She had her sorrows and many bitter disappointments which I shared with her. Sister Robinson was a quiet, unassuming woman, but possessed a strong Christian character. Her unfaltering trust in the goodness of God sustained her through the many years of her widowhood. She lived alone in her little cottage, among the friends of her husband's last pastorate in Clayton, but she had the constant companionship of Him to whom she had committed her life from early childhood. As she advanced in years she grew in grace, and in the knowledge of One who had been her guiding star through life. She and her devoted husband, through their long ministry, had accumulated a small estate. After bequeathing part of her estate to an only child, Horace, her sisters and nieces, she left the residue of her possession to the Methodist Orphanage, as a permanent memorial fund to her husband and herself. Though dead, the influence of Brother and Sister Robinson will continue to live in the lives of the boys and girls at the Methodist Orphanage through the generations to come. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their labors do follow them.

Measure your mind's height by the shade it casts.—Browning.

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NEW YEAR

By Thomas H. Gill

I asked the New Year for some motto sweet—
Some rule of life to guide my feet;
I asked and paused. It answered soft and low,
"God's will to know."

Will knowledge, then, suffice, New Year? I cried;
But ere the question into silence died
The answer came: "Nay, this remember too—
God's will to do."

Once more I asked: "Is there still more to tell?"
And once again the answer softly fell:
"Yes, this one thing, all things above—
God's will to love."

—From Bulletin of Central Church, Asheville, N. C.

REQUEST TO DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, sends the following request to the district secretaries of our conference:

"Please send the name and address of the president of each Wesleyan Service Guild in your district to me at once. Get this information to me as early as possible. I will appreciate it greatly."

THE WORK OF MOORE MEMORIAL CHURCH, SHANGHAI

Standing in the heart of the International Settlement in Shanghai, now regarded as "the anxious zone" of China, in view of Japanese pressure to bring the neutral foreign section under its military control, Moore Memorial Methodist church carries on a program which surpasses in magnitude and extent the institutional work of most American churches. Moore Memorial has been called the "greatest Christian church in any non-Christian land."

The pastor, Dr. Z. T. Kaung, famous as the man who led Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek to Christ and baptized him into the membership of Allen Memorial church, of which Dr. Kaung was then pastor. Rev. Sid R. Anderson is superintendent of the institutional features (Mr. Anderson is the son-in-law of Mrs. B. W. Lipscombe of the former Woman's Missionary Council.—Editor)

In addition there is an assistant pastor, three women workers appointed by the conference, and several other full-time workers in addition to a staff of volunteer helpers.

Dr. Kaung's congregation overflows the auditorium which has a seating capacity of more than 1000. Commonly regarded as the greatest of all Chinese preachers he exerts a wide influence throughout the city.

Always carrying on a large and varied institutional program, Moore Memorial church, since the Japanese invasion has been the outstanding center of service for the Chinese people. It has housed, clothed, fed and ministered to hundreds of thousands of people.

One interesting form of service has been in close co-operation with the five refugee universities now housed in Shanghai, especially Soochow University, Methodist institution driven from its campus at Soochow by the Japanese. The joint commencement exercises held each year by the co-operating universities are conducted in Moore Memorial auditorium.—From "The Moving Finger Writes," in World Outlook.

AN INTERESTING DAY

A day of great interest for the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Hopewell church, on the Catawba charge, held within recent weeks, was the all-day retreat at the church with 22 of the members in attendance. The day of prayer and meditation opened with a devotional by the president, Mrs. R. C. Gabriel, and was followed by a half hour period of meditation by Miss Golda Martin, who gave an interesting talk on "Scarritt College Built for the Future." Rev. W. Q. Grigg, pastor, closed the morning program with an inspiring talk—his theme being Progress.

The afternoon session opened with a worship service by Miss Hazel Martin, followed by a memorial service. Miss Floye Drum in an interesting manner presented "Scarritt's New Day," and was followed by a vocal selection by Mrs. Clarence Harwell with Miss Vazie Drum at the piano. A plate lunch with coffee and tea were served at the lunch hour.

THE GREAT CHIEF REACHES JOURNEY'S END

Joy Burch Sheffey in the World Outlook for December gives an interesting account of the passing of Wembo-Nyama, the great African chief "who made the missionaries' work in Africa possible, who stood by them and helped them to fight their battles for the past quarter of a century."

Many will recall that it was Wembo-Nyama who welcomed Bishop Lambuth 30 years ago when he went to Africa to organize the work there for the Woman's Missionary Council, and his name through his kindness and co-operation with the missionaries has been known to millions of American Methodists. His passing is regretted by those who knew him and were associated with him in their work in this great field of service.

Mrs. Sheffey says: "The great Chief has reached the cross-roads and has journeyed beyond. Big drums tolled the tidings in ominous tones, tom-toms beat out the dull eerie rhythmic tones of the death dance; women's shrill voices were heard above the screams and cries of the hundreds of mourners. The bell in the tower rings, calling worshippers to church. It is Sunday and the sky is startingly blue; palm fronds continue their dance in the morning breeze; flowers bloom in profusion, creating their fragrance upon the air; the birds are singing as birds have always sung on Sunday morning. How can these things be? The Chief is dead!

"At sunset we went to Wembo-Nyama's village to pay our last respects to our old friend. Drums were sobbing in the distance as we wended our way among the subdued stricken faces of the natives who were waiting for the burial. Beside the grave which had been dug in the red clay earth, stood a rough wooden box, covered with a white sheet, upon which lay a wreath of lavender bougainvillia. The crowd was hushed and ragged—rags being an apparel of grief and humility. Upon the arrival of the representative of the Belgian government, the burial ritual was performed by missionaries. Two missionary women and two mission workmen sang, as a quartet, in the native language 'Abide With Me.' The represenative of the Belgian government made a short talk honoring the memory of the Chief for his loyalty, faithfulness, integrity and great love for his people. Native soldiers presented arms, ten salutes were fired from powder muskets, the government official saluted and stood at attention as the old warrior was laid to rest. While men the world over are receiving summons to war, Wembo Nyama has received his summons to peace. In remembrance of a young African boy who saved the lives of a score of white men and of the Chief who ruled with a firm hand and a big heart, the Belgian government will build a monument above the grave of her loyal subject and chieftain."

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM NEW ORGANIZATION

Mrs. Ira Johnson, Cor. Sec.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Flat Rock Methodist church, on the Greensboro district, wishes to report a very live organization which has grown out of the ladies' aid society of this former Methodist Protestant church. We have a merbership of 35 and three honorary members. The officers are: President, Miss Ella May Friddle; vice president, Mrs. Pat Price; recording secretary, Mrs. Percy Friddle; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ira N. Johnson; treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Johnson.

The January meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bryant Wilson with a large percentage of our members present. A pledge of $10 was made to missions. The secretary of Christian social relations reported great interest existent in the organization of an Epworth League now. Our pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Houck, attend the meetings and their presence is an inspiration. The programs are well rendered by different members.

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GOOD NEWS FOR 1941

The charter membership of the Woman's Society of Christian Service exceeds a million. The goal set by the ad interim committee was 750,000 by October 15, 1940, but the reports from the conferences reveal these gratifying and amazing results: Out of 706 conferences 94 have reported 19,716 charter societies with 1,135,000 charter members. What limitless possibilities are represented in a million Christian women united for service. We shall face this new year with high hope. Because we passed the million mark in charter members, the Million Member Movement becomes the vanguard in the second million which we hope to have enrolled in the ranks of the Woman's Society of Christian Service by the end of this quadrennium. Surely it is within the real of possibility to reach a goal of a second million by 1944. Like a mighty army, a million Methodist women march into 1941 sounding a clarion call to all who have not enlisted to join the ranks to help a distraught and broken humanity realize "a world where in dwelleth righteousness."—Mrs. V. F. Devinney in The Methodist Woman.

CONCERNING STUDENT WORK

Mrs. George C. Halton, Star, conference secretary of student work, sends the following important announcement to secretaries of student work in local societies: "I am anxious to contact as early as possible all local secretaries of student work, for the purpose of obtaining the names of all college students, both boys and girls, from each church in the N. C. conference. If you are a secretary of student work won't you please write at once, giving the names of your young people who are away at school? If you have no one at this time, won't you write me anyway, so that I may have your name for my mailing list? If you are a president of a Woman's Society of Christian Service may I appeal to you to send me the name of your local secretary, or have her do so, as early as possible. Our department is a new phase of our woman's work and the above information is necessary in order that the work of the department may be set in motion.

PROGRAMS VS. INTEREST

No organization can hope to retain sufficient interest for effective work if the programs of the meetings are boresome. In the Woman's Society of Christian Service the program material is of such variety and high order that no society has an alibi for uninteresting meetings. May we heed the suggestions of Mrs. A. C. Jones, efficient program chairman of the W. S. C. S. at Edenton Street as she gives some pertinent pointers on the efficacy and possibilities of good programs. Says Mrs. Jones: "We should strengthen our society with good programs. Membership and pledges are increased with good programs. We can arouse interest with information. There are four P's in a good program: Preparation, Participation, Perseverance, and Prayer. Our program material is our window to see and to know. Let's use our material and our several abilities and keep the window open and clean."

TWO N. C. GIRLS CONSECRATED

Miss Viola Nethery and Miss Vera Falls are two young N. C. girls who have during the past few years been preparing for full time Christian service and in whom the women of the N. C. conference have a keen interest. Miss Nethery is a native of Halifax, a graduate of Berea College, Ky. For two summers she assisted Mrs. Herman Baum in teaching in the negro leadership school in Winston-Salem. She has also attended Scarritt College. Miss Falls is from near Lumberton, a graduate of Greensboro College and also a student at Scarritt. At the first annual meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the new Methodist Church which convened in Philadelphia on November 21-29, Miss Nethery and Miss Falls were consecrated as deaconesses. We shall follow the work of these two young women with much interest and should keep them before the throne of grace in our prayer life.

WOMEN AND PROHIBITION

Mrs. Helen Robertson Wohl, state director of citizenship and legislation for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, announced recently that a result of a poll of members of the 1941 General Assembly revealed that only seven of the members who answered the questionnaires favor sale of liquor in the state. Mrs. Wohl announced further that the W. C. T. U. would make "an unyielding effort to secure a total prohibition in N. C. by legislative enactment or by a vote of the people of the state during 1941." As members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church we should be sufficiently concerned in the matter of blotting out the evil of legal sale of liquor in N. C., that we shall bestir ourselves to action in arousing sentiment which will inform and impress our senators and representatives in the 1941 General Assembly with our determination to fight for the cause of prohibition.

RETURNS FROM KOREA

Miss Euline Smith, who has been doing evangelistic work in Korea for some years, as have other missionaries, returned to America to await cessation of hostilities in the Far East. On a card addressed to your editor Miss Smith writes: "Of course it is nice to be with my family and friends in America, but I miss the work and friends in Korea." As we enjoy the comforts and peace of our American homes, should we not give more thought to those missionaries who so selfishly serve our God in foreign lands? Should we not be spurred on to noble incentives to give of our time, talents, means and prayers that their efforts may not be in vain?

GUILD ADOPTS BUDGET

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh met on Monday evening, January 6, and adopted a budget totaling $1150, $800 of which is for missions and $100 of which is apportioned to Christian social relations and will be used to assist the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Edenton Street in a major C. S. R. project. One interesting and gratifying aspect of this group of enthusiastic women is the fact that a large number of them are participating in the cause of missions for the first time, others have been in the work for only a short time, still others are missionary minded women of long standing, while all alike are entering into the woman's work of new Methodism with consecration and best efforts. The membership of this Guild is 207, divided into seven circles; 162 of these are charter members. Mrs. A. W. Hoffman is president of the Guild.

MISS BRITTINGHAM HONORED

Miss Bettie S. Brittingham, editor of The Methodist Woman, and Mrs. Fred C. Reynolds, home department chairman, have just been elected treasurer and member of the executive committee, respectively, of the Home Missions Council of North America, at its meeting in Atlantic City. The Home Missions Council and Council of Home Missions are now merged into the above named organization.—The Methodist Woman.

THANK OFFERING IN INDIA

The Indian Church in Khandwa, India, has a lovely custom which they call the "Dharam Peti." A small wooden book stands on a table in the front of the church and scarcely a Sunday passes without someone's going forward when the congregation is singing, and putting a coin in it. Perhaps it is some one who has been without work for a time but is now employed and shows his gratitude in this way. Sometimes it is one who has been ill, and on the first Sunday he is able to attend church puts his offering in the box. School children sometimes make an offering when they have been successful in their examinations. These gifts are used to help meet the church benevolences. Is it not suggestive of the American thank offering? But sometimes blessings are forgotten by the time the annual thank offering comes around, while in this church in India it is a continual offering of thanks. A missionary writes that a school boy who was seriously ill was cared for in her own home, as he was an orphan. On the first Sunday that

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THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FLY AWAY FLU

To an inquiring newspaper reporter we have just replied that we have a number of cases of influenza at the Children's Home. While our situation is not alarming it is exacting. Our besieged youngsters have only temporarily capitulated. We trust that the fine weather we are having, the fine attention our youngsters get and the cheerful dispositions they possess will tend to pull them through the slight epidemic at no distant date. Our health record during the fall and until recently has been remarkably good. Only two little youngsters were in the infirmary at Santa Claus time and only a half dozen or so have been in the infirmary at any time during the past two months. But now the flu is filling the infirmary. We want the flu to fly away.

FINANCIAL FINDINGS

Next to the welfare of our children comes the welfare of our finances in our thinking. We keep company with these two phases of our work continually. Right now certified public accountants are in the midst of completing our annual audit. Their findings will be carefully tabulated and will become a matter of record for the year just closed. It can safely be stated that we have come through another year with a balanced budget. Our income from our endowment continues to shrink but our income from our friends continues sufficiently large to balance the shrinkage.

RIDDANCE OF RED

The sale of our Davie county farm did away with the necessity of having any red ink on our annual audit. For a number of years this department of our farming enterprise has continually come up in the red. In spite of our most earnest efforts we were not able to make a farm so far away pay. We shall hope that at the end of this new year there will be no red ink on our audit sheets. We ought to be able to run our affairs on a balanced budget.

A CHANGED SITUATION

A good woman, prominent in the woman's missionary society of the former Methodist Protestant Church, expresses surprise that no provision is made in the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church for providing funds for the orphans. She calls attention to the fact that in the society of her former church forty per cent of all funds raised by the women for causes beyond local work went to their Children's Home at High Point. She desires to know how the former Methodist Protestant women may continue to help their orphans. We have replied that they can do it as church individuals and through their church school classes.

FRIENDLY FRIENDS

Our friendly friends have financed us nicely so far during the winter. To be sure, the reports have come in from those who are most interested. Some of these friends have done better than ever before. Others have simply kept up their usual good rating. We shall hope for a continuation of good things from friends who ungrudgingly give to boys and girls deprived of parents and homes.

THE LAYMEN'S LET DOWN

A somewhat similar situation prevails relative to the Board of Lay Activities. A survey of the recent findings of our conference group reveals that they emphasize help for the activities of the church without reference to the orphan's interest. We are persuaded that our laymen have no disposition to ignore the work the Children's Home is engaged in. It is simply not listed in the general set-up. These same men will, through their Bible classes and through their congregations, provide funds for their orphans, and provide them gladly. The Methodist Church at large is so busily engaged in doing world wide things that as an organization it overlooks some things closer home. But friends in the church, ministers and laymen, keep the home fires burning. They remember that the light that shines brightest at home shines fartherest away from home.

RINGING THE BELL

Yes, sir, the financial joy bell has rung some more. Full congregational apportionment paying continues to be the occasion for pulling the cord to this ringing instrument. Congregations joining those good groups who have previously sounded the glad tidings are listed as follows with their pastors in charge:

Montmorenci and Snow Hill, Candler circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

Salem, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Huntersville, Mt. Zion, Rev. W. S. Smith.

Wesley Chapel, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

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If you, kind reader, have not read the story under the above caption in The Christian Advocate, successor to the Nashville Christian Advocate, borrow a copy from your pastor or comebody and read it. It will do you good and help you, too. Right here the hope is expressed that our own good Advocate may find space to reproduce this challenging story. This scribe thought so much of it as to call our high school boys and girls together yesterday afternoon, 140 of them, in order that they might hear about one of the best human interest stories ever told. It's more than a story.

WILLING SHARERS

Years ago when our honorarium system was put in operation, a system that provided for monthly pay to all the children who had occupational tasks, half of which pay was to be kept in a savings account and the other half to be spent at will, it was agreed that one month's spending money be designated as a church pledge. This has come along in rather automatic fashion throughout the years, getting to be more gladly entered into by the younger members of our family than the older ones. This year our high school boys and girls were called together and reminded of what the church stands for, provides for and calls for. The option was given to the youngsters to make their church pledge without let or hindrance. When the pledge cards came in it was noted that a great majority of the youngsters had listed amounts in excess of a month's spending money, one-twelfth of their income. Without pressure or without naming it so, we have a league of youthful tithers here at the Children's Home.

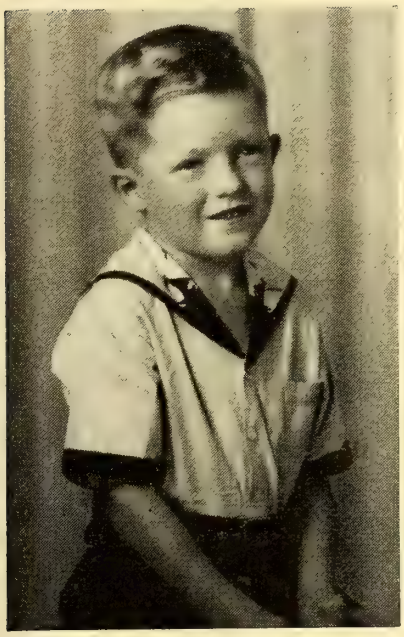
WINTER PLAY

The winter months do not stop our organized play. This is the time for basket ball emphasis. Five groups, three for boys and two for girls, take their turns at practicing for their match games. The play schedule is so arranged as to begin at four in the afternoon and extend to eighty-thirty at night, staggered so as to not interfere too much with the evening study periods. We have outgrown our little gymnasium, constructed on the down slope under one of our buildings. We greatly need a gymnasium big enough to accommodate real games.



Everybody loves little chlidren till they get sick—then the women love them

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

ONE MILE—The Methodist Orphanage has a number of charges that are one mile supporters. They feel that when they have gone one mile by paying their ten per cent apportionment that is all that is expected or required of them. With a large number of charges in this category, it is very difficult for us to finance our home.

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TWO MILES—It is very encourging to know that we number among our friends many charges that go two miles in their support of our 300 children. The preachers and charges that go two miles with us are life savers. Without their sacrificial sharing, we would become seriously involved in debt. Such charges make it possible for us to raise $35,000, which is needed to give the Orphanage a balanced budget. It is the earnest desire of the board of trustees that the number of second mile charges be greatly increased. It goes without saying that all who go beyond just what is expected of them experience a joy unknown to those who go just the one mile.

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WHAT ABOUT IT?—Due to our needs the annual conference recommended and urged the pastors to make an honest effort to raise as much of their ten per cent apportionment as possible in the early part of the new conference year. So far but few have complied with the recommendation of our annual conference. Unless all the charges rally to our support we shall be forced to borrow a large sum of money from the bank to pay our bills. It is a bitter pill when we have to pay interest on borrowed money when we lack $35,000 of having a balanced budget. May I express the hope that every pastor and charge in the conference will come to our relief in the next two months.

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MISSIONARY INSTITUTES — On Tuesday of last week there were seven district missionary institutes held in the North Carolina conference. I was very happy to attend the Fayetteville district missionary institute. Brother McRae had arranged a most constructive program. The addresses were timely and of a high order. Bishop Purcell delivered the closing address, which was comprehensive and inspiring. Brother McRae very graciously gave me a few minutes in which to bring greetings from our 300 children. At the other six district missionary institutes the district superintendents presented the challenging appeal from the Methodist Orphanage. It was most encouraging that our district superintendents are wholeheartedly committed to the welfare and success of the Methodist Orphanage.

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HENDERSON — The first Sunday morning in this month I had the privilege of worshipping with the First church congregation in Henderson. Brother B. C. Reavis, the popular and much beloved pastor, received me most graciously. I led the opening prayer and made a two or three minutes talk, and assisted with the communion service. Brother Reavis delivered a short but most appropriate communion talk. He is preaching to crowded houses every Sunday and, judging from what I saw, he is having a most successful pastorate in this important church. The Methodist Orphanage has many staunch friends in the First Methodist church in Henderson, and under the leadership of Brother Reavis I expect the number to increase.

POLICE DOGS

A dog of any breed is a police dog when trained for police work. The German shepherd, now used for police work, is commonly known as the police dog in spite of the fact that the Labrador retriever has been proved by the only tests ever conducted on a practical and extensive basis to be the best bred for police work. For some reason black German shepherds are commonly referred to improperly as Belgian shepherds. There is, however, a Belgian sheep dog which is rarely seen in this country. It may be black, but not necessarily so, and either long-haired or short-haired.—Our Dumb Animals.

WHERE IS GOD?

By Paul Dwight Stephenson, Jr.

Wherever there is beauty,
Wherever there is love,
Wherever there is happiness,
There is God.

Wherever there is comfort,
Wherever there is peace,
Wherever there is sympathy,
There is God.

Wherever there is knowledge,
Wherever there is truth,
Wherever there is wisdom,
There is God.

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FINAL REPORT HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

We are publishing herewith the final report of offerings to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. The offerings made to the Enterprise during 1940 was the largest made in our conference during any year. We trust this increased support will carry over in a fine way in the support by our church schools of the World Service program of our church. The total raised this year for the Enterprise was $8759.35 This is almost $800 above any previous year's total.

Durham District

	4th Sun.	Y.P.M.S.
Burlington, Front St..	$	$ 4.15
Durham, Calvary	5.00	
Trinity	14.29	12.00
Lakewood		8.00
Durham Ct.	20.00	
Graham-W. Burlington—		
Graham	3.00	
Leasburg, Hebron	2.00	
Mt. Hermon Ct.—		
Belmont	9.89	
Person Ct., Concord...		16.00
Lea's Chapel		7.00
Woodsale		3.00
Yanceyville, Prospect		2.35
.. Total	54.18	52.50

Elizabeth City District

Aulander, Aulander ..	2.00	
Chowan, Anderson ..		.43
Center Hill	.30	
Edenton, Edenton	12.00	
Moyock Mem., Mem...	1.70	
Murfreesboro, Union ..	1.00	
Roper, Roper		3.00
So. Mills, McBride's...	1.67	
Total	18.67	3.43

Fayetteville District

Aberdeen, Page Mem..	12.00	15.00
Broadway, Broadway .		2.00
Hemp Ct., Pleas. Hill..	1.00	
Laurinburg, First	18.00	2.25
St. John's-Gibson—		
Gibson	18.66	
Siler City, First	10.00	
Total	59.66	19.25

New Bern District

Dover, Asbury	1.00	
Dover		9.00
Goldsboro Ct., Salem ..		5.00
Grifton, Edwards Chp.	15.58	
Kinston, Queen St. ...	14.99	
Morehead City, First..	17.50	
Mt. Olive-Calypso—		
Mt. Olive	37.23	
Seven Springs, Beston	.75	
Total	87.05	14.00

Raleigh District

Benson, Benson		5.00
Cary-Apex, Cary	56.97	
Frankllinton, Frankl'tn	18.86	
Garner, Garner		1.00
Middleburg, Drewry		1.00
Middleburg		5.00
Newton Grove, N. G..	1.00	
Raleigh, Edenton St...	33.50	
Fairmont		5.00
Jenkins Memorial ..	1.20	
Zebulon-Wendell—		
Zebulon		2.70
Total 111.53		19.70

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Conway		4.00
Littleton, Calvary	2.00	
Weaver's Chapel ...		2.00
Norlina, Jerusalem ...	1.45	
Red Oak Parish, Red		
Oak (Int.)		5.00
Rosemary, New Hope .	3.50	
Warrenton, Warren Pl.	2.05	
Macon		8.05
Wilson, First (Int.)...		1.83
(Sen.)		2.64
Total	9.00	23.52

Wilmington District

Elizabeth Wesley	3.94	3.00
Fairmont, Trinity		10.00
Jacksonville-Richlands—		
Richlands		5.00
Maysville, Belgrade ..	2.00	
Roseboro, Bethel	.66	
Whiteville, Whiteville..	5.20	
Wilmington, Epworth..		5.10
Trinity	51.29	
Wesley Memorial ..	8.73	
Total	71.82	23.10
Grand total	411.91	155.50
Previously reported ..6274.00		1917.94
Total for year 6685.91		2073.44

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1941

Three special days have been authorized by our General Conference for observance in local churches with offerings for special causes. These days are: Methodist Student Day, Church School Rally Day, and Race Relations Sunday.

Race Relations Sunday (second Sunday in February) "shall be observed in all the congregations as the date when the interest of Christian education for Negro youth shall be presented. The General Board of Education shall receive all moneys derived from the observance of this day, and shall use them for the promotion of educational institutions for Negroes related to the Methodist Church and for the religious education of Negro children, youth, and adults as the board may direct." (1940 Discipline, Paragraph 1065).

This year Race Relations Sunday falls on February 9. Materials have been sent to each pastor concerning this day and a suggested program has been given. Additional materials may be secured if desired from Dr. M. S. Davage, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. This day marks a new observance for our conference, but the cause is a most significant one, and one in which our people should become increasingly interested. We trust it will find widespread observance in the North Carolina conference. Offerings on this Sunday should be sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Treasurer, Oxford, N. C., and he will remit all offerings received to the treasurer of the General Board of Education.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S WORK

We are happy to announce the appointment of Mrs. J. G. Phillips of Bethel as director of children's work in the Rocky Mount district. Mrs. Phillips succeeds Mrs. R. A. Barber of Rocky Mount who rendered a very fine service in promoting children's work throughout the district. We are exceedingly grateful for Mrs. Barber's splendid contribution and welcome Mrs. Phillips into this position for this year.

FELLOWSHIP OF STUDY

The district directors of children's work and conference director in session at Louisburg College some days ago decided to again emphasize the Fellowship of Study among teachers, pastors and parents of children. A letter from the district director to the superintendent of children's division of each church in her district is being sent in which is enclosed a Fellowship of Study card.

Because it is a real opportunity for each of us to engage in thoughtful study, emphasis is placed here with the hope that many people will take advantage of this opportunity.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLEDGES

The Young People's Mission Special was the young people's part in the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. With the last session of our annual conference this special came to an end with the Enterprise. Many of our youth groups have made pledges for the current year and the question has been raised concerning the way in which the young people can have the satisfaction of paying what they have pledged since they no longer pay to the mission special. We are suggesting that for the current year (ending with the assemblies in June) the young people in a local church pay the balance of the amount of their current year's pledge to the World Service offering of their church, either through their Fourth Sunday offering or in such other manner as they see fit. This money will go to the local church treasurer or the local church school treasurer as the local church directs. A statement of the amount thus paid should be sent to the young people's treasurer, Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C., and she will credit that amount against the pledge that was made.

This procedure will be followed only until the meeting of the young people's assemblies in June, when it is likely another plan for the missionary giving of our young people will be adopted.

"Say, Phil, what do you do with your old clothes?"

"Very simple. I just take 'em off at night and put 'em on again next morning."

The Joy of Work

By Nicholas Murray Butler, President Columbia University

When Longfellow wrote of "the joy that springs from labor," he was writing for a generation which has passed. There has now grown up, certainly in the United States and to no inconsiderable extent in other lands as well, a curious antipathy to work. The fact that work is the fundamental activity of our civilization, as well as the foundation upon which that civilization rests, and not a form of oppression or of punishment, seems to be almost entirely forgotten. Everywhere there is pressure to reduce the hours of labor to a minimum and even to reduce the production in those limited hours to another minimum, neither of which has any relation to health, to fatigue, or to the individual's capacity. These restrictions increase the cost of living for everyone, including the workman himself. If, for example, a bricklayer may lay only 800 brick in a working day, when it would easily be possible for him, because of skill, to lay 1000 or 1200, he is multiplying the cost of construction and thereby inevitably diminishing the demand for skilled labor, including his own.

What may be the object of these efforts to reduce labor to a minimum is not clear, since they are not in the interest of him who works; for if one can escape from work or can find no opportunity for work, he must become a dependent upon somebody or something. This means that his own independence is lost. As a dependent, his laborless time is turned into leisure. How many human beings are capable of making good use of leisure or of understanding what the opportunities of leisure are? That understanding is one of the best products of a liberal education. Sports are well enough in their way, but, save for those who are professionally devoted to them, they cannot occupy more than a limited amount of one's free time. There are, of course, many uses of leisure which are wholly admirable, but it requires some knowledge and some experience to know how to take advantage of them.

The human world as we know it is the product of work—work with the hands or work with the brain. Its progress is made possible only by work. It is work which has lifted us out of brute life. It may be work which is tiresome; it may be work which is nerve-racking; or it may be work which brings with it satisfaction and delight. In anycase it must be work. Everything depends upon whether the individual human being understands his work and what it means and what part it plays in the human economy, and whether he is ready and willing to do is very best to make his work productive and helpful to his fellowmen. If his only desire is to do as little work as possible and to be paid as much as possible for doing it, then his case is hopeless. He is an uncivilized being. If he is a free and moral human being, he will want to do his very best in whatever his occupation may be, and he will not wish to be limited, either in the character or the amount of his work, by the capacity for work of a neighbor who may not be so competent or so well trained as himself.

Recognition should be given to excellence of manual work similar to that given to excellence of intellectual work. On Morningside Heights, it has been our established custom, when a new academic building is completed, to hold a formal gathering of all the workmen who have been engaged upon its construction and equipment. To this gathering members of the workmen's families are also invited. In the presence of this company the president of the university awards a medal, accompanied by a certificate, to that manual worker in each of the trades engaged upon the building who has been chosen to receive it because of the excellence of his work in its construction or equipment. Those who are to receive these medals are selected by a committee consisting of a representative of the university, a representative of the architect, a representative of the contractor, and a representative of the trade or type of work for excellence in which the medal is to be awarded. These gatherings have been impressive in high degree and have given to the workmen a consciousness of the fact that the university regards them as contributing directly to its equipment for usefulness in its chosen field of endeavor and for its helpfulness to mankind. This proceeding is quite analogous to that of conferring a university medal or an honorary degree at the annual commencement.

Every attempt, by whatever authority, to fix a maximum of productive labor by a given worker in a given time is an unjust restriction upon his freedom and a limitation of his right to make the most of himself in order that he may rise in the scale of the social and economic order in which he lives. The notion that all human beings born into this world enter at birth into a definite social and economic classification, in which classification they must remain permanently through life, is wholly false and fatal to a progressive civilization. It means the invention and installation of an artificial class system where no such thing should exist. It strikes at the very roots of the possibility to which every healthy-minded man looks: the possibility that he may, as life goes on, come by his own efforts into a larger and more important field of activity than the one in which his work began. In the United States our industrial history abounds an illustrations of the capacity of men who began their life work at the very bottom of the industrial or administrative scale to rise to posts of highest authority and responsibility by their own efforts and their own excellence.

The false doctrine of permanent social and economic classes contradicts and undermines the whole structure

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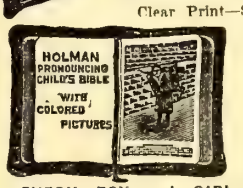
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Cats and Dogs

By Bascom Anthony

I read an article yesterday praising cats and vilifying dogs. From all such I dissent. I'm a hundred to one for the dogs, but they must be real dogs and not these little woolly substitutes for babies. I wouldn't allow one of them to eat cold bread at my house unless he would agree to be tied on the end of a pole and used to clean the spider webs from the wall or to act as a brush with which to whitewash the fence.

I understand a dog. He is masculine and has the ways of men. I think a cat is feminine in all its ways, but I don't know enough about the "eternally feminine" to be sure of it. I only think so, and I hold that thought in reservation subject to change at any time.

A dog will chase a fox or a wild cat all night for the joy of it. He knows he'll not eat it when he catches it. It may be that he is a reformer and is glad to free the world from a nuisance. At any rate, the joy of the chase is all that he gets out of it. No cat was ever known to do such a distinterested thing. When she hunts, it's for a definite purpose and with the least possible exertion. She will watch a rat hole by the hour and never move a muscle. When the rat appears she puts into one swift leap all the exercise she proposes to take to capture anything and that one leap always means something to eat and is never done for the fun of it. Her fun comes in playing with the rat and allowing it to think it's going to escape, while she knows all the time that it was as good as swallowed from the time she first put her foot on it. Men and rats bear some resemblance as well as men and dogs.

If a dog find a rat hole in the ground, he never sits down to watch it. His fun comes in doing something about it. So, he begins to bark in order that all the rats within a half mile may know that he's there. Then after jumping up and down a few times jarring the ground he starts to digging furiously, piling up the dirt behind him while he runs the rat yet deeper in the ground. This all looks stupid if he wanted to eat the rat, but he doesn't; he is merely having a good time and letting off steam and taking needed exercise.

The cat is the best co-ordinated bunch of muscles, bones and sinews that was ever wrapped in a hide and yet the only exercise she ever takes is done in licking herself or rolling around on the floor playing with something so as to keep herself in practice in the handling of her victim. Even in walking she steps like she was afraid she might get a speck of dust on her foot. If she was a woman, her husband would have to enter the house by the back door after he had well nigh worn out his shoes cleaning off the dirt. Of course he'd have to go out of doors to spit, for the fireplace would be closed up and decorated to look pretty. He also would ruin his eyes in trying to read by the feeble light that straggles into the room through the abominable lace curtains that are good for nothing except to act as breeze obstructors, dust-catchers and light-dimmers.

The dog once made his living by chasing things, but his barking always put his prey on notice that he was on the prowl. There was nothing secretive about him. It was open declaration of war upon the basis of "may the best man win." He often lost, but was a good sport about it and took defeat as his part. No man living has ever seen a cat waste a single jump after a bird. If the bird is a foot and a half beyond her jump she will wait an hour for it to come closer or else quietly watch it wander away. She is too cold-bloodedly calculating for me. Every movement must contribute to her comfort, her looks or her stomach. All she does begins and ends on herself. Much of this I suspect is masculine.

A dog loves his owner and will follow him to the world's end. A cat loves the place you live in and will refuse to follow you two blocks to a new house. A dog will forgive you if you hurt him, but no cat ever yet accepted your most abject apology for accidentally stepping on her tail, nor has she ever yet shown any penitence for scratching you by trying to lick the hurt.

Give me a dog every time. I understand his blundering, masculine ways with the good and the bad that's in him. All I know about a cat is that you'd better have one if you propose to keep house unless you are willing for the rats to eat your rations, ruin your clothes and keep you awake at night with their squealings and chasings. At times, a cat is a necessity and does deliver us from some evils. Get one if you want it, but be sure to rub it the right way of the leather if you want peace.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

IT WAS JUST TOO MUCH FOR THE DOG TO TAKE IN

Because his dog would not retrieve more than one bird after a shot, and because the dog "pointed" a moonshine still, the same as it would have pointed a covey of quail, Roger Sutton is hearing from old friends over the country, and they are kidding him with that peculiar finesse that one expects from veterans of the World War army. The dog apparently did not believe Sutton hit more than one bird at a shot, there had been so many "singles," so when two fell after one bang it refused to retrieve more than one. It just would not believe there was another bird there in the grass where the brace had fallen.

Newspapers over the country printed the story. Letters followed. Today Sutton had one from Joe Bormolini, Waterbury, Conn. Bormolini was the mess sergeant in Sutton's outfit during the war. He hoped that the owner of th dog and his buddy of 1917-18 were the same Roger Sutton. He had had one from Ralph Cliatte, Lincolnton, Ga. Cliatte wanted to sell him a dog. And "Schoolboy," Morganville, Kan., kidded him. Kansans would get a bad impression of North Carolina from such yarns, he said.—News and Observer.

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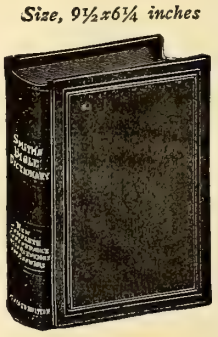
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Children's Storyland



MODERN MAGIC

By Helen Mitchell

He lay on the floor with his hands behind his head and stared dreamily up at the ceiling. By his side a copy of "The Arabian Nights" lay open at the last page of "The Story of Aladdin, or the Wonderful Lamp."

He was talking to himself. "Boy, if I had a magic lamp I'd rub it, and when the genie came, I'd wish—I'd wish—" His voice trailed into silence.

His father lowered the paper he was reading. "Well, son, just what would you wish?" he asked teasingly.

"Oh, I don't know, dad. But imagine having a genie come to do whatever you ask, by just rubbing a lamp. Just imagine. Oh, boy—magic——"

"Do you believe in magic?"

"Of course not. That's silly." Bill's tone implied more than he said.

"You don't?" his father sounded surprise. "Well, I do."

Bill sat up abruptly and stared at his father. "You believe in magic?"

"Sure. Why not?"

"But did you ever see any?"

"Well, some folks might not call it magic—but to me it's pretty mysterious." He reached over and picked up a piece of copper from the table and turned it around in his hands.

"See this copper, son?" Where did it come from?"

"Why, its a piece of the copper cable from the Boulder Dam power line." Bill was standing curiously by his father's side. "But what does that have to do with magic?" he puzzled.

"A bit of copper," mused his father. "Someone dreamed a dream, saw a vision. Boulder Dam, electricity, dynamos. Electric motors—factories, light, heat, water for irrigation. Things growing where they never grew before. A force, harnessed. A genie—magic, son, magic." He placed the bit of copper again on the table.

"But dad—" began Bill, when his father interrupted to ask a question.

"Tell me, do you know much about the Colorado river and Boulder Dam?"

"Oh, I know a lot about that. We talked about it in school," Bill began enthusiastically. "I have a lot of stuff about it. Wait till I get it," and he rushed to his room, returning in a few minutes with his hands full of pictures, maps, and drawings.

"You see, dad, this is where they built the dam," and he pointed to a spot on the map. "And behind the dam is this great big lake. Here is a picture of the lake I cut out of a magazine. And here is a picture of the dam." He stood looking admiringly down at the picture. "My, isn't it big! It tells here how long it took to build it and how much material was used and how many men worked on it and how many were killed. Boy, I'd like to be an enginer!" and he stopped for breath.

"And what do you know about the Colorado river?"

"Oh, it's just a great big river that has lots of floods."

"And what happens when it gets out of its banks and goes on a rampage?"

"Well, I guess plenty happens all right. A flood does an awful lot of damage. I didn't know that till we had that one last year. That sure destroyed a lot of property and drowned people, too, and I guess it wasn't near as bad as some."

"That's right, Bill," agreed his father. "There is a lot of force to a thing like that. And when it cuts loose and is not directed in any channel it causes a lot of destruction. But what has been done about it now?"

"Well, you see, dad, the way it is now, they hold the water in the lake and use it for making electricity, and then use the water for irrigation. And they send a lot of it to Los Angeles and other places. That's wonderful, isn't it?"

"In other words, Bill, they use its force to build instead of to destroy. Is that right?"

"Sure," said Bill. "I never thought of it like that, though. And it is kind of like magic all right."

"That's what I meant when I spoke about magic. And listen, son, there is something else we can learn from studying constructive direction of a force."

"There is?" Bill was surprised.

"Sure," Bill's father hesitated, and then continued. "You remember this morning how angry you got because you didn't have twenty-five cents to buy a new notebook?"

Bill flushed. "I guess I did get kind of mad, all right."

"Now, just suppose, Bill, that instead of wasting all that energy in getting 'mad' as you call it, you had used it to earn the money. You might have cut Mrs. Baker's lawn. I saw John cutting it this afternoon. As it is, you used up the energy, caused your mother unhappiness, and you still don't have the notebook." His father's eyes crinkled a little at the corners and he smiled to see the look on Bill's face.

Then he yawned and looked at the clock. "Time for bed, Bill. So you would like to be an engineer. Why not try it? I'll bet you would make a good one."

Bill looked puzzled as he gathered up his books and papers. "How dad?"

"Why, that temper of yours. Do a bit of engineering with it. It's a force, isn't it? Harness it, son, like they did the Colorado, and put it to work for you instead of against you. Now run along to bed and dream over it."

Bill stood in the door. "Good-night, dad. I—I'll try it. I'll be an engineer—a sort of a—" He couldn't find the word.

"A human engineer, Bill?"

"That's it, dad. A human engineer."

—Juniors.

THE LITTLE DOGS OF DUNKIRK

Terrified by noise of shellfire,
Lost and helpless, left to roam,
All the little dogs of Dunkirk
Looking for another home.
Shepherds, spaniels, setters, mongrels,
They were waiting on the beach,
And the soldiers, their companions,
Gave a kindly word to each.
Little victims of the Fuehrer,
Shivering little refugees;
Should a soldier not show pity
Even to the least of these?
One black puppy off to England
Rescued from that pleading pack—
British soldiers paid their shillings
Just to take that puppy back.

—Helen Terry in Chicago Tribune.

PETER'S LITTLE FEET

Peter is a little boy about six years old. His mother and he are great chums; they read stories and play games together. It does not seem as if this can be true. One day not long ago Peter stamped his feet at his mother. It was the first time he had ever done such a thing, and his mother was so surprised and grieved that she could hardly keep the tears back.

Peter ran off in the garden to play, but he could not be happy. He thought for some time what he should do, then he went back to mother and told her he was sorry to have been so naughty.

His mother took him in her lap, took off his sandals and socks. She wished to look at those little feet that had stamped so angrily. It did not seem possible to her they could have been so unkind. She told Peter that the first time she ever saw them they were wee, wee feet, so tiny and weak that they were wrapped in a blanket to keep them warm. For almost six years she had taken care of those little feet. She had washed them and kissed them. She had bought shoes and stockings for them. She had warmed and cuddled them when they were cold; she had dried them when they were wet. She had watched those little feet grow bigger and bigger. She had helped them to take the first steps. She had taught them to walk in the right way, the safe path, that when he disobeyed mother he was a disobedient child, even though she did not find it out.

Peter sat very still as mother talked and held on to the little feet, about which she was talking.

At last he reached up and threw his arms around her neck and promised her the little feet should ever be good.

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Branson, 11 26

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FIRST ROUND

January
Siler City, 11 19
Siler City Ct., 3 19
Goldston, 7 19
Laurinburg, 11 26
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 26
Caledonia, Central, 7 26

February
Troy, 11 2
Troy Ct., 3 2
West End, 7 2
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

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January
Aulander, 11 19
Edenton, night 19
Columbia, 11 26
Creswell, 3 26
Plymouth, night 26

February
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 2
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 2
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 2
Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Roper, 11 23

NEW BERN DISTRICT
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PREACHING SCHEDULE

January
Fremont, Eureka, 10 19
Snow Hill, 7:30 19
Seven Springs, 11 26
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 26
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 7:30 26

February
Pamlico, Bayboro, 11 2
Newport, 7:30 2
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

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FIRST ROUND

January
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 19
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 19
Oxford, 7:30 19
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 22
Princeton, Princeton, 11 26
Selma, 7:30 26
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 27
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 29

February
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 2
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 2
Garner, Hollands, 7:30 5
Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Manners, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

January
Roanoke Rapids, 11 19
Conway, Bethany, 3 19
Rich Square, 7:30 19
Northampton, Jackson, 11 26
McKendree, Pinetops, 3 26
Tarboro, 7:30 26

February
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 2
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 2
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 11 9
Elm City, 7:30 9
Wilson, 11 16
Nashville, 7:30 16
District Evangelistic Conf., 10 a.m., Enfield 17
Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March
Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 19
Elizabeth, Clarkton, night 19
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 26
Clinton, night 26

February
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 2
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night 2
Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 19
Oakley, 7 19
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 26
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 26

February
Marshall, Marshall, 11 2
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 2
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Weaverville, 7 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March
Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

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SECOND ROUND

January
Advance, Mocksville, 2 25
Cooleemee, Mocksville, 2 25
Davie, Mocksville, 2 25
East Bend, Mocksville, 2 25
Farmington, Mocksville, 2 25
Mocksville, 2 25
Mocksville Ct., Mocksville, 2 25
Yadkinville, Mocksville, 2 25

February
Ararat, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Bryant Memorial, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Dobson, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Elkin, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Jonesville, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Miller's Creek, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Moravian Falls, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
North Wilkesboro, 2 8
St. Paul, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Trap Hill, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, 2 8

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FIRST ROUND

January
Fallston, 11 19
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30 19

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FIRST ROUND

January
Tabernacle, 11 19
Moriah, 7:30 19
Leaksville, 11 26
Spray, 7:30 26

MARION DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

January
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3 19
Marion, First, 7:30 19
Old Fort, 11 26
Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 26

February
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 2
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 2
Henrietta, Henrietta, 7:30 2
North Morganton, 7:30 9
Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April
Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Hickory, Bethel, 11 19
Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 2:30 19
North Newton, night 19
Troutman, 11 26
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 26

February
Maiden, 11 2
Ball's Creek, Pisgah, 2:30 2
Catawba-Claremont, night 2
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville, Central, 11 9

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Davidson, Fairview, 2:30 16
Jones Memorial, night 16
Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

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FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January

Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11 19
Thomasville, West End, 3 19
Lewisville, 7:30 19
Lexington, First Church, 11 26
Green Street, 7:30 26

February

Centenary, 11 2
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3 2
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
Ceneral Terrace, 7:30 9
Erlanger, Erlanger, 11 16
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 3 16
Doubs, Brookstown, 7 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Hanes, Hanes, 7 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Ardmore, 7:30 4
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 3 9
Walkertown, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
First Church, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Kernersville, Cherry St., 7:30 23
North Davidson, Bethesda, 11 30
District Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Hickory Grove Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to our beloved Mrs. Jordan, better known as Mrs. Daisy, who passed away October 15, 1940. For several months previous to her death she was in declining health, and during the last few weeks of her illness she suffered much, but she bore her suffering with patience. Her noble character, her deep and abiding love for the church and all its interests made her presence an inspiration.

She was a charter member of the woman's missionary society. Outstanding among the many beautiful traits of Mrs. Jordan's life was her loyalty to the church. She was always ready to respond to any call.

Therefore be it resolved, that we extend our deepest sympathy to her loved ones, and commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows of life.

Second, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, a copy be spread upon our minutes, and a copy be sent to the family.

Mrs. J. B. King,
Mrs. A. P. Snyder,
Mrs. J. M. Barber.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, on November 8, 1940, as the sun was sinking into the west behind the hills, the tired heart of John W. Holland stood still and his earthly life came to an end, a life of 63 years, years filled to the full with action, service and an open hearted generosity; and

Whereas, it is with a sense of great sorrow we attest the loss of one who served our church so loyally, ably and willingly as steward, trustee and president of the men's Bible class for so many years, and that as we shall miss his pleasing smile, his gracious and friendly greeting, his devotion to the church he loved so much, now therefore be it resolved:

That we, the members of the board of stewards of the Mt. Holly Methodist church, wish to record this tribute to his memory in the official minutes of the board.

That we remember in love his family and loved ones, and pray that they may be comforted by the memory of one who wrought so faithfully and well, and be sustained by Him who bore our sorrows and is acquainted with our grief.

That a copy of these resolutions be conveyed to the family and to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. C. Dennis Beatty,
Dr. W. O. Goode,
A. H. McPhaul.

N. C. WOMAN'S PAGE

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he was able to go to church she gave him a rupee to put in the "Dharam Peti." She went to the hills for the hot season and when she returned the pastor told her that during her absence Daniel put another rupee in the "Dharam Peti." When questioned about it he replied, "The first rupee the missionary gave me, but this one I earned myself and I wanted to put it in to show my thankfulness."—The Methodist Woman.

THE JOY OF WORK

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of democracy and lays the foundation for the quick building of a class struggle, perhaps even a class war, which, if carried on long enough and severely enough, would bring democracy to an end. It is one of despotism's ways of beginning its career.

Each one of us should be able to repeat with conviction and enthusiasm these words of Amiel: "What I want is work. It is work which gives flavor to life. Mere existence without object and without effort is a poor thing." This is what is meant by the joy of work. To another year of joyous work I am happy to welcome this company of scholars and their students.—An address delivered at the opening of the 187th year of Columbia University, September 25, 1940. (Journal of Education).

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In Memoriam

DAVIS—William Sylvester Davis, son of C. J. and Emoline Davis, was born July 31, 1877, and died December 8, 1940, being 63 years, four months and eight days of age. In 1900 he was married to Inez Ragan, who survives him. They reared five children, four of whom, Ron and Carl of Todd, Ted of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Edna Cline of Statesville survive, and Mrs. Mary Norris, who died in 1922. He joined Hopewell Methodist church about 20 years ago. For almost two years he had been an invalid and unable to attend church. The Family.

GOFORTH—Mrs. Harriet A. Goforth, born August 19, 1851, in Burke county, departed this life December 16, 1940, being 89 years of age. Funeral services were conducted in Trinity Methodist church, Dysortsville, by Rev. G. L. Wilkinson, assisted by Rev. J. C. Cornett, burial in church cemetery. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. T. B. Landis, Mrs. J. L. Spratt, Mrs. C. M. Laughridge, Mrs. J. R. Denton, Mrs. G. D. Taylor, J. C. Goforth and Mamie Goforth; one brother, one sister. She united with the Methodist church at the age of 13, and to her closing days was interested in and a supporter of the same. This true faith is to be cherished and will be greatly missed in the home, church and community. May the giver of all grace abundantly bless the bereaved family. G. L. Wilkinson, Pastor.

CRAVEN—Many people in Ramseur were made sad by the passing on December 20, 1940, of Mrs. Alton Craven, one of the best known and most loved persons of the community. Mrs. Craven, who before her marriage some 12 years ago was Miss Margaret Lane of Mt. Vernon Springs, came to this community as a teacher in the public schools and later was united in marriage to Mr. Craven who is one of the fine young business men of Ramseur. During her long illness she was patient and cheerful. She was anxious to get well, especially to be with her husband and two fine children, Alton Watkins, nine, and Barbara Ann, seven, but was submissive to our heavenly Father. The funeral was held in the Ramseur church on Sunday afternoon, December 22, and was conducted by her pastor, assisted by Rev. E. V. Andrews of the Ramseur Baptist church and Rev. J. W. Hoyle, Jr., of Lexington. J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

WILLIAMS — On Saturday night, October 12, 1940, Mrs. John W. Williams slipped quietly away after an illness of several months. Her passing has brought deep sorrow to the hearts of her loved ones and many scores of friends. She leaves a husband and six fine boys and girls who weep quietly as they face the task of carrying on in the face of their great loss. To them and to her home she was a tower of strength. The beautiful principles by which her life was guided and the high and fine ideals instilled into the lives of her children will surely never die, but bring manifold blessings.

The church she loved so well, the Sunday school and missionary circle in which she served so tirelessly, and the choir to which she lent her sweet soprano voice Sunday after Sunday, all miss her sadly.

As the sun was sinking low in the west on October 14 the body was laid to rest 'neath myriads of beautiful flowers, while sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends stood with grieved hearts, but bowed to the will of Him who doeth all things well. Hers is a blessed memory. A Friend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Again we are called to ponder the deeds of an overshadowing Providence and exercise anew our faith and belief that our loving Father does all things well, and to recognize his guiding hand in all things.

The recent passing of Edward Morman Bullard makes a rift in our church and Sunday school. We are constrained to make expression of our esteem of the brotherly fellowship thus broken, and deem it fitting that the minutes of East Rockingham Methodist church should bear a record of his devotion to the interest of the church as our treasurer and a regular attendant. His going on December 2, 1940, has not only brought sadness to the church he loved, but to the entire community. His love for his family, his neighborliness and loyalty to his friends were outstanding characteristics of this good man.

In appreciation of his consecrated life and devoted service, be it resolved:

That this tribute of love and respect be entered in the records of our church, that a copy be sent to the family, to the Post Dispatch and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The Board of Stewards.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, we, members of the Sunday school of the Methodist church, Macon, N. C., feel deeply sorrowful over the passing of our teacher and coworker, Mrs. Mary Newell Milam; and

Whereas, her devotion to the highest interests of her home, church and community, her fine gifts of mind and spirit, dedicated to the enrichment and uplift of life about her, have left their enduring influence upon us.

Therefore be it resolved, that we express our gratitude for her example of patience and courage in tribulation, diligence in service, trust in God's wisdom and love.

Be it further resolved, that we express to her family our sympathy and regret at her departure, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, one to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and one placed in the permanent records of the Sunday school.

Helen Thompson,
Mrs. Robert H. Shaw,
Carrie Brame.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Salem missionary society wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful members who was a charter member of the society.

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom called Addie Hester Hunt to her home in the great beyond on October 3, 1940, we pause to offer resolutions of love and appreciation of her beautiful life of service and are deeply grateful for the memory of one who was so unselfish and faithful to duty.

That we have lost a devoted member whom we shall miss greatly.

That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy and ask God in his mercy to comfort their hearts in this hour of sorrow.

That these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society, a copy be sent to the Advocate and a copy be sent to the family.

Mrs. E. A. Hunt,
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SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION PROGRAM COMPLETED

I am pleased to announce the coming of Dr. L. D. Patterson, pastor Norwood Methodist church, Birmingham, Alabama, to take part on the Spiritual Mobilization programs in Asheville and Winston-Salem. Dr. Patterson is one of the outstanding ministers of the North Alabama conference. He was for seven years a missionary to China and has spent several years in the field of evangelism. He will speak morning and afternoon at Asheville and Winston-Salem. His morning messages will deal largely with the minister's preparation for evangelism. His afternoon messages will be for both ministers and laymen. We are fortunate in securing Dr. Patterson to take the place of Bishop Hughes on this program.

Bishop Edwin Hughes will speak twice at the Charlotte meeting morning and afternoon. In each of the three cities, Asheville, Winston-Salem, and Charlotte, Mr. Edgar T. Welch, president of the General Board of Lay Activities, will speak at a supper meeting. Tickets for this meeting will be distributed among all the charges, and the sale of tickets will be the reservation for the supper. Mr. Welch will deal in his address with the work of the layman in Methodism.

The final meeting in each of the cities at 8 p.m. will be addressed by Dr. John R. Mott of New York. Dr. Mott's grasp of world conditions is far-reaching. He understands conditions abroad perhaps better than any other living American. His message, as usual, will be a missionary emphasis.

Spiritual Mobilization Week will close with the services in the local churches Sunday morning, March 16. Ministers and lay members in the Asheville, Waynesville, and Marion districts are requested to attend the meetings in Asheville, Tuesday, March 11. Those in Winston-Salem, Elkin, Greensboro, and High Point districts are expected to attend meetings in Winston-Salem, Wednesday, March 12. Those in Charlotte, Gastonia, Salisbury, and Statesville districts will attend the meetings in Charlotte, Thursday, March 13.

Our district superintendents and pastors are requested to see that all our people are invited to these meetings. They will mark a spiritual high tide in this year's program of the church in the Western North Carolina conference and will constitute the very finest spiritual preparation for the Easter season. Clare Purcell.

BISHOP HORACE M. DuBOSE PASSES

Full of years and honor, Bishop Horace Mellard DuBose, 82, of the Methodist Church, died at his home in Nashville, Tenn., at 4:10 p.m. Wednesday, January 15, 1940. He had been in failing health for the past two years and confined to his bed for several weeks. He had resided in Nashville for the past 16 years. He was retired from active episcopal service in 1934, having reached the age limit for effective service.

Funeral and burial were in Nashville. The Rev. Dr. Alfred F. Smith officiated, assisted by Bishop Paul B. Kern and the following Nashville ministers: Costen J. Harrell, King Vivion, E. P. Anderson, A. Faxon Small and B. C. Hodge. Bishops and dignitaries of the Methodist and other denominations and civic leaders from Nashville and other cities served as honorary pallbearers.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, January 7, at McKendree Methodist church, where the body lay in state for several hours preceding the funeral. Interment was in Woodlawn Memorial Park,

In addition to his widow, Mrs. Gertrude Amis DuBose, Bishop DuBose is survived by the following children: Mrs. K. P. Barton, San Andelo, Texas; Vaughn DuBose, Nashville; Horace Mellard DuBose, Jr., Winston-Salem, N. C.; Mrs. G. F. McGinnis of Memphis, Tenn.; Embree Hoss and Robert Francis DuBose, both of Nashville.

Also surviving are a brother, William DuBose of Pomona, Calif.; two sisters, Miss Alice DuBose of Los Angeles, Calif.; and Mrs. Anne DuBose Gray of Waynesboro, Miss.; and eight grandchildren. Born in Mobile, Ala., November 7, 1858, Bishop DuBose was the youngest of twelve children.

During a ministerial career of more than 60 years, Bishop DuBose contributed to every phase of church life. Editor, author, archaeologist, theologian, pro-unificationist, prohibition leader, he was one of the most versatile and widely known men in American church life. When the Tennessee conferences were formally united in October, 1939, he left a sick bed to take part in the program. On that occasion he said he had prayed that he might live long enough to see this dream come true, and thanked God that his hope had been realized and that the Methodists were again one people.

DAY OF COMPASSION, MARCH 2, 1941

Offertory envelopes will be mailed in sufficient quantities to each pastor in Methodism in the United States, beginning about February 8. A four-page leaflet and a six-page "Booklet of Facts," containing information about the threefold purpose of the offerings to be received, will be sent to every church. They are being printed rapidly and will be mailed as soon as they can be procured. Posters will be furnished free for display in every church. These supplies, all of them free, need not be ordered. They will reach every pastor in time for adequate distribution and use.

Every communication received indicates universal observance of the Day of Compassion throughout American Methodism—not one church failing to make a generous offering.

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REFERENDUM ON LIQUOR QUESTION

At the recent session of the Western North Carolina conference we pledged ourselves to co-operate with the United Dry Forces of North Carolina and other agencies fighting the liquor traffic. The United Dry Forces of North Carolina, under the leadership of the Honorable Cale Burgess, is sponsoring a bill calling for a state-wide referendum on the liquor question. There seems to be no doubt in his mind that such a bill will be introduced into the legislature at this session. You are urged to wire, write, or see personally your senator and representative asking them to support this bill when introduced. R. M. Hauss, Chairman,
Conference Board of Temperance.

BRADSHAW TO CONDUCT RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Plans were announced today for the annual religious emphasis week to be held January 27 through February 3 in the auditorium of Louisburg College, with Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina conference as the visiting preacher. Services will be held each evening at 7:30 in the college auditorium and on Tuesday and Friday mornings at the regular chapel hour. Special conference periods are to be arranged for several afternoons during the week to enable students seeking advice or help on personal problems to talk to Mr. Bradshaw in person.

An open invitation is extended to the citizens of Louisburg and the surrounding community to participate in the fellowship of these meetings.

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It is impossible to get golden conduct out of leaden motives. In other words, the character of the tree determines the kind of fruit. What a man is determines what he will do.

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Henry D. Thoreau, author and philosopher, said: "I would rather sit on a pumpkin and have it all to myself than to be crowded on a velvet cushion." Mr. Thoreau must have been also the author of that well known saying, "There is no accounting for tastes." If not the author he was certainly a fine sample.

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"Don't believe more than half you hear" is an ancient saying that abides because it is so thoroughly saturated with truth. It might be modified to "one-fourth" since the radio has been broadcasting war news in order to advertise soap, tooth paste, soups and cures for aches and pains of every sort.

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"Daddy, may I ask you a question?" "Yes, son, but it must be a short one." "If a doctor is doctoring a doctor, does the doctor doing the doctoring have to doctor the doctor the way the doctor being doctored wants to be doctored, or does the doctor doctoring the doctor doctor the doctor the way he usually doctors?"

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Perhaps the ants are wiser than Solomon ever dreamed if we are to accept observations of the New Outlook: "When Solomon said, 'Go to the ant, thou sluggard,' he was preaching thrift and urging youth to get on the job. But that other wise man who warned of the danger of 'all work and no play' might also have said, 'Go to the ant, thou toiling mortal, and learn the value of recreation." A leading article in the London Times recently declared that ants cannot be happy because they never have any recreation. The naturalists flatly contradict The Times, however, and assure us that the ants do rest from their labors and play like puppies and lambs and children.

How can any man in the pulpit with the wrongs and injustices about him not be stirred with indignation and resolve to do all possible to redress human wrongs and to rebuke men of evil deeds? The pulpit for a preacher should be a throne of power from which he would not step down to pick up a monarch's crown. But to this end there must be some of the passion and the sense of God's presence that made the ancient prophets.

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Dr. W. C. Jackson in his tribute at the funeral services to Dr. John Harrison Cook, as given in the present issue of this paper, declared that the most distinctive trait of this notable educator was his loyalty, a royal virtue—"his loyalties ran the whole gamut of his experience." Could higher honor be bestowed? For back of disloyalty is the want of appreciation of favors and gifts freely bestowed. Want of loyalty to a friend is the sure mark of an ingrate—full of fraud, treachery and deception. Such is he who proves disloyal to a friend. Instead of a concern for the debt and immense gratitude appears "ingratitude, thou marble-hearted fiend!"

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"Liquor selling around army camps must be completely banned! We must serve notice on the whiskey industry that their profits cannot be a part of the national preparedness program." This was the keynote struck by Chas. R. Jones, president of the National Temperance and Prohibition Council in his address, opening that organization's 1941 conference Tuesday morning, January 14, in the auditorium of the Methodist building in Washington. In his address Mr. Jones said: "The world-wide menace of organized violence and dictatorship has become a challenge to our stamina as a nation. To meet this challenge, the exclusion of alcoholic beverages from within and without all our military camps is an immediate necessity.

Keep a Proper Balance

DURING the World War we were told that wheat would win the war, so we were limited to the amount of flour we could use along with the many substitutes for bread. We were also limited in the quantity of sugar we could use, since many held that sugar would win the war. Now all who are lined up for national defense in the effort to win this present war insist that work will do the job. Work and more work is the imminent and overwhelming need. Anything that prevents more work is evil, and anything that helps to produce more work is good. Work, work at high speed is essential to save the day as were wheat and sugar in 1917-1918.

The entire World War, its Armistice and the peace that followed was not so simple a matter as wheat and sugar. Even the sending of two million boys overseas proved to be a disappointment. The terrible aftermath of war with its material depression and moral and spiritual collapse disclosed the utter futility of war with its waste of life and treasure. So this present matter of defense is not so simple a thing as work. It is more than contracts for billions of materials, more than military training in numerous camps, and far more than our entire industrial enterprises being forced into full speed. It certainly is not simply a struggle to get our industrial machinery in high gear.

The whole future of the world, so long as God is on the throne, will not be spent in arming and fighting. The time will come again when a school house will be a far truer symbol of a country's might than a battleship and a well built home will vie in interest with a well made bombing plane. The return of peaceful days will not come without a struggle, but it is certainly as imperative that we prepare for the days of peace as well as for the days of national defense. Both tasks must go hand in hand. The elements that have made possible our victories of peace are fully as essential as all those things that have given us victory in war.

Help Those Who Help Themselves

YOU cannot help one who will not help himself, no matter how much you may desire to do so. But you can help those who help themselves and ought to. These well known facts apply in America's aid to Britain when that nation is battling so heroically for life and liberty and the very existence of the empire.

When to us is given an opportunity to save them and at the same time to save ourselves from those European dictators who now curse that continent and who are eager to get their deadly grip upon the whole earth, it seems that without unnecessary delay we should send all needed supplies for the aid of Britain. This is no time for petty jealousies or the grasping of power by any one individual, or a striving for partisan advantage. But with courage and confidence the leaders and the people should work unitedly at the tasks in hand and with all possible speed to bring an end to this war.

March 2 Methodism's Day of Compassion

EIGHT million American Methodists are urgently requested to respond to the emergency appeal which will be made Sunday, March 2. The Council of Bishops has set up an Emergency Commission for the purpose of securing one million dollars to meet the vast human need incident to the present World War. Heart-breaking appeals have come to our church from the mother church in England. Other overseas relief is greatly needed in China. Perhaps our most immediate need is within some two hundred army camps in the United States. It is the purpose of the commission to assist Methodist army chaplains and Methodist churches located near the camps.

These three appeals are being presented as one. One-half of the money received will be used for overseas relief, most of which will go to China. One-fourth of the money will go to the relief of British Methodism. One-fourth will be used in religious work for American soldiers in army camps. The two conferences in North Carolina have always responded generously to human needs. We can do nothing less this time.

The Emergency Commission has decided that there is to be no new organization within the annual conference. Our district superintendents, pastors, stewards, Sunday schools, women's societies and youth organizations are requested to co-operate in this appeal. On charges where there is more than one church the offering should be taken before March 2, so that the last church make its offering on that day. It is the purpose of the commission to close the entire matter March 2 before the Easter campaigns begin.

There are almost two thousand Methodist churches in the state of North Carolina. Each will be asked for an offering. While it is to be a free will offering,suggested quotas will be given to the pastors. The money should be sent direct to Dr. O. W. Auman, Treasurer, 740 Rush Street, Chicago. Illinois, with the statement that it is the Emergency Commission.

This day will be known as METHODISM'S DAY OF COMPASSION. Our people will respond if the appeal is placed before them.

Clare Purcell.

How Did He Get This Information?

JOHN ARCH McMILLAN, editor of Charity and Children, knows how to edit a paper in order to secure a wide circle of readers. His editorials are characterized by the very soul of wit, which is brevity, and he writes of things that are of popular interest, which causes him occasionally to head into the subject of football.

Here is his latest on the great college game:

"In North Carolina we have the Big Five and the Little Six all striving for native talent. There is just not enough in the state for eleven squads to say nothing of the needs of the junior colleges. Talent considered, the highest paid athletes in the state are native to the state. Every college makes a three percent discount for an unpronounceable name."

How did he learn of this three percent discount?

The Baptists of North Carolina

THE Baptists of North Carolina are a great people. Democracy (spelled with a little "d") is one of the outstanding characteristics and sources of success of that church. They exalt the Word of God and the simple gospel of Jesus Christ. Their success is truly gratifying.

The statistical secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Convention has just released the following figures:

There are now 2,562 churches with a membership of 516,243. Last year we reported 2,532 churches with a membership of 506,370. This represents a gain of 30 churches and 9,872 members. Forty new churches were reported this year. There are 35 Indian churches with a membership of 3,695. The six churches reporting the largest membership in the state are: Charlotte, First, 3,674; Raleigh, Tabernacle, 2,861; Winston-Salem, First, 2,624; Asheville, First, 2,585; Greensboro, First, 2,204; Shelby, First, 2,117.

High Powered City Churches

DR. PAUL AUSTIN WOLFE, pastor of the Brick Presbyterian church, New York, speaking before the North Carolina Convocation of Churches at High Point last week, struck a note we would do well to ponder in our church life. "The Christian Faith," insisted this noted preacher, "will stand or fall according to the way it is preached and propagated in the local parishes. The strength of faith does not lie in the high powered city churches, but in the small parish—the small church."

These words from the minister of a great city church in our biggest city certainly rebuke the spirit and aspirations of many in the small churches in the obscure places of our land. Were we all, ministers and laymen, in the little known parishes of the village and country places of the nation to freely accept this doctrine and carefully to shape our conduct to this end, we would do much to give new vigor to the American church. Too many are waiting for a church in some city center where the machinery is in high gear instead of making the most of the faithful and devoted men and women in our country places where can be found the salt of the earth and the light of their communities. Those men and women of strength and vigor bring to our city churches the elements so much appreciated in the work for God and for humanity. They carry with them the fine virtues and spiritual aspirations born in humble homes and plain churches about whose altars God is worshipped and from whose pulpits come a message from God. In these places not much rattle of the machinery is heard, but there the spirit and power of God is manifest mightily to the pulling down of the strongholds of sin and Satan.

The doings at capital city and the high powered churches get most attention, but our entire civilization finds its security in the humble homes and the obscure churches of the land. The pillars of our faith and the morale of our political and social structure are not found in Washington or in our ecclesiastical machinery. Careful study should be made and heed given to the elements that have gone into the making of our American way of life.

The same applies to the life and power of our American churches. That is why the little church in the vale makes such appeal to our people all across the land. The mass of our people come out of small parishes in obscure places.

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Eubank of Aurora announce the arrival of a daughter on January 15; weight 9 pounds, 12 ounces. Name, Lynn Vaughn.

Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, is expected to return to his office the early part of this week after an extended tour which took him to California. He left December 31.

The liquor propagandists are filling our magazines and press with lavish and misleading sales appeals to youth and non-drinkers, and spending for this publicity fabulous sums —somewhere between $200,000,000 and $300,000,000 since repeal.

We have recently put a new roof on Central church in Canton, painted the outside and redecorated throughout on the inside. Other minor improvements have been made. These improvements were made at a cost of approximately $2100, which was paid in full upon completion of the work. —W. R. Kelly.

The Gastonia district missionary institute will be held at Cherryville on March 30 at 2 p.m. At Central, King's Mountain, a retreat for the pastors of Gastonia district will be held Monday, March 10, in preparation for Spiritual Mobilization Week and the district-wide pre-Easter evangelistic campaign.

The beautiful modern country home of Brother W. M. Greeson, one of the leading members of Bethel church, Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge, was burned to the ground one night last week, some of the members of his family barely escaping with their lives. The house was equipped with all modern conveniences, including water works, and practically nothing was saved.—H. L. Isley, Pastor.

Mrs. W. V. McRae was hostess to the ministers' wives of the Fayetteville district at a delightful luncheon at the Highland Inn on January 7, following the district missionary institute. Mrs. R. E. Brown gave a most interesting as well as informing talk on "How a Minister's Wife May Help Her Husband." There were 26 "wives" present. The next meeting will be held at the district conference, at which time new officers will be elected.—Mrs. Millard W. Warren.

It is with sincere regret that we, the Elizabeth City Ministerial Association, have lost to our membership our brothers, Rev. H. K. King and Rev. E. D. Weathers. We had learned to love them as the true Christians they are. We knew them as true shepherds and servants of Christ, cooperative in every Christian work and a blessing to our whole community. May God grant them a long life of service in his vineyard.—Geo. F. Hill.

State votes on prohibition in South Carolina and Oklahoma within the past five months recorded emphatic dry victories. Hundreds of local option elections in 15 states (in Maine, New Hampshire, Masachusetts, New York Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Alabama, Texas, Louisiana, Wisconsin and Illinois) increased the number of dry areas and the total poputlion that are now safeguarded by prohibition law. A much larger number of such contests are under way for this year.

The Associated Press in its report of the call last Sunday of Wendell Willkie at the White House said: "President Roosevelt and Wendell Willkie, political enemies two months ago, joked affably with each other and the President called his visitor by his first name. Mr. Roosevelt laughingly said that he wished "Wendell" were going to be out on the cold inaugural stand tomorrow taking the oath instead of himself. Willkie replied that when he got to London, in the midst of all the excitement, Mr. Roosevelt would wish once more to change places with him."

Zion Methodist church has awarded contract to Jeter Harris and C. D. Glenn for the construction of a new church building on U. S. highway No. 70, between Morganton and Drexel. The new church building with an auditorium and four class rooms will be valued at $8400, the building committee announced. The church has a membership of 120 and is a member of the Morganton circuit of which Rev. G. R. Stafford is pastor.

The active general superintendents of the Methodist Church are now 32. The Western Jurisdictional conference has three, the Central three, the South Central five, North Central six, Northeastern seven, Southeastern eight. One of those in the Northeastern, Bishop Badley, is in service in India. There are two general missionary bishops and six central conference bishops, making a total active force of 40 in the church. There are 20 who are retired but many of them are active in many ways. These are the men to whom the church looks in this day for first line leadership.—Southwestern Advocate.

The first check-up meeting of the High Point district will be held next Thursday, January 30, in Main Street church, High Point. The meeting begins promptly at 2 o'clock, and for the next 120 minutes there is not to be one dull one. The program is crowded with good things. Besides reports from 35 pastors, Dr. W. K. Greene will address the meeting. District Lay Leader W. B. McEwen will organize a District League of Stewards, and the heads of the various departments of work in the district will make condensed reports. And while all of this is going on the ministers' wives will be given a reception at the home of Mrs. J. C. Madison.

December casualties in the air siege of Britain were officially placed at 3,793 civilians killed and 5,044 wounded, and these figures are lower than the corresponding figures for November, when 4,588 met death and 6,202 were injured. Since last June 18, seven month, total casualties have numbered 23,081 killed and 32,296 wounded, according to official reports. That would be a monthly average of 3,297 killed and 4,613 injured. These are surprisingly low figures in view of all that we have read and heard about the war on Britain. It approximates the list of automobile casualties in the United States for the same seven months. Yet there has been little said of the slaughter by automobiles.

Since coming to the Durham circuit on November 14 good congregations, optimistic attitudes, poundings, and a $200 increase in salary have combined to gladden the preaches'r heart,and to challenge his best service. At the first quarterly conference, just one month after our arrival here, nearly $500 had been paid on the budget for the year. We have a full program in our plans, our people are responsive and most appreciative. A new living room suite and an electric range for the kitchen, provided by the ladies of the charge, have added to the comforts of an already splendid parsonage. We feel we are in for a good year on this charge.—S. J. Starnes.

On January 17 at the Shiloh parsonage Miss Florence Lillian Berrier became the bride of Mr. Walter R. Smith. Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Berrier of Lexington, Route 3. She is an active and efficient member of Shiloh Methodist church. Mr. Smith is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith of Lexington. He is a member of the Reformed church of Lexington. Only relatives of the bride and groom were present. They were: Mrs. W. J. Berrier, Misses Emma and Arlene Berrie, Mrs. Homer Sink, Harry Berrier, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Smith, Lexington, Rt. 3.; also Mrs. Floyd Lee Berrier and Fred Berrier of Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are at home on East Center street, Lexington.—F. G. Madison.

The council of the Haywood County Young People's Union met at Clyde Monday night, January 13, to lay plans for the union meetings and affairs during the next quarter. The matter of most significance that was decided upon, from which much good is expected, was a county-wide Methodist youth revival to be held in the late spring or early summer. A committee was appointed to lay complete plans for the revival. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, was named chairman. This union is a strikingly vital one. The monthly meetings have well in excess of 200, usually 250 to 300, regularly even in the worst winter months.—J. T. Shackford.

About the most enjoyable hour I have ever spent with young people was the sandwich supper and social hour at the Methodist parsonage last night, when 25 members of the senior Epworth League of St. James Methodist church, with their adult leaders, were present with all the good, wholesome fun that a vigorous group of youngsters are capable of making possible. Mrs. W. S. Babcock, the League adult counselor, and Mrs. E. C. Durham, were joint hostesses. More and more, as the weeks come and go, Mrs. Durham and I are finding that Tarboro is about the best place to keep really alive in the work of the church, mainly because of the many growing, enthusiastic young people who are ever on the job here—singing in the choir, present every Sunday night for their program, and doing everything the pastor suggests. We are greatly indebted to the former pastor, Mr. H. G. Ruark, who did such a fine work with the young people here for four years.—E. C. Durham.

Mrs. R. A. Shinn reports that the First Methodist church of China Grove enters the new year with great anticipation under the fine leadership of their pastor, Mr. Weldon. World Service acceptance in our church budget has been increased. The women have increased their pledge for missions. A men's club has been organized with 54 charter members. The object is merely fellowship and community service. Mr. Ralph Whitley is temporary chairman, Mr. Howard Hinshaw, temporary secretary. It meets monthly in the church basement, where supper is served by the ladies of the church. A new class for young ladies was started Sunday, January 12; Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon teacher. This was a much needed class. It is made up of those coming from the young people's department and young women not in church school. Venetian blinds have been put in two rooms at the parsonage by Mrs. J. N. Dayvault's circle. Curtains for the whole house by the other circles. We are getting along nicely equipping our church kitchen. Our school of missions begins Sunday, January 19, to be taught by the pastor. Emphasis on evangelism in church school February and March. Our first quarterly conference was held January 5 by our most capable district superintendent, Dr. C. N. Clark, at which time Mr. Everett M. Cushman was elected as a member of the board of stewards.

The work at Shiloh, Rev. T. G. Madison, pastor, is moving along. The Sunday school is on the increase. The first Sunday of the new year our pastor brought us a deep and inspiring message, reminding us that each day of the year we write a page of a book, and it is necessary that we be Christian in order to write a Christian book. His message yesterday was on the superior life—or a life of true happiness. We were indeed glad to welcome Mrs. T. G. Madison as a new member of our church,and are sure that she will be a great help to us. Our people are starting out to get our quota of subscriptions to the Christian Advocate which is taking the place of the Recorder. The C. E. Society is to secure subscriptions in co-operation with our church agent, Mrs. Ray Leatherman, who is also president of the society. We must say that our young people are a very dependable group, and we believe that these subscriptions will be secured in a short time. Anyone who was present at our C. E. Society meeting Sunday night will tell you that it was a real good service. It reminded us of an old fashioned testimony meeting, with some outstanding testimonies and requests for prayer for friends and relatives. We still believe in prayer and we are praying for the progress of the spread of the gospel and also for our church.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

THE WOMEN MAKE A GOOD START

The North Carolina Christian Advocate has joined with the women of Christian Service this year to promote their work. The secretary of each district will furnish us the name of one woman in each Society of Christian Service to look after renewals and new subscribers to the Advocate in her society. So far a good beginning has been made.



Mrs. Z. V. Moss

Mrs. Z. V. Moss, secretary of the Salisbury district, has sent a complete list of her district containing 57 names with their addresses. At present she leads both conferences. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, of the Rocky Mount district, and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood of the Raleigh are next to the Salisbury.

Six of the eighteen districts in the state have not been heard from as yet. We have also requested each secretary to send us her favorite photograph so cuts may be made for use in the Advocate. So far we have four of these cuts ready for use. Reports from 12 districts have come to this office, but no list is complete except the Salisbury. Let every local society please send name of the agent so that we can complete our lists by districts at an early day.

Furthermore, send renewals and new subscribers at once so that we may begin to build up our lists. We expect to give each Society of Christian Service, with name of agent remitting, credit for the work done the same as we do the pastors and their charges for the new subscribers reported.

Mrs. Z. V. Moss of Albemarle has led the way. Please help us complete the lists of the 18 districts as well as to furnish us with the 18 photographs requested.

THE BOWLES ENTERTAIN MINISTERS' WIVES

On Monday, January 13, from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon the Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Bowles delightfully entertained the Methodist ministers and their wives of Union and Anson counties at an informal meeting at the Wadesboro parsonage. At the conclusion of an hour of fellowship and amusing games led by the host, delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. T. G. Highfill and Mrs. P. T. Dixon. Those who enjoyed the afternoon together were Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Ader, Ansonville; Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Cornelius, Lilesville; Rev. and Mrs. P. T. Dixon, Morven; Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Hipp, Peachland; Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Trollinger, Polkton; Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Highfill, Wadesboro; Mrs. G. T. Bond and Dr. and Mrs. Howard P. Powell, Charlotte.

Mrs. Howard P. Powell,
President Charlotte District M. W. A.

LIFE'S NOBLEST AMBITIONS PERISH

The tragic going of Samuel F. Nicks, Jr., 34, mayor of Roxboro, November 10, 1940, is another example of the sorrow that so often attends the crashes incident to our earthly sojourn. In a moment of depression, following a nervous breakdown a few years ago, young Nicks did violence to himself to end a most promising career.



Samuel F. Nicks, Jr.

As lawyer and esteemed citizen, ever ready to assume responsibilities generously for the common good, giving of his time and enthusiasm to every worthy cause, he numbered his friends by the hundreds who expected of him a long and useful career.

Early, while yet in school, young Nicks wrote down and left filed among his personal papers the following highly significant statement:

MY AIM IN LIFE

1. To be of service to my fellow man.
2. To promote justice in the courts.
3. To live and enjoy life.

(Signed) Sam Nicks, Jr.

Thus expressed were life's young dreams cherished by this aspiring youth, with his face to the future. The more perplexing become the crashes that overtake such as they follow the gleam. Especially true was this in the case of the young mayor of Roxboro who enjoyed the esteem of so many as lawyer and useful citizen.

What a fine start in life had he! Son of Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nicks, he graduated from Duke University with A.B in 1928 and L.L.B. in 1932. Joyously nurtured in the affections of father and mother, and partaker in a happy and blessed home life, he was indeed most favored. Then, too, his aspirations were fully on a level with his favorable start in home and college training. Sad, indeed, is it for such young dreams to fail! We are comforted, however, with the words of Robert Browning, "Not what I do, but what I would do comforts me." Truly, the high aspirations of the soul count for more than does the length of the earthly sojourn. For we know much of earth's best fruit is beaten down by the storms before it is fully ripe and many of the noblest souls pass too early in the midst of the crashes and collapses of earth—in the midst of the hidden infirmities and cruel disappointments of the world.

But all of us are comforted to know that the deep resources of our young brother's religious heritage and the high aspirations of his soul count for most since no good thing ever utterly perishes. The spiritual aspirations of the good are not lost in the debris of earth though earthly ambitions perish and life's fondest dreams fail.

M. T. P.

FAIRMONT CHURCH, RALEIGH

Recently it was my privilege to meet a committee from Fairmont church in Raleigh. Constituting the committee were Rev. H. M. McLamb, pastor, Messrs. Roy L. Williamson, T. W. Goldston, R. D. Turner, and J. W. McGee.

This congregation is now worshipping in one of the buildings of the State College. Although it is only beginning its fourth year as a church, it now has 350 members, and in addition 230 students affiliated with it from the institution. Some 75 blind boys and girls from the State School for the Blind nearby, also, worship with the congregation. The Methodist students of Meredith College, also, attend services here. It is estimated that the student responsibility of Fairmont church is no less than one thousand young men and young women.

Recently the congreation has bought and paid for a magnificent lot for the location of their new building. Their plans for the near future include the beginning of construction on their building. Since they have so many students who will be affiliated with their church, they cannot be expected to provide adequate facilities alone. They will need the help of all of our people throughout the state. A committee from the church will make an appeal brought the Advocate and, also, direct to certain individuals. I am writing this note to give my hearty endorsement to the effort of this young congregation. Our people all over the state will do well to make a generous investment in Fairmont church. Clare Purcell.

"TURNED OUT"

Uncle Reuben came hobbling along the street, looking for a room in which to live. He lives three miles from Halifax, N. C., and last year he made 125 bushels of corn, 100 bags of peanuts, fattened nine hogs, and made $100 clear money. Now he is suffering from rheumatism and his landlord is pushing him out for some one more able-bodied. He bears the unmistakable marks of his colored aristocracy.

"Boss, my step is feeble and halting slow,
With never a place in the land to go;
They say I'm old and bent and gray,
And so for room and board alone I pray.

"Too long I've labored and struggled to live
In decency, honesty and love—and sought to give
My best to those for whom in love I shared
My strength of arm—not from want to be freed.

"The years have flown through summer's heat
And winter's cold, and no retreat I beat;
The days, though long and hot, were filled
From sunrise to sunset with duties stilled.

"On bended knee I make an only prayer,
For one lone comfort for wife and me to share—
A roof above our lonely, forsaken heads,
To shelter our weakened bodies and beds.

"I'm seventy-five and long to rest
Beneath the trees around the old home nest.
There let me breathe the last lingering breath,
Before I join the angels, clothed in wealth."

O. I. Hinson.

DR. JOHN H. COOK, ONE OF STATE'S LEADING EDUCATORS, DIES FROM HEART ATTACK

Dr. John Harrison Cook, 59, and for the past twenty-two years head of the department of education of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, died at his home in Greensboro, Thursday afternoon, January 16, after suffering a heart attack an hour earlier in his office at the college. He was carried from the college to his home, where he died shortly thereafter.

Dr. Cook, a native of Scioto county, Ohio, was a graduate of Ohio Northern University with a B.S. degree in 1908, of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, with an A.B.



Dr. John H. Cook

degree in 1912, of Columbia University, with an A.M. degree in 1917 and a Ph.D. degree in 1925. He gave himself to the work of education in Ohio till 1918 when he moved to Greensboro, North Carolina, where he became head of the department of education of the Woman's College and made it one of the leading departments of education of any college in the country. The young women who have been trained here are sought after as teachers not only in North Carolina, but far beyond the borders of this commonwealth because of the superior records they have made for themselves.

Dr. Cook spent 15 years as director of the summer college and served for many years as a member of the college president's cabinet, and under the new administration as a member of the advisory committee and as a member of the curriculum committee.

In a tribute to Dr. Cook, Governor Broughton of Raleigh says:

"In the death of Dr. Cook the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina and the entire state have suffered a great loss. Dr. Cook made notable contribution to the cause of education in the state and had much to do with laying the ground work for the teacher retirement program that the legislature is expected to enact into law."

Dr. Cook, son of John Hunter Cook and Lucinda Earley, was married April 29, 1906, to Ethel Smith, in Scioto county, Ohio. He is survived by his wife and two children, Miss Corinne Cook, now a member of the faculty at Teachers College of Livingston, Ala., and Ralp R. Cook of Columbia, S. C.; a brother, Robert Cook of Portsmouth, Ohio.; two sisters, Misses Belle and Edith, both of Portsmouth, and one grandson.

He was a past president of Greensboro Civitan Club and a member of North Carolina Educational Association, National Educational Association, Tau Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Kappa, National Society of College Teachers of Education, and Progressive Education Association.

He was a member of the board of stewards of West Market Street Methodist church.

Funeral services were held in West Market church at 11 o'clock Saturday, January 18. Taking part in these services were Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor, Rev. Kenneth Goodson, assistant pastor, and Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration of the Woman's College. The tribute read by Dr. Jackson appears elsewhere in this paper and is an impressive and accurate estimate of the work and character of a man whose departure has left a great vacancy in the educational rank of North Carolina.

BROTHER McLAMB AND FAIRMONT CHURCH LEADS

If any of our churches have an Advocate subscriber for 5½ members of the church we would be glad to know it. This is the record at Fairmont. And the end is not yet. It is worth telling. Here is Brother H. L. McLamb's report:

"We are observing January as Christian Advocate month at Fairmont church, Raleigh. Enclosed you will find check for $46 to pay for 26 subscriptions, also enclosed. We now have 63 paid up Advocate subscriptions —29 to the North Carolina Chrsitian Advocate and 34 to The Christian Advocate (Chicago). This gives us one Advocate subscriber for every 5½ members of the church. More subscriptions will be secured. J. William McGee, chairman of the board of stewards, helped the pastor secure these subscriptions."

TO EACH PASTOR IN BOTH CONFERENCES

We are keeping a record of all new subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate sent in since the meeting of the annual conference so that later we can give an exhibit of all new subscribers for the year. Before a great while we will be able to make our first report.

The same rule will hold as to the new subscribers secured by the agents in the Societies of Christian Service. In this way we will be able to give the total subscribers secured in each and every church and charge.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION N. C. CONFERENCE

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, North Carolina Conference, will meet Monday, February 3. All applications to the Church Extension division, together with any matters pertaining to the work of missions, should be in the hands of the undersigned secretary by February 1.

S. J. Starnes, Sec'y,
Guess Road, Durham, N. C.

A CORRECTION

The report in the last conference journal of Tabernacle church, Salisbury district, is incorrect. The report should read: Pastor's salary apportioned $1800, paid $1800; district superintendent $162, paid $162; benevolence accepted $175, paid $175. Brother R. B. Shumaker was pastor of the church.

J. G. Winkler, Statistical Secretary.

Planning for Spiritual Mobilization and Conquest

By H. C. SPRINKLE, JR.

Plans for "M-Day," the day for mobilization of the armed forces of our country when the necessity arises, have been the subject of speculation in recent weeks. That there are such plans may be taken for granted, and that in this day of total war they affect the life of every citizen may be safely assumed. Mobilization would be a hopeless muddle without definite plans; and much as we may hope that military and economic mobilization may not be necessary, it is clearly the duty of our government to work out wisely and well the measures for such an emergency.

Methodists, too, must plan; and what is more, we must mobilize! And what is more than that, we must make our mobilization such that it will prepare the way for a successful offensive against the forces of sin and selfishness and irreligion that threaten to destroy all that is decent in modern civilization. Our general program of work, carefully wrought out in the general and jurisdictional conferences, contemplates courageous endeavor. Certain great objectives are clearly in the minds of all our people. The times demand intelligent, consecrated, co-operative action to carry out our program and to march toward the goals that are set before us. Our spiritual forces must be assembled and put in readiness if we are to go forward.

Bishop Clare Purcell has set a mark for the whole church in calling upon the Western North Carolina conference to observe the week from March 10 to 16 as Spiritual Mobilization Week. The three regional meetings are arranged for Asheville, Winston-Salem, and Charlotte on March 11, 12 and 13, respectively, will surely attract and inspire the preachers and laymen of the whole conference. Dr. L. D. Patterson of Birmingham, who is to speak in the interests of a more effective evangelism at Asheville and Winston-Salem, is an outstanding pastor with a missionary background, a magnetic speaker with a great message. Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, who is to speak at Charlotte, will do just what needs to be done as no other man could do it. President Edgar T. Welch of the General Board of Lay Activities is well qualified to speak to and for our laymen. And Dr. John R. Mott with his great world vision will point the way for our youth, our women, and all our workers who seek to build the greater church. The program for these meetings is unsurpassed.

But if our effort is to end with these great regional meetings, we shall be only partially mobilized; and we shall not have acomplished any of the objectives that call for mobilization.

It is in the mind of the bishop and the leaders who have called for spiritual mobilization and arranged these regional meetings that the time has come for action.

Spiritual Mobilization Day

The Sunday following these meetings, March 16, has been designated as Spiritual Mobilization Day. That day should be the climax of the week, just as what follows will be the test of our faithfulness in the use of the opportunity which the week affords. It should be the time when every Methodist in Western North Carolina will be given, not merely echoes of the regional meetings, but marching orders for the crucial weeks ahead.

Because of the importance of the day and its opportunity Spiritual Mobilization Day should be a "roll call Sunday" in every church in the Western North Carolina conference. Not only should strenuous effort be made to secure the attendance of every member, but that attendance should be registered by card or offering envelope or in some way so that the plans for action which are then to be announced may be carried to every absentee. Unless Spiritual Mobilizatin Week closes with a Spiritual Mobilization Day which touches every Methodist in every local church in the conference, it will be incomplete.

Plans for Conquest

On Spiritual Mobilization Day the pastor will have the opportunity to stress definite goals in evangelism, in lay activities, in missionary education and support, and in every other challenging field of conquest in the local church. Is not this the time for transition from mobilization to action? Is not this the opportunity for committees in each congregation to be put to work with definite assignments?

Naturally under our system of organization, if the effort is to result in unanimous co-operation and general success, each district superintendent will have to work out his plans for promoting Spiritual Mobilization Week and the program of action to follow. On one district the call has already been issued for a retreat for all pastors on March 10, a day that will be set apart for prayer, soul-searching, and the study of definite plans of action to follow Spiritual Mobilization Week.

Each pastor will, of course, be obliged to adapt the church's program to his own field. If he has several churches, he must find a way to use lay leaders and church school superintendents on Spiritual Mobilization Day. Each pastor will discover the best methods of carrying out the idea of reaching each member on that day with a challenging message and a plan of action. Perhaps he will work out plans for church school evangelism, intensive visitation evangelism, and pre-Easter or other evangelistic services with the aid of his local commission on evangelism. Perhaps he will work out a program of lay activities, encouraging tithing, lay speaking, and fellowship, with his board of stewards. Surely he will wish to work out with his board of missions a plan for making the best use of the district missionary institute and the mission study book of the year.

Spiritual mobilization is not an end in itself. We are called to assemble and put our spiritual forces in readiness for advance toward definite objectives. The battle will be won in the local church. Now is the time to prepare for the victory!

There are two freedoms—the false, where a man is free to do as he likes; the true, where a man is free to do what he ought.—Charles Kingsley.

WHERE SAMUEL JOHNSON WROTE HIS DICTIONARY

The Herald-Tribune tells us that the house in which Samuel Johnson wrote his dictionary was destroyed in the great fire of London which recently took so many precious memories of history. The loss is tragic, the cause of the destruction is more tragic, but the thing that is indestructible is the memory stirred by the old house. The bricks and mortar may fall into rubble and the rest go up in smoke and flame, but we shall not forget Samuel Johnson. A prodigious eater, a prodigious talker, an uncouth, bulky, ungainly figure, a clumsy, bear like man, dictatorial, overbearing, he was also an able prose writer and a kind hearted friend.

He was sui generis. There was none like him. He had the reputation of being a learned man, but he achieved it by devouring books as a dog his food—he took what he preferred first. If true scholarship must be impaired, he was no scholar, for his pet aversion and prejudices appeared in the definitions in his dictionary. Thus, because he hated the Scotch and the Scotch liked oatmeal, he defined oats as "a grain which in England is generally given to horses but in Scotland supports the people." And, as he liked long Latin words, he defined a network as "anything reticulated or decussated at equal intervals with interstices between the intersections."

There must have been something of great value in association with him, or people would not have put up with his manners and his monopoly of the talk. The famous Literary Club usually is pictured with Johnson at the head of the table and Edmund Burke, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Hogarth, David Garrick, the actor, Burney, the musician, Warton, the critic, and General Paoli, down the sides of the table, and dapper Oliver Goldsmith at the other end. Edward Gibbon, the historian, was a member and, of course, Boswell.

Once Goldsmith, in distress, sent for Johnson. Bailiffs were sent in the house to take him out of his miserable rooms to prison for unpaid room rent. Johnson went immediately. Upon inquiry he found that Goldsmith had a manuscript of an unpublished book. Johnson looked it over and straightway departed with it to a publisher, where he sold it for sixty pounds. It was the "Vicar of Wakefield."

Of Goldsmith Johnson said, "No man was more foolish when he did not have a pen in his hand or wiser when he did have one." He also said when Goldsmith lay dead, "Let not his faults be remembered; he was a very great man."

Fleets of bombers may burn or knock down phyisical memories like the old house near Fleet Street, but they cannot destroy the history. "Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese" where Doctor Johnson liked to dine may have gone, too, in the frightful conflagration, but the memory of it will abide in the heart of many a traveler.—The Christian Leader.

HOW LOADS ARE CARRIED

Men sometimes look around them at some of their fellowmen and say of this or that individual, "My! what a load he carries! How does he do it?" Individual mountain climbers more often than not have to carry on their backs loads heavier than a single individual could lift from the ground. How do they do it? The technique is simple. The climber kneels. A friend adjusts his loaded pack and helps him up. Then, with a pack heavier than he could lift, the climber starts up to his base camp.

In this respect life is like mountain climbing. There are loads that we alone have to carry. No other person can move the load for us. But it has to be moved. And we move it single handed. Well, not quite single handed. Our friends with understanding and with patience help us to adjust the load which they cannot carry for us. When we are down they help us up, and we go on well able to carry the load.

Behind every man whose personal load seems so heavy that others ask, "How does he do it?" is a story of friends whose patience and understanding and whose helping hand reached out in secret.

Sometimes, when the load is desperately heavy, we kneel down for help. There is no visible friend present, but the load is lifted to our shoulders and adjusted. We are helped to our feet and we go on well able to carry the load.—E. H. L., in Christian Leader.

PRE-EASTER MOBILIZATION

By E. K. McLarty

In laying our plans for pre-Easter revivals, let us not forget the Scripture, "He that soweth sparingly shall read also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." Big dividends call for big investments. A large harvest is the product of a generous sowing. The months of January, February, and March should be devoted definitely to the cause of evangelism throughout the conference.

It may not be amiss to offer a few suggestions. While every pastor has both the privilege and the responsibility of making his own program, emphasis on the following items may prove helpful:

1. Prayer. Enlist every member in daily prayer for a church-wide revival. Revivals will never come without prayer.

2. Make a thorough canvass to get the names of the unchurched within the area of the responsibility of your church. That list, when complete, will astonish the church.

3. Enlist, train, and direct personal workers.

4. Let the pastors in every sermon concentrate on an effort to get decisions for Jesus.

SOME FACTS ABOUT DUKE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

The total number of volumes in the several libraries at the end of the fiscal year was 601,413. The manuscript collection well exceeds half a million pieces.

Accessions during the year totaled 31,695 volumes. The number of current periodicals received is 2553.

The library staff consists of 62 individuals.

The recorded circulation for the year—a very incomplete record—totaled 336,855 loans.

In addition to the above loans there were 1923 library loans.

There are 610 members of the Friends of Duke University Library.

These members contributed during the last fiscal year 777 volumes and cash (excluding contributions of Mr. Will Flowers, for the Collection) totaling $1,101.33.

The library is glad to lend its volumes directly to any member of this society or to any alumnus of the university.

JOHN HARRISON COOK—1882-1941

Educator—Staunch Friend—Good Citizen

By Dr. W. C. Jackson, Dean of Administration of Woman's College, U. N. C.

Born in Ohio; attended the public schools of that state; was graduated from Ohio Northern University, Miami University, Columbia University, with the Doctorate.

Grade teacher; principal of schools, city superintendent of schools; assistant state superintendent of public instruction in Ohio.

Since 1918 he has been head of the Department of Education, Woman's College, U. N. C.

Sometime president of the North Carolina Education Association; author of articles, pamphlets, and books on educational subjects; member of and active participant in numerous learned societies, educational, religious, and civic organizations, and committees.

These bare facts, eloquent testimony as they are of his varied abilities, interests, and activities, fall far short of a correct estimate of his character and his contribution to the educational and religious and civic life of which he was a vital part.

This is not the time or place to attempt a proper evaluation of his varied services or to express adequate appreciation of his character, or to record the full esteem and affection which was given him by innumerable friends.

It is not inappropriate, however, I hope, to give particular emphasis at this moment to some of his personal and professional charactertistics and services.

To me, one of his most distinctive traits—one that stands out pre-eminently—was loyalty. It is a royal virtue. To give true allegiance to one's friends, to one's ideas and convictions, to one's chosen work, is to play the part of a man.

His loyalties ran the whole gamut of his experience.

He was loyal to his home—to his family, to all his people—his folks, if you please.

He was loyal to the church—to the communion to which he belonged, and to this particular church which he loved and served so well.

He was loyal to his friends.

He was loyal to the Woman's College, which he loved, and to which he gave the best years of his life.

He was loyal to his profession.

He was not ashamed of his calling, which to him was a high one. On the contrary, he was proud of it, gave himself completely and wholeheartedly to it; defended it; dignified it; and proved his devotion by continuous and disinterested and effective labor.

I am of the opinion that his most enduring monument in education will be the teachers retirement program. To this good cause he gave his best work. Unquestionably, he did more than any other one person in North Carolina to bring this movement to success. It is a source of infinite regret that he was not able to see the actual enactment of this program into law. But he did know that his work would be crowned with success.

Through years to come, the teachers of North Carolina will remember the debt they owe to him, and will pay it in part with their ungrudging gratitude.

And literally thousands of teachers, who sat in his classes, or listened to him in conference, or from the platform, or read his words, will carry on through the years, the strong influence of his teaching.

Another thing that I shall always remember was his zest for life and his buoyancy of spirit. Walter Hines Page would have said of him, as was said of Page himself, that there was a certain "gusto" about him. He was fond of jest, of good humor; he had enthusiasm and a wholesome enjoyment of living. He delighted in sports, he loved little children, and he was a boon companion to the aged.

He lived happily and worked joyously, and left us a comforting heritage of rich experience and friendship and work well done. He had a large, a wholesome, a liberal, an optimistic view of life. He had faith and courage and industry. His life is greater than the sum of its parts. We will remember him not so much for any given word, or act, or accomplishment, as for the total impact of his whole personality.

This is but a faltering, yet sincere gesture of esteem and appreciation and affection for our good friend. The full story of his active community life, his leadership in various organizations and causes, local, state, and regional, will be told adequately and properly in due time.

We are too close to the event, and too intimately touched with feeling to speak now with measured judgment and true appraisal, but the passing days will continue to reveal this man's generous heart, his broad sympathies, his deep sense of social obligation, his love for all his fellowmen. And the broadening stream of his good life will continue to cover and fructify the plains of human sympathy and kindness and goodness.

CHINA PROVINCE PLANS EDUCATION OF 16,000,000 ILLITERATES

Despite war, and despite the crowded condition in the west of China due to the "trek" of families trying to escape Japan's armies, the government of Szechan Province is giving considerable attention to the education of its children. It realizes that "when the war is over, China must be remade by today's youth," and it is looking toward that future.

The Szachuan Education Bureau (of the Nationalist Government) has just inaugurated a free education plan. Work has already begun to educate the 3,000,000 illiterate children and 13,000,000 illiterate adults in the province within three years.

One million illiterate children will be educated each year by the establishment of 20,000 free schools each year. Each school, established independently or attached to regular schools, will accommodate 50 pupils. They will give the children a one-year education. Thousands are already functioning.

Of the province's 18,000,000 illiterate adults between 16 and 45 years old, 5,000,000 have been given schooling in the last few years. The bureau plans to intensify its campaign against illiteracy by the addition of 123,000 free schools in three years. Each school is to have two terms, with 50 students each term. The academic year of 1940 will see the establishment of 24,666 schools, the second year 41,333 schools, and the third year 58,000 institutions. A total of 12,000,000 men and women will thus be educated in three years.

REV. W. H. TOWNSEND DIES AT HIGH POINT

Rev. William Henry Townsend, 85, retired minister and resident of High Point approximately 35 years, died at Burrus Memorial hospital Tuesday, January 21, 1941. In failing health for several years he entered the local hospital in the fall of last year when his condition seemed to become critical.

Brother Townsend was born at McDonald's, Robeson county, February 19, 1855, the son of Richard and Sarah Moore Townsend. He attended the Robeson schools, entering Trinity College (old Trinity) in January, 1878, where he spent one year. He later entered Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., where he received the A.B. degree in 1884. He joined the North Carolina conference in 1885 and served as pastor in various charges, among them being Williamston, Elizabethtown and King's Mountain.



Rev. William Henry Townsend

Due to ill health, he retired from the active ministry in 1905 and was placed on the supernumerary list of the conference. He came to High Point in 1906 and later was chosen secretary-treasurer of the North State Telephone Company, of which his brother-in-law, J. F. Hayden, was manager.

Rev. W. H. Townsend married Miss Lauda Hayden of Thomasville in December, 1886. Mrs. Townsend preceded her husband in death, passing away March 3, 1936.

Survivors are two brothers, James L. Townsend of Manquin, Va., and L. T. Townsend of Lumberton; a sister, Mrs. Agnes McCallum of Red Springs.

Funeral services were conducted at Wesley Memorial Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Dr. E. H. Blackard, pastor. Interment was at Oakwood cemetery.

FACTS AND LEGENDS REGARDING ANN STREET CHURCH, BEAUFORT, WANTED

We are attempting this year to put on paper fast slipping facts and legends regarding Ann Street church in Beaufort. One hundred and sixty-three years old, it dates back before the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America. Research has but confirmed the old truism that "beginnings seldom have records." The task becomes a matter of running down one thing that leads to another and tediously fitting the whole together like a mosaic. We want to make a plea through the Advocate for co-operation of any who have a bit of information to add to the picture. Old letters, scrap books, clippings, diaries, entries in family Bibles are fruitful sources of material. We shall be grateful for any item throwing light on the church during any period of its existence. If it duplicates information that we have, it will serve as a valuable check on material already at hand. We feel that families of ministers who have served the church, former Beaufort people, or those merely interested in eastern Carolina trivials will have something to add to the contributions of those who live here now. Even a very small contribution will be seized upon like gold!

W. Stanley Potter.

UNDAUNTED, LONDON METHODISM SEES IT THROUGH

The Methodist churches in London have met the emergencies of intensive war with courage and resourcefulness. It doesn't take long to find someone—whether in a suburban church or a "down town" church or in a Central Mission—who does not see in the present catastrophe an opportunity for some form of aggressive evangelism.

Some are driven to it by sheer necessity. The office-bearers of the church have had to leave for other districts in which to carry on their work, the young men have been called up, the children have been taken to less dangerous areas; apart from the "four walls and roof" their church has almost gone. Those who remain must find it anew, in sharing the sorrows of the bereaved and the destitute.

An illustration of this is found in the experience of Pastor S. Ernest Copp when he came to the Mary Fletcher Memorial church at Leyton. He arrived just when "Wailing Willie" began its unmelodious notes. Soon it was found that the ordinary routine of church going had to give way to the pressing need of air-raid sheltering. That, however, did not daunt Pastor Copp and his wife; indeed, they regarded it as a challenge. I found them the other night during an air-raid serving cups of tea behind a little counter in the entrance of a public air-raid shelter near the church. Their idea is service—and then service; two meanings of the word.

Pastor Copp and some of his church people slept in in the shelter, and found that none of the churches in the district was doing any shelter work. But it was not like Methodism merely to sit down and "lick its wounds." Pastor Copp went to seek advice from the Rev. W. E. Sangster at Westminster. Mr. Sangster was most helpful, as he always is. Pastor Copp wanted to run a canteen, but this meant expense. "Go right away and start," said Mr. Sangster; "the Special Fund we have will help you with some money."

Altogether it cost about 50 pounds to install the canteen inside the concrete tunnel shelter, but it has been well worth the outlay. Pastor Copp displayed notices in the shelter stating that the canteen was being "run in Christ's name as a 'service' and not for profit." An old Cockney, the pastor told me, came up to him very shyly the other night, holding out his cap in which he had collected some coppers. "These are for some cups which have been broken," he said.

Already in this shelter there has grown up an atmosphere. Workers from the church are helping the pastor and his wife throughout the work. The canteen is open from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. and 4:30 to 7 a. m. each day.

The shelterers have begun to realize the value of the work of their good padre and his wife. People who had no knowledge of the church have gained respect for the house of God. Before the second Sunday the shelterers asked that a Sunday evening service should be held—and some of them were Jews and Catholics.—The Methodist Recorder (London).

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MID-YEAR MEETING AT SUNNY ACRES

The mid-year meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference is in session this week (January 21-23) at Sunny Acres near Lewisville, which has been the meeting place of this group for a number of years. Reports of the past year's work are to be given and plans made for another year of successful achievement. Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa from the conference, is a special guest and will add greatly to the interest of the day's programs. The following officers and district secretaries are in attendance: Conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem; president, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Salisbury; recording secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Lexington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Greensboro; treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., Asheboro; secretary student work, Mrs. Walter Lanier, Cullowhee; secretary Y. W. and girls' groups, Mrs. E. A. Lambe, Box 2, Cedar Falls; Sec. children's work, Mrs. George Hoyle, Shelby; Sec. missionary education and service, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Waxhaw; Sec. Christian social relations and local activities, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro; Sec. literature and publications, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Bessemer City; Sec. supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Shelby; editor woman's page, N. C. Christian Advocate, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

District secretaries: Miss Amy Hackney, Asheville district; Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Charlotte; Mrs. Mason Lillard, Elkin; Mrs. Wilbur Baber, Gastonia; Mrs. R. J. Rives, Greensbroo; Mrs. W. T. Powell, High Point; Miss Claudia Harbison, Morganton; Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Salisbury; Mrs. T. V. Goode, Statesville; Mrs. F. E. Branson, Waynesville; Mrs. J. G. Sterling, Winston-Salem.

WORLD OUTLOOK ENLARGED

The first issue of the World Outlook for 1041 comes to us in an enlarged form, with more than twenty pages and is an issue that is both attractive and of great interest. The editors tell us that by doubling its size the "missionary interests of the united Methodist Church may be more adequately represented, which is in line with its policy of constant improvement as its circulation increases." The co-operation of all persons is earnestly solicited in the movement to secure at least one hundred thousand new readers this year for this great magazine. We hope that our W. N. C. conference will respond to the call for increased subscriptions and put this magazine, which is so valuable in our missionary work, in the hands of all of our members.

NEW YEAR

The new year comes to us again,
It may give joy, it may give pain;
Our future lies within its days,
Yet we shall make or mar our ways.

To wish each one a happy day
Seems just the word for all to say,
For each new day completes the year
And gives new strength for every fear.

Yes, day by day it passes on
Amid a gay or saddened throng,
The unseen hand at eventide
We grasp for courage by our side.

Seek not to bear the yesterday
Into tomorrow's sunny way,
But lift the burdens one by one,
Then step by step each day is done.

SOCIETIES ON WARRENSVILLE CHARGE

We regret that the announcement of societies on the Warrensville charge, Elkin district, sent us by Mrs. W. H. Jones, has been delayed in its publication. We extend to each of these societies a cordial welcome into our missionary organizations.

Mrs. Jones says: "Warrensville charge has three active societies: Rich Hill church, Lansing church and the home church, all have their organizations for 1941 and are at work. Clinton church will organize the young women's society which will be ready to fall into line in the new year. The pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Wootton, Jr., are doing splendid work and co-operating with all of the societies."

APPEAL FOR SPECIAL PRAYER

Mrs. W. C. Hanson, contributor to The Methodist Woman for January, in an article bearing the title "World Mission Imperative" emphasizes the value of prayer and appeals to her readers to pray without ceasing: For peace that those in whose hands rest the destinies of nations may awake to the futility of war.

That divine wisdom may reach into the councils of men, replacing force and right nationalism with the will to understand and co-operate in peaceful solutions of world problems.

That the mind of Christ shall so possess us that we shall at all times be peacemakers in thought, word and deed.

That this mind through us shall help to stem the currents of racial antagonism and divisive fear sweeping across the world.

That by sacrifice, self-giving and sincere study the women of Methodism shall meet the coming days of reconstruction with understanding, justice and mercy.

Pray: For God's comfort and courage for the suffering multitudes of the world, especially the widowed and orphaned of all lands.

For the strength and divine sustaining of our missionaries through the uncertainties and hardships of these chaotic days; that God grant to them and to us the faith to foresee a resurrection of power through the Crucifixion of these days.

That the spiritual fellowship of those joined in the bonds of Christian love shall remain unbroken through death and disaster, through principalities and powers, and continue to build the kingdom of God on earth.

FOURTH QUARTER REPORTS

As the year closes we are looking forward with interest to the fourth quarter reports, which will give us a gratifying closing, we hope, of our work for 1940. The past year has been a busy one and the women of our conference have been loyal and co-operative in the work and we predict a successful closing of the 50th year of our conference work. As the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference goes out and becomes the Woman's Society of Christian Service, may it be with a record in keeping with the splendid records of the past years, giving to our conference a place among the "Big Four" in the former Woman's Missionary Council.

PLEA FROM BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE

Under the title "One Banner Triumps Still" Bishop Arthur J. Moore makes a forceful appeal to the church from which we quote the following: "My plea to the church is to consecrate itself anew to the proclamation of the gospel. The hour in which we find ourselves calls for our Christian witnesses, both at home and abroad. Millions need our ministry of healing and reform. The enormous forces released in the world today, such as only God alone can govern and direct, challenge our courage. But God has never bound himself by human movements. He has never been dependent upon the obvious human resources. He has always reserved absolute freedom for the sending of his truth into the wilderness of men's lives, and his power among all our earthly confusion and defeats.

In this terrible hour when human greatness is humbled to the dust, when human ingenuity has failed to relieve the world of its distress, we must come again to him who can never be turned back, to him whose kingdom is to grow more and more, until every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that he is Lord.

The kingdoms of the earth go by,
In purple and in gold,
They rise, they flourish and they die,
And all their tale is told.
One kingdom only is divine,
One banner triumphs still,
Its King a servant, and its sign
A cross upon a hill."

—Bishop Moore in World Outlook.

"You're a very good little boy," said the visitor, as little Johnny carefully gathered up his scattered toys. "I suppose your mother has promised you something if you clear up the room."

"No," replied the youngster, soberly, "but she promised me something if I don't."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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AN APPRECIABLE SKETCH

On the woman's page of the January 2 issue of the Alabama Christian Advocate an item entitled "Jurisdictional Personalities," written by Mrs. T. J. Hayes, Andalusia, Alabama, gives an excellent sketch of Mrs. E. L. Hillman, newly elected president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction, and president of the W. S. C. S. North Carolina Conference. This item will find an appreciative respense in the hearts of the women of the N. C. conference: "Mrs. E. L. Hillman, wife of a prominent and popular minister at Rocky Mount, N. C., was elected president at the recent charter jurisdictional meeting in Richmond ,Va. In April, 1938, she was elected president of the North Carolina conference. She was a delegate to the Uniting conference in Atlantic City, to the Jurisdictional conference in Asheville in May, 1940, and to our Woman's Jurisdictional conference in Richmond. Mrs. Hillman attended the first General Conference of the new Methodist Church and has attended at least three Woman's Missionary Councils. So we can see that she is thoroughly grounded in the work of the missionary enterprise. The jurisdictional president is a woman of gentle spirit, a broad outlook, an understanding sympathetic heart, a brilliant mind, possessing an executive ability which is excellent. Mrs. Hillman presides graciously, efficiently and with speed. Though the jurisdictional meeting was brief, it was noted that our new president is competent when presiding and capable of administering our Christian service with a broad view."

100,000 NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Beginning NOW and culminating May 4-11, 1941, the Board of Missions and Church Extension, supported by the bishops of the church, launches an intensive and extensive campaign to secure not less than 100,000 new subscribers to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. Ministers, church boards of missions, Woman's Societies of Christian Service—all are asked to join in this great crusade to put these publications into the homes of the Methodist people. Surely the women of the North Carolina conference shall be depended upon to exert their best efforts in supporting this cause. World Outlook, $1 per year; The Methodist Woman, 50 cents per year; both (when ordered together) $1.25 a year. Write: Circulation Department, 150 Fifth Ave., New York.

A WELCOME AND AN INVITATION

The purpose of the North Carolina conference woman's page is to propagate items of information concerning the departments of work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and items of interest of the work in the various fields of service. News of particular interest from local societies in the conference is also received with delight. That "The Methodist Are One People" has been demonstrated in many ways, and to the women of the former Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal churches in the N. C. conference, your editor extends a hearty and urgent request that you realize to the fullest that the woman's page is truly an agency for your use as well as for the women of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

A GRATEFUL FATHER WRITES

The women of the North Carolina conference have long since recognized the great wrok which is being carried on at Louisburg College in making possible a college education for numerous young men and women who otherwise would be deprived of one. The sentiments expressed in the following letter to Dr. Walter Patten, president, from a father of one of the students, is expressive of the attitude of the other Louisburg College students, former students and their parents. This letter will be of more than passing interest to the readers of the N. C. conference woman's page: "I am very pleased to tell you that —— ———— is enthusiastic about the college, the faculty and his fellow students. If they like him as well as he seems to like them, it has turned out to be a very happy combination. Please accept our thanks for all that you have done for him and our best wishes for a happy new year."

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

The regular fall zone meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Elizabeth City district were held with interesting programs and good attendance in each of the seven zones. Mrs. B. F. Boone and her coworkers attended the meetings at Lewiston and Stumpy Point, giving helpful suggestions for study leaders throughout the district, for which we are very grateful. Zone leaders are: Gates county, Mrs. D. A. Willie, Gates; Beaufort-Hyde, Mrs. L. H. Swindell, Washington; Dare county, Mrs. A. C. Hooper, Stumpy Point; Hertford-Bertie, Mrs. T. W. Sears, Ahoskie; Pascurcam, Mrs. Enoch Sanderlin, Elizabeth City; Perquimans-Chowan, Mrs. J. L. White, Tyner; Plymouth, Mrs. M. A. Davenport, Columbia.—Mrs. Glen Pendleton, District Secretary.

LEST WE NEGLECT

In the work of the seven committees of the department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities there must needs be at least one in which the women of every local society are able to find opportunities to meet a need in their own commuunities or elsewhere. The seven committees are: Local Church and Community Cooperation; International Relations and World Peace; Economic Relations; Minority Groups and Interracial Co-operation; Christian Citizenship; Alcohol and Other Narcotics; Christian Family. It is expected that handbooks on C. S. R. and L. C. A. will be ready for distribution very early in this new year. Each secretary of this department in the local societies should have one. Each society should decide upon some project and, having promoted it, report to Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, conference secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A., Whitakers, N. C.

MARSHALLBURG SOCIETY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Marshallburg Methodist church, New Bern district, held a very impressive pledge service on Monday evening, January 6, in the church auditorium. The service was opened by a call to worship by the leader, Mrs. Virgil Harris, after which the group sang "Give of Your Best to the Master." The scripture was read responsively. Mrs. Colon Wilson gave a beautiful poem, "Stretch Out Your Hand." Several appropriate readings were given by Mrs. Guy Daniels, Mrs. Charles Willis, Mrs. Tennie Lewis, Mrs. Norward Fulcher, and Mrs. Lydia Davis. Rev. Mr. Sawyer led the group in prayer. "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung and the pledges were signed in silence. With the group standing the pledge was then given in unison. As soft music was played every member went to the altar, leaving their pledge cards and kneeling there for prayer. Following the prayer, with the group standing at the altar, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was sung and the benediction was given.—Mrs. Dorothy Piner.

"GOD BLESS AMERICA"

It has been a little more than 50 years since the General Conference of the Methodist Church outhorized deaconess work in this country. Because there must always be a selective process in the admission to this order, we can never expect to find a large number in the ranks. We wish to keep our standards high in educational preparation, physical fitness, and a sincere consecration on the part of those who seek to become deaconesses. The deaconesses differ from some other workers in that the Discipline of The Methodist Church sets forth certain requirements a young woman must meet before she can be recognized by a license and a public service of consecration to her office. When a deaconess has received her credentials, she is appointed to the field of her choice and goes to the place where she is best equipped to serve. . . . May God bless America and every deaconess in the work she is doing to spread the Gospel.—Grace G. Steiner, in The Methodist Woman.

PRAYER CARDS ARE READY

"United Prayer in a Broken World." The prayer cards, prepared by the Committee on World Federation of Methodist Women of the Woman's Division of the Methodist Church, can be secured by writing to Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.—World Outlook.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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UP AND DOWN

The flu situation at the Children's Home is up and down. Some of the children are getting up from their beds and back to their cottages and others are coming in from their cottages to go down on the infirmary beds. Thirteen, the unlucky thirteen, took to their beds yesterday. About that many will get out of the infirmary today and tomorrow. At this writing 35 youngsters are in the infirmary, over half of whom are getting their trays and from them sufficient food to regain their strength.

SCENE ONE

Little two-year-old Johnnie comes to live at the Children's Home. He is an interesting chap, well built physically and presenting reasonable promise of good development. Little does it matter to him that his father is unknown. He does know that his mother dearly loves him, though not in position to provide for him.

SCENE TWO

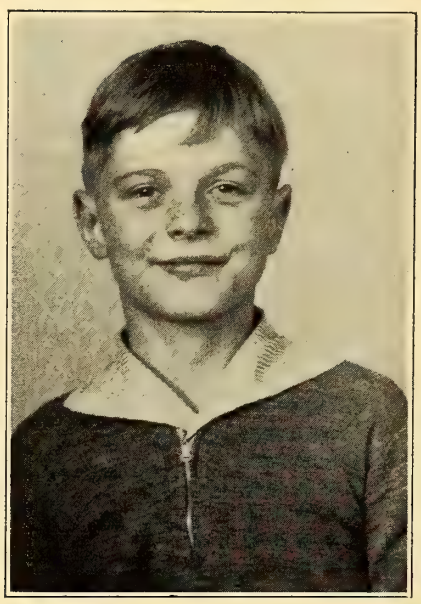
Johnnie's mother marries a hard-working man and they go to live as caretakers on a large farm. Johnnie's mother asks the Chilren's Home for her boy, stating that it is agreeable with her husband. Johnnie goes to live with his mother. Several years pass and Johnnie has gotten to be quite a good-size lad, strong of build and stubborn of purpose. Dissatisfaction in the home arises betwen the step-father and the lad and Johnnie leaves, forbidden by his step-father to ever return.

SCENE THREE

Johnnie comes back to the Children's Home and asks for readmission, which is granted. He grows and grows till at sixteen he is big and strong. Various behavior problems have come along, some of them very annoying, but John comes through them most times profiting by mistakes made. In high school the lad does not do well and asks to go to work on the farm. Granted. Later he asks to take boxing lessons over town at night at the Y. M. C. A. Granted. John boxes and gets knocked out most of the time, but he boxes, not ever knowing when he is whipped.

SCENE FOUR

John, accompanied by another boy not doing so well in school but otherwise a manly lad, goes unannounced to the recruiting station and tries to join the Navy. Failing in this, he goes to the army recruiting station, giving his age at nearly 19. He is accepted pending proper certification. Returning to the Children's Home he asks for certification and is confronted with the statement that while there is no objection to his joining the army, there is objection to telling a story about his age. He then searches for his mother who signs the statement with the statement, according to the lad, that she approves of his joining the army but that she does not approve of the statement about his age. John comes back to the office and with a hearty handshake announces that he has been accepted and will leave on the following morning for Fort Jackson. The afternoon paper comes out and in it is the picture of our boy, John. He looks good. He will make a good soldier. He wants to fight Uncle Sam's battles. We are all pulling for him though we could not sign for him.



He makes and holds friends

SACRED TRUST

The following note from George L. Hackney, charter member of our board of trustees, now managing Brown Book Corporation in Asheville, presents a fine instance of devotion and sacredness to a trust. He writes: "You will remember I told you about the Nichols family expecting to contribute $50 to the Home in memory of Mrs. C. A. Nichols, Mrs. Hackney's mother. For fear you have forgotten, I will restate the facts. Mrs. Nichols left a note, not discovered until after the funeral, that no money be spent for flowers but that what would be ordinarily spent be given to the Children's Home. The daughters thought that they should contribute this amount, notwithstanding that flowers had been provided. I am enclosing a check for $50 and the daughters would like very much for you to use it for some special purpose and that you designate it as a memorial to Mrs. Nichols."

GENUINE GENTRY

Rev. J. C. Gentry, last year serving the Hayesville circuit, this year doing the job on the Webster circuit. in the Waynesville district, writes as follows: "I reported more at conference than was turned in in cash to you. There were some outstanding pledges on the charge that had not been collected. I lacked $16 in money paying as much as the report was made out for. I am enclosing $10. Hope to have the other $6 so I can send it soon. We are trying to get adjusted on the new charge. I am trying to have each church observe the fifth Sunday as Children's Home offering. We shall do our best to take care of the ten per cent collections. Hope all goes well with you and the large and growing family."

LOVABLE LAWRENCE

The picture is that of Lawrence Brittain, twelve years old and in the fifth grade. It was snapped as he stopped playing at recess on a school day. Lawrence has just recovered from a severe case of osteomyelitis which necessitated months of treatment, slowing him down physically but not in the esteem of his associates. While in Belmont one day last week, where he is sponsored by the Fellowship class of Main Street Methodist church, I learned that Lawrence had written his sponsors a note of thanks for the gifts they had sent him, among them being a Bible. After stating his thanks for other gifts he said, "I thank you for the Bible. I will read in it sometime when I have nothing else to do."

TONES DEEP AND HIGH

This scribe has been thinking so much about the ten per cent apportionment bell ringing that he went up to the dining room today to look at our real old ding dong bell. Somehow the old rusty bell seemed to mean more than formerly to a fellow who looked at it. He was reminded that it sounds out the tidings that the victuals have been cooked, are on the table and ready for the hungry boys and girls to enjoy them. Then he thought about the ten per cent apportionment bells that have been ringing so well so far during the winter months, guaranteeing victuals. The tones this week are deep and high. They have been privileged to sound the glad tidings because the following charges have paid in full their Children's Home apportionment since last week. Note them with their pastors in charge:

West Market Street, Greensboro, Dr. J. B. Craven.

Myers Park, Charlotte, Dr. R. L. Ownbey.

Mt. Bethel, Harmony circuit, Rev. R. V. Martin.

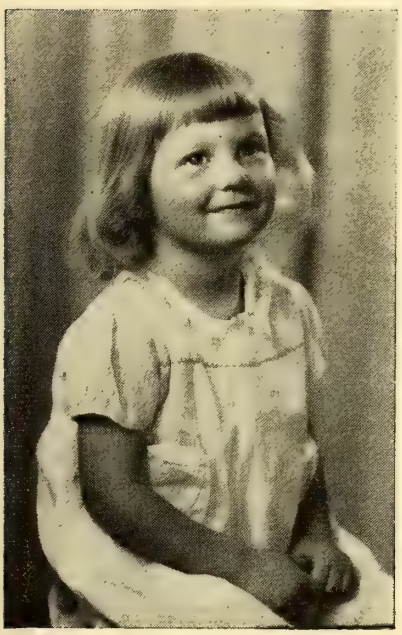
Teague's Chapel, Sandy Ridge circuit, Rev. J. D. Pyatt.

THE FOUR GOSPELS

Just before Christmas our good friend, H. A. Nading of Winston-Salem, presented to us 400 copies of the four New Testament Gospels, 100 of each. Yesterday we distributed these Gospels to the children and there was more gospel sinking into the minds of our boys and girls than on any Sunday in quite a long while. Our family needs the Gospel.

An illustration is no argument; but illustrations do clarify the understanding, previous to the application of the argument, as one sees better in a wiped looking glass.—Sterne.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SINCE CHRISTMAS—We took advantage of the Christmas holidays to use our boys in clearing the campus of leaves. We have at least 50 acres that are covered with beautiful trees, and it is a job to remove leaves from that much ground. A few more pretty days and we shall have our campus clean and attractive.

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SO FAR—At this writing we have had very little sickness of any kind. A few children have had bad colds and were confined at the infirmary for a short time. We are hoping that we shall escape the epidemic of influenza. Every precaution is being taken to safeguard our children from contagious and infectious diseases.

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FUQUAY AND OAK GROVE—On Sunday, January 12, I attended the 11 o'clock service at Fuquay Springs, and the 3 o'clock service at Oak Grove on the Millbrook charge. At each of these places a warm welcome was extended to me by Brothers R. G. L. Edwards and M. M. Walters. I was happy to meet a large number of friends of the Methodist Orphanage. These two churches are loyal and generous toward the Methodist Orphanage. At each of these churches the pastors gave me two or three minutes in which to bring greetings from the three hundred children at our home.

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PLANS—It is my desire to visit as many churches as possible during the year. The purpose of these contacts is to express my appreciation to the churches for the service they are rendering the Orphanage, and to urge them to co-operate with me 100 per cent in meeting our financial obligations. I am fully convinced that the reason we have such a hard time raising sufficient funds to carry on the work is due to the fact that the churches do not know that we lack $35,000 of having a balanced budget. I am thoroughly persuaded in my mind that if I can get across to the churches the desired information, all our legitimate needs will be amply provided for. I know that our pastors and church members love the Methodist Orphanage, and when they become acquainted with all the facts they will respond whole-heartedly to our needs.

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HOW TO DO IT—For a long time I have felt that something should be done about improving our large dining hall floor. There are six thousand, four hundred and fifty-two square feet floor space in the dining hall It is next to impossible to keep the floor clean where a thousand meals are served daily, with three hundred and thirty odd children and officers going into the dining room three times a day. Most of the children who work in the dining room are rather small girls and, with their school duties, they do not have time to give the dining room floor the attention that it needs. If we could cover the floor with battleship linoleum, it would make it much easier to keep the floor absolutely clean at all times. If our friends throughout the conference would send us Octagon soap coupons, we could get the linoleum without costing the Orphanage one penny. We secured the large electric range, oven and toaster with money which we received from Octagon soap coupons, and we could accomplish the same results in reference to our dining room floor.

WHEN A TIGHTWAD "GETS RELIGION"

A miser was converted, but he was still struggling with his stinginess. Shortly after his conversion an appeal was made to assist a certain family in the neighborhood. They had been burned out one night and nothing material was left. The converted tightwad went to his smokehouse to pick out a ham.

The tempter said to him, "Give the smallest one you have." In defiance the convert took down the largest.

"You are a fool," the tempter whispered.

"Shut up," the farmer growled, "for if you don't, I will give away every ham in this smokehouse."

That farmer was converted indeed. —The United Presbyterian.

AND SOME MEN WILL BELIEVE THIS

The dull boy in the class unexpectedly distinguished himself in a recent examination when in replying to the question, "How and where was slavery introduced into America?" he wrote:

"No women had come over to the early Virginia colony. The planters wanted wives to help with the work. In 1619 the London Company sent over a shipload of girls. The planters gladly married them and slavery was introduced in America."—Religious Telescope.

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Laymen's Week, February 23-28, 1941

By GEORGE L. MORELOCK

The outstanding program immediately ahead of the Lay Activities Movement is Laymen's Week, February 23-28.

Laymen's Day

It begins with Laymen's Day, Sunday, February 23. Laymen's Day was begun in the South in 1929. The General Board of Lay Activities of the Methodist Church endorsed the idea for united Methodism.

The subject for discussion this year is "Stewardship in Action." Material for the addresses published in pamphlet form is being shipped out to the district lay leaders for distribution.

Following this, the Board of Lay Activities is seeking to promote a week's intensive study of the Methodist Church by the laymen of each congregation.

The Origin

This idea originated with the Council of Bishops. North and South, East and West, the church is seeking to make adjustments necessary to the new order.

The bishops were of the opinion that it would help greatly if an inexpensive manual on the Organization and Work of the Methodist Church could be produced and its study be promoted throughout the connection. They asked the General Board of Lay Activities to publish such a book and promote its study.

Plan Approved

The General Board of Lay Activities unanimously approved the bishops' request and instructed the executive secretary to put it into effect.

The board designated the week of February 23-28, following Laymen's Day, as a period for study of the book.

Naturally, it is understood that any church is at liberty to fix some other week, or adopt some other plan for the study. It is hoped, however, that all churches, as far as possible, will follow the lead of our bishops and use the plan approved by the board.

The Study Book

Dr. Charles E. Schofield has written the book. He has done a magnificent piece of work. It is an epochal book of 144 pages filled with the facts that every layman needs to know. It costs only 25 cents a copy and it can be ordered on consignment for sale by any minister or charge lay leader. Orders should be placed with the nearest Depository of the Methodist Publishing House.

Who Study?

By all means every conference, district, associate district, charge and church lay leader; all members of official boards; trustees, officers and teachers of the church; members of the Society of Christian Service; lay members of annual conferences, ministers.

How Study?

The best method is to organize into study groups with competent leaders. Different parts of the book may be assigned to different leaders. The best results will accrue where four or five sucessive nights are used for the study. However, other plans can be used with success. If it is utterly impossible to organize a class, as many as possible should buy and read the book.

Co-operation

The Board of Lay Activities is asking for full co-operation from all concerned in this movement. It does so with a conviction that the results will more than justify the effort.

The Results

What will be some of the results? Greatly increased knowledge of the genius, the structure and the program of the Methodist Church; the answers to many puzzling problems and questions; an extensified appreciation of Methodism, its meaning, its message, and its missions; larger commitment to the kingdom of Christ.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE HONORS STUDENTS WITH MONTHLY BIRTHDAY PARTY

Following a custom inaugurated by Dr. Walter Patten, its president, Louisburg College honored all those students who had reached new birthday goals within the last 30 days with a delicious three-course banquet in the dining hall of the college at 6 o'clock Friday evening. Twenty-three students and ten members of the faculty so honored were seated at a long table gaily decorated with evergreens and small American flags which, lighted by candlelight, added to the patriotism as well as the fellowship of the hour. Special gifts were given to those present at the conclusion of the meal. Those attending the birthday party were: Marjorie Lomaz, Hamlet; Annie Sue Barrett, Roxboro; Doris Rhodes, Fayetteville; Street Kornegay, Warsaw; Ralph Roe, Richmond, Va.; Oleta Odom, Swansboro; Lemuel Broome, Aurora; Gloria Simpson, Vanceboro; Blanche Lee Rooks, Watha; Jane Rosser, Fayetteville; Pauline Litchfield, Aurora; Lois Pickering, Roxboro; Elizabeth Bass, Goldsboro; Borden McClees, Columbia; Laura Lytch, Laurinburg; Irene Vaughan, Rich Square; Howard Riggan, Macon; Gladys Strickland, Warsaw; Louise Mason, Atlantic; Mary Fay Richardson, Wilmington; Ellen Stuart, Warrenton; Ed Smith, Raleigh; Albert Smoak, Aberdeen. Faculty members present: Dr. and Mrs. Walter Patton, Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Amick, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Oliver, Miss Lula May Stipe, Mrs. Genevieve Perry, Miss Alice Kramer and Mr. Wm. R. Dixon.

THE CONTAGION OF IT

Other things spread from man to man and house to house by infection besides smallpox, diphtheria, measles and scarlet fever. Pessimism, gloom, hopelessness, despair, travel on their dreary ways after much the same fashion. When half the men you meet tell you the world is on the down grade and will soon skid around some fatal curse and go to smash, that business is never going to pick up and set the wheels of industry whirling again, that morally we are sliding back into night and darkness, you are quite tempted to think they may be right and, catching the germ of this painful disease, go spreading it around among your friends. True it is that we must pay the price of the most bankrupting war in history. We must face many a dark and threatening day. But just as men and nations have pulled themselves together after times of disaster and seeming ruin, so we are going to again. —Our Dumb Animals.

NEW LINCOLNTON PARSONAGE

The Lincolnton Methodists are justly proud of the new ten room parsonage into which their pastor, the Rev. L. D. Thompson, has recently moved. The house is equipped with two baths, steam heat and stoker, new druggets and furnishings, Venetian blinds, and new electric refrigerator. A view of the spacious and comfortable parsonage with its tall columns over an inviting front porch shows how well it is suited to the dignity and hospitality of the charming county seat of old Lincoln.

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BELIEVE IT OR NOT

According to an arrangement of churches and charges for the school superintendents' list as compiled by the board of education, there are 1138 churches and 392 charges in the Western North Carolina conference. A study of the number and size of the charges reveals the startling fact that 184 preachers serve 879 churches on three to nine point charges, while 208 preachers serve 259 churches on one and two point charges.

A Charge to Keep

There are 157 one point charges, 51 two point, 38 three point, 56 four point, 37 five point, 34 six point, 11 seven point, 6 eight point, and 2 nine point charges in the conference. The 1138 churches are divided among the different charges as follows: 157 churches on one point charges, 102 on two point, 114 on three point, 228 on four point, 190 on five point, 204 on six point, 77 on seven point, 48 on eight point, and 18 on nine point. These figures reveal that the largest grouping of churches is the 228 on four point charges, and the second largest is the 204 churches on the six point charges. Churches on the four and six point charges are more than one-third of the churches in the conference.

Eight Hundred Seventy-nine Churches and One Hundred Eighty-four Pastors

Through the splendid co-operation of the pastors of these charges some interesting facts are gathered. There are 160 three to nine point charges and 755 churches reported in this study. Of these 755 congregations involved, 394 are in one room churches; 277 have one assembly room with some additional class room space; and 83 have two or more assembly rooms plus class rooms. These figures show much to be desired in the way of equipment for church school work. As a result of generous contributions to various building enterprises by the Duke Endowment, the present equipment in this conference is perhaps above the average for other conferences in the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

A Rural Or an Industrial Section?

Although there are many varied industrial developments in our state, the fact that 629 of the 755 churches were reported as being in the open country indicates that our territory is largely rural. One hundred and two churches are in villages with population up to 1500, while 17 are in towns of over 1500. One hundred of the churches reported are located in industrial communities. Though mostly rural, many of our churches are called upon for a ministry to a constituency that is closely identified with industry. An increasing number of our people live in the country and work in our villages and towns, consequently the problems and achievements of rural and industrial churches which are separate and distinct in many communities are more and more the same in other places.

Some Puzzlers

Since straight thinking as well as factual information is necessary for the following questions, more credit is allowed for a correct answer. How can the preacher in charge be the key person in three, six, or nine different localities or communities? Since the horse and buggy days seem to be gone forever, how does the pastor finance his automobile for pastoral calling and preaching engagements on these large charges? Does either the group graded or closely graded literature meet the needs of people in the one room country church? Why do fewer farm youth belong to the church than any other occupational group in this state? Why are only 274 of these 755 churches properly marked?

What Is Your Name?

"What is your name?" is the theme of a well known sermon. The same question may well be asked about your church. As stated above, 274 of the 755 churches mentioned have church markers giving the name and date of organization. Some class, group or individual might well assume responsibility for having each church properly marked this year. It would be an excellent achievement if every one of the 1138 churches could be marked with an appropriate sign before annual conference. Bishop Purcell has given his approval. It will be done if someone wants to do it. During this first year after unification is a good time to let people know that we have A METHODIST CHURCH.

Who Will Assume the Responsibility?

In many cases a local painter can do the job—perhaps someone who is a member of the church. The Methodist Publishing House has attractive markers at reasonable prices. One of our pastors has agreed to make a substantial and attractive marker of either metal or wood for $4 each in single orders or for $3 each in orders of six or more. These are 16 by 24 inches in wood, and 17 by 28 inches in durable metal.

The young people of Indian Trail Methodist church gave a marker for their church at Christmas. They have written: "We are very much pleased with our marker, and we wish to express our appreciation for your interest and help in making it possible to obtain one." Any other person or group desiring such assistance may obtain it by writing to the office of Board of Education, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9

Race Relations Sunday provides an excellent opportunity for the Methodist Church to assist with higher education in our Negro colleges. Program materials for this observance may be secured from Dr. M. S. Davage, 810 Broadway, Nashville. The following pastors have ordered their materials and have plans under way for this observance: H. L. LaFevers, J. L. Stokes, Wilson O. Weldon, E. H. Nease, E. O. Peeler, H. Grady Hardin, Jr., John W. Moore, Rollin P. Gibbs, O. L. Brown, Jesse G. Wilkinson, L. E. Mabry, R. H. Taylor, G. N. Dulin, C. D. Brown.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR MISSIONARY UNITS

During January the primary and junior classes are studying a special group of missionary units on Chinese life and the work of the church in China.

Group Graded Literature

Those classes using group graded material (Our Little People and Junior Lessons) have found the lesson material in their regular literature. This means that every church using group graded material has had the missionary unit.

Closely Graded Literature

Those churches using closely graded literature will probably want to rearrange their lesson material to include missionary materials on China. These will be found in the year's material at various places. Other helps will be the group graded lessons for the present quarter. Many other suggestions for help have been sent to the superintendents of children's divisions.

Reporting the Missionary Units

All classes studying the missionary units on China should report their study to Mrs. George Hoyle, Shelby, N. C., who is conference secretary of children's work for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Every class using Our Little People or Junior Lessons will automatically engage in this missionary activity, and should be reported to Mrs. Hoyle. Closely graded schools will want to see that their children have this privilege, and will want to report it.

FIRST CHURCH, SALISBURY

On Wednesday evening, January 15, fifty church school leaders went to Sunny Acres for the regular quarterly meeting of the Workers' Conference. This was the first meeting planned by J. H. Knox, general superintendent, and Courtney Ross, assistant pastor and director of Christian education. A fine program consisting of food, fun, fellowship, study and worship was well planned and well directed. Many persons present pronounced it the most significant Workers' Conference held by the leaders of First church in many years. All indications are that real progress will be achieved during the months ahead. Those in attendance were: J. H. Knox, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. West, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Moore, Mrs. B. V. Hedrick, Mrs. W. W. Weant, Miss Caroline Powell, Mrs. White Goodson, Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Satterfield, Rev. Carl H. King, Rev. and Mrs. Courtney B. Ross, Miss Virginia Jenkins, Guy Propst, Constantino Kaneclydas, Mrs. Norman Church, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henry, Margaret

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JEKYLL AND HYDE OF BIRDLAND

By C. M. Jefferson

Wouldn't it surprise Robert Louis Stevenson to know that there is a real Jekyll and Hyde in the bird world? With regret we identify him as the ricebird and the reedbird, the scourge of the South. With pleasure we present him as the bobolink, the grandest songster in all the bird world.

The Merry Minstrel of New England meadows, the gay meadowbird, butterbird, Maybird and American ortolan. These are all titles of the bobolink. His beautiful song has won them. Take notice in May and June. The bobolink floats and dips, fairly intoxicated with the joyousness of spring and with the beauty of his own entrancing songs. He is quick on the wing, calls "tink, tink" and skims across the sky in company with several other bobolinks.

Early in June Mr. Bobolink stands guard several feet from the nest of his mate. There are heavily spotted eggs in it. The nest is hard to find for it is built on the ground. Usually it is under red clover. "Chah!" Mr. Bobolink utters harshly when he sees someone approaching. He sounds like a blackbird, but the warning is sufficient. Mrs. Bobolink rushes to safety.

Now the bad thing happens. The bobolink leaves the breeding grounds in August to dress for the masquerade rampage. Mr. Bobolink changes into a coat of huff feathers similar to that of the female. He flies to the South Carolina rice fields. Farmers dread the coming of the ricebird. They know that their ricewill be eaten and their crops destroyed. From the rice fields Mr. Hyde flies to the marshes. People in the lowlands call him reedbird. After feeding on seeds and grasses the reedbirds begin flight from the United States. Traveling by way of Florida they go to northwestern Argentina for the winter. Have you ever heard of "reedbirds on toast?"

Presto! In April the beloved songster returns to the United States for the summer. He is the world renowned bobolink, and we love him despite the damage he has done. Now Mr. Bobolink is dressed in a neat suit of black, white and buff. Not only does he sing to us in the United States, but he trills his lovely songs in the warmer foreign countries. Stop and listen to the magic tones, so different from others.

The bobolink will immediately win your heart. His song is so much a part of our national lives and our personal lives. His notes, so rapid and so bubbling, seem to fall over each other in delightful profusion. "Tink, tink," and away he goes. It's the bobolink, dipping, soaring and singing.—Our Dumb Animals.

SELECTIVE DRAFT

Selective draft is right. It is going to be the more careful selection. Young men who have been accepted without question in the world war will be rejected without hesitation this time. Only the cream from off the top of our young manhood will be selected for army and navy duty. The great majority of those who are registered will be rejected as unfit. Those selected will not only be the cream so far as physical fitness is concerned but also the cream as to mental and moral fitness. Moral fitness comes in when alcoholics are turned down without hesitation as unfit. Those alcoholics have other vices also that unfit them for army life. Now that is fine. Those boys in camps will be the finest of the fine. That being true every effort should be made to keep them that way. All debauching influences should be kept clear of all army camps where our finest of the fine are to be gathered. Their religious lives should be cared for by competent and devoted chaplains. There will be no Y. M. C. A. affair this time. All religious and social activities will be in the hands of the chaplains. We like that. But the chaplains within the camp should be backed up by Christians and moral forces around the camps. Unless effort is put forth there will be liquor and women and gambling devices and every imaginable influence and device to corrupt and debase the fine manhood we are sending to the camps.—Charity and Children.

THE MOTHER OF REV. R. E. WARD PASSES TO HER REWARD

Mary R. Ward, wife of the late Samuel M. Ward, was born October 27, 1943, departed this life January 12, 1941, aged 97 years, 2 months, and 15 days.

She is survived by the following children: Samuel Ward of North Wilkesboro, Mrs. A. L. Lippard of North Wilkesboro, Rev. R. E. Ward of Old Fort, John A. Ward of Washington, D. C., and Luther A. Ward of Spartanburg, S. C.

She is also survived by 40 grandchildren, and 40 great-grandchildren. She made a profession of faith in Christ when 10 years of age, and joined the Methodist church and has lived a faithful member for 87 years.

When her strength would permit she was faithful to attend the services of the church, making much sacrifice and effort to fill her place in the church.

Her oldest son, W. T. P. Ward, was a charter member of our church here at North Wilkesboro, and a member of the board of stewards.

She wrote a most unusual will in 1889, leaving a most precious treasure to her children. No earthly goods but something of a treasure laid up in heaven.

We laid her to rest after 97 years of service to her Master in Mt. Pleasant cemetery near Doneaha, by the side of her husband who preceded her by 19 years. A. L. Aycock.

WILL—MARY A. R. WARD

My will that all my children and children's children serve the living God and do his holy will; and all of them read the Bible through; strictly attend church, Sunday schools and prayer meetings; and all meet me on the other shore, where there is no more sin and no more sorrow, and rest forever more. I feel that my way is clear before me if we live strictly we can enter there.

May you all do the will of the living God, is the prayer of your affectionate mother. Mary A. R. Ward.

May 12, 1889.

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Children's Storyland



WHEN POOR JIM FOUND A HOME

Jim was the boy who left Miss Fisher's Evening Journal at the front door every night at six o'clock. As regular as clock-work was Jim, nothing delaying him but a late mail train. Miss Fisher was a young woman, nearly 30, who lived alone in the big brick house out on the end of Garfield street. Without parents or near kindred, she still was cheerful and busy alone in the old family home. Why she had not married no one knew; for she was far from plain, and had as sweet and lovable a disposition as one could wish for.

Miss Fisher sat down to her supper, after bountifully supplying Tabby with a saucer of milk and Tige with a plate of meat. The clock struck six and she went to the door for the paper; she always read the "personal" column while eating. But no paper was there. The wind was blowing and it was bitter cold, and she hurried in and shut the door.

"Jim is late tonight," she remarked to Tabby, who sat by the fire washing her face.

When she had finished her supper, Miss Fisher went to the door again, but still there was no paper. Scarcely was she seated in the sitting room, however ,when she heard a slow, shuffling step outside, and returned to get the Journal and bid Jim good evening. As she opened the door she stumbled over a dark object crouching on the step. It was Jim, and he was crying.

"Why, Jimmy, what's the matter?" said Miss Fisher, stooping down and touching his shoulder.

"O Miss Fisher," he sobbed, "I'm s-so c-c-cold."

"You poor boy; come right in by the fire; it is a bad night," and she helped the lad into the warm room and placed a chair by the fire. As Jim's fingers began to grow warm he cried with pain, but Miss Fisher took his hands in her own and rubbed the warmth into them.

"You're so good," he said. "That makes 'em feel a lot better," and his cheery smile came out in spite of the tears which still lingered on the long black lashes.

"Now you sit right here and get good and warm, and I'll come back in a few minutes," and she slipped out into the kitchen where Jim could hear the dishes rattle. In a very short time she appeared again, and, setting a tray down on the table, turned Jim's chair around and asked him if he would not like a bowl of chicken broth. There it sat, steaming hot, and crackers and sandwishes with it.

Miss Fisher left the room, and in a moment returned with a plate of delicious looking cookies and gingerbread. Gingerbread! Jim didn't even know what it was, but decided immediately that it was something "dreadfully good."

"Were you hungry?" she said. "How fortunate that I happened to have some of this broth left! It was just the thing to warm you up this cold night, wasn't it?"

"Oh, it was so good!" said Jim, between the bites of gingerbread.

"Now that you have finished eating, tell me about yourself and where you live," said Miss Fisher, when he finally said that he had "surely had enough of everything."

I don't live nowhere's in particular," said Jim. "Just now I'm sleeping over in Joe Skinner's shed; he said I might while 'twas so cold."

"But haven't you any home?" asked Miss Fisher in surprise.

"No, ma'am. I ain't got no folks like most boys; I don't remember as I ever had any; I've always just lived around."

"But what did you do before you slept in the shed?"

"Oh, I slept some in Dolan's shop—he don't ever lock it up; and I've stayed some nights in the big barn up there on the hill; but they've got an awful fierce dog, and I don't go up there if I can find any other place to stay."

"Poor Jimmy!" she thought, as she noted the thin coat and mittenless hands. At last Jim rose to go, but held his hand out toward the fire as though loath to leave it. Going to the clothespress, Miss Fisher brought out a coat and a pair of mittens.

"O Miss Fisher!" he exclaimed, and for a moment his face was buried in the folds of the coat which she held, while her hand rested lightly on the silken black hair. In a moment he was gone, wearing "Brother Freddy's" coat and mittens.

Long into the night Miss Fisher lay thinking. "Poor Jim! What a life to lead—no 'folks,' no friends, no home," and tears came into her eyes as she thought of Freddy, now a man grown up, but gone, no one knew where—perhaps wandering somewhere in want, like the prodigal son!

"Oh," she almost shuddered. "If Freddie were out on a night like this! If Freddie were without a home and friends I would want someone to be good to him—my little brother; and I'll be good to Jim."

When she awoke the next morning it was storming, and it continued and increased all day. At night, just as she was about to sit down to supper, she heard Jim's step on the porch. Immediately she arose and opened the door.

"Good evening, Jim. Won't you come in and get warm?"

Jim came in and sat by the fire till he was warm, then Miss Fisher asked him to stay for tea. There were creamed potatoes and tea, and what seemed to Jim a mountain of beautiful white bread.

"How'd you come to have so much of everything just for you alone?" asked Jim, as he took another slice of bread. "Did you plan for me to stay for supper?"

"Yes," replied Miss Fisher, "I am getting tired of always eating supper alone, and I want you to always take tea with me."

At this Jim's eyes opened wide. "Always? Every night?"

"Yes, every night. And Jim, there's a little room upstairs with a bed all ready for some one to sleep in, but there's no one to sleep in it; suppose you stay and occupy it, will you?"

"Really, Miss Fisher?"

"Yes, really; stay and be my boy—my little brother," and Miss Fisher's eyes suddenly grew moist.

Two little arms stole around her neck, while a trembling voice said, close to her ear, "Sure, I'll stay, if you really want me, Miss Fisher; and O, I'll try to be so good—for y-you've been s-so good to m-me!" and he caught his breath and swallowed hard. "I don't know what makes me cry now—only I'm so happy. I've got some folks now that I belong to."—The Junior World.

STAR OF THE EAST

By Margaret Goode Chandley

Long ago men's hearts were gladdened
By a star's bright, radiant gleam;
From afar its lustrous beauty
Echoed to each hope and dream.

For the star renewed a promise,
When all the world was new,
When a voice spoke from the heavens
In a garden wet with dew.

Wise men saw its radiant splendor,
Knew its meaning so divine,
As with eager hearts they hastened
To the Christ Child's humble shrine.

In our hearts that star is beaming,
Guiding still our wayward feet,
'Til we kneel before a manger
And the Holy Christ Child greet.

Storekeeper: What kind of soap do you want, little boy?

Little Boy: Just any kind that's got lots of perfume in it so mother can smell it and won't make me wash all over again.—Windsor Star.

Little Girl—What do you think, Auntie! There's something without legs running across the bath room floor!

Auntie—Oh, child, have you any idea what it is?

Little Girl—Water, Auntie.—Ex.

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April 1-10—Thomasville.
April 13-27—First Methodist, Richmond, Ky.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Lakewood, 11 26
Duke Memorial, 4:30 26

February
Brooksdale, Allensville, 11 (dedication) 2
Trinity, 7:30 2
Calvary, 7:30 9
Front Street, 7:30 12
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 16
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick Ch., 7:30 16
West Burlington, 7:30 19
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 11 23
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 3 23
West Durham, 7:30 24
Carr, 7:30 26

March
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 2
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 2
Duke Memorial, 7:30 4
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 5
Chapel Hill, 7:30 6
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 9
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 3 9
Graham, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April
Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Laurinburg, 11 26
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 26
Caledonia, Central, 7 26

February
Troy, 11 2
Troy Ct., 3 2
West End, 7 2
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Columbia, 11 26
Creswell, 3 26
Plymouth, night 26

February
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 2
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 2
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 2
Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Roper, 11 23

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
PREACHING SCHEDULE

January
Seven Springs, 11 26
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 26
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 7:30 26

February
Pamlico, Bayboro, 11 2
Newport, 7:30 2
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 22
Princeton, Princeton, 11 26
Selma, 7:30 26
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 27
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 29

February
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 2
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 2
Garner, Hollands, 7:30 5
Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Mamers, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Northampton, Jackson, 11 26
McKendree, Pinetops, 3 26
Tarboro, 7:30 26

February
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 2
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 2
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 11 9
Elm City, 7:30 9
Wilson, 11 16
Nashville, 7:30 16
District Evangelistic Conf., 10 a.m., Enfield 17
Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March
Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 26
Clinton, night 26

February
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 2
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night 2
Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30 20

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 26
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 26

February
Marshall, Marshall, 11 2
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 2
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Weaverville, 7 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March
Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Duncan Memorial, 11 2
Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 2
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7 2
Big Springs, 11 9
Unionville Ct., Zion, 3 9
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 7:30 9
Trinity, 7:30 12
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 14
Pineville, Harrison, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
Matthews, 7:30 16
Central Avenue, 7:30 17
Marshville, Wingate, 11 23
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 23
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 23

March
Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homesetead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

April
Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May
Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Advance, Mocksville, 2 25
Cooleemee, Mocksville, 2 25
Davie, Mocksville, 2 25
East Bend, Mocksville, 2 25
Farmington, Mocksville, 2 25
Mocksville, 2 25
Mocksville Ct., Mocksville, 2 25
Yadkinville, Mocksville, 2 25

February
Ararat, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Bryant Memorial, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Dobson, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Elkin, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Jonesville, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Miller's Creek, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Moravian Falls, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
North Wilkesboro, 2 8
St. Paul, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Trap Hill, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, 2 8

Note—Dr. M. B. Stokes, returned missionary from Korea, will deliver a missionary address at each of these zone conferences.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

January
Cherryville, 11 26
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 2 26
Gastonia, Trinity, night 26

February
South Fork, 11 and 1:30 2
Vale, Reep's Grove, 3 2
Maylo-Smyre, night 2
Mount Holly, 11 9
Lowell, Bethesda, 2:30 9
East End, night 9
Lowesville, 11 and 2 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 and 2 16
Belmont, Park Street, night 16
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 23
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Laboratory, 2 23
Bessemer City, night 23

March
Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16

Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missioanry Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Meeting of Golden Cross directors, Cherryville, 2:30 February 9.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Leaksville, 11 26
Spray, 7:30 26

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

January

Old Fort, 11 26
Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 26

February

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 2
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 2
Henrietta, Henrietta, 7:30 2
North Morganton, 7:30 9
Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

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SECOND ROUND

January

Troutman, 11 26
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 26

February

Maiden, 11 2
Ball's Creek, Pisgah, 2:30 2
Catawba-Claremont, night 2
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 2:30 9
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 9
Mount Zion, 11 16
Davidson, Fairview, 2:30 16
Jones Memorial, night 16
Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

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FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January

Lexington, First Church, 11 26
Green Street, 7:30 26

February

Centenary, 11 2
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3 2
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
Ceneral Terrace, 7:30 9
Erlanger, Erlanger, 11 16
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 3 16
Doubs, Brookstown, 7 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Hanes, Hanes, 7 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Ardmore, 7:30 4
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 3 9
Walkertown, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
First Church, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Kernersville, Cherry St., 7:30 23
North Davidson, Bethesda, 11 30
District Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6

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In Memoriam

FERREE—The recent passing of Mrs. Mary Jane Ferree removed from Randolph county a splendid Christian woman. She had reached the ripe old age of 85 years. During the long period of her confinement in bed the greater part of the time was spent in the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Julian in Millboro. It was here that the writer visited her frequently. She seemed to be patience personified. Although she was confined to her bed for approximately 12 months, she never murmured or complained. While it is true that her membership was at Worthville Methodist church, the church her husband helped to build, yet she was interested in other churches and was anxious for the Lord's work to prosper. A good woman has entered into the rest prepared for the people of God. H. L. Isley.

JULIAN—George I. Julian was born February 10, 1859, died December 22, 1940. He was a life long member of Bethany church. Surviving are the following children: C. S. Julian, Cedar Falls; Mrs. V. M. Aldridge, Asheboro; Mrs. J. W. Redding, Spencer; one brother, I. A. Julian of Millboro, and ten grandchildren, a number of nieces and nephews, and a host of neighbors and friends.

For a long period of years Brother Julian was a member of Bethany Methodist church, near Millboro, and attended until he was paralyzed about a year ago. May the Lord bless and comfort his children and all who feel the loss most keenly because of his passing.

The pastor was assisted in the funeral at Bethany church by Rev. J. C. Reynolds of the Wesleyan Methodist church. H. L. Isley, Pastor.

BALDWIN—Alice Mae Ward was born May 2, 1881, and went to her heavenly home December 23, 1940, age 59 years, 7 months and 21 days. In 1902 she was united in marriage with John Calvin Baldwin, who preceded her home in 1914. To this union eight children were born, all of whom survive: C. C. and M. F. Baldwin, and Mrs. F. E. McNeil of High Point, Mrs. David Ferguson of Liberty, C. E. Baldwin of Franklinville, Florence, Swana and Bessie Baldwin at home.

In early life she joined Bethany Methodist Protestant church and remained a faithful member to the end. She was a good mother and will be greatly missed in the home, but our loss is her gain. The Christian influence of this good woman lives on in the lives of her children. Heaven will have more attraction now for her children since their mother is there.

The funeral was conducted by the pastor at Bethany church. Burial took place in the cemetery beside her husband. H. L. Isley, Pastor.

WHITE—Ida Millsaps was born near Statesville, N. C., April 16, 1886, the daughter of William Franklin and Mary Susan Millsaps. She died at her home in Rosman, N. C., January 1, 1941, aged 54 years, eight months, and 16 days.

She was married May 23, 1906, to James Elmer White, also of Statesville. She is survived by her husband; three sons, Sylvester, Allen, and Braxton White; four daughters, Mrs. Dock Lusk, Elizabeth, Elsie, and Margaret White, all of Rosman; three brothers, C. W. Millsaps of Statesville, G. L. Millsaps of Pfafftown, and A. V. Millsaps of Society Hill, S. C.; two sisters, Mrs. C. F. Foster and Miss Nora Millsaps, both of Asheville; and one granddaughter, Joan White. Joan is the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester White, and is the only grandchild in the family.

Mrs. White, who was converted in early girlhood, united with the Methodist church and remained faithful to her Christian vows. She was a devoted mother, a loyal wife, a dependable neighbor and friend.

She has given herself in loving service to God, to her family, and to humanity. Now, after many years, the omniscient Father of all has seen fit to transfer her place of residence to the house of many mansions. But the fragrance of her unselfish life lingers yet in the hearts of those who loved her, and that fragrance will never be destroyed.

Funeral services were conducted at the Rosman Methodist church Friday afternoon, January 3, by her pastor, Rev. J. R. Bowman and Dr. B. W. Loomis of Brevard College. Interment followed in the cemetery at Calvert.

IN MEMORIAM

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Biltmore Methodist church wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. A. C. Williams, who passed away on November 25, 1940. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society, having served as president. Due to illness for nearly a year she was not permitted to attend the meetings. Her interest in the work never waned, and during the last week of her life a contribution to the finances came from her. Her Christian influence will be missed in the community, and with her passing our society and church have sustained a great loss.

Her patience and cheerfulness during all her illness and her trustful faith under affliction brought her a peace that the world cannot give.

She leaves to her husband and children the priceless heritage of a Christian life well spent. We thank God for her life and accept God's will in calling her to a heavenly home, and extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

Mrs. J. H. Rea, Pres.
Mrs. W. A. Bostic,
Mrs. O. W. Parham.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. George C. Jackson, Sr., one of our most loved members, who passed from this life to eternal life on November 29, 1940.

She was indeed and in truth a Christian woman, ever loyal to her church and always ready and willing to serve the God she loved through unselfish service to others.

She possessed those qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she was associated, and we shall always cherish her memory.

Be it resolved:

First, That we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy.

Second, That a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, one be placed in the records of our society, and one be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

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Above: Duke School of Nursing. (Inset) Miss Margaret I. Pinkerton, Dean. Below: Duke Hospital. **(Story on page eight).**

I WANT A MIRACLE

Looking Towards Methodism's Day of Compassion

By Wilson O. Weldon

Guy Morrill tells about a troubled little girl who entered a drug store in one of our large cities. Putting 25 cents in pennies and nickels on the counter, she said, "I want to buy a miracle."

Not sure he understood the little girl, the clerk asked, "What did you say?"

Quietly but with evident desire she said again, "I want a miracle!"

"I am not sure we have one," said the clerk as he laughingly asked, "What do you want with a miracle?"

"My little brother is very sick and I just heard the doctor tell my mother that unless she could get Dr. Lorenz, that only a miracle could save him. Mother didn't think we could get Dr. Lorenz, so I opened my penny bank and got out the money to buy a miracle."

At that moment a gentleman who had been waiting to have a prescription filled, stepped up to the girl and asked, "Will you take me to your house? I am Dr. Lorenz. Perhaps God will help us to do that miracle for you."

As I think of that girl wanting to buy a miracle and of that doctor's saying "God will help us to do that miracle for you," I am aware of the fact that we cannot buy miracles in the drug stores of life; we cannot even purchase them in the churches of the land—but we can have a part in working miracles. For, after all, what is a miracle? In the opinion of many it is "some extraordinary event brought about by a superhuman agency as a manifestation of its power or for the purpose of revealing spiritual force." But for our thinking let us consider a miracle as being simply a very wonderful thing, some mighty achievement, any event (according to liberal theology) which functions religiously and reveals the fact of God. Yes, we want and we need great spiritual achievements—and there is one in which each of us may have a vital part.

American Methodists have their eyes on the Day of Compassion, March 2, when we shall have the opportunity of serving in a special way the urgent needs of a world unsettled by the terrors of war. This Day of Compassion is not for bishops, ministers and a few others alone; it is for every individual, young and old who has a part in the body of Methodism. Each one may share in helping to minister to our hungry, troubled and distraught world through three areas:

The overseas relief to assist the "orphaned missions."

The moral and religious services for young men in the army camps of America.

Assistance to the Methodist Church in England.

The question that looms in a big way before us is how many of our people will sacrificially give their quarters, their dollars, their twenties, their hundreds? If we truly want to help God in the feeding of the hungry, in guiding the moral and religious conditions surrounding the young men in the army camps, in helping to renew the devotion of our brother Christians in other lands, then we shall happily and joyfully answer the call on March 2.

Some time ago I talked with one of our bishops whose territory includes several army camps. "Vice, organized evil, subtle temptations are crowding these centers," he said. "The church must do something. It must seek to counteract these non-Christian influences. But it takes money. We must have sufficient funds before we can go very far with any kind of comprehensive program." March 2 is the one big opportunity for Methodists everywhere, in chapel and in cathedral, in village and in city, on the campus and on the farm to give of their income for this million dollar relief fund. By so doing each of us will be a part in wondrous achievements. Yes, I want a miracle—all of us do. Not to buy a miracle, but to have a share in the working of human redemption! As I urge myself, I beseech you not to fail to respond to this challenge. When our Lord was here in the flesh he "went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil." The church is his body and ought to do as he did. We shall respond in a notable manner and share in the love of his compassion.

LIQUOR IN TRAINING CAMPS

A few days ago we heard a gentleman make a statement in a public address to the effect that he had a letter from a lad in one of the military training camps in which the lad said there were 7500 men in his camp and that on a recent occasion, presumably during the holidays, there were not 1000 men sober enough to fire a gun if a raid had been made on the camp. We do not know who the lad was and we do not know where the camp was located. We do know that any such occurrence reflects upon the sense of responsibility resting upon those who felt it necessary to conscript our young men for military training. This country is not the property of saloons and the liquor interests should be told in no uncertain terms that they cannot debauch our young men.—New Orleans Christian Advocate.

JUDGE FRANCIS D. WINSTEAD IS DEAD

Few men have been so long a part of the public life of the state as Francis D. Winston, 83, who died at his Windsor home January 28, 1941. Judge, lieutenant governor, U. S. attorney, oldest living alumnus of the University of North Carolina and of an outstanding family of the state, this famous Tar Heel was widly known and highly esteemed in almost every group of his fellow citizens.

Judge Winston ever gloried in being in the class that reopened the University following the Civil War, and he was fully as proud of being a citizen of great old Bertie. Commencement at Chapel Hill and life in eastern North Carolina will never be just the same since Francis D. Winston has passed on.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' CONFERENCE

Beginning Sunday afternoon at 3, February 23, a Christian Workers' Training School will be held at First church, Charlotte. The school will include February 23 to 28. Courses and their instructors are as follows:

Beginnings of Religion in the Life of the Child—Dr. Aline McKenzie of Chapel Hill.

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Rev. W. H. Townsend in leaving by will his home place in High Point as a home for the retired ministers of the North Carolina conference has set a good example for others to follow.

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The papers are saying the present legislature is personally dry. That is very fine. How can such men fail to give the people of the state the opportunity to say what is to be the future of ABC stores distributing millions of dollars worth of poison for gain?

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The vanquished are the real conquerors. It has with impressive truth been declared:

"The Caesars and the Alexanders pass,
But he who drank the hemlock,
He who drank the Cup more dread on Calvary's hill,
These are the servants and the conquerors
Of all this mighty world."

* * *

"A church that becomes an adjunct to a war department has denied its ministry. The function of the church is to keep Christ where he belongs, upon his judgment seat, condemner of our joint guilt, chastener of our impertinent pride, guide to our only hope. I will not prostitute the ministry of Jesus Christ to the sanction and support of war."—Harry Emerson Fosdick.

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Though North Carolinians are rooted in democracy and devoted to freedom of the individual; though we are in the struggle to save the British Commonwealth; though we are building a defense against the enemy from without, yet we are told there are men in the General Assembly who are not willing to allow our people to express themselves about the enemy within our gates. We are urged to fight Hitlerism but not allowed to express ourselves on alcoholism. Are we no longer free men?

In 1937 campaign for ABC stores money came into Durham and was used in abundance to carry the election. Let's all take notice. The organized liquor interests of this country have the money to buy votes and to employ workers to carry out their designs. The good people of North Carolina know what to expect. It is the same old game of the liquor crowd and those who line up with them. Such do not deserve a place with high souled and honorable men. Watch out Raleigh in 1941.

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The military resistance offered to Hitler by the people of the British Empire, during these last critical weeks, springs from the forces of an ancient nation which knows its own life to be threatened as never before in its history. There is also one other impelling force and this will make itself felt in the future: the fact that this nation today fights in a representative capacity for the future of mankind, and that only this nation is today in a position to create the new peaceful order which will save the world. In this sense America should be one with Britain. The ultimate end is peace. But what shall be the nature of this peace?

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A renewal in Christ Jesus usually means that something new begins to happen. Such is the obvious lesson that appears on the pages of the New Testament. As the new converts went everywhere preaching the word they caused a stir. It was said of them, "They that turned the world upside down have come hither also." It was much this way when the pioneer Methodist preachers—those wonderful men on horseback—appeared on the scene. Sometimes now a Methodist preacher will be in a community for a month before anything happens. It was not so when those flaming evangels with a fire in their bones appeared on the scene with hearts aglow as they sang, "Come, sinners, to the gospel feast, There need not one be left behind; For God hath bidden all mankind."

To Make Great Preachers

OUT of this present decade in America should come many great preachers if the men in the pulpits are willing to give themselves unreservedly to the needs of this age. Not in all the years of our history has there been any such need for a vital pulpit as in this turbulent hour. Unusual issues crowd upon us due to the upheaval among the nations. A languid and weak clergy is content to compromise with the age as it drifts with the current. But ministers committed to the desperate struggle for a better world will be heroes in the strife. They grow strong in the struggle as they work and speak with conviction for God. To champion the overthrow of all unrgihteousness and every form of ungodliness calls for men with the spirit of John Knox in the Scotland of his day.

We are not now chiefly concerned about the men who deal with the issues beyond the waters and are experts in portraying the movements in the capitals of the world. The professional news gatherers and news analysts can do this. Our present concern is with the men here in North Carolina who speak for God in the pulpits of the town and country churches. If these men measure up to the demands upon their churches in these months when all the elements in Washington and out across the land are enlisted in national defense and material force for the saving of the nations, they will have shown themselves mighty spiritual leaders and heroic of the Lord. Only the church of Jesus Christ just now stands for the things of the spirit and only the Christian ministers are messengers of peace and good will. Are we as leaders in our churches to be turned aside from our spiritual mission? Are we to become aids and abettors of the war lords these days of war and rumors of war?

What years are these for the man who has a ringing message from God each and every Sunday in the year so that his pulpit becomes a throne of power from which he would not step down to pick up a monarch's crown. If we can have much great preaching in the pulpits of our state we are going to discover some great preachers. Many of these will certainly come out of the country pulpits. Dr. J. C. Rowe, one of the great preachers of North Carolina, often said that he did his best preaching to a little group in a country church on Saturday at a quarterly conference. He lived in an age favorable for great preaching. To read an essay then was no preaching at all. This next decade is most sorely in need of men who can exalt God and crusade for righteousness among a people far gone from God and sorely perplexed with the hell and damnation of war. Let strong men push the weaklings out of the pulpits.

Nurses at Head of the List

A SUCCESSFUL business man recovering from a serious operation, which kept him for weeks in a hospital, remarked that through the years he had considered preachers, teachers and doctors—in the order named —as the most unselfish in all the professions. But his recent experience in the hospital had led him to revise the order and to put nurses and doctors at the head of the list. Be that as it may, we are convinced that most of us fail to duly appreciate the services rendered by the trained nurses of the land. When pain and anguish render almost unbearable the dark night watches, then the tender, faithful nurse becomes more than an angel of mercy. She is a human necessity. So it becomes easy to believe the story old of the wounded soldiers and sailors who would kiss the shadow on the wall of Florence Nightingale as she, with light in hand, passed through the wards of the dying.

When epidemics sweep the land, as do so often the waves of influenza, so that doctors and nurses cannot be had, we come to appreciate as never before the value of nurses. Some of us in 1918-1919, passed through this experience. That we may be saved from a recurrence of such is the hope of all. Would we not do well to esteem more highly the trained nurses, so essential in the hospital, and at times, in the home? They enable us to place a higher estimate on the royalty of service and to give due mead of praise to the faithful and devoted nurses.

Will "Basic English" Become a World Language?

DR. I. A. RICHARDS, a noted British scholar who is a Cambridge professor and a visiting lecturer at Harvard, declared in a lecture last week in Chapel Hill that "basic English," which requires only 850 words, may soon become a "world language" for business and every day purposes. And to prove his point the Cambridge professor gave a polished lecture on democracy in 850 words which was said to be noteworthy for its insight and com-

ment on English philosophy in the present crisis. Dr. Richards pointed out that "thirty countries are teaching basic English in the schools. It is being used by international organizations, by business men, and for international radio." Whether "basic English" becomes the universal language remains to be seen, but unquestionably the world is hastening toward the adoption of one language as a means of communication for all people.

War, Famine, Pestilence

THE Durham Herald of January 24 quoted Dr. David T. Smith, professor of bacteriology and associate professor of medicine at the Duke Medical School, as predicting that the present flu epidemic will in all probability become world wide. This wave started on the Pacific coast of the United States and is moving eastward, though generally these world-wide waves move from east to west. He thinks the disease will soon reach Europe where it will be more severe than here.

The present wave of mild cases will in all probability, thinks Dr. Smith, be followed by a stronger epidemic with a far higher mortality rate. The last world-wide spread of influenza was 1918-1919, when in less than 12 months there were more than 200,000,000 cases and 10,000,000 deaths. In the United States, in less than six months, there were 20,000,000 cases and 450,000 deaths.

Europe will feel the present epidemic far more than previous ones for two reasons: First, the war, which makes millions live in unhygienic conditions, and also keeps them undernurished; second, the fact that the wave began in this country and is moving eastward—influenza waves generally increase in virulence as they move.

Influenza apparently goes back almost to the beginning of recorded history. The Bible sets down war, famine and pestilence as the three great scourges of mankind. These three usually go together. The modern world with all our boasted progress suffers from these same scourges, though many hold to the conviction that war is a cure for the evils of the world. More war, more famine, and more pestlience means the end of the race—ultimately the finish of our humanity. These are all really destructive in their results.

The Great Physician said, "I am come not to destroy men's lives but to save them." So, eventually war, famine, and pestilence must go.

A Vital Part of the Whole

AMERICAN Methodism is nation-wide in its organization and world-wide in its undertakings. But the vital unit of this vast organization is the local church with its resources and personnel which head up in the preacher in charge. This is fundamental. A vast organization such as the Methodist Church must rely on the local church as its vital unit.

With the coming of Methodist union the annual conference assumes a more important place in church administration. This vital unit must save us from being lost in a vast ecclesiastical organization spread over the entire nation deprived of the effectiveness of the personal touch. The Christian conquest comes primarily with the testimony of the individual rather than by the constraint of the organization.

So the local church is certainly the vital unit and the pastor remains the key man.

Our two great conferences have a vast field for conquest here in North Carolina. The 1940 churches with their 637 pastors are the effective agencies in doing the work of the Methodist Church in this state. Here is our special field and we are the laborers called of God for the work. This Advocate through the years has been committed to the task of rendering every possible help to all the interests of our churches by doing all possible to aid the women in their work, the church schools in training youth, and the pastors in their thousand and one tasks in caring for all the churches. These, indeed, are the vital units of our world-wide Methodism.

Follow the Good Example of Bishop Purcell

BISHOP PURCELL'S contributions to this Advocate are models of conciseness and brevity. He always has something worth while to say and without multiplying words says it and then stops. For this we applaud him and commend his example to all those who think the length of a contribution is the measure of its value when the reverse is true.

We submit that a man who will not follow the good example of his bishop should not insist that he be allowed space in the church paper for a multiplication of words without a corresponding increase of ideas. Brevity will multiply the number of readers.

People and Things

Bishop John M. Moore, retired, of Dallas, Texas, has taken over the editorship of the Southeastern Christian Advocate, official organ of Methodism in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The Southeastern College of Bishops of the Methodist Church is to meet in Nashville, Tenn., May 5. Bishop H. M. Dobbs is president and Bishop J. L. Decell, secretary. The Council of Bishops has been called to meet in Chicago March 5.

Bishop Arthur J. Moore, president of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, and Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary of foreign missions, Woman's Division of Christian Service, will sail for China February 28.

The work on the new church at Sedge Garden is progressing well. It has just been closed in and the basement is complete. The interesting fact, however, is that they pay as they go and now have all bills paid with 25 cents in the treasury.—H. G. Hardin, Jr.

Central, Mount Airy, W. J. Miller, pastor, has recently finished a complete redecoration of their church auditorium. Venetian blinds were put in all the windows of the church school building. In addition to this work the church accepted full askings for world service.—H. G. Hardin, Jr.

Most costly war the world has ever known is the way Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, describes this European war. He states that Britain's average daily war expenditures have risen from $21,200,000 for the first year to $36,400,000 for the first 77 days of the second year.

The Greensboro district pastors assembled at two places, Leaksville and West Market, and adopted the church quotas which amounts to $3000 for the district without any dissenting and with enthusiasm. Arrangements are being made to hold a service in every church on Compassion Sunday, March 2.

All goes well on the Whiteville charge. The flu is raging and many of our regular attendants were absent from the church services last Sunday, but we had a large crowd at the morning service anyway. The flu situation is improving and we are hoping to be back to normal or better in church attendance and interest within a short while.—L. V. Harris.

Sixteen charges of the Durham district have increased pastors' salaries for the year. There has also been an increase in the acceptances on benevolences. At the first quarterly conference of the Bahama church, of which Rev. M. C. Dunn is pastor, six items were paid in full for the year. These were bishop's fund, conference claimants fund, administrative fund, orphanage, ministerial retirement fund, and district fund. A new brick church has been built at Mt. Sylvan on Bahama charge to replace the one that was burned several months ago.

The Mecklenburg Methodist Ministers' Association was organized Monday, January 27, at the Hawthorne Lane Methodist church. The following ministers were elected as officers for the ensuing year: S. M. Needham, president; J. E. Yountz, vice president; John H. Carper, secretary and treasurer. By unanimous vote of the association First church, Charlotte, was selected as the place of meeting, 10:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. as the time. The association meets the first, third and fourth Mondays each month, with the first Monday given over to a business meeting, and the other meetings featured by a twenty minute program of devotion and inspiration followed by a period of fellowship among the brethren.

Loyal to the church and to every pastor, generous in giving of his tithe, loved by his men whom he worked with both in the church and in his construction work, a noble gentleman and a man who rather live his sermon than to speak it, D. F. Harwell, a devoted Methodist layman of the Glenwood charge, Greensboro, has answered a higher summon.—Robert M. Hardee, Pastor.



Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton

The Catawba charge is getting along in its usual fine way. The budget is balanced, 7½ new subscriptions to the Advocate have been received, generous poundings have been received by the pastor and family from all churches on the charge, a furnace has been installed at Catawba and paid for, a furnace is in process of being installed at Claremont, and $600 has been raised for a building fund at Concord. In addition changes which make for convenience in the parsonage have been made, together with the building of kitchen cabinets and the installation of an oil heatrola.—W. Q. Grigg.

The young people's division of Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, is sponsoring a young people's inspirational conference to be held at the church March 7, 8, 9. The program will begin with a banquet Friday night and close on Sunday evening with a consecration service. Dr. Hornell Hart will speak at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning. Plans for Saturday will include a Bible emphasis period, group discussions and vesper service. The various speakers and leaders are now being contacted, and invitations will be sent to all young people in the city and to the Mecklenburg County Young People's Union.

What is a person worth according to the estimate of Jesus? Readers of the Adult Student will find a discussion of this question in their March issue. The discussion will come in the elective course on "Personal Evangelism" and will take into account sub objectives as helping adults to gain a greater appreciation of the value of persons, helping them to have a genuine concern for leading others into the Christian life, and helping them engage in the work of evangelism intelligently, constructively, and effectively. Dr. Paul W. Quillian, pastor First Methodist church, Houston, Texas, is writer of the course. Helps for teachers using this elective will appear at the same time in the Church School Magazine. Sample copies of these periodicals may be obtained by writing to the Editorial Division, Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. A. R. White, new manager of the Richmond Branch of the Methodist Publishing House, comes from Nashville, Tenn. Mr. White has been with the Publishing House for 20 years, having been stationed both in Dallas and Nashville.

Will the gossips listen to these golden sentences? Are you willing to sign your name to the story you are about to repeat regarding your neighbor? Would you go into court and swear to it? No? Well, you had better not repeat it then. It may harm your neighbor's reputation. The story may be false. You may then have explanations to make. You may also be sure that you will be put down as a gossip and busybody. You will not be trusted. It is best not to repeat stories about people. Never repeat any story unless you know it is 100 per cent true? Why be a gossip anyhow?

Rev. F. F. Frisby is still confined to his bed in Mercy Hospital, Charlotte. He has been ill since the 10th of November, entering Mercy Hospital near Thanksgiving. Dr. Grover T. Bond, district superintendent, has been supplying his work. Realizing the terrific financial strain upon Brother Frisby and his good wife trying to live and face their obligations on a $950 salary, this is in all probability as large a salary as he has ever received, the ministers who know him gave their congregations an opportunity to make a free will offering to his hospital expense. The following churches made response to his need in the following manner: Hawthorne Lane $50, Dilworth $36, Morven $30, Thrift-Moores $17.11, Spencer Memorial $11.80, Big Spring $3, Trinity $2. —J. H. Carper.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, Ann Arbor, Mich., will arrive on the Greensboro College campus on February 7 to attend the Methodist Student conference which is being held at Woman's College from the 7th to the 9th, with G. C. as joint hostess. Mrs. Overton will remain on our campus throughout the 14th to be the principal speaker for religious emphasis week, February 9-14. Mrs. Overton is a noted author and lecturer and Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president of the Y. W. C. A., which is sponsoring the group meetings, feels fortunate in being able to secure her.

Miss Mary Brock, secretary of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association, left January 24 for a series of chapter meetings of the association throughout the state, where she will speak informally on local chapter problems and opportunities. During the week-end Miss Brock was the guest of Mrs. Roy J. Hart, New Bern, president of the Craven county alumnae chapter, which she addressed Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. W. C. Barfield. Monday, January 27, Miss Brock attended the Pitt county chapter meeting in Greenville, with Mrs. J. E. Parkerson, president, presiding. Wednesday, January 29, Miss Brock addressed a meeting of Wayne county alumnae in St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro. Concluding her trip, she attended a luncheon meeting of the Wake alumnae Thursday, January 30, at Woman's Club, Raleigh.

LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEETING, WILMINGTON DISTRICT

The Wilmington District League of Stewards of the Clinton-Warsaw area will meet on Sunday afternoon at Warsaw, February 2, at 3 o'clock. Every steward and leader of the churches in this section of the Wilmington district is called to meet at this time by the district leader, W. A. McGirt.

A very helpful program has been arranged and speeches by leading laymen on carrying on the program of our church will be a helpful part of the program. Dr. W. K. Green, conference lay leader, will make the principal address of the afternoon.

A like meeting was held at Whiteville in December for the Whiteville-Lumberton area. The meeting for the Wilmington area will likely be held in March.

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET AT CENTENARY

The ministers' wives of the Winston-Salem district will meet Tuesday evening, February 4, at 7:30 in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. C. W. Kirby, District Leader.

STATE-WIDE MEETING OF METHODIST STUDENTS AT COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH, FEB. 7-9

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton will be keynote speaker for the annual state-wide meeting of the Methodist Student Movement conference at College Place Methodist church in Greensboro for the week-end of February 7-9.

More than 250 Methodist students from practically every college in North Carolina will be in attendance at the conference to which Woman's College and Greensboro College will be hostesses.



Miss Bess Johnson

Miss Bess Johnson, president of the Y. W. C. A. at Woman's College and member of the Wesley Foundation, Methodist student group on campus, is president of the conference this year. Assisting officers are: Vice presidents, Wayne Kernodle, Brevard College; Miss Hazel Starnes, E. C. T. C.; Miss Nell Everette Nash, Catawba College; Miss Cameron Taylor, Greensboro College; secretary-treasurer, H. A. Scott, Jr., Duke University; and conference dean, Rev. Carl H. King, Salisbury.

Opening Friday afternoon with registration at 3:30 o'clock the conference will hear an address, "Will the Church Build for Tomorrow?" by Mrs. Overton. She will give two discussions at the Saturday meetings on "The Church and Human Fellowship," and "My Vitality and the Vitality of My Church," and is scheduled to deliver the conference sermon, "Can I Have Faith in the Future?" Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Other features of the week-end are a fellowship hour at which Woman's College will entertain Friday evening; a banquet at which Greensboro College will be hostess and the presentation of the religious drama, "The Martyrs' Return," by the Woman's College Players, Saturday evening, and installation of officers and communion Sunday morning.

Devotional programs for the conference are being planned by High Point College, Louisburg College, and Western Carolina Teachers' College.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE ANNOUNCES HONORS

Sarah Davis, Louisburg, led her own first year class and the school as well in scholastic rating for the first semester with an average of 2.94 of a possible 3.00, necessitating the securing of six A grades and one B in seven courses totaling 19 hours. Lois Pickering, Roxboro, and Jane Rosser, Fayetteville, took runner-up places with averages of 2.93 each out of the possible 3.00, just one point below the high honor.

Students were entertained Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock in the college auditorium with the motion pictures "Tobaccoland," "Pleasure Time," and "Football Thrills of the 1940 Gridiron Season."

The new motion picture sound equipment used in presenting the program was provided for the college through a special gift fund. According to Mr. W. H. Clatworthy, professor of mathematics and science, and manager of the Visual Education program, many more fine films are being secured.

Duke Nursing School Completes 10th Year

During This Decade 402 Young Women Trained

When the 141 students in the Duke University School of Nursing began the work of the winter quarter this month marked the completion of ten years of instruction in the art and science of nursing. It was in January, 1931, that 33 students, the first nursing class, began their training. Since then 402 young women have come to Duke to follow in the footsteps of Florence Nightingale, and practically all are now devoting their interests and energy in unselfish service to victims of disaster and disease.

The decade just ended was a period of foundation-building, growth and adjustment, and much effort was required to meet the numerous problems attending the new undertaking; yet the ten-year-old school has already made significant contributions to the public health, particularly in the area chiefly assisted by the Duke Endowment, North and South Carolina.

The School of Nursing was provided for in the indenture of James B. Duke, signed in 1925. In April, 1929, Miss Bessie Baker, outstanding teacher and administrator, was appointed dean and professor of nursing education. To her goes much credit for the firm foundation upon which the school is based.

In 1939, ill health—which she herself had helped thousands to fight—forced Miss Baker to relinquish her directorial duties; she is now dean emeritus. Miss Margaret I. Pinkerton was called from a responsible administrative position in the midwest and given the title and duties of dean.

University Life

Students in the School of Nursing enjoy all of the advantages offered on the university campus, and their education is consequently broad as well as thorough. Before their own home (which adjoins the hospital) was completed in 1932, the nurses lived in dormitories at Woman's College. In extra-curricular phases of campus life their position is same as of other undergraduate women. They have their own choral, drama and hobby clubs. They participate in the intramural athletic program. They control and direct their own affairs through their student government—the first in North Carolina.

The nurses' home is completely equipped for the comfort and convenience of the students, and the several dozen graduate nurses who live there. There are parlors, kitchenettes, laundries and a music room.

The Duke nursing school has a fashion history all its own. In April, 1931, probationary students were issued their first uniforms—blue dresses with white aprons and collars. At the end of the second probationary period caps were presented. These were designed by the teaching staff. (The distinctive size and shape of her cap is the badge of office given every nurse by her school).

The first uniforms included black shoes and hose. Vigorous protests from the dark-stockinged students, and their promise to keep white hose white and white shoes spotless, brought about the first major fashion change.

As in other schools of nursing, Duke freshmen nurses (probationers—every student is accepted at first for a period of only six months) wear uniforms differing somewhat from those worn by more advanced students. When the probationary period is ended, the Duke nurse receives her cap and white cuffs.

The capping ceremony, conducted in an atmosphere of religious solemnity, is an event of deep significance to both students and faculty. More accurately and impressively than her graduation, it marks the young woman's entrance into the profession of nursing.

Gradutes in South

Of the 151 nurses graduated by the Duke school in the last decade, 63 have received the Bachelor of Science degree in addition to their diploma in nursing. They have chosen many different phases of nursing work, including public health, industrial, teaching and administration; and they are serving not only in many sections of the United States but in foreign countries as well. Fifty per cent are practicing their profession in the Southern States. Twenty-six per cent have married.

A missionary to Africa, the health supervisor of a large industrial organization, an airline hostess, public health supervisors—these are only a few of the many interesting places of service now filled by Duke nurses.

The nation's call for trained workers in this period of national emergency has been answered in recent weeks by a large number of Duke nurses now holding positions of responsibility in government hospitals. Following the example of Miss Bessie Baker, who was in charge of the nurses in Base Hospital No. 18 in France during World War I, many have volunteered for military medical service—should the necessity arise.

Highland Hospital in Asheville, affiliated with the Department of Neuro-psychiatry of Duke Hospital, sends its student nurses to Duke for one year of their training. There are sixteen Highland students at Duke this term.

I AM YOUR CHURCH

I am the best friend you ever had.
I am hung about with sweet memories—
Memories of brides—
Memories of mothers—
Memories of boys and girls—
I am blessed with loving thoughts,
Crowned with happy hands and hearts
In the minds of the greatest men on earth
I find a constant dwelling place.
I safeguard man in his paths.

I lift up the fallen, strengthen the weak,
I help the distressed, I show mercy,
Bestow kindness and offer a friendly hand.
I am good fellowship, friendliness, love.
Sometime, some day in the near future
You will yearn to touch my hand.
I am your comforter and your best friend,
I am calling you—NOW!
I AM YOUR CHURCH.

—Selected.

NEW MEMBER OF BREVARD COLLEGE FACULTY

Shown here in the picture is Miss Mabel Cherry who, beginning February 1, will become a member of the Brevard College faculty. Miss Cherry will come to Brevard after serving nine years as teacher of English and religious education in the Union Methodist Theological Seminary, Seoul, Korea. She received her education at several colleges and universities including Davenport, Duke, Scarritt, Peabody, Theological Seminary of Chicago, and the Union Theological Seminary, New York.



Miss Mabel Cherry

CEDAR GROVE CIRCUIT

I had thought after coming to Cedar Grove that as soon as the people got through pounding and giving, I would write to the Advocate about all they had given; but seeing that their generosity is everlasting, that they just don't get through giving and doing kind things, I decided to go ahead with my writing. Of course I shall not attempt to list all that the folk have brought to our parsonage, since I do not expect to be given all the space in the Advocate this week; but I'll tell you that these people around here really live, and they see that their preacher lives. I had been told about them. The preachers who had served this work—others who knew about this section of the county said to me: "You're going to a good work. They are fine folk!" They told me about the hospitality here, but even after sufficient warning the poundings brought in here have staggered me. Cedar Grove came first at Thanksgiving, then Prospect, and just before Christmas Walnut Grove sent in another load. With just three poundings we could have opened up a big grocery, produce and market business. The people from Carr church have been pouring in fresh meats and other good things constantly since the first week. Glencoe is a church which would prove an asset to any work. They are wide awake, and on Christmas eve they gave to us lovely gifts.

Now I have not yet mentioned that my back yard stays full of wood and my refrigerator full of milk. You see why I decided not to wait until they stopped giving to write. They are truly, preacher friends, as you told me fine people, and I pray that we may do something to merit such kindness.

Of course, frankly, when we left Fayetteville circuit we felt that we were leaving the best people in the world. They supported us in a loyal way for four years. They, too, manifested a spirit of love and generosity. Before we left there we were the recipients of many nice gifts, including money, from the various churches and organizations, for which we were very grateful.

So it is, my friends, we left good people and we have certainly found good people here. Our stay in Fayetteville was climaxed with a happy ending, and we feel that our beginning in Cedar Grove has been no less pleasant.

Our first quarterly conference was held at Cedar Grove on December 6. At this time the district superintendent, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, brought to us a very inspirational message which strengthened our faith for our work in the coming years. The pastor's salary was made $2100 at this meeting.

If every preacher in the North Carolina conference is being as well supported and taken care of as we are, he certainly has reason to be happy. J. C. Williams.

NEW EDUCATIONAL BUILDING FOR DILWORTH CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

The Dilworth congregation, Dr. H. P. Powell, pastor, will at an early day have a new educational building with furnishings to cost $75,000.

As the nucleus of the building fund, Dilworth church has $35,000 as its part of the proceeds from the sale of the old Trinity church lot. In addition, the church has a gift of $25,000, donated by J. A. Jones and Edwin L. Jones, prominent laymen of the church.

It has been agreed that the congregation will contribute $15,000 with which to purchase the equipment and furnishings, making the total cost $75,000.

The new building will be of ecclesiastical type, conforming to the architecture of the main church, erected in 1926. It will be on the eastern side of the church, the parsonage being on the western side, so that the entire structure will be symmetrical. Between the main church and the education building will be a sheltered passageway, and between them will be a chapel.

Two main floors and two mezzanine floors are planned in the new education building, which will be of brick and stone. On the first floor will be assembly and class rooms for the cradle roll, primary, and beginners' departments, with additional class rooms on the mezzanine floor. On the second floor will be assembly rooms and class rooms for the junior, intermediate, and senior departments, which will have additional class rooms on the second floor mezzanine.

Facilities on the ground floor of the education building will include a social room, which is to seat 400, and on this floor a modern kitchen and an up-to-date serving pantry will be constructed. Seating capacity of the entire new building will total about 1500.

Rearrangement of some of the facilities on the ground floor of the main church building also is contemplated.

J. H. Carper.

NEWS FROM HATTERAS

We came to the Hatteras charge after conference last November, and upon our arrival we found the churches functioning in all departments and a people ready and willing to work for the cause of our Lord.

On Thanksgiving Day the members of the Hatteras church gave the preacher and his family a fine pounding, for which we were unable to adequately express our thanks.

We have organized a vested choir at this church and this has created interest in and helped our services.

On the Sunday before Christmas the good people of Buxton loaded our car with good things to eat and made us feel that truly we were one of them.

Already plans have been made for remodeling and repairing the parsonage in the spring.

We are encountering nothing but a hearty spirit of fellowship and co-operation from our people and we are looking forward to a year of advancement for the kingdom of God. A. J. McClelland, Pastor.

AYDEN IS AID'N'

Although there are some around here who say that Ayden derived its name from a "cross roads joint" near here that for some time was designated "A Den," I choose to adopt this slight derivation of the present spelling. "AID'N'." These good folk have been aid'n' preachers and their families now for a long time and they are about to become "specialists" at it. They "aid" for the joy they get out of it and not for any reward they will get. If this isn't true, then at least one preacher is deceived. Many things have been done since the beginning of our third year here to convince us of these things. The present preacher and his family are deeply grateful for all these many expressions of appreciation and love that have been extended to us. We're determined to "push" a little harder that this year may be better. Lester A. Tilley.

The Church in Critical Times

(Excerpt from President's address, Convocation of Churches of the N. C. Council of Churches, at High Point, January 14, 1941)

By W. A. STANBURY

The Christian church of which we are all a part and in which we have invested so much of our faith and the fortune of our lives is living now in an age of crisis; and it seems to all of us, in an age of extreme crisis. What happens now must inevitably affect the church for good or ill—or no doubt for both! What will and ought to be the church's place and mission at such a time? Will the church come off weaker or stronger? Will she help to solve men's problems and save the world from total disaster, or will she share in the general debauch—or debacle—and contribute to the world's already well nigh unrelieved confusion?

The first thing I offer is, that the church must resolutely, prayerfully, and persistently seek to find the right way, and then courageously and humbly try to point it out. That will be difficult to do. Amid the tensions and heats, not to mention the hyserics and mad angers, of such a time, men are not amenable to reason. They are not inclined to listen if anybody says something or proposes some course of action with which they do not agree. They call such a man names, ranging all the way from "moron" to "coward" to "fifth columnist," "traitor," and some even less euphemistic!

But the church must not be swept off her feet—or off her knees! She must try with all her might and heart to learn the mind of Christ, and follow it—yes, proclaim it. If she makes mistakes, she is still in a world most of which hardly merits the adjective "infallible"! The one fatal mistake would be to be frightened into silence, to cry, "Peace, peace, when there is no peace," to try to make the message of Christ square with the wishes of those in power. God give us now men of prophetic quality, and, which is almost a more important thing, the wisdom to know when a prophet speaks!

Let us propose that it is one of the church's great responsibilities in times of crisis, as well as at all other times, to try to comfort and encourage people in their difficulties and perplexities. From the time when the Prophet of the Exile heard the voice of God commanding him, "Comfort ye. comfort ye my people, saith your God," to the present, one of the principal and most divine ministries of the church has been to give comfort, not just soft singing of lullabies, not spiritual soothing syrup; but the strong, deep, rich, redeeming comfort of God, a comfort that sends people not to a safe shelter but out into the thick of life's battle again.

Surely somewhere in the world there ought to be a place of refuge, to which men may repair for a little while that exhausted stores of courage may be replenished, that wounded hearts may be healed, that minds all but unhinged by the sight of a world ravaged by every imaginable destructive force may come again to balance and calm, that spirits afflicted by that deep grief which can come only to those who mourn over these misfortunes, of cosmic proportions, which have overtaken their fellows may find a little peace—a place to which the driven and doubting and broken may resort to meet God. Surely there ought to be a place somewhere, where the war drums are notbeating, where the fires of hate are not burning, where a central peace may be discovered subsisting at the heart of all this endless agitation.

This is a matter for every minister of every church, and not less for the members of every church. God forbid that our churches, if war should come, shall be made recruiting stations, or become stages for enacting the drama of destruction, or choirs for the singing of hymns of hate! Let there be one place, one kind of place, in the earth, where brotherhood is believed in, where is still addressed as the Father of all, where the coming of the kingdom is prayed for, where men seek to know not their own will but God's. Let there be one place where the oil of joy is given for the ashes of mourning, one place whence men go out with disciplined but steadier hearts, one place in which the Lord is high and lifted up, one place where men are encouraged for life's hard things, comforted for life's deep sorrows, and strengthened to take up their crosses and go on with Christ forever. Let there be one place, of all others under the sun, where men and women and little children are brought reverently face to face with eternity. led into the deep regions of reality, given touch with infinite compassion ,and sent forth bearing a song. Let there be one place where still can be spoken, "The peace of God which passeth all understanding keep your minds and hearts in the knowledge and love of God."

Let our ministry, of both pastors and laymen, be a ministry of comfort as well as prophecy; may the church be a refuge, and a fountain for the healing of the nations.

Then I think, in the third place, that it is one of the church's great missions, at such times as this, to encourage and help men to be Christian and stay Christian. That may seem to you to be a rather feeble effort at saying something new or forceful. For, you ask, has it not from the beginning been the church's business to help people to be Christian?

That, of course, is true. But it is also true that there are subtler and stormier difficulties in the way of being Christian now than we have known for a long time. Not long ago a man wrote to his church paper in deep distress about the present situation. Said he: "My daughter owes a duty to God and country, and, to me, one is as important as the other. The two duties are synonymous and cannot be treated separately." That man is suffering from a great confusion of mind, as indeed millions of others are. And there is nobody, so far as I know, who can speak with full warrant of truth and say that he has the final solution for the terrific questions which press upon us, or that he has gained perfection of judgment, or knows how to exercise complete control over the passions that rage in us when we read of the treachery, the wanton cruelty and the insulting arrogance of dictators and agents of dictator governments. How can one be a Christian, keep the commandment to love our enemies, and be perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect, meanwhile reading stories of the machine-gunning of children on the

way to school, or the torpedoing of a ship bearing refugee children to safety, or the shooting of their hosts by gay and agreeable young men, ostensibly out for a little holiday? The question is more than I can answer.

But of one thing I am certain: we must try to help people to keep Christian aims and attitudes uppermost. People must be constantly reminded of the incongruity between any kind of hatred and the love of Christ. They must be encouraged to seek the Christian way or a way as nearly Christian as can be found.

And now in the fourth place, the church must remember the fellowship which transcends all boundaries, crosses all lines of conflict, ignores all barriers of language, race and difference of name and creed. She must remember that, though sore broken and bleeding from many a wound, the body of Christ in all the earth is yet one—

"We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity"—

let us hope that we are one in essential doctrine at least, and certainly and organically one in Christian love. We must not allow this war, whatever its line of progress or its outcome, to sunder the deep unities of Christ's holy church throughout the world; but rather, if such a thing may be, we must use its occasion to strengthen these unities, and make the church truly one.

And now, last of all, let us not forget that, dark as the present day is, and near end as all civilization appears to be, this is not the first dark time, nor is it the end, or even the beginning of the end. God is in his heaven yet; he has not abdicated or been cast down from his throne of justice, mercy and redeeming love. He is mightier than all the dictators and their mechanized armies, and he is possessed of the centuries. Many a time it has looked as if Christ were done for; but, as a recent missionary historian points out (Latourrette, **Anno Domini),** every low tide of the influence of Christ in and upon human history has been followed by a new high. Do not be too discouraged. God lives!

Some of these days, how far in the future or after what no one can tell, this war, like all wars of the past, will come to an end. Then some kind of peace will be made. Shall it be another peace of the victors, shot through with vengeance and framed to serve the ends of greed and ambition and lust of power? Shall it be but the fertile seed-ground of new and still greater wars yet to come? Already the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America is moving towards the establishment of a commission to "study bases for a just and durable peace" and to consider the possibility of assembling Christian leaders after an armistice to "mobilize the support of the Christian people in all lands in the making of peace consonant with Christian principles." (CF. Christian Century, Dec. 25, 1940, p. 1623). Already in England Christian people are talking of the peace which is to come, and expressing the hope and prayer that it may be a peace creative of the welfare of the common people of Europe and of the world, and that it may be not a conqueror-dictated peace, but a peace of brotherhood.

Has the Christian church a mission here? Has she any other mission so Christian? If ever there is built a world fit to live in, a world not continually going through upheavals and wars and cataclysms, if it ever takes on the semblance of security, peace and fraternal co-operation—if it ever gets to be a world ruled by anything resembling intelligence!—it will be a world constructed with some regard to the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A PORTRAIT OF CHRIST

By Adrian Bell

I suppose you would call me a dreamer, and it's not as if I am ashamed of it, for out of the dreams of men has come every worth while accomplishment, whether it be an invention of some mechanical device, or a book, or play, that gained recognition.

I admire paintings by the famous artists, and music composed by such men of genius as Bach, Mozart and Wagner. I also enjoy beautiful poetry, and have often longed to express my inner thoughts in verse, but alas, I have not the talent for painting, neither for composing music which will enchant the listener. Nor have I ever written a poem that would soothe a weary brow. I can only dream.

Yet in my dreams, I catch the mood of the artist when I see his work on display, and feel some of the soul stirring emotion that drove him to express his best efforts to creative ability on canvas. I live the romantic ecstacy that composers pour into their songs, and drink deeply of the poet's unique way of placing ordinary words in the most effective setting.

But only in my dreams can I behold a vision more beautiful than the artists's conception of Him. That is my portrait of Christ. No, there is none to compare with it, though I might search every book store for any similarity, and all the art galleries, my humanly curiosity would never be satisfied with less.

It's when I'm alone—and in a meditative mood—that I see Him there before me. His face is sincere, but kindly, in expression and I know there is nothing concealed in his glance. His eyes are full of love and understanding—and when I look at Him, I am awed by the light of the glory that surrounds Him.

He carries himself with more dignity than the ablest of earthly characters. Eternal life radiates from his wonderful personality. His hand is stretched toward me, and I seem to hear him say, "Come." I want to place my own hand in his and face the challenge of life bravely. He makes me glad all through, and my heart is lighter. My soul fairly bursts with joy at his presence—in my dream of Him.

AND THIS IS RECIPROCITY

Leonard Lyons in New York Post says:

One of the Princton neighbors of Albert Einstein has an eight-year-old daughter who visited the famed scientist every afternoon. After many weeks of these daily visits, the girl's mother finally went to see Dr. Einstein and apologized to him for her daughter's constant interruptions.

"Oh, not at all," Einstein assured her. "I enjoy her visits and we get along well."

"But what can you and a little eight-year-old girl have in common?"

"A great deal," Einstein explained. "I love the jelly bean she brings me—and she loves the way I do her arithmetic lessons."

HUGH CHATHAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND THE GOLDEN CROSS

I have just had an opportunity to learn about the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, and to learn how to appreciate the meaning of the Golden Cross organization in our church. I had never been to the hospital until I was taken there in an ambulance; although I had wanted to go, no need or special opportunity came.

I found a splendid hospital with 70 beds and one of the best surgeons to be found anywhere, and one of the finest men I ever met—a man with that fine, open, honest, Christian face that inspires hope and confidence the moment you see him. A good many surgeons are old "cusses" or young "cusses," as the case may be, but here is a man who can go one more step than they, for he is a man of prayer, and can reach out to the hand that never fails. A case came up a few weeks before I went and was still there—a young lady with a ruptured appendix. It was so bad that it seemed impossible to save her. They said, What will we do? Dr. Haywood said, Pray; and pray they did, and pulled her through, although a kink came in the bowels and they had to go in again. I saw the girl several times and she and her mother told me the story; nurses had also told me the story. The girl went home shortly before I did.

That is the kind of a surgeon we should have at the head of a church hospital.

The hospital is located on a hill among the trees in a quiet section of Elkin. The hospital has two outstanding needs. The first is money enough to carry out Brother L. B. Abernethy's idea of a twin hospital; that is, build another near by for long time patients and keep this one in the service of emergency and short time patients. The other need is that all of us double our Golden Cross giving—those of us who give a dollar give two to five dollars, and those who give ten give fifty or one hundred dollars.

They average two minor and one major operations daily, and nearly half of these are charity patients, with the Golden Cross paying two dollars and the Duke Foundation paying one dollar, making three dollars a day. So we can see the importance of our paying two dollars instead of one, thus taking care of one day's service in treatment.

When Jesus was here among men his ministry was largely one of healing. He healed all manner diseases, cripples and paralyzed people, and sent them out to be self-supporting, changing beggars to producers and taking the burdens off relatives and friends—making them assets instead of liabilities. This is what is being done at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital. They are taking men, women and children, many of whom have no money and are helpless, and many of them snatched from the jaws of death by the fine surgery they get there, and are sent back to their homes—mothers to care for their children and fathers to make a living for their families.

If you, dear friends, could see what I saw often during my stay there (about five weeks), it would touch your hearts and make you warm supporters of the Golden Cross. I saw little children passing my door in the hall, boys in old overalls and little girls whose appearance told that they came from poor homes, some of them leading little tots—almost babies. They had come to see their mothers. My heart went up in gratitude to God and out in appreciation to the Chatham family and J. B. Duke and other friends for money, and to Brother L. B. Abernethy and the Golden Cross, for making it possible for these children to have their mothers back to look after them; and these mothers and fathers to go back to their mountain homes with a broader horizon and a better view of life, new hopes and aspirations; and I do not believe there is a surgeon anywhere who takes greater delight in the surgery that sends them back well than does Dr. C. L. Haywood.

I thank God for men who can make money and when they get it know what to do with it, like the Chathams, Dukes, Hanes, and others who have made this hospital possible.

I said that healing is a large part of the ministry of Jesus. His commission to the apostles was "Go preach, teach, heal." He did not mean for them then to build hospitals. He meant for them to continue to do as he was doing, and they carried it out, healing people by laying on hands, or simply praying for the patients or commanding the disease to go out. Even devils were cast out by them. This power or commisssion has never been revoked, but the church does not have the faith as a whole. There are some who have faith for healing and are having healings even in our day; and there have been divine healings in every age of the church (not Christian science, falsely so called, they call theirs faith healing, mind over matter). But if the church hasn't the power to say arise and walk—that is the divine healing committed to it by its Lord—it's next obligation is to provide medical and surgical treatment for its people.

It is wonderful what God has done for his fallen and helpless humanity; he has provided a number of means of healing. There is a mineral remedy in the earth for every disease and a vegetable remedy growing out of the earth for every disease. He has given men the light, the intelligence to develop these remedies and adapt them to each disease, also enabling man to develop surgery to a very high degree of efficiency. Also there are those who by manipulation sometimes effect cures—the chiropractor and osteopath. Let's give all credit for what they do.

Now a word about Brother L. B. Abernehty, one of the most important persons connected with the hospital. His good judgment and wise management has meant and still means so much to the institution, perhaps more than any of us can realize. It is an inspiring sight to see him walking through the halls, stopping a minute in the rooms to see the patients. He came into my room after I got where I could talk and bluntly said, "What's the matter with you?" I answered, "Nothing now, I reckon." He said, "You are well," and went on.

I am pleading now for all our members, and especially the Golden Cross directors, to come to Brother Abernethy's assistance. He has the financing of the institution on his heart, he is not as strong as he once was and he has a load on him. Let us at least double our giving to the Golden Cross, make Brother Abernethy's heart glad and make it possible to send more people back home to be assets instead of liabilities. It will save tax money and charity funds.

I feel that I have a real message for the churches on the Golden Cross and crave an opportunity to speak to some of our large churches where the money is, as well as to the smaller ones.

Ebenezer Myers.

DEATH OF REV. PLEAS H. MASSEY

Rev. Pleas H. Massey, 87, well known retired minister and farmer of Massey's Chapel community, Durham county, died Friday, January 24, 1941, at Watts Hospital. He had been in declining health for two years and seriously ill the last seven days. Pneumonia was the cause of his death.

Mr. Massey was born and reared in the Massey Chapel community, the son of John Massey and Betsy Pope Massey. Since boyhood he had been a member of the Methodist Church and active in church work, devoted to all its interests.

In 1883 he was ordained as a minister in the Methodist Church and had served a number of churches in Wake, Durham and Orange counties. His principal work was in the field of evangelism and in organizing new churches. He had never been a member of the conference.

In 1881 he married Miss Sarah Turrentine of Durham, who died in 1892. From this union five daughters and two sons survive: Mrs. S. G. Lindsay of Durham, Miss Lillian Massey of High Point, Mrs. P. E. Upchurch of Durham county, Mrs. W. A. Boston of Bluefield, W. Va., Mrs. Thomas J. Gill, Jr., of Laurinburg, S. W. Massey of Durham, and L. M. Massey of Wilmington. Also sur-

viving are one sister, Miss L. F. Massey and one brother, Rev. L. S. Massey, both of Durham.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at Massey Chapel Methodist church. Rev. V. E. Queen, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. H. McCracken and Rev. Cad H. Norris of Wake Forest, conducted the service.

The following grandsons: Donah Upchurch, Oliver Upchurch, Murray Upchurch, Claiborne Upchurch, Wyman Upchurch, Silas Upchurch, William Bostian and Marvin Bostian acted as pallbearers.

MISS FLORINE ROBERTSON REPORTS

Last week Mrs. Z. V. Moss, secretary of Salisbury district, sent a complete list of 57 names of her district for use in the Advocate campaign. This week Miss Florine



Miss Florine Robertson

Robertson, secretary of the Durham district, sends list of 85 names with this note: "Our women have not yet elected an Advocate agent; but I am sending you lists of presidents or publicity secretaries for the district. You may use them or not as you wish and find expedient."

We will use this list for the Durham district and make substitution of names when the societies may elect or order a change. It seems to us that this would be a good plan of procedure for each district as a basis on which to work in making a permanent list for each district.

Let these women send in their reports for new subscribers and renewals secured to the Advocate. Each one should give the name of her church and of her charge also when this is in the country.

Anyone who would like to have a list of subscribers that go to a certain post office or offices, send us request on a post card and we will be glad to forward the same.

Let others send lists and forward their favorite photograph.

REPORT OF NEW SUBSCRIBERS

One of these weeks we are going to give a report of all the new subscribers sent in this year. Let the pastors and the women of the Societies of Christian Service keep forwarding their reports. We are careful to keep the record which will be made public. Make it one that will prove a delight to all. Also keep the renewals coming.

MAJOR BRUCE CRAVEN

Major Bruce Craven, 59, died in a Greensboro hospital early in the evening of Friday, January 24, 1941, of a heart ailment that had caused several years of declining health.

Major Craven was known throughout the state, having practiced law at Trinity, his home, since he was admitted to the state bar in 1909. He was at one time editor of the Winston-Salem Journal and had served as superintendent of schools at Morganton and Kinston before taking up the practice of law, in which he specialized in municipal bonds.

He served during the World War as major judge advocate in the United States Army, connected with the board of review of court martial proceedings. He later was connected with the legal advisory board of the War Department in Washington, receiving an honorable discharge September 4, 1919. He resumed the practice of law at Trinity at that time.

He was a member of the American Bar Association, a Mason and Shriner. He was author of "Torrens Land Title System," published in 1914, and "Federal Income Tax," published in 1916.

The Greensboro Daily News says editorially: "Thousands of long-time readers of the Daily News have pleasant memories revived, the while they are saddened, by the report in yesterday's paper of the passing of Major Bruce Craven of Trinity. He was a gentleman and a scholar, with a turn for humor and satire that illuminated his numerous contributions to these columns, which had usually serious and always sensible purpose. In youthful adventures following a versatile talent he had got printer's ink on his fingers, and it remained years after he had settled down to the practice of law. The Daily News mourns the loss of a cherished friend, whose visits, and whose appearances in its columns, once frequent, have been missed during the long years of his declining health."

He was the son of the late Dr. James L. and Nannie Bulla Craven. He was married in November, 1901, to Miss Clara Chaffin of Mocksville, who survives. He was a member of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, and was teacher of Peacock Bible class there seven years.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Braxton Craven of Goldsboro, and four brothers, Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Methodist church, Greensboro, E. B. Craven of Lexington, George B. Craven of High Point, and H. B. Craven of Lakeland, Fla.

The funeral services Sunday afternoon, January 26, in Wesley Memorial church of which the deceased was a member, were conducted by Dr. E. H. Blackard, the pastor. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. Added to the large group of other friends who gathered for these impressive services was the big Peacock Bible class that Major Craven served seven years as teacher, each with a white flower in the lapel of his coat. It was a stalwart body of High Point citizens who through the years appreciated the instructions of their strong, clear spoken teacher. Dr. Blackard's tribute to the man who hated hypocrisy and shams and in his thinking desired to get to the bottom of things was apt and timely.

Interment was in the Trinity cemetery, where the bodies of two generations of his forebears and other kindred rest from their labors.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

May every soul that touches mine—
Be it the slightest contact—
Get therefrom some good,
Some little grace, one kindly thought,
One inspiration yet unfelt,
One bit of courage for the darkening sky,
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life,
One glimpse of brighter skies beyond the gathering mist,
To make this life worth while,
And heaven a surer heritage.

—Mary Simpson Chenault.

EXECUTIVE MEETING WOMAN'S SOCIETY CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The first meetng of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Western North Carolina Conference, was held at Sunny Acres Tuesday evening, January 21, with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president, presiding. The opening service was in charge of Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference vice president and leader of spiritual life groups, who used as the theme for a beautiful and impressive message, "Walking with God." "Where Cross the Crowded Way of Life" was used as the opening hymn and the service closed with a series of prayers, followed by hymn "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

Mrs. Weaver, who is a member of the National Board of Missions and Church Extension, brought much interesting information from the meeting of the board recently held in Philadelphia, with Bishop Arthur Moore presiding. The work of each department of the board was explained and the names of the leaders of the departments were given. It is interesting to note that of the 185 members of this board, 91 are women. She spoke of the consecration service of 40 men and women, 21 of whom were from the Woman's Society of Christian Service and 19 from the national board. She also told of the following appropriations made by the board, viz: Division of Foreign Missions, $1.575,594; Division of Home Missions, $1,228,880; Woman's Division, $3,593,120; making a total of $6,397,594. She stressed especially unity and love as necessary to the carrying out of the new program of missionary work.

Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, on furlough in the States, was a most welcome visitor to the meeting and after expressing her gratitude for the sponsorship of her work in Africa by the W. N. C. conference society, she gave a most interesting talk on her work, and read a letter from a young African expressing his appreciation of the advantages of musical education given him by Miss Kelly. She sang in the Otetela language, "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me," and closed her talk with "Holy Night" sung in the same langugae.

Wednesday morning session's devotional was led by Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian social relations, who spoke most interestingly on "The Privileges of Worship and Praise," using in connection therewith the story of Robert Browning's beautiful "Pippa Passes" telling how happiness came in one person's life through making others happy.

Reports of the year's work were given by the officers, beginning with that of the president, who reported numerous activities, among them attendance upon national and jurisdictional conferences and local meetings. She announced the number of charter societies as 566, with 23,325 charter members. Vice president, Mrs. Clark, spoke of the renewed interest in the local societies and the organizations of 12 new societies in her own district.

Reports of the entire number of conference officers were gratifying and showed splendid work during the year. Always of special interest was that of the treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, which showed a most gratifying increase in total pledges for Council, and conference, and other funds. Pledges for 1941 amounting to $58,100 were assumed.

Wednesday afternoon was given over to the work of the district secretaries, whose work for the year has been most gratifying. This session opened with the hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory," sung as a solo by Mrs. W. T. Powell, and was conducted by Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference secretary.

The reports for the past year showed an increase in membership, the total now being 527 societies, 21,138 members, 3375 being added in 1940.

An open discussion of questions relative to the work was held and much that was helpful and interesting as to the future of work was brought out.

The meeting closed with the evening service, which opened with the hymn "Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire," followed by a devotional led by Mrs. W. R. Harris, whose theme was "Prayer and Faith, the Two Essentials in the Missionary Work." Closing matters of business were discussed, plans for annual meeting completed, committees appointed and other things necessary to the coming year's work were looked after. The five delegates to the Jurisdictional conference held in Richmond gave their impressions of that great meeting when jurisdictional officers were chosen to lead the new work of the Woman's Christian Service societies for the Southeastern territory. It was regretted that three of the conference officers and two district secretaries were prevented from attending the meeting by sickness in their homes, namely, Mrs. W. F. Redding, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., recording secretary, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary of supplies, Miss Claudia Harbison, district secretary Marion district, and Mrs. J. G. Sterling, secretary Winston-Salem district, who was privileged to be present only one day.

GIRLS' AND YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY GROUPS

The first information in this field has just been released and I am so anxious for the leaders of this work in the local churches to know just what has been worked out. Of course the plans are still in a tentative state and are subject to change when the harmonized plans are developed.

For the present we are using the name "Girls' Missionary Group," meaning an organized group. If you prefer it is quite permissible to use "Girls' Missionary Organization." It is quite permissible for a local group to use another name if they wish, but it must include the united approach to missions. We are not using Queen Esther and Standard Bearer because the two women's missionary societies, of which they were a part, are no longer in their former relationships. As stated above these names are subject to change when the complete plans are released.

The Plan Book, which may be purchased in quantity for 7 cents a copy and 10 cents each gives much valuable information as to the organization of new groups with girls and young women. On page 8 of this Plan Book are detailed instructions in regard to the funds from girls' missionary groups. The payments to the local society treasurer should be itemized. Girls' monies are not divided by the local treasurer, as they are missionary funds and are divided by the woman's division treasurer. If you have decided in your local church that the girls should be obligated for an amount in local church activities that is a local responsibility.

The girls do not have responsibility in Christian social relations and local church activities, theirs is now a missionary organization. It will be fine to suggest that they take some project or projects as service projects in the local church. For example, being responsible for the care of small children during the worship service; being responsible for flowers for the pulpit occasionally; assisting in the serving of church dinners.

The Complete Packet of Program Materials for Young People, price $1.75, includes Program Book called "En Route"; two textbooks. Stand for China, by Gordon Poteat, and Move On, Youth, by T. Otto Nall; a Plan Book; two pamphlets, one on the work of the Methodist Church in China, and one on Methodist work with Shifting Populations in America, and the map. The single textbooks are 60 cents each. Plan book 10 cents. "En Route" program book 25 cents. As new publications are available they will be listed in The Methodist Woman.

Grace Noll Crowell has written, especially for the girls of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, "A Daily Prayer." Quoting from Mrs. Crowell's letter, "I wrote, asking God that I might say the right things in the prayer that possibly may be used by many." In this spirit may we use these beautiful lines. Copies may be had from the Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio,—5 cents for three dozen.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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DEFINITE NEEDS FOR PRAYER

On the program leaflet for January spiritual life meetings, prepared by Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference chairman of spiritual life committee, she suggests a prayer list which should make an appeal to each missionary minded woman in the North Carolina conference. Miss Lamb states: "Again these programs go out with the prayer that we, as women of a great organization, may be renewed spiritually in wisdom and power to carry on the great work that is ours. Please select and concentrate in prayer for very definite things in your local community and church, for 50 young volunteers for the Master's work, for your pastor, your church, leaders in every organization, our missionaries at home and abroad, our industrial worker, our rural worker, for better undestanding and acceptance of the brotherhood of man, so that the nations of the world may live Christ's command, Love one another,' and thus only can wars come to an end."

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

By unanimous vote the women of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference, meeting at the Methodist Orphanage on January 22-23, passed resolutions vigorously opposing the Cameron Weeks bill now pending in the state legislature which, if passed, will empower judges to have discrimnatory power to revoke drunken drivers' licenses; a resolution to make known to the United Dry Forces of North Carolina that the committee is solidly backing the proposed bill for a state-wide referendum on the liquor question and a strong protest against the proposed provision to use money derived from the sale of liquors to supplement teachers' salaries. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, presided at the two day sessions in which committees were appointed, district pledges made, reports and plans of work of all departments duscussed by the various officers, all phases of the set-up of the new organization explained, an invitation to hold the annual conference in Rocky Mount accepted and many other items of business transacted. Committees appointed were: Research, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood; By-Laws, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. Gertie Matthews; Conference Program, Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. D. S. Coltrane. With the exception of Mrs. W. L. Knight and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, both of whom were absent because of illness in their homes, all members of the board were present. These included: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; Mrs. S. S. Holt, Graham; Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Whitakers; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City; Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Enfield; Mrs. George Halton, Star; Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh; Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Sanford; Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Mrs. Fred Johnson, Conway; Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Raleigh; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville. Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham, chairman of conference committee on missionary personnel, was also present.

THANKS TO MR. BARNES

The very cordial invitation of Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, the exceedingly gracious reception by him, the staff of workers and the 300 boys and girls, played no small part in the happy occasion of the meeting of the executive committee on January 22-23, and is certainly worthy of this public expression of gratitude from those who were present. The Methodist Orphanage should and does have a very large place in the hearts of the woman of the North Carolina conference.

MISS STEGAR GETTING RESULTS

Beginning several months ago with no facilities with which to work and no place from which to work, Deaconess Priscilla Stegar has already proved the wisdom of her appointment as industrial worker in East Laurinburg. Realizing that the people of a community are the best means of approach to the problems and needs of a community, Miss Stegar began at once to visit in the homes of those mill folk and to become acquainted with them. She has convinced the people of the village that hers is not a denominational work, but a work for the entire community. She has influenced the mill owners to provide a much needed building for use as a central place for community activities; has organized a woman's community club, a mothers' club, a young people's club—all of which groups are active and enthusiastic. Organization of a community chorus will be perfected soon. Miss Stegar works in the village church through the Sunday school, Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Guild. She has conducted mission study classes and made talks to several societies in the conference. Miss Stegar reports that she has joyfully received inquiries concerning her work and cash donations for the promotion of the work and that she is "busy and happy in this new field of service." Miss Stegar and those mill folk whom she serves merit our material support and prayers.

CARTHAGE SOCIETY NOTES

In the new roll call for Woman's Society of Christian Service in September, Carthage society enrolled 80 charter members. More have joined since. At a later day Rev. W. G. Farrar installed the new officers in a very impressive ceremony. The wholehearted service rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Farrar and their daughter is greatly appreciated. Mrs. George P. Thomas was the capable leader of the fall mission study on the Migrants. With posters and maps, interesting papers, devotional and discussions this proved to be one of the best. The attendance was 84 per cent. The Bible study, "Songs of Zion," was interestingly given by Mr. Farrar. The week of prayer was observed. The four circles all met their obligations, paying $125 each, not including local work. Under the leadership of the new president, Mrs. C. G. Spencer, the members are looking forward to spiritual and material growth in 1941.—Mrs. J. G. Downing.

A COLLEGE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

"In my experience as a pastor I found the Wesleyan Service Guild a most valuable organization in the life of the church. Its porgram and activities give the business and professional women of the church an outlook upon the work of women in our own country and around the world, a personal relation to missionaries and others who are engaged in special types of Christian work, and the opportunity of participating in a program of world redemption. Without the Wesleyan Service Guild these splendidly trained women would have had little or no contact with the work of the church, since practically all the women's organizations meet at a time when they could not attend." Editor's note: The Wesleyan Service Guild is truly a rich heritage which the women of the former M. E. Church, South, and M. P. Church have received from the former branch of the Methodist Church. It can and should prove a very vital force in the life of the local church.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY

Churchmen of this country must gird themselves for more vigilant action in curbing race prejudice in America, if the Christian doctrine of brotherhood is to be safeguarded here against the storm of intolerance and hate sweeping the world. That is the substance of a message just released by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America for the 19th annual observance of Race Relations Sunday, February 9, 1941. "Christian fellowship among the races is needed now in America, with a world at war, as at no other time in our history," states the message. Race Relations Sunday marks Interracial Brotherhood Month. Initiated in 1922 by the Department of Race Relations, its program is national and expands throughout the month, and community activities featuring interracial pulpit and choir exchanges, meetings and others of the various races. A great blessing may be yours if you will study the work among the different races supproted by the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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IT COULD BE WORSE

It is Monday morning. The bright sky is hidden by cold, damp clouds. The weather is uncertain. A visit just made to the baby cottage revealed that 23 out of the 28 little youngsters there have flu. The dietitian went to one of the city hospitals yesterday. Three of the older girls who work under the direction of the home mother are down with flu. The baby cottage has been turned into an infantile infirmary, since the big infirmary is filled, there being 60 youngsters there going through the flu stages. But it could be worse. All the workers except one are up and about. Everybody is willing to help, and to help with a smile.

MASS MEASURE

Whenever any disease comes to visit us it visits lots of us. There is hardly any instance of a single affliction. It comes with mass measure. We live close together, about 30 to the household. Half of our children eat in a common dining room. The others have their meals in cottage dining rooms with the household family as the unit of measure. Even so, the mass measure still prevails. So when the flu, or any other flying disease, comes to see us it stays with many of us. This we expect and this we must be prepared for. We usually come through it all right.

LITTLE BOBBY

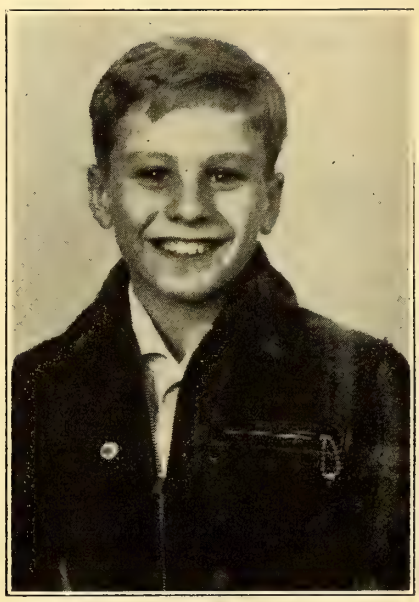
Three-year-old little Bobby is the only boy at the baby cottage who is up and about. He is having a big time playing with little Janice, Margaret, Ruby Lee and Marlene. Bobby's father and mother are in a tuberculosis sanatorium. The little lad comes to us a bit frail and the worse for wear because of a heavy siege of whooping cough. He spent half of his first six months' stay here in the infirmary. Miss Harbour, his home mother, and Miss Smith, the nurse, have been trying to build the little fellow up sufficiently strong to have his tonsils and adenoids removed. Bow Bobby is the only one who has been able to withstand the attacks of flu. He is quite well and when his nose is not running he is quite lively. Hurrah for little Bobby!

THOSE ACCIDENTS

We of course carry liability insurance against the hurts and accidents of workers in our employ. Recently we had a representative of one of the insuring companies to visit us with talking pictures to educate us against carelessness and needless hurts. The pictures were very convincing. One good sister fell off the steps leaving the school house in attendance upon the lecture. Another worker, a strong young farmer, who had never had an accident, stuck a pitchfork through his hand soon after seeing the picture about the care in the use of equipment and machinery. We are trying to guard against a third accident lest it be charged that the pictures were too suggestive.

SCHOOL IS OUT

All Winston-Salem schools are temporarily closed, including ours conducted here on the Home grounds. Since the flue was a little later striking this area than some surrounding sections, our school officials were able to continue the schools' operations until the close of the fall semester. In all probability the schools will open again within a week or so. There was no particular point in closing our school since we live so close together anyway, except to give the ailing children a chance to get well so as to go along with their studies without getting so much behind, and furthermore to enable us to have a better average attendance record and therefore a better appropriation for teachers next year.



If you want to know ask Ray

GRADUATION TIME

At the mid-term graduation exercises of the three Winston-Salem high schools two of our fine lads, Hugh Walton and Bobby Templeton, completed their courses here. Hugh was voted the most valuable member of the football squad last fall and Bobby was voted a similar honor during 1939. Hugh will enroll with the winter football squad at Catawba College, where he hopes to enter next September. He has some relatives living in Salisbury, not so far away from the college. Bobby will join his brother, Archie, one of our former star athletes, in the running of a filling station in Winston-Salem. But before going into this business we will see that Bobby's weakened knee is strengthened through an operation, this ailment having been incurred on the football field.

RECKONING TIME

It so happens that after every graduation time we have a reckoning time of the good work done by our youngsters, and also of the poor work done by them. Sometimes we think it necessary to take a youngster, above the compulsory school attendance age, out of school for training in our laboratory of applied work. When a youngster gets to looking more on the outside of his books than on the inside, we join the youngster in feeling that it is a good time to look on the inside of a work schedule. The Children's Home is not in the business of raising trifling youngsters.

NO RUNAWAYS

A good friend who recently visited us inquired relative to the number of runaways we have. It took a good deal of head scratching to remember the time when the last youngster ran away. All our boys and girls love the Children's Home and like what it offers them. They do not take French leave of it. Numbers of them show reluctance at leaving the Home to go live with relatives when it appears that they should. Whenever a youngster does run away, as instances have occurred in the past, we never get excited about it. They always come back.

BILL'S GLASSES

Bill, eleven years old and in the fifth grade, is growing fast. In fact he is growing so rapidly as to have somewhat of a hard time keeping his growth co-ordinated. Among other instances of awkwardness he had a hard time keeping a pair of unbroken glasses. Time after time Bill is inconvenienced and we are charged with a broken glass situation. But Bill will eventually learn better. The learning process will cost something, but we all will learn. The cost attendant to enabling the ill-equipped eyes of our children to see better startles us, but they have got to see to get along.

HE CHIRPS AND SMILES

The picture this week is that of Ray Greene, ten years old and in the third grade. This boy, in his early school days, was nervous and high tensioned. He could not concentrate very well. Now he is developing very rapidly. He is quick on the trigger, ready to reply and always carries a smile. Ray is a lovable boy. He is sponsored by the Wesley Fellowship class of Spray.

WINNING AND LOSING

Our basket ball teams are playing steadily and consistently. The flu has not made inroads upon those who have been most actively engaged in this winter sport. The varsity boys have been playing in an up hill fashion. Graduation and scholastic difficulties have made heavy inroads upon their versatility. They have so far won two games and lost five. The girls' varsity have won all their seven games. They are quite good. The boys' reserve and the boys' midget teams have won all their games. The girls' reserve teams have had to be content to play one another, since it has not been convenient to arrange a schedule.

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HEALTH SITUATION — We have been very fortunate so far in escaping an epidemic of influenza. We have had a few boys and girls who have had bad colds and were indisposed for a day or two. At this writing we have three children in the infirmary with slight colds. Four of our official family have had flu and were confined to their beds a few days. We are profoundly grateful that our children and workers have not been visited by this dreadful malady. Miss Golda Smith, our registered nurse, is doing everything in her power to safeguard the health of our children and workers.

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BASKET BALL—Our boys' and girls' basket ball teams have played several games this season, and are enjoying the Woodward gymnasium, where they practice every day or night. So far, our teams have not been very successful, since they are inexperienced. We have practically a new girls' team this year, and we cannot expect to have a very successful season with raw material. We have no outstanding players on the boys' team, due to the fact that most of them have had very little experience in previous seasons. Both teams put everything they have into the games, and are getting a big thrill in meeting their opponents.

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PINCH HITTING — Recently Rev. James H. Overton was confined to his room and could not fill his preaching engagement at the Methodist Orphanage chapel, so I told him I would "pinch hit" for him. Brother Overton, as is generally known, is assistant pastor at Edenton Street Methodist church and preaches to our young people every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. His sermons are interesting and helpful and our young people appreciate his service. I consider it a great privilege to preach to our children. To speak to our boys and girls challenges the best that is in a speaker. Brother Overton realizes his responsibility and is meeting the situation successfully.

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MARCH OF DIMES—On last Saturday 50 of our boys and girls, with a like number from the Catholic Orphanage, solicited funds in Raleigh for the Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. This is the third year that our children have participated in the "march of dimes." Since so much is done for our boys and girls they were glad to do their bit—not only for the cause—but in appreciation of the many things that are done for them. The committee that had the campaign in charge arranged for the 50 children from the Methodist Orphanage and the 50 from the Catholic Orphanage to have a free lunch at cafeterias, cafes and restaurants, which the children enjoyed and appreciated. It is important to develop in young people a community interest and make them conscious of social welfare.

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GOOD BOOKS—A library is indispensable in an institution like ours. We have been very fortunate in having friends who have donated books, and I trust this number will greatly increase. The library in the Vann Administration building has many choice books on the shelves. These books are in constant demand by our high school boys and girls. Mrs. W. H. Dameron of Warrenton, and Mrs. E. B. Council have made the largest contribution toward stocking our library with readable books. In the Burwell cottage we have a small library room that is well supplied with books, which our junior and senior girls greatly enjoy. Mrs. G. G. Allen donated a nice collection of books to the cottage library, and every year is adding more valuable volumes. To all our donors I wish to express my deep appreciation.

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HIGHLY HONORED—It was a distinct pleasure as well as a high privilege to have had the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service as guests in the Methodist Orphanage. These outstanding women of our church were with us one night and part of two days. They had their meeting in the Burwell cottage and also roomed in the Burwell cottage, and took their meals in the teachers' dining room. Our workers and children felt highly honored to have in their midst such representative women. The women of our conference support the Methodist Orphanage wholeheartedly, and our children appreciate the lovely clothes which they send them from time to time. I wish to assure the members of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service that a warm welcome always awaits them at the Methodist Orphanage when they come our way.

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ITEMS IN 1941 PROGRAM

At the recent meeting of the conference on Christian education at Louisburg College, it was suggested that a list of items to be included in a year's program for a local church be prepared for presentation to local churches. Such a list was prepared and distributed at the recent district missionary institutes. For the benefit of any who did not attend the institutes or who did not receive a copy of the items we are presenting the list on our page this week. This is not a wholly inclusive list, but it does give many items that a local church will want to incorporate in its program this year.

Suggestion of Items to Be Included in Local Church Program for 1941

Area of Children's Work

1. Membership of teachers and parents iin Fellowship of Study.
2. Classes held by pastor with boys and girls previous to their joining the church on Easter Sunday.
3. Early and efficient planninig for vacation church schools with every church providing this opportunity for the boys and girls.
4. Children's workers in attendance at Workers' Assembly, Louisburg College, June 30-July 3.
5. C-operation of church school with Woman's Society of Christian Service in the promotion of missionary education of children on each fourth Sunday and at the time of the special World Friendship study.

Area of Youth Work

1. Young people in attendance upon Young People's Assemblies.

Dates and cost—

At Louisburg:

Young People's Assembly (ages 18-23), June 12-16, $7.00.

Senior Assembly (ages 15-17), June 16-20, $7.00.

First Intermediate (ages 12-14), June 20-24, $6.50.

Second Intermediate (ages 12-14), June 24-28,$6.50.

At Murfreesboro (Tentative)

Intermediate, July 7-11, $6.50.

2. Workers with young people—attendance upon Christian Workers' Assembly, Louisburg College, June 30-July 3. Cost $5.00.

3. Local churches plan to observe Youth Week in summer. Young people, prepared to serve in Youth weeks, will be available to local churches without cost except for entertainment and transportation.

4. Attendance by youth leaders and young people upon district or sub-district youth rallies to be held in spring.

Area of Adult Work

I. Leadership Education.

Formal training work.

1. Long course schools.
2. Short course schools.

Informal training.

1. Bible conferences.
2. Learning for life schools.
3. Elective units.

II. Christian Workers' Assembly.

Louisburg College, June 30-July 3. Cost $5.00.

Teachers and officers in Adult Division should attend.

Young adults should attend.

General

1. Each church school observing fourth Sunday as World Service Sunday with an offering for the World Service program of the church.

2. Each church school observing Church School Rally Day, April 20, with a program (to be furnished each church) and with an offering for the support of the Christian education program in the North Carolina conference.

THE METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL

Within the past two weeks we have mailed to each church school superintendent in the North Carolina conference a pamphlet titled "The Methodist Church School." This publication contains suggestions for pastors, superintendents, boards of education and workers' conferences on planning the program of Christian education in the local church. It is hoped that those responsible for this program in each church will make a study of this material with a view to increasing the effectiveness of the work in each local church. It might be a good idea for this pamphlet to be studied by local church groups at our regular, or special, sessions of the workers' council. Additional copies of "The Methodist Church School" may be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va., at 15 cents per copy, 80 cents for half dozen copies, or $1.50 per dozen.

CHANGE OF CHURCH SCHOOL OFFICERS

We now have the most accurate mailing list of church school superintendents and divisional superintendents we have had in a number of years and that makes it possible for us to have better contacts with the church schools in the conference. It happens sometimes, however, that changes are made in the superintendents in our church schools during the year. Unless notice is sent to the conference office of such changes, we continue to send materials and letters to the name on our list, and the one who should receive it never does so. It will be a help to the conference staff as well as to the local church if the pastor will notify us immediately of any change in general superintendents, division superintendents, or young people's presidents.

ERROR IN DATE

In the mimeographed sheets distributed at the district missionary institutes there was an error in the date of the Workers' Assembly to be held at Louisburg College next summer. This date should be June 30-July 3 instead of July 1-4. The assembly will begin on Monday and last through Thursday noon.

All officers and teachers in the church schools in our conference, together with all others interested in the program of Christian education in the local church may enroll in this assembly. A special feature of the assembly this summer will be an emphasis on young adult work, and all young adults in our conference are urged to attend.

WIDENING HORIZONS

We are now preparing to mail the February issue of "Widening Horizons" to those in our conference who wish it sent to them. This is the publication that takes the place of "Here and There," and contains material to be used in the observance of World Service Sunday in the church school. In the February issue there are two very interesting stories illustrating the work done in our country by the division of home missions and church extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. There is a suggested worship program for use on the fourth Sunday in February (February 23) and a list of missionary material to be found in our various periodicals.

"Widening Horizons" will be sent each month without cost to those pastors and church school leaders desiring it. Requests for it should be sent to the Conference Office, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

HIDING THE STARS

"Black as Egypt's night" has been a simile since the plague of darkness which came upon the land of Pharaoh in answer to the prayer of Moses. But the present prime minister of Egypt, Ali Maher Pasha, finds it difficult to manouver blackouts; for even when there is no moon over the land and the lights of Alexandria, Cairo, and other cities are extinguished, the starlight makes the buildings more distinct. In deep perplexity the prime minister appealed to Sir Miles Lampson, the British ambassador, who referred him to Exodus x:22, and added:

"Of course, Excellency, we do not know how Moses managed his famous blackout in spite of the stars, but I have an idea."

"So have I," retorted Ali agreeably, "he produced smudges."

"Exactly," said Sir Miles—and now at strategic points are placed cauldrons of pitch to smoulder at a given signal.

Whether in Egypt, London, Paris, Berlin, blackouts have been difficult to effect. It is hard to shut out the light—and through all this orgy of hate the spiritual counterpart is plainly true: The stars above and the moral law within yield not to eclipse.—Southern Christian Advocate.

Bishop Purcell to Dedicate Allensville Church Sunday

Sunday, February 2, at 11 o'clock Bishop Clare Purcell dedicates Allensville church. In the afternoon a history of the church will be read and Dr. H. E. Spence will speak on the theme, "Conscription for Christ and the Church."



Dr. H. E. Spence

All the churches of Brooksdale charge are participating in the dedication, and in the afternoon program which is planned especially for the charge. All the people are bringing dinner, to be spread together in the basement, if it is too cold or unfavorable to have it on the outside.

In the dedication service certain representative persons will appear. Rev. S. F. Nicks, who led in the building, Mr. T. O. Gentry of Allensville church, Mr. G. M. Fox, Jr., of Brooksdale charge, will be present. Lieutenant Governor R. L. Harris, whose grandfather was twice pastor of Allensville church, in 1845 and also from 1872 to 1875, will represent the county and state.

Rev. A. J. Hobbs will represent Durham district and introduce the bishop. Mr. T. B. Davis will read a brief history of the church in the afternoon.

The singing of the great hymns of the church will be an important part of the program. New hymnals have been purchased and the choir has been practicing for the service.

Former pastors and members are especially invited to be back with us for the occasion.

THE COST OF CRIME

Two cities in neighboring states, Chattanooga and Charlotte, are getting a lot of unfavorable publicity and they themselves are greatly exercised because of the enormous murder rate in their respective communities. A lot of things have been suggested as remedies for the killings. Among them are better lighting in the areas where the crimes have occurred. Negro policemen and stricter punishment for crimes committed by Negroes against Negroes, for it appears that most of these murders are committed by Negroes.

The difficulty of having any faith in such measures, as important as some of them may seem, lies in the fact that remedial action can have very little effect in eliminating crime, unless even greater stress is laid upon the preventative implements. Better educational and recreational facilities, larger vocational opportunities with adequate wages, participation in and responsibility for local government, to mention only a few, are the things which will really make some dent in the crime bill in those communities where lawlessness is so rampant.

Poverty, disease, degeneration from the use of alcohol and narcotics are the breeding grounds for crime and leave their slimy paths where there is the maximum of frustration of opportunity to maintain decent economic

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Allensville Church on Brooksdale Charge. Rev. D. A. Petty, pastor

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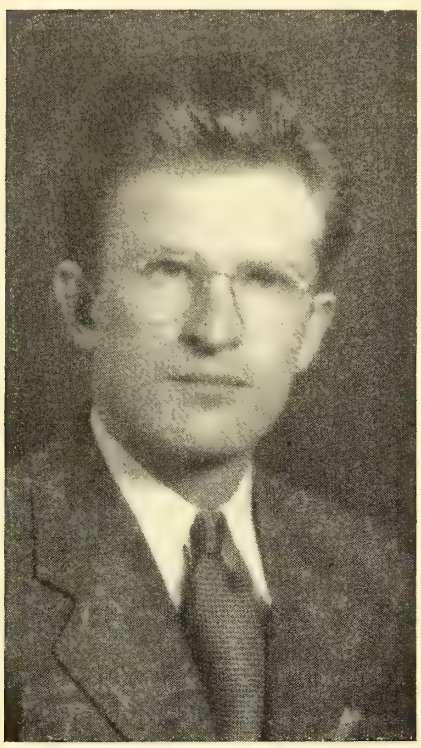
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A FINE YOUNG STUDENT ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Dorus Johnson Ballard, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ballard of Newton, N. C., was born at Mocksville, N. C., February 3, 1920. His boyhood was spent in the Methodist parsonage, where he made many friends. He joined the church when eight years old. He was returning to his home for the Christmas holidays from State College, December 15, 1940, when struck by a passing car, causing instant death. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. M.



Dorus Johnson Ballard

Q. Tuttle, at the First Methodist church, Newton, December 17. Interment was made in the East Side cemetery. He is survived by his parents, one twin brother, Calvin, of Lenoir-Rhyne College; two sisters, Mrs. T. H. Jackson and Ruth Virginia of High Point.

The following are a few quotations from his high school principal and his college professors:

"Dorus Ballard, who was instantly killed by a car near the city limits of Newton, N. C., Sunday night as he returned from the State College for the Christmas holidays, was an honor graduate of the Balls Creek high school. After finishing high school in 1937, Dorus studied for one year in Philadelphia. Then he entered Pfeiffer Junior College, from which he graduated in the spring of 1940. Dorus made an excellent record while in Pfeiffer, both in scholastic attainments and in the social life of the college.

In September of 1940, Dorus entered State College at Raleigh as a junior. When the final examinations were given before the holidays, it was discovered that he had led his class in some of the most difficult subjects. He was making an enviable record as a student at State.

Not only was Dorus a good student, but also he was an exceptionally fine young man. In all my years of teaching I have never known a more dependable, co-operative, trustworthy, Christian boy than he.

Although we can never know why a young man of such a promise should be so suddenly taken away, we have faith to believe that his development will continue in that 'Building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.'" (W. C. Reed, Principal, Balls Creek High School, Newton, N. C.)

"We found Dorus to be a serious-minded young man, well above the average in ability, and very dependable in all duty assignments. He was active in several campus organizations, having played in the college band and orchestra, was an active member of the Y. M. C. A., and was elected to the presidency of the Y. M. C. A. his sophomore year. At the end of the first semester of his freshman year, Dorus was unanimously elected to membership in the Order of the Sundial, an honorary organization made up of student campus leaders. In 1939-1940 he was elected vice president of the sophomore class.

In culture, refinement, behavior, and moral stamina, we considered Dorus an unusual boy, and predicted for him a brilliant career in any profession he might choose to enter. His death is a distinct shock to all who knew him here on the campus." (W. S. Sharp, President Pfeiffer Junior College).

"Your son, Dorus, had worked for me since coming here this fall and was an exceptionally fine, loyal and conscientious young man, who was making an excellent scholastic record. He was certainly a credit to State College and I shall miss him both personally and professionally." (G. H. Satterfield, Professor Biochemistry, State College).

"We at this institution are proud of the work that Dorus was doing and feel that it is a loss to State College not to have him with us again. I am sure that you will be very proud of the record that he made this term." (C. R. Lefort, Assistant Dean of Students, State College).

"Mr. Ballard was an exceptionally conscientious and faithful young man, who was making a most excellent scholastic record even though he had been in this institution just this fall. Dorus, as a student, contributed his part in making State College a better place in which to live. We thank God for his presence during the short time he was here. I feel sure that his absence will be felt by the many students who knew him as well as those who worked with him. He was certainly a credit to the N. Y. A. program." (N. B. Watts, Self Help Secretary, State College).

"Those of us who had become acquainted with Dorus were very fond of him. He was in one of my classes in General Economics, being one of four out of forty to receive an "A," the highest grade. He impressed me very favorably as a faithful, earnest, good young man, and very capable." (B. F. Brown, State College).

"Dorus had a most excellent record for his first term's work, having received four A's and one B. From the information we have, he was the type of student we like very much in teacher training." (Leon E. Cook, Professor Agricultural Teacher Training, State College).

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RUTH AND THE HONOR ROLL

By Daisy Clay

Ruth came into the second grade room at school Friday noon with eager steps. If her number work was marked "correct" today, that would mean a perfect record for the week. Then her name would be written in yellow chalk on the corner of the blackboard, with HONOR ROLL in big letters above. How hard everybody in the second grade was working to get on the Honor Holl!

Ruth hurried up the aisle to her desk and picked up her paper. Yes, there was a big blue "C" on it! She turned her face happily to Margie, just across the aisle. Margie was her chum and Margie had a "correct" mark on her paper, too. So both of them had a perfect record for the week. Yes, their names were already written on the Honor Roll in front. Miss Taylor was sitting at her desk up in front and smiled at them.

Ruth took out a reader and began studying. The number work paper still lay on her desk and she glanced at it once in a while with pride. It did look very neat, though her numbers were not made quite perfectly. She must try to learn to make her numbers a little more plain.

Suddenly Ruth sat up straight and the reader fell shut. She saw something on her paper that she had not noticed before. In the answer to the second problem she had written a 5, but it did look something like a 2. And 2 was the right answer. But what she had really written was 5. Miss Taylor had thought she had the right answer, but really she had not!

Ruth sat staring at the paper and all sorts of thoughts raced through her head.

"I won't say anything" only stayed a minute and was quickly put out.

"I must tell Miss Taylor," was her next thought, and a little tear came with it. Then, "But my name will have to come off the Honor Roll. And Maybe the other children will laugh."

But the thought that kept popping in and out and never quite going away was, "If I don't tell Miss Taylor, I will always know that I am a cheater!"

And so at last all the other thoughts went away and only that one remained. Ruth picked up her paper and started to get out of her seat. Just then two ladies walked into the school room and up to Miss Taylor's desk. Ruth recognized them as the mothers of Irma and Jean, two little girls in her room.

"I shall have to wait till they are gone," she thought. But to her dismay, when they had talked to Miss Taylor for a little while, they sat down in chairs by the window and smilingly looked over the school room. They were going to stay and visit. This was going to make it harder for Ruth, but she bravely picked up her paper and started up the aisle to the teacher's desk.

She had just reached the desk when the door opened again and in walked Mr. Sidney, the principal. Miss Taylor put her arm around Ruth and turned her face to speak to the principal. It seemed a long time but at length he was through. As he turned aside, he did not walk away but pulled up another chair and sat down near the teacher's desk. Ruth must tell about the mistake before visitors and the principal!

"Miss Taylor," she said in a voice that trembled a little, "I meant this for a 5, not a 2, so it is wrong. I didn't really get 'correct' and I am not on the Honor Roll."

Ruth pointed with her finger to the place on her paper and then walked quickly to her desk. She sat very still, blinking back the tears.

Were the children laughing? No, but the teacher was smiling; so was the principal, so were the visitors. Some way Ruth knew right away that these nice smiles meant "Good work, Ruth."

Across the aisle a boy raised his hand.

"Miss Taylor, I think it was better for Ruth to be honest than to be perfect in number work."

"Yes, indeed," smiled Miss Taylor.

"Absolutely," smiled Mr. Sidney.

And then, to Ruth's surprise, all the children clapped. So she did not mind it as much as she expected that Miss Taylor must erase her name from the corner blackboard.

The next Monday morning Ruth and Margie were on their way to school. Right next to the school building was Irma's house. Irma's mother was out in the front yard, working in the flower garden. When she saw Ruth she smiled and said:

"Good morning, my dear. This is our honest little girl, isn't it? I am sure I am not going to forget you. Here, would you like some of these pink roses to take to your teacher?"

"Oh, thank you," smiled Ruth, happily.

As she went in the big front door of the school with her roses in her hand, Mr. Sidney was just coming down the hall. He stopped and looked down pleasantly at the girls.

"Ruth," he said, "I have been looking about for a very honest person to be our bank-day messenger girl. To go around to the different rooms to collect the money and bring it to me in the office. It is a very important and honorable job. Would you like to do that? Then come to my office in the morning and I will give you your badge and tell you what to do."

"Ruth," declared Margie, as they went down the hall, "you got more honor by being honest after all."

"And this is a new week," added Ruth, happily. "I am going to work hard to get my number work right every day this week, so my name will really be on the roll."—The Young Crusader.

IN MEMORIAM

By Salvatore Marsiglia

There are two little lads who share a grief,
And in their sorrow find no joys,
For death has taken from their midst
A dear little pal from two little boys.
A little white dog who cheered their minds—
A curly white dog who romped and played
And with his antics proved the love
With which his kind are all arrayed.

There was love and trust in his two brown eyes,
And warmth in a wet snub nose;
And care in his teeth when he licked their hands
And care in the claws on his toes.
Oh, a little white dog has gone away
To the place where doggies go;
And two little boys will never again
The love of their Buddy know.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"Willie," said the hostess at the party, "you appear to be deep in thought."

"Yes'm," replied Willie. "Mom told me something to say if you should ask me to have some cake or ice cream or anything—and I've forgotten what it was!"—Christian Science Monitor.

* * * *

"Hi, Johnnie! What are you up to now? What are you looking in that mirror for with your eyes closed?"

"I just want to see what I look like when I'm asleep."—Vancouver Province.

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Teacher: "Now, Bobby, I'm going to let you answer a question. How could you describe an oyster?"

Bobby: "I can answer that all right. An oyster is a fish built like a nut."

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Mother: Tommy, what are you doing in the party?

Tommy: Oh, just putting a few things away.—Ex.

* * * *

The pupil was asked to paraphrase the sentence, "He was bent on seeing her."

He wrote: "The sight of her doubled him up."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Brooksdale, Allensville, 11 (dedication) 2
Trinity, 7:30 2
Calvary, 7:30 9
Front Street, 7:30 12
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 16
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick Ch., 7:30 16
West Burlington, 7:30 19
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 11 23
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 3 23
West Durham, 7:30 24
Carr, 7:30 26

March

Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 2
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 2
Duke Memorial, 7:30 4
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 5
Chapel Hill, 7:30 6
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 9
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 3 9
Graham, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April

Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Troy, 11 2
Troy Ct., 3 2
West End, 7 2
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Belhaven, Trinity, 11 2
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 2
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 2
Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Roper, 11 23

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
PREACHING SCHEDULE

February

Pamlico, Bayboro, 11 2
Newport, 7:30 2
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 2
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 2
Garner, Hollands, 7:30 5
Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Manners, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

SECOND ROUND

Raleigh, Person Street, 11 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 1:30 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 26

March

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 2
Cary-Apex, Apex, 7:30 2
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 2
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 2
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 11 9
Elm City, 7:30 9
Wilson, 11 16
Nashville, 7:30 16
District Evangelistic Conf., 10 a.m., Enfield 17
Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March

Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 2
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night 2
Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30 20

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Marshall, Marshall, 11 2
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 2
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville, 7 16
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Duncan Memorial, 11 2
Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 2
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7 2
Big Springs, 11 9
Unionville Ct., Zion, 3 9
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 7:30 9
Trinity, 7:30 12
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 14
Pineville, Harrison, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
Matthews, 7:30 16
Central Avenue, 7:30 17
Marshville, Wingate, 11 23
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 23
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 23

March

Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homesetead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Ararat, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Bryant Memorial, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Dobson, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Elkin, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Jonesville, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Miller's Creek, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Moravian Falls, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
North Wilkesboro, 2 8
St. Paul, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Trap Hill, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, 2 8

Note—Dr. M. B. Stokes, returned missionary from Korea, will deliver a missionary address at each of these zone conferences.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

February

South Fork, 11 and 1:30 2
Vale, Reep's Grove, 3 2
Maylo-Smyre, night 2
Mount Holly, 11 9
Lowell, Bethesda, 2:30 9
East End, night 9
Lowesville, 11 and 2 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 and 2 16
Belmont, Park Street, night 16
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 23
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Laboratory, 2 23
Bessemer City, night 23

March

Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Meeting of Golden Cross directors, Cherryville, 2:30 February 9.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Leaksville, 11 26
Spray, 7:30 26

February

Jamestown, 11 2
Summerfield, Center, 3 2
Bessemer, 7:30 2

Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 9
Danbury, Bethany, 3 9
Calvary, 7:30 9
Reidsville Ct., 11 15
Mitchell's Grove, 11 16
Flat Rock, Bethel, 3 16
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 16
Proximity, 7:30 19
Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 and 3 23
Newlyn Street, 7:30 23
Glenwood, 7:30 26

March

Pleasant Garden, Rehobeth, 10 2
Haw River, Mizpah, 11:30 2
College Place, 5 2
St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Archdale, 7:30 5
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 8 6
Richland, Giles, 2 9
Calvary, 7:30 12
Rankin Memorial, 11 16
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 16
First Church, High Point, 7:30 19
Coleridge, Rehobeth, 3 23
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 26

March

Shiloh, Friendship, 2 1
Farmer, New Hope, 2:30 2
Denton, Jackson Hill, 7:30 2
Ward Street, 7:30 5
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 2
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 2
Henrietta, Henrietta, 7:30 2
North Morganton, 7:30 9
Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Maiden, 11 2
Ball's Creek, Pisgah, 2:30 2
Catawba-Claremont, night 2
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 2:30 9
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 9
Mount Zion, 11 16
Davidson, Fairview, 2:30 16
Jones Memorial, night 16
Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

February

Centenary, 11 2
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3 2
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
General Terrace, 7:30 9
Erlanger, Erlanger, 11 16
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 3 16
Doubs, Brookstown, 7 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Hanes, Hanes, 7 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Ardmore, 7:30 4
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 3 9
Walkertown, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
First Church, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Kernersville, Cherry St., 7:30 23
North Davidson, Bethesda, 11 30
District Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

THE COST OF CRIME
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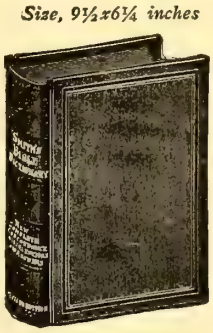
and social conditions. Educated, Christian Negroes, like any other people, who can maintain themselves on or above the subsistence level, furnish a very small part of the crime population. Even those who are not educated, if they have economic security and are God-fearing people give no trouble to law enforcement officials.

Authorities might as well begin to give some consideration to improving the status of its citizens, who are maladjusted and who have not had the chance which the state is intended to furnish.—Star of Zion, Charlotte.

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In Memoriam

WESTBROOK — Mrs. Anna Smith Westbrook was born in Duplin county on June 3, 1871. At the age of 17 she was married to Frank Westbrook. To this union were born four daughters and one son. She died on January 2, 1941, in the 70th year of a life which had been fruitful of deeds which made her a good neighbor. Indeed she was the kind of person that makes her section of Duplin a good community to live in. The homeless, the orphaned, the needy, all found in her home and her heart a shelter and haven from the storms of life.

YATES—Mrs. Dora Yates, wife of A. E. Yates, departed this life January 12, 1941, age 45 years, four months and three days. She is survived by the following relatives: A. E. Yates, her husband; four children, Mrs. Harvey Shaw, Mrs. Hubert Vickery, Dorothy and Sandra Yates of the home; her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brazzilla Robbins; three sisters and one brother, and two grandchildren. In early life she professed faith in Christ and united with West Bend church, of which she has been a faithful member. Mrs. Yates left a testimony that her way was clear and she was ready to die. Funeral services were conducted at West Bend Methodist church by the writer, assisted by Rev. J. E. Shaw.

C. L. Grant.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Denver-Bethel society wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. Luzetta Smith, who passed away November 30, 1940. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society, and though her health would not permit her to attend the meetings in her last days, she never lost interest in the society, and enjoyed talking about the activities of the group. It is true that we shall miss her and we offer in love and appreciation the following resolutions:

First, That in the passing of Mrs. Smith we have lost one of our most loyal members and that not only will her society and her church feel the loss, but also the whole community as well.

Second, That we wish to extend our sincere sympathy to her family and pray that God who is too good to be unkind may comfort and guide them in his way.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be filed in the minutes of our society and a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. P. A. Thompson.
Mrs. J. O. Lowe,
Mrs. J. C. Gordon,
Committee.

HUMPHREY — William Hardy, son of Alexander and Nancy Harrell Humphrey, was born in Robeson county, N. C., April 30, 1858, and died at his home in Lumberton, N. C., November 22, 1940. After his funeral services conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. B. Fisher ,assisted by Revs. W. C. Wilson and J. D. Bundy, he was buried in Meadowbrook cemetery.

He was married to Lucy, daughter of John G. Smith, she having died on December 19, 1929, after a happy marriage of 40 years or more. Unto this union were born three children: Ila Mae (Mrs. H. B. Gibson), and William Harrell Humphrey, both of Lumberton, and Lucy Olga (Mrs. A. B. Watson) of Rowland, N. C.

When but a young man he was converted and joined Barker's Methodist church. Some years later he moved his membership to Chestnut Street Methodist church in Lumberton. Of this and Barker's church together, he was an active steward, steward emeritus, and trustee for 40 years or more, being so at the time of his death.

As evidence of the public esteem for him, his county elected him clerk of the superior court three consecutive times for terms of four years each. His children rise up and call him blessed as their father. His neighbors speak forth words of praise only, as good to live by.

In my contact with him as his pastor for a period of four years, I universally found his heart in the right place, always lining up with his church and his God. It was always my delight to hear him pray so fervently as one personally with his Lord to whom he talked. In eternity, his children and friends know where to find him.

He leaves all of us a rich legacy of a life well spent in God's service, who has called him up higher. Precious be his memory.

J. D. Bundy.

IN MEMORIAM

At the end of the trail, December 31, 1940, Mrs. Mary Davis Towe met her Pilot face to face when she was called to her eternal home. The instinct of her soul will not say the grave is final, but only through the door of death could she see God free from suffering she longed to be at rest.

Early in life Mrs. Towe gave her heart to God, and until the end she was always striving to do all she could for the advancement of his kingdom. Her most outstanding work in the Hertford Methodist church was the supervision for about 12 years of the Bright Jewels. The youngest missionary circle is of those who were under her leadership during the tender years of childhood. It is named for her—Mary Towe.

She was a loyal member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Even in feebleness extreme her heart had a burning enthusiasm for missions. Often she requested the meetings to be at her home. The radiance of her face was expressive of the joy of fellowship of her co-workers. Her devotion to her Saviour grew deeper with the passing years.

Many years ago Mrs. Towe was bereft of her husband, but she met the responsibilities of life heroically. In the atmosphere of their Christian home her six children felt the daily influence of her godly life. They are active members of the church of her choice, the memorial she craved. It is with profound sorrow that we record the passing of our friend and co-worker, but we rejoice to know in Paradise she is not changed but glorified.

In the hope of the resurrection we left her earthly form sleeping in God's keeping at Cedarwood. The deep coverlet of beautfiul flowers wet with tears was evidence of the esteem for our departed loved one.

To the bereaved we extend our love and sympathy. May the light of divine love give them consolation and resignation at the final reckoning. May her children say, "Mother, we are all here."

Mrs. G. E. Newby,
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Dr. Robert Lee Flowers

President of Duke University

NORTH CAROLINA TEMPERANCE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16, 1941

Temperance and State-Wide Referendum

The pastors of all churches in North Carolina are urged to observe North Carolina Temperance Sunday on February 16, 1941. On that date all pastors are urged to preach temperance sermons, have legislative petition cards signed and urge their people to co-operate in obtaining a state-wide referendum and in establishing state-wide prohibition in North Carolina.

In May, 1908, North Carolina voted by a majority of more than 44,000 to outlaw the liquor traffic in North Carolina. In November, 1933, our people reaffirmed their opposition to the liquor traffic by a majority of more than 184,000 votes; and, it was in violation of these overwhelming expressions of the wishes of our people that the sale of beer, wine, whiskey and other intoxicating liquors have been legalized. It was by a state-wide vote that North Carolina adopted prohibition as a state-wide policy; and this state-wide policy should never have been repealed or revoked except by a vote of the people. Therefore, all pastors, all other church leaders and all other citizens are urged to communicate with their representatives and senators in the 1941 General Assembly to request them to enact laws to prohibit the manufacture, sale and transportation of intoxicating liquors; and to urge that if the General Assembly be unwilling to outlaw the liquor traffic, it at least give the people of our state the privilege of voting in a state-wide referendum so that the people might have the opportunity to outlaw Public Enemy No. 1.

The enactment and the enforcement of righteous laws are desirable; therefore, we urge the enactment and enforcement of laws prohibiting the liquor traffic. However, individual abstinence from all that is hurtful and evil is even more vital; therefore, ministers, teachers and all other leaders should urge their people to abstain absolutely from the use of alcoholic beverages.

Cale K. Burgess, President,
United Dry Forces of North Carolina.

Clare Purcell, D.D., Presiding Bishop,
North Carolina Methodist Conference and
Western North Carolina Methodist Conference.

William Harrison Williams, D.D., President,
North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

J. Kenneth Pfohl, D.D., Bishop,
Moravian Church, Southern Province.

Samuel L. Haworth, Presiding Clerk,
North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Rev. Charles C. Ware, State Secretary,
Churches of Christ of North Carolina.

Rev. J. W. Stork, Clerk,
Mecklenburg Presbytery, Presbyterian Church.

Rev. S. E. Madren, President,
Eastern North Carolina Conference of
Congregational and Christian Churches.

Rev. E. Carl Brady, President,
Western North Carolina Conference of
Congregational and Christian Churches.

Rev. Jerome Hodges, Superintendent,
North Carolina Conference of Pentecostal
Holiness Church.

D. L. MOODY AT HIS MOTHER'S FUNERAL

"I thought so much of mother I cannot say half enough," said D. L. Moody in an address delivered at his mother's funeral. "That dear face! There was no sweeter face on earth. Fifty years I have been coming back and was always glad to get back. When I got within 50 miles of home I always grew restless and walked up and down the car. It seemed to me as if the train would never get to Northfield. For 68 years she has lived on that hill, and when I came back after dark I always looked to see the light in mother's window. When I got home last Saturday night—I was going to take the four o'clock train from New York and get here at twelve; I had some business to do; but I suppose it was the good Lord that sent me; I took the twelve o'clock train and got here at five—I went to my mother. I was so glad I got back in time to be recognized. I said, 'Mother, do you know me?' She said, 'I guess I do!' I like that Yankee word 'guess'! The children were all with her when she was taking her departure. At last I called, 'Mother mother.' No answer. She had fallen asleep; but I shall see her again by and by. Friends, it is not a time of mourning. I want you to understand we do not mourn. We are proud that we had such a mother. We have a wonderful legacy left us."

BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES SAYS

"They are calling March 2, 1941, 'The Day of Compassion.'

"It is a day upon which Methodism is appealing for three causes: Overseas Relief, help for our British Methodist people and churches, and religious work in or near our Army Camps. . . .

"Under Christ we are bothers and sisters of the overseas people in distress. . . .

"Under history we are the sons and daughters of British Methodism, our Mother Church. . . .

"To our hearts God gives the parental feeling, and we must go with our boys to the camps and hold them for Christ. . . .

"Let every preacher, member, and church participate in this Day of Compassion on March 2, 1941. Let us give a Million Dollars for Camp Service and Overseas Relief."

STEWARDS CALL FOR STATE-WIDE REFERENDUM

We, the members of the district league of stewards of the Methodist church in annual session, Warsaw, N. C., February 2, 1941, do hereby call upon the North Carolina Legislature now in session to enact a law calling for a state-wide referendum on whether intoxicating liquors shall be sold in the state and requiring better law enforcement, also to outlaw all slot machines which may be used for gambling.

BISHOP PURCELL IN DURHAM

Last Saturday night a number of Durham pastors and others took supper together in a cafeteria of the city. Careful attention was given to the best way to meet the demands of the Day of Compassion on March 2. Plans were discussed and committees appointed as well as good fellowship enjoyed.

Among those present were the following: S. J. Starnes, A. J. Hobbs, Bishop Clare Purcell, J. M. Ormond, G. W. Perry, H. E. Myers, H. E. Spence, Frank S. Hickman, W. S. Clegg, W. K. Barrs, Robert W. Bradshaw, V. E. Queen, W. K. Greene, F. S. Aldridge, Carlos P. Womack, Millard C. Dunn, H. C. Smith, Ed. Earnhardt, Harold R. Simpson, John Cline.

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Every thoughtful church worker will want to ponder well the contribution of Dr. Ray C. Petry of Duke University on page 10 of this issue.

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"The only way to outlast a pagan attack is to overwhelm it with our own advance. But our advance must be that of Christ—an advance of love, never one of violence. Now is the best possible time to go forward. The Christian church and every member of it must face straight ahead. We of the church school must lead the advance."—Petry.

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The ground hog has been again in the public prints. His egress, or failure to do so, has made the front page of the morning and evening dailies. Two things, in our opinion, account for the ground hog's staying quality, namely, humor and superstition. To many people the thing is funny, while others half way believe the ground hog can deliver the goods.

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We are all for democracy. Washington and Raleigh stand firm. Governor Broughton joins other governors requesting aid for other democracies of the world. But how about giving democracy a chance at home? Are the people going to be allowed to pass on the liquor issue in North Carolina? Shall we continue to legalize alcoholic poison for gain? The enemy at home concerns us as much as the one across the seas.

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We might do well to learn a lesson just now from the Methodists of England. To begin the year the president of the Methodist conference issued a call for a revival of religion. "What we need," insisted President Henry Bett, "is a great revival of intense and impassioned evangelism." A fire that is burning dimly in the hearts of the people should be kindled into a blaze; then they would see the work of the Lord prosper in their hands. The same thing would count in America.

Once upon a time a father who loved to hunt came in from the chase and was taking a rabbit from his pocket when his five-year-old daughter burst into tears and cried: "Why, daddy, you have killed Peter Rabbit!" "That ended my hunting," said the father. "I never forgot the distressed look upon the child's face."

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It is discouraging to note that the State Senate last Tuesday by a vote of 24 to 22 killed the bill that proposed to imprison drunken drivers when convicted of a second offense. This penalty was to be mandatory and not left to the whims of the court. There is nothing that would have so salutary effect as mandatory penalties, because it is an outrage upon society for judges to do as some of them, and not a few, who play at the whole business of law enforcement.

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Abraham Lincoln said: "Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country, and never tolerate their violation by others. As the patriots of '76 rallied to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so to the support of the Constitution and laws let every American pledge his life, his property, and his sacred honor. Let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample on the blood of his father, and to tear the character of his own and children's liberty. Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books, and in almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And, in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the young and old, the rich and poor, the grave and gay, of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars."

President Flowers of Duke University

IT takes a lot of living to make a home; the same is true in the making of the president of a university. In this respect Robert Lee Flowers is admirably qualified to become head of Duke. Through most of the administration of John Franklin Crowell and through all of that of John Carlisle Kilgo and of William Preston Few, the new president has been in the thick of things.

Fifty years ago the attractive, energetic young graduate of Annapolis came to "Old Trinity" in Randolph county, 1891, as teacher of engineering. The next year the college opened in Durham. These early years were filled with dreams and beset with no little confusion in the midst of the new situation and the limited financial resources. But the currents of a larger life were running deep and full. That first year the new instructor of mathematics saw Trinity take the lead in football for all the South and, with others, he cherished the vision of a Southern college having resources of a million dollars or more. Those early years in Durham were full of confusion due in part to the removal from the old site and the want of harmony and academic traditions in the new situation. In these first years in Durham young Flowers fresh from the U. S. Naval Academy learned something of the troubles incident to college life.

During the administration of President Kilgo he won the esteem of both faculty and students and became a loyal supporter of the president who ran into many cross currents in the life of the state. In these days of a college that was steadily winning its way in the academic world there was a group of young men at Trinity College such as Bassett in history, Mims and Few in English, Merritt and Cranford in Greek and philosophy who, along with Flowers and others, brought a new day for Trinity. Along with the advances made within the college began a higher standard among the colleges of the land both in the way of physical equipment and academic rating. R. L. Flowers was ever in the midst of these undertakings and was so considered by students and the public at large.

In 1910, with the administration of President W. P. Few, Dr. Flowers came into larger and more responsible administrative duties of the college and later of Duke University. As secretary of the corporation and, in 1923, when he took over the office of treasurer, his work was more largely administrative than earlier years. Especially true was this with the expansion of Duke University when he acted for Mr. J. B. Duke in securing options and making purchases of the more than 5,000 acres of campus and Duke forests. No one knows so much of the inside work of those momentous days as does he since J. B. Duke and W. P. Few have passed on.

As a matter of fact no man living has been so intimately related to and for so long time connected with Trinity College and Duke University as has the new president who for half a century has known the administrative details during the incumbency of Presidents Crowell, Kilgo and Few. He has not been one who has watched from the side lines; he has put the best he had in all the achievements of these five decades. Parallel with the long life lived on the campus Dr. Flowers has been a part of the Duke endowment, of the orphanage work in the state, of the organization of the Methodist Church, and of the civic affairs of Durham. Colleges have honored him and more than a dozen generations of Trinity students delight to give him a first place.

Conserving the Traditions

THE trustees of Duke in making Robert Lee Flowers president of the university have done more than appears on the surface. By this act they have recognized the value of conserving the traditions and of making use of men who have given their lives to a cause. Henry R. Dwire, William H. Wannamaker and others associated with them are being brought forward for still larger service and thereby the traditions of the decades are being conserved instead of pushed aside to make place for others not so well tried to continue the great work to which so many have given the best of their years.

Of course there are ever ambitious young men—some with a vaulting ambition that overleaps itself—eager and ready to push aside capable and worthy men who deserve better treatment. This is an American infirmity. The English, to whom we are so devoted just now, are careful to conserve the traditions by using their men who have grown wise in years of service. We sincerely hope Duke University may continue to cherish her best traditions and ever be faithful to the devoted servants who

have labored to build an institution for the welfare of mankind and will ever remain true to its motto: **Eruditio et Religio**—Learning and Religion.

Henry Ford As a Historian

SOME years ago the periodicals of this country attributed to Henry Ford the declaration, "History is bunk." But no one, as we recall, explained just what he meant by the term "bunk." He must have thought well of history if properly presented. For he has done a good job in history writing in his Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Michigan, where he has reconstructed an early American community. But in that community history walks the humble way. It tells its story not in parliaments and battlefields and political campaigns, but in terms of the pioneer. In Greenfield Village is the log cabin, the early country store, the inventor's shop, the one-room court house, the day school house, the white-steepled church. The old houses which have been moved from their native habitat are either typical of their times or memorials of some personality or event that profoundly affected our history and the history of the world. Here we find the Pennsylvania log cabin in which W. H. McGuffy who wrote the school reader was born. Nearby is the New Haven town house of Noah Webster of dictionary fame.

To continue a walk through the Greenfield Village the object lessons are wonderfully impressive as one enumerates them. The one-room frame court house, typical of hundreds such in the country, where Lincoln pleaded his first case, stands side by side with slave cabins from the Hermitage near Savannah. And on the same village street with an old New England inn is the bicycle shop of Wilbur and Orville Wright, where they worked on their airplane, and nearby is the work shop where Mr. Ford himself made his first automobile. The general store from Waterford, Michigan, is typical of thousands of American crossroads emporia of the last century, with its hoop skirts, cracker barrels, red flannels, oil lamps and wood-burning stove for the village philosophers to gather round. Equally typical are the apothecary shop, blacksmith's and tintype photograph's studio. And not far off is the famous Menlo Park group of buildings and laboratory where Edison worked on his early inventions which were so to change our world.

Where Silence Is Golden

A STRIKING example of this aphorism is to be found in the case of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh. He flew over the ocean. Within a few hours Lindbergh became a national hero and the people everywhere lauded this pioneer in aviation. But he refused to be swept off his feet by the whirlwinds of applause. In silent dignity he faced the severest tests that could come to a youth in his twenties and thereby enhanced his renown everywhere.

But later the golden silence was broken and Charles A. Lindbergh dared to discuss national and international questions. Then his limitations, hitherto unknown, became painfully evident and the "idol" is about to be shattered. What a different story it would have been if the "shoemaker had stuck to his last." But he ventured too far and has shown that he has little ability to grasp international problems, much less to solve them.

Should Orphanages and Church Schools Be Taxed?

A FEW people seemingly with headquarters in Guilford county are doing what they can to tax the endowments of church schools and orphanages in North Carolina. And this in the face of the fact that out of their meager earnings these schools provide for more than 15,000 students while the state supported institutions provide for only 10,000 students. And all the orphanages of the state are owned by the churches and the Masons and other kindred brotherhoods. It is unthinkable that the courts, the state schools and the people of North Carolina will support such a scheme of taxation as is proposed in some quarters. Let the people of North Carolina keep an eye out for what is going on.

Let's Get Back to Some Fundamentals

IT is good to go forward. Onward and upward are capital watch words. But it is better sometimes to go back when we have left or forgotten something. We need to get back to the Ten Commandments. We need to get back to the day when a man's word was as good as his bond. We need to build on the faith of our fathers. Keep your feet on the ground and your eyes on the stars is an excellent motto.

People and Things

Mrs. Chester write: "Rev. H. A. Chester of Benson is in the Highsmith Hospital. He has had a major operation and is doing fine. Please ask our friends through the Advocate to pray for us."

The time of the meeting of Gastonia district directors of the Golden Cross with conference director J. B. Abernethy has been changed to Sunday, February 9, at 2:30 p.m. The place remains the same, Cherryville Methodist church.—H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

Please say through the Advocate that I have a slightly used rotograph machine—uses letter size or legal size paper—that is for sale. There is certain equipment that goes with machine. The first $12 reaching me gets it, prepaid.—G. N. Dulin, Box 174, Andrews, N. C.

G. H. Hastings, civic leader and layman in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, was the speaker at the First Methodist church of China Grove last Sunday night. This was the church's annual "school and church" program at which the teachers and board members of the local schools were special guests.

Salisbury district appears to be off to a fine start. First round by D. S. completed. We find increases in 14 of 41 charges for preachers' salaries: Anne Street (Concord), Friendship, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Bethpage, Landis, Trinity, Midland, Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Norwood, Salem, Coleman Memorial, Central (Spencer), Stanfield, Main Street (Albemarle). Increase in benevolences, even $5,000. Looks good so far.—"Jinks" Waggoner, Reporter.

The 40th anniversary of the Greensboro Ministers' Association was observed at Grace Methodist church on the night of February 4. Drs. S. B. Turrentine and C. E. Hodgin were the two charter members who delightfully entertained the meeting with eloquent and inspiring addresses. Other ministers of long tenure of service in the city were R. M. Andrews, Methodist, R. Murphy Williams, Presbyterian, E. A. Schenck, Lutheran, and dean of them all, S. K. Spahr, 94 years young.

Rev. Walter Thompson, a graduate of the school of religion of Duke University, has been secured by the official board and appointed as director of education in our church. His work will be primarily with the young people, but he will work also in the general educational and missionary program of the church and as assistant to the pastor. He has spent more than six years in special preparation for the work as director of religious education.—Bulletin First Church, Henderson.

Rev. Chas. C. Barnhardt, pastor at St. Charles, Missouri, on January 18 had a marriage at 5:30 p.m., was stricken at 6 p.m. and died at 7 p.m. He had been seemingly quite well. He was born in North Carolina, and graduated at Trinity College, now Duke University. He served important pastorates in Oklahoma for many years, and was then transferred to the St. Louis conference, where he held leading charges. He gave 32 years to the Methodist ministry. He was a cheerful, faithful, lovable man.

In a report last week it was stated that the Bahama charge had paid out in full for the year on six items. This was a mistake. It is the Rougemont charge that has done so well in this matter at its first quarterly conference. The items paid include district work, orphanage, ministers' retirement fund, bishop's fund, conference claimants' fund, and general administration fund. Rev. Kermit Wheeler is the pastor of the Rougemont charge. The undersigned reporter assumes full responsibility for this error.—S. J. Starnes, Reporter for Durham District.

From Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa, comes word to the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the marriage, on December 28, of Miss Bess L. Phillips, missionary of the Methodist Church in Inhambane, Portuguese East Africa, to the Rev. Josef A. Persson, Methodist superintendent in Johannesburg, and manager of the Methodist Press in Cleveland, Transvaal.

The United Methodist Mission has decided to deliver church property valued at approximately $100,000 to the Japanese Methodist Church, it was learned authoritatively recently. It was decided at an annual meeting that the mission would continue its work in Japan, even though 45 American workers already have departed and 10 others plan to leave "because of the international situation." Seventy-five missionaries are remaining.

Two conferences with Dr. Kirby Page are to be held at Duke University February 12. Dr. Page is a well known author and evangelist of the Christian message. We are fortunate in having him with us in Durham for this conference. He will speak at a public meeting in the chapel of the School of Religion at 7:30 p.m. on the subject, "Christianity's Answer to Totalitarianism." At 3:30 in the afternoon he will speak in the West Campus Union ball room on the subject, "How Can We Defend American Democracy?"—Edwin L. Brock, Chairman.

The Murphy church is happy that we are marching to the front. During the first quarter of this conference year the budget has been balanced, the first time in several years we have been able to do this. The enrollment and attendance at the young people's League meeting has been doubled as well as the Sunday school attendance. There have been 20 additions to the church since conference. A contract has been let for new church pews, which will be installed about the 15th of March. A great deal of interest is being manifest in all church activities and we feel that this will be one of the greatest years in our history.—Sara Ruth Posey, Sec. Board of Stewards.

Signal honors were indeed worthily placed in the installation of Phi Beta Kappa chapters at Wake Forest College Monday and at Wofford College Tuesday. Both institutions are among the older leaders in the South's educational field and their reputation as moulders of men of character and sterling worth is known throughout the land. From the days of the sixties, their graduates have taken high place in the progress of the Carolinas, particularly in education and government, and many of their sons have lent strong hand and influential voice in promoting the welfare of the nation. They would be largely represented in any roll call of their states' teachers, college professors, writers, legislators, governors, supreme court judges and business and manufacturing executives.

The Southwestern Christian Advocate carries the following news note about Dr. Albea Godbold who a few years ago was pastor of College Place church, Grensboro, and went from there to Chapel Hill, where he served as pastor: "Rev. Albea Godbold, Ph.D., is in his fifth year as pastor of First church, El Dorado, Arkansas. This is one of the best churches in the connection. The church building for the sanctuary and the educational work is modern, well appointed and of excellent appearance, and has no debt. The Sunday school has an average attendance of about 600. The finances are kept up to date. The salary is $5000 with a splendid parsonage, upon which there is no debt. El Dorado is a beautiful, thrifty city. Methodism is keeping pace. Dr. Godbold is having an exceedingly fruitful pastorate at El Dorado."

Following the lead of the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church in designating the first Sunday in Lent—March 2—as the "Day of Compassion" when special funds will be taken in all churches for Overseas Relief, British Methodism, and for training camp Christian service, several other denominations have undertaken special relief appeals on the same Sunday. These include the Baptists, the United Brethren, the Evangelical and Reformed Church, the Friends, the Universalists, and the Evangelicals. In addition, many communities in America are planning an interdenominational emphasis on relief during the week of February 23 to March 2, and in this emphasis the Episcopalians and Presbyterians will also join.

Methodism moves on at Andrews ending the first quarter of the conference in fine shape. In addition to balancing budgets, some long standing debts are being liquidated and some improvements being made on our church building. These things are being paid for as completed. Our church school is moving fine under Mayor W. A. Reece, general superintendent, and his efficient secretary-treasurer, Miss Mary Boone. The Woman's Society for Christian Service, under the able leadership of Mrs. Z. B. Conley, is doing some fine work. The work of the Methodist church as a whole at Andrews is perhaps progressing and keeping all matters up to date and in keeping with the program of the church as it has never done before.—Reporter.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, secretary of the Board of Education of the N. C. conference, opened the annual religious emphasis week at Louisburg College Monday evening, January 27, at 7:30 o'clock, preaching on the topic "You and God," bringing before the assembled students the fact that the questioning people of this day are not seeking the right source for the answering of these questions, pointing out that source as the sanctuary, "Where you are, and where God is, and where God is in control." On Tuesday morning in the college auditorium Mr. Bradshaw spoke on three ideals, "The Real Joy of Life," "Knowledge as a Friend" and "The Everlasting Purpose." On Tuesday evening his subject was "The Everlasting Arms of God," wherein he demonstrated man's great heritage of dependence upon God.

Dr. C. C. Weaver presided over our first quarterly conference at Mt. Pleasant on North Davidson charge. The conference had a large attendance, and many have said that they greatly appreciate our superintendent and Mrs. Weaver, who led our music and later spoke to a group of our women. The conference accepted our benevolence budgets wtih a substantial increase. Each church under the leadership of the Sunday schools had a good program at Christmas. The attendance at Sunday school and at the church services has been good. The people have been very thoughtful of their pastor and wife; we have received a good pounding with many good things to eat and many pieces of wearing apparel, for which we are thankful. The parsonage has been improved by a modern water system with hot and cold water, a lavatory, toilet, and new built-in kitchen with new sink. By these modern conveniences the value of our parsonage has been increased by about $500. Each church on the charge has shared equal in this improvement, and it is all paid in full. (Dr. Lambeth, our former D. S., will take notice).—O. B. Williams.

BOB TUTTLE CONTINUES TO DO BIG THINGS AT GIBSONVILLE

Rev. R. G. Tuttle, who is having a wonderful pastorate at Gibsonville, brought to this office last Wednesday eight new subscribers, 15 renewals and a check for $33. Last year he made his official board 100 per cent and now he adds eight new names from other members of his church. Three cheers for the man who is able to do big things.

DURHAM MINISTERS TO BROADCAST

Plans have been completed by the Durham ministers for broadcasting over Station WBNC each Monday in February at one o'clock, in preparation for observing "Day of Compassion" on March 2. S. J. Starnes, Reporter.

MRS. GERTIE MATTHEWS AND MRS. FRED L. JOHNSON MAKE REPORTS

Mrs. Gertie Matthews, secretary of the New Bern district, and Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, secretary of the Rocky Mount district, send this week a complete list of presidents and spiritual life leaders of their districts. Each one also sends a photograph of herself. We expect to have the cuts made from these so that their pictures may appear next week.

In the meantime let others who have not done so already to send their lists and favorite photographs. We hope to have all these in from both conferences before long. The response from the women has been fine—just as they do other work placed in their hands.

This week Mrs. W. O. Rackley of Benson leads in her report. She sends a check for $15 for seven new subscribers and one renewal. What could be finer than that? All names go on the mailing list at once. Later, from time to time, we will have complete reports of all names sent in.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel and Dr. Raymond Smith represented Greensboro College at a Christian educational conference at Sunny Acres on Monday and Tuesday. The conference was under the auspices of the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. Dr. G. T. Rowe of Duke led discussion on church colleges. Rev. Carl H. King, Salisbury, was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean, made an extensive tour throughout the eastern part of the state last week in the interest of the college. Her tour included visits to a number of alumnae, church leaders, and high schools in Siler City, Sanford, Dunn, Smithfield, Wilson, Fremont, and Rocky Mount.

Plans have been completed for religious emphasis week, sponsored by the Y.W.C.A. under the direction of Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president, February 9-14. Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, well known lecturer and author, Ann Arbor, Michigan, will be the speaker for the event.

The faculty at Greensboro College held its regular forum Tuesday evening in the student activities building with a dinner meeting. The topic for discussion was Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont, and the discussion was led by Dr. Madeline Stinson.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT MINISTERS' WIVES' MEETING

The second meeting of the year of the High Point district ministers' wives was held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Madison on Thursday, January 30. Associate hostesses were Mrs. S. W. Taylor and Mrs. P. S. Kennett. Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, the president, presided. She introduced Mrs. Wade Johnson of Denton, who gave a very helpful devotional.

Following the devotional, music was furnished by Miss Louise Ellison, Miss Geraldine Rash and Mrs. O. L. Brown. Mrs. Pritchard then introduced Mrs. Steidley, well known evangelist, who spoke on the subject, "The Place of a Minister's Wife." At the close of a short business session the guests were shown to the dining room, where they were served tea, sandwiches and cookies. After this short social hour the meeting was adjourned.

DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET AT WARSAW

The District League of Stewards for the upper part of the Wilmington district met in the Warsaw Methodist church Sunday afternoon, February 2. There were representatives present from Clinton, Faison-Kenansville, Garland, Wallace-Rose Hill, Warsaw-Magnolia, and Jacksonville-Richlands. Mr. W. A. McGirt presided. The pastor of Warsaw conducted the devotional, the junior choir singing a special number. The following were on the program, which was interesting and instructive: Rev. A. S. Barnes, Prof. F. S. Aldridge, J. C. Willis, S. D. Hirst, Rev. A. S. Parker, Hon. E. C. Quinn, Duplin's representative in the legislature, and Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, who delivered the chief address. C. T. Thrift, Reporter.

DUKE'S NEW VICE PRESIDENT HAS DONE THE WORK OF TWO MEN

Henry R. Dwire, elected vice president of Duke University when Dr. Robert Lee Flowers became president, has been for the past decade director of public relations and alumni affairs at Duke. This embraces almost everything that one can think of.



Henry R. Dwire

He is a director of the Duke Press, managing editor of The South Atlantic Quarterly (second oldest university historical and literary journal in the South), editor of The Duke Alumni Register, and he has charge of the university catalogues and other publications.

And in his "spare" time he is secretary of the Athletic Council, a member of the University board of trustees, secretary of the Alumni Association and the Alumni Council, member of the Publications Council, and a member of various committees.

In his capacity as director of public relations Mr. Dwire often serves as the university's official host, and in this role he has the gift of "thinking of everything" that might contribute to the comfort and entertainment of the guests. He makes his home at "Four Acres," the University House (formerly the B. N. Duke home), and here too he is a most genial host.

A graduate of Duke (AB., '02, A.M., '03), Mr. Dwire was assistant in English as a graduate student, and for a period was a member of the faculty of Fishburne Military School at Waynesboro, Va. For the next 22 years he was editor of the Twin-City Sentinel, and for the last eight years of that period was co-publisher.

Winston-Salem begrudgingly gave up Mr. Dwire to Duke and Durham. He was at the time president of the Rotary Club there, chairman of the Winston-Salem chapter of the American Red Cross, chairman of the Community Chest commission, founder and head of the Fine Arts Foundation, and for a number of years was chairman of the Winston-Salem city school commission. In 1928 he was awarded the Winston-Salem trophy for distinguished community service. He is a member of the well known Hanes family of Winston-Salem, his mother having been a sister of the late P. H. Hanes.

He has served on a variety of organizations of statewide importance. As a member of the State School Commission for eight years he has continued his interest in public education. Mr. Dwire has held state appointments under four North Carolina governors. From 1929 to 1933 he was secretary of the board of directors of the North Carolina State Hospital for the Insane. For some years he was a member of the board of lay activities of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

As a public speaker he is constantly called upon to address civic, religious, and educational gatherings throughout this region, and it is generally agreed that with him as toastmaster the success of a dinner program is assured. He is a superb raconteur.

As a vice president of Duke University, Mr. Dwire will be one of two men in the university administration to hold this title. For some years Dean W. H. Wannamaker has been vice president in the educational division. Until his elevation to the presidency Dr. Flowers was vice president in the business division.

BISHOP HUGHES AT GRACE CHURCH, WILMINGTON, IN MARCH

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will spend the week of March 23 in special evangelistic services at Grace church, Wilmington. The meeting will begin the week before, with the pastor and perhaps other pastors of the community preaching evenings at 8 o'clock. This pre-Hughes week, beginning March 16, will likewise be given to cottage prayer meetings, organizing visitation groups, preparatory to the coming of the great evangelist for the following week. We are praying and looking forward with faith to a great meeting. Can we have such in 1941? Pray with us to that end.

The 1940 conference session followed within less than a week the closing of the meeting here at Grace church under the inspiring preaching of Dr. Grace Sloan Overton and prevented adequate report of the meeting at the time. If there is superior preaching in America to that of Mrs. Overton, from either sex of any race, I have not heard it. Our church was thrilled by her ministry, and the uplift of it was the common talk of this city during and long after the meeting. The folks want her back next fall, all varieties of folks of all denominations. These beloved outsiders thronged to the church during the services in numbers often outdistancing our own people. Her presence in our home for the week was a blessing.

Last week we had Dr. Ewart Edmund Turner appear twice in Grace church, speaking on the subjects, Where Is the German Church Today? and What Will Hitler Do in 1941? For four years, 1930-34, pastor of the historic American church in Berlin, Dr. Turner, a Methodist missionary, heard Hitler speak the day he "siezed" power in Germany. Having returned to Germany each summer since 1934, until the summer of 1940, Dr. Turner brings a thrilling message of first hand knowledge of the situation. With a close personal friendship and constant fellowship with the tragic martyr Martin Niemuller, and his family, it was Dr. Turner who released to the world the stunning news that Niemuller had volunteered for army service from his prison cell. Frau Niemuller told Dr. Turner this on his last visit to the Niemuller home in the summer of 1939. Our ministers will remember that agents of the Federal Council denied the story out of sheer shock and unbelief. Brother Turner explains it as a "blind spot" in Niemuller's makeup, an explanation apparently more satisfactory to Dr. Turner than to me. He considers Niemuller a great modern martyr, his body wasting away in the great concentration camp, his spirit soaring to heights not vouchsafed to many. Brother Turner has come to me twice (the other time in Rockingham). He comes without requiring a guarantee of our churches, and brings rich rewards from a deep, scholarly attitude, devoutly Christian.

The work at Grace church is delightful and very taxing as we begin our second year of service. There is no congregation of superior people, "no, not one." Let the Brothers Plyler come to see us in territory familiar and beloved. We will take care of the Advocate this year.

J. F. Herbert, Pastor.

CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT "SUNNY ACRES"

In a two-day conference on Christian Education, February 3-4, at Sunny Acres near Lewisville, sponsored by the Western N. C. Conference Board of Education and attended by Bishop Clare Purcell, district superintendents, and other leaders, many profitable discussions were held and some important goals set up. Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary, presided over the sessions, which included three main emphases on Christian education—in the local church, in the college ,and World Service in the church school.

In the first session on Monday afternoon Rev. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville conducted the worship service, and reports were made by the following members of the conference staff: Miss Elizabeth Oliver on children's work with special stress upon vacation schools; Rev. Earl D. C. Brewer on the rural church and young adult work; and Mrs. John F. Kirk on the work with young people. Rev. E. H. Nease, conference secretary, discussed desired changes in the conference minutes.

The second session gave emphasis to world service in the church school. Dr. Corliss P. Hargraves of Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary of the Inter-Board Committee on Missionary Education, led a discussion on the status of world missions and counseled the leaders on the promotion of the fourth Sunday observance. Rev. E. O. Cole of Charlotte, conference treasurer, reported on the collections for world service.

On Tuesday morning the group discussed Christian education in Methodist colleges. Dr. G. I. Humphries, president of High Point College, conducted the worship period. Dr. G. T. Rowe of Duke University, President E. J. Coltrane of Brevard College, and Dr. William J. Davidson of the department of schools and colleges of the General Board of Education, Nashville, Tenn., participated. Bishop Clare Purcell gave the last address of the conference, urging all present to advance in the work of Christian education. The bishop held a meeting with his cabinet after his address.

Among some of the outstanding decisions reached were these: Preparation of a calendar of special days for the local church; pastors will turn in tables I and II of their annual reports at the end of the church school year in special district meetings instead of waiting until the session of annual conference; projection of a group ministry project in Anson county; a conference-wide young adult fellowship meeting at Camp Carlyle in June; a coaching conference for children's workers at Sunny Acres in April; selection of dates for district conference by district superintendents; continued emphasis upon World Service Sundays. Rev. Carl King did a good piece of work in arranging this conference and guided the sessions in a helpful and interesting manner.

Persons in addition to those mentioned who attended were: Dr. C. C. Weaver, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, Dr. G. T. Bond, Dr. C. N. Clark, Rev. E. M. Jones, Dr. S. W. Taylor, Rev. M. T. Smathers, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Rev. L. B. Hayes, and Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendents; Rev. P. W. Tucker and Ralph M. Stockton from the Commission on World Service and Finance; Dr. E. K. McLarty, Sr., from Commission on Evangelism; Dr. L. L. Gobbel and Dr. R. A. Smith of Greensboro College; Dr. W. R. Winkler of Pfeiffer College; Mr. L. H. Martin and Miss Mabel Cherry of Brevard College; Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Dr. W. A. Stanbury, Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., Rev. C. P. Bowles and Rev. Wilson O. Weldon from the Board of Education; Dr. A. W. Plyler of the N. C. Christian Advocate, and Mrs. E. O. Cole of Charlotte.

Wilson O. Weldon.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE IN MARCH

Mrs. Vivian House, publicity superintendent of Y. P. Union of Mecklenburg county, writes that Monday night, January 27, Monroe Central Methodist church, Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent, and J. W. Fitzgerald, district missionary secretary, met with a group of leaders to work out plans for the missionary institute to be held in March.

Representatives were there from most of the charges in the district--pastors, charge lay leaders, representatives of the Society of Christian World Service, and representatives of the young people's work. It was decided that we should hold this institute March 31 instead of the suggested date, March 30.

Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald announced that he had secured Bishop Clare Purcell, Bishop W. W. Peele, now our bishop of Methodist work in Europe, and Rev. I. L. Shaver, returned missionary from Japan, as speakers at the institute. Dr. G. Ray Jordan will conduct the devotional and express words of welcome; Bishop Peele will deliver an address on "The Missionary Challenge in the Light of World Conditions"; Bishop Purcell will speak on "Our New Missionary Organization—What It Is"; Guy O. Bagwell will make a brief talk on the "Place of the Laymen"; Mrs. George McLaughlin will explain the "Place of the Women in Our Missionary Organization"; Rev. Carl King will discuss ::Missions in the Church School."

In the afternoon Rev. I. L. Shaver will deliver an address on "American Methodism and the Present Hour"; Mrs. J. W. Payne will present the World Outlook and the Methodist Woman; Rev. S. M. Needham will present our study book, Methodism's World Mission. General discussions will follow some of these talks.

An unusual angle developed in this meeting concerning our young people. They all agreed that it would be better to have a separate date for the young people and the date agreed upon was March 17, 7:45, Monroe Central Methodist church. Rev. C. P. Bowles will discuss "The Place of Young People in Our New Organization"; Rev. I. L. Shaver will discuss "Religious Conditions of the World and Its Challenge to Methodist Youth."

FOUNDER OF BOY SCOUTS

A kindly, Christian old man who loved boys has passed to his reward. The death of Lord Baden-Powell removes from this world one of its most beneficent characters. He rose to fame as a soldier. His heroic defense of Mafeking through 218 days of deadly siege in the Boer War rescued the disintegrating morale of the British Empire due to the failures of generals who underestimated the qualities of the Boer. It was in the siege of Mafeking that Baden-Powell made the first use of boys. They were employed as water and ammunition carriers, as actual scouts on the veldt surroundnig the city, as aids to hospital units, and in many other ways, relieving the hard-pressed defenders who were reduced to mere shadows of themselves by long hours in defense positions and by short rations of food.

After the war, B-P, as Baden-Powell was affectionately known, did not forget his experience with boys. When he had completed his task of organizing the South African Constabulary, he founded the organization of Boy Scouts by camping with twenty-five boys on Brownslea Island, England, in 1908. With the co-operation of his sister, Miss Agnes Baden-Powell, he established the Girl Guides in 1910. Both of these efforts caught the imagination of the youth of the world in subsequent years, until today there is not a civilized country that does not have these organizations or their equivalents.

It was never Baden-Powell's idea that Boy Scouts should ever be a junior military organization. His objectives were the inculcation of mental, moral, and physical ideals into boys. While in no sense sectarian, the movement inspired by him encouraged spiritual faith and reverence toward God as a necessary factor in the building of strong characters in boys.

Baden-Powell became a soldier as a result of a youthful prank. He was educated at Charterhouse and intended to go on to Oxford. In a playful mood, he entered army examinations, came through successfully, and found himself commissioned with the Thirteenth Hussars, one of England's crack cavalry regiments. His father was an ordained minister and professor at Oxford. B-P spent much of his life on Britain's empire frontiers.—The Watchman-Examiner.

* The Christian Advance and the Church School

By RAY C. PETRY

Christianity is a religion of advance. Religion means little if it cannot endure crises. When humanity is hardest hit Christianity must be most effective—or fail. Historic Chriestianity triumphed because it saved men from the worst. It waxed strongest when its chances appeared least. When retreat seemed inevitable, it advanced. Christianity conquered, in part, because of what it offered in terms of companionship, love, forgiveness, and salvation. It won, likewise, because of what it required, namely: courage, sacrifice, and faith great enough to transcend death with life.

Christianity's star was brightest, not when its followers fell into step with the world and its customs, as they so often did, but when they challenged to something higher, when they advanced beyond the ways of current society into the path of Christ. The most formidable attacks on the adherents of Jesus have often stimulated them to a new Christian advance. Today, Christianity is threatened from within by its erstwhile friends who have lost faith in it. It is menaced from without by sworn opponents who were never more resourceful. Now, again, is the time to go forward. However, Christianity's advance must be registered, not by copying the cynicism, hate, greed and violence of its enemies, but by proving the ultimate superiority and practicability of its Christlike love, vicariousness, and constructive service.

In this advance the church school has a place of leadership. It shares the grave responsibility of helping to rediscover for this age Christianity's distinctive character and contribution. There never was greater need to lay Christianity's claims on young and old. The church school's real business is to propagate fearlessly Christ's central teachings, not just to purvey some watered down, official version of him. Workers in the church school have an opportunity to inspire faith and love anew in their communities when even Christians are surrendering to despair and hate. Christianity today has to prove itself capable, not merely of right attitudes, but of vigorous action as well. It must offer, not timid acquiescence, but vigorous missionary zeal. Its program must consist of no mere grim hanging on, but of positive, fearless advance. We cannot retreat into the kingdom of heaven; it lies ahead of us. If we of the church school staff do not believe in the church and its victory, we need not be surprised to find others, young and old, despising and deserting it. People do not wish to link themselves with perpetual retreat. They want to go forward, especially when their right and ability to advance have been challenged.

We of the church school have a common task. First of all, we face common obstacles. There is widespread today a wavering faith in Christ and his church. There is among Christians, themselves, far too much ignorance of what Christianity is and stands for. Insidious propaganda for paganism masquerades under the guise of Christianity. Christians all too often betray their failure to appreciate and utilize their resources and heritages—their Bible, their traditions, and their history. Theirs is frequently a defeatist attitude in the midst of potential victory. There is even found among some of them the idolatrous worship of force and its "fuehrers." There is actual desertion from the ranks of love as exmplified by God and Christ.

Again, we need to announce and to stand for common objectives. We must stop worshipping the pagan gods of greed and coercion. We need, desperately, to get off the defensive and on to the offensive with Christ. When will we cease counseling our fears and begin consulting our faith and our hope?

Then, too, we possess common resources which we must capitalize. Our Bible is the basic source book of religious experience. Let us grapple with its problems, not just re-outline its pages periodically There is available to us a common heritage of resolution, sacrifice, and courage. Why not tell our people about it; be proud of it; thrill to it; emulate it? Do we not claim to have an all-sufficient God and an overcoming Christ? Then let us have faith in them, not just apologize for their seeming helplessness in a world like ours. The Christian has a real basis for confidence in the potentialities of men who voluntarily associate themselves with the Divine. We as Christian leaders must bring new hope to a humanity disillusioned with its own tragic independence of Christ. We can help it to regain faith in its ability to achieve real progress through humble co-operation with him.

Moreover, it behooves us to use common methods in our program of Christian forward movement. As teachers, we must select real issues, not just safe ones, for our discussion and action. It is imperative that we establish our advance in thought, emotion, will, and act. We, above all others, must believe in an uncompromising gospel. We must talk that gospel to others and live it among them. If the Fascists and Nazis can teach their faith to babes and youths, why cannot we enroll children and young people for Christ? Those engaged in the work of the church have, necessarily, to be constructive, not negative. Leaders of the Christian faith cannot put their major emphasis on what is not true and still win the world. They must go forward with what is and ever shall be the truth. The world is little interested in knowing the things which religious leaders cannot believe in. Its very salvation depends upon how sacrificially and positively the Christian evangelizes for the truth he stakes his life upon.

Yes, this is much the best time to advance! The enemy who opposes us is the strongest in history. Our foe embraces all those who capitalize the fundamental doubt of Christianity's right to survive. Not a few nominal Christians already share this doubt. Some are now covering their shame at Christian retreat by joining the pagan ranks. The only way to outlast a pagan attack is to overwhelm it with our own advance. But our advance must be that of Christ—an advance of love, never one of violence. Now is the best possible time to go forward. The Christian church and every member of it must face straight ahead. We of the church school must lead the advance.

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*The gist of an address delivered before the Workers' Conference of the Church School, Trinity Methodist Church, Durham, North Carolina.

"SOME OTHER WAY"

By Lester A. Tilley

John 10:1: "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber."

In this scripture Jesus is attacking that large group of people who want to do their own thinking; who want to follow their own pursuits; who want to be left alone; who want to chart their own course. They want health and happiness, but they want it their way. They want to go to heaven, but they want to get credit for getting there. They have heard of the "straight and narrow way" but they believe there is, at least for themselves, "some other way." This group of people will argue with the referee, they will question the decision, they will call the play back. They insist, of course, that they merely want a square deal. They want what's coming to them.

With this group it is very evident that Jesus has little patience. The text is just one reference to his attitude concerning these. To place a very mild interpretation upon these words, one must affirm that Jesus held out no hope or assurance whatsoever for them. He often called them "names," uncomplimentary names, "thief" and robber."

It would seem that today many people are trying to "match their wits" against God. But these should realize that God has been dealing with such people a long time; indeed, long enough to become a "specialist" at it. There is an old saying which goes like this, "You'll have to get up before day to beat him." This saying can be applied to God more than to any mortal man. It is said of some people, "They are burning midnight oil." God can see without the oil. Now and then it is said of some "smart" fellow, "He sleeps with one eye open." God never sleeps. Be extremely cautious, dear friend, how you try to match your wits against God. Be wiser still, never attempt it.

The sooner we realize that we cannot save ourselves, that we cannot have health, happiness and heaven our way, that we cannot rise by the process of pulling our own bootstraps, and that we cannot be great by "tooting our own horn," the sooner we shall enter the royal road to eternal sunshine without a shadow, and eternal joy without a care.

This "some other way" Jesus is talking about leads right on out "disappointment avenue" and into the highway of "destruction via doom." Of course it's an open way because it is traveled much. Everybody goes the same way. There's never a "head-on collision." Those who got to the lost "city" never return, but it's not because they don't want to. Not even their first view of the city is inviting. Poor, miserable, wretched souls, if they could just come back even for a brief time to tell us what it's like there! But we ought to know. The "Guide Book," the "Road Map" describes it completely. But we don't like to read, and the preacher's reading is monotonous. And then "some other way" suggests itself. Yes, "some other way!" We take it.

Prayer, scripture reading, worship, service to the last, the least, and the lost, have been cast aside or given up because of the "some other way" delusion. God promises us anything we want if we will get it his way. But his way has never coincided with "some other way." They are as far removed from each other as the east is from the west. There is no more similarity between them than there is between day and night. There's just too much difference for there ever to be any likeness. His way is simply never "some other way."

His way leads out "faith avenue" which becomes "obedience road," and even though it is "straight and narrow" it is broad enough for one who isn't given to wobbling. Everything that is really satisfying to the eyes and good for the inner man or the real self is visible from this road. What one can't see as he travels on isn't worth his seeing. It reveals to all who go this way the beauties and wonders of God created especially and specifically for man. It is ever beckoning on to things of greater interest and delight. Joy is not just a little crossroads place where one passes quickly, but it is a wonderful city that stretches out on either side of "obedience road" and is ever increasing in beauty and wonder. Yes, this is his way, and not "some other way." But, thank God, I can make it my way. I will endeavor to "let him have his way with me" as the hymn writer, Cyrus S. Nusbaum, admonishes us to do:

Would you live for Jesus, and be always pure and good?
Would you walk with him within the narrow road?
Would you have him bear your burden, carry all your load?
Let him have his way with thee.
Would you in his kingdom find a place of perfect rest?
Would you prove him true in providential test?
Would you in his service labor always at your best?
Let him have his way with thee.
His power can make you what you ought to be;
His blood can cleanse your heart and make you free;
His love can fill your soul, and you will see
'Twas best for him to have his way with thee.

"He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber."

THE PEACE PULSE OF THE CHURCH

By W. Reid Harris

During the World War No. 1 the church fell in line with the military spirit of the day. Soon after the war, we rose up and condemned ourselves for being so foolish. We said with one of our Presidents, "It must not happen again." Anyone who can feel can tell a strange silence has come to the church today in regard to peace. The pioneering spirit for peace the church had as late as two years ago is gone. Regardless of the outcome of the present war, the way to peace will remain as it has always been. The only way one nation can conquer another nation is to conquer the mind of the nation. The conquest of the material resources of a nation is not victory. France is overpowered, but she is no more conquered than Germany was in 1918. Reason, justice, reciprocal living plus the second mile, are the swords that will finally bring peace to the world, if the world is ever to have peace. This gospel of the Sermon on the Mount applied to peace is not very popular just now.

When the nations at war go down (neither side will win) the church will proclaim the gospel of peace again with such words as: "They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into prunning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." I do not believe preachers have stopped preaching on peace. I do not believe all have lost the pioneering spirit for peace, but I do know something has happened to the peace pulse of the church. Has the sermon on peace been preached? Will we be ashamed of the sermon when the war is over?

ALLENSVILLE CHURCH DEDICATED LAST SUNDAY

Bishop Clare Purcell joined with an interested group in the dedication services at Allensville last Sunday morning. Rev. S. F. Nicks of Hillsboro, who was the leading spirit in building this beautiful stone church, was counted worthy of much honor. Lieut.-Gov. R. L. Harris, whose grandfather was a notable circuit rider of other days, who did much for Methodism in this section, spoke most appropriately of his Methodist heritage; so did Mr.



Rev. Dwight A. Petty

Thomas O. Gentry of Hurdle's Mill. District Superintendent A. J. Hobbs discussed the place of such churches in the life of a community. All this fitted in well with the sermon of Bishop Purcell on the church builder and the contribution he makes to the world and to the coming of the kingdom.

Dr. and Mrs. Spence gave a good start for the day by having Bishop Purcell, A. J. Hobbs and M. T. Plyler at their home for breakfast. This delicious breakfast followed by the excellent lunch served in the basement of the new church at Allensville left nothing to be desired so far as the palate is concerned.

In the afternoon came the address by Dr. H. E. Spence on "Conscription for Christ and the Church." It was wonderfully well adapted to an afternoon hour and stressed most effectively the place of the inner life in giving security to the land. Not the present military set-up but the spiritual conscription for Christ is our first need. Dr. Spence is a past master in getting and in holding the attention of a crowd on such an occasion.

Mr. T. B. Davis closed the day with a carefully prepared paper on the history of Allensville church. Rev. Dwight A. Petty presided during the day. For him, as pastor, this was a most delightful occasion, for which he had made careful preparation. Such an energetic worker as he is careful to care for every interest and bring to such an occasion the fullest success. We counted it high privilege to be with him and his people once more.

Much might be said of that church built of stone and concrete, adequate in every particular for worship and church school demands. It should be good for a century to come. The Allensville people were most fortunate to have Rev. S. F. Nicks to lead in this enterprise to which the Duke Foundation contributed $2500. We congratulate Brother Petty on the heritage that is his on the Brooksdale charge.

ACTIVITIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The University Action Committee, a student deputation group associated with the University of Chicago, will present four student talks in the Louisburg College auditorium at 10:30 in the morning on Monday, February 10. Speaking from the Christian point of view, this group will seek to reorient the young people to whom they speak in terms of Christian strength and responsibility.

Four members of the Christian Service Club of the college held a series of services in the First Methodist church of Bethel this past Saturday evening and Sunday morning and evening. Included in the services was a young people's rally in the social room of the church on Saturday night from 7:30 to 10, during which time a program of games was followed by a devotional period, the showing of a series of colored slides made at Louisburg College, and a final refreshment period.

The four members of the team taught various Sunday school classes Sunday morning, took part in regular morning service and held a special service in the county jail at Greenville in the afternoon. The evening worship service was given over to the team, at which time Mr. Edward Smith brought the message closing the service with holy communion. Those students were: Miss Doris Rhodes, Fayetteville; Miss Dorothy Watson, Rowland; Troy Barrett, Fayetteville; and Edward Smith, Raleigh. Accompaning the team was Wm. R. Dixon, secretary of public relations for the college.

Religious emphasis week of Louisburg College was observed through the week of January 24 in the college auditorium with Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the board of Christian education of North Carolina conference, as visiting minister. Following his inspiring messages to the student body of the college, a concluding service was held in the Louisburg Methodist church on the subject, "What Will You Do With Jesus?"

Conferences were held with Mr. Bradshaw on Tuesday and Friday afternoons for students of the college who were seeking help and guidance.

CHECK-UP MEETING, HIGH POINT DISTRICT

The first check-up meeting of the High Point district was held in Main Street church, High Point, last Thursday, January 30. Only two pastors were absent and they sent reports. A goodly number of laymen and lay women were present. Mrs. W. C. Hammer, president, spoke for the woman's work. Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, director of children's work, represented that department. District lay leader, W. B. McEwen, organized a district league of stewards. A constitution was adopted and the following officers elected: Vice president, A. J. Koonce; secretary, A. I. Ferree; treasurer, I. F. Craven. The constitution makes the district lay leader president. The following facts are taken from the pastors' reports: Accessions 187; attendance, including church school and prayer meeting, good on most charges, with noticeable increases on some. There is much activity among the youth of the district, as reflected by 31 reports. Each charge in the district has one or more organizations of W. S. C. S. The total organizations is 62. Subscriptions to church papers have been increased to 131, the N. C. Advocate getting 72 and The Christian Advocate (new paper) 49½. Fourth Sunday is observed on 30 charges and an offering taken. Salaries are paid in full to date on 17 charges; the episcopal fund, superintendent, and district work, on 18 charges. The Children's Home has been paid in full for the year by three charges; the episcopal fund, district superintendent, and conference claimants by one charge, and district work by two charges. For church repairs, furnishings and beautifying grounds eight charges have paid $863; for parsonage furnishings and repairs seven charges have paid $603. Two churches have been lost by fire. The general condition of the work is reported encouraging by 22 pastors.

We are pleased with the splendid spirit of co-operation and progress that is in evidence throughout the district.

S. W. Taylor.

Treasurer's Report W. N. C. Conference

Payments on general and conference benevolences (World Service) listed below include both regular payments and fourth Sunday World Service offerings. The grand total through January 31 is $15,585.27, an increase of $4,948.86 over same date last year. Payments on general administration fund are listed in second column. The grand total is $247.70.

Asheville District

Acton	$ 7.50	$
Asheville, Asbury Mem.	10.70	
Biltmore	12.57	
Haywood St.	106.87	
Hillside St.	25.16	4.00
Oakley	12.00	
Black Mountain	11.95	
Candler	3.00	
East Flat Rock	24.36	
Emma	8.87	
Etowah	5.00	
Fairview	30.24	4.00
Hot Springs	30.45	
Ivy	1.07	
Leicester-Grace	5.96	
Marshall	5.42	
Mills River	12.35	
Rosman	1.35	
Saluda	2.74	
Swannanoa	47.73	
Tryon	12.54	
Total	377.83	

Charlotte District

Big Springs	11.35	
Charlotte, Belmont Park	111.50	
Calvary	58.72	
Central Ave.	10.00	
Chadwick	10.00	
Dilworth	1080.20	
Duncan Memorial	7.42	
First	619.75	
Hawthorne Lane	323.65	
Myers Park	90.15	
Spencer Memorial	10.93	
Derita	2.00	
Hickory Grove	104.20	
Homestead-Pleasant Grove	16.99	13.00
Huntersville	17.53	
Lilesville	58.33	
Matthews	55.27	
Monroe, Central	25.00	
Morven	9.55	
Pineville	21.25	
Thrift-Moores	61.37	
Trinity	10.00	
Wadesboro	31.34	
Waxhaw	2.00	
Weddington	7.37	
Total	2755.87	

Elkin District

Advance	6.62	
Dobson	6.40	
Elkin	37.60	
Farmington	25.08	
Green Valley	5.00	
Helton	.50	
Millers Creek	20.00	2.00
Mocksville	17.79	
Mocksville Ct.	4.45	
Moravian Falls	4.49	
St. Paul	9.66	
West Jefferson	25.00	
Wilkesboro	15.05	
Total	177.64	

Gastonia District

Belmont, Main St.	17.11	
Park St.	22.28	
Belwood	89.33	
Bessemer City	5.00	
Boger City	86.53	
Cleveland	54.86	
Cherryville	9.00	
Cherryville Ct.	25.70	
Cramerton	8.44	
Crouse	4.37	
Dallas	5.00	
Fallston	40.51	
Gastonia, Bradley Mem.,	550.00	
East End	20.86	
Main St.	742.02	
Maylo-Smyre	58.83	
Kings Mountain, Grace	45.76	
Lincolnton	11.74	
Lincoln-Bess Chapel	15.90	
Lincoln Ct.	43.53	
Lowell	64.03	
Lowesville	9.66	
Mt. Holly	42.43	
Polkville	104.69	
Shelby, Central	77.10	
Lafayette St.	10.66	
South Fork	2.00	
Stanley	22.79	
Total	2190.13	

Greensboro District

Brown Summit	2.00	
Draper	31.96	
Draper, Wayside	2.80	
Gibsonville	30.00	
Greensboro, Bessemer	29.41	
Bethel-Battleground	22.72	
Carraway Memorial	47.57	
Centenary	40.90	
College Place	63.63	
Glenwood	28.25	
West End	6.25	
West Market	91.66	
Guilford	75.33	
Haw River	33.32	
Jamestown-Oakdale	26.60	
Leaksville	15.39	
Moriah	22.00	
Mt. Pleasant	30.21	
Pleasant Garden	10.35	
Reidsville, Lindsay St.	9.50	
Main St.	55.16	
Reidsville Ct.	25.39	
Ruffin	2.64	
Spray	26.65	
Stokesdale	2.72	
Stoneville-Mayodan	7.41	
Summerfield	10.00	
Burnette's Chapel	2.83	
Total	752.65	

High Point District

Archdale	37.00		
Asheboro, First	88.64		
Central	11.10		
Asheboro Ct.	11.55		
Denton, Central	26.09		
Farmer	14.76		
Greer's Chapel	4.81		
High Point, Calvary	50.00		
First	104.95		
Highland	18.75		
Lebanon	28.57		
Main St.	69.50		
Rankin Memorial	19.00		
Ward St.	9.00		
Welch Memorial	52.90	2.50	
Wesley Memorial	3084.73		
Liberty, First	19.50		
Liberty Ct.	9.00		
Mt. Vernon	5.00		
Pleasant Grove	75.00	3.00	
Ramseur-Franklinville	33.76	9.00	
Randleman, Union	58.98		
Randleman Ct.	41.45		
Randolph- Gray's Chapel	36.26	2.00	
Richland	28.62	7.00	
Seagrove-Love Joy	35.20		
Shiloh	38.00		
South Davidson	8.00		
Why Not	20.00		
Total	4040.12		

Marion District

Bakersville	18.00	
Bostic	22.14	
Broad River	6.12	
Cliffside-Avondale	50.00	
Connelly Springs	22.68	8.00
Forest City	16.00	
Glen Alpine	3.00	
Marion-Cross Mills	10.00	
First	15.99	
McDowell	13.10	10.00
Micaville-Tipton Hill	2.25	
Morganton, First	63.23	
Morganton Ct.	4.00	
Old Fort	31.00	
Pleasant Grove	22.50	4.00
Rutherfordton	99.82	
Rutherford College	66.48	1.00
Spindale	7.04	
Spruce Pine	21.26	
Sunshine	5.80	
Total	500.41	

Salisbury District

Albemarle, Central	57.70	38.00
First St.	32.41	
Main St.	33.34	
Tabernacle	25.00	
Albemarle Ct.	20.00	
Badin-New London	24.00	
China Grove	101.00	
Concord, Ann St.	23.16	
Central	59.11	
Epworth	15.00	
Forest Hill	446.69	7.00
Roberta	21.25	
Rocky Ridge	11.29	
Friendship	6.21	
Gold Hill	7.50	
Granite Quarry	9.66	
Kannapolis-Bethpage	18.97	
Jackson Park	17.66	
Mt. Mitchell	34.87	
N. Kannapolis	25.00	
Trinity	57.26	
Landis	43.29	
Midland	10.51	
Mt. Olivet	18.20	
Mt. PleasantCold-Springs	215.00	
Norwood	41.51	
Norwood Ct.	5.68	
Pfeiffer	16.43	
Salisbury, First	62.76	
Main St.-Rowan	6.07	
Park Ave.	39.01	
Spencer, Central	49.04	
Stanfield	18.00	
Woodleaf	9.03	
Total	1581.61	

Statesville District

Catawba	27.82	
Cool Springs	20.50	
Elmwood	2.83	
Grace-Rhodhiss	9.00	
Harmony	8.00	
Hickory, Bethel	8.04	
First	39.00	
Highlands	50.52	
Westview	22.72	
Lenoir, First	47.65	
Lenoir Ct.	26.33	
Maiden	8.15	
Mooresville, Broad St.	26.47	
Central	183.39	4.50
Mooresville Ct.	49.00	
Mt. Zion	10.69	
Shepherds	43.92	
Statesville, Broad St.	290.00	
Race St.	31.45	
Stony Point	8.45	
Troutman	30.25	2.00
Union Grove-Zion	6.64	
Whitnel	4.00	
Total	954.82	

Waynesville District

Andrews	40.50	10.70
Bethel	10.93	
Bryson City	8.39	
Canton, Central	108.84	
First	6.00	
Rockwood	16.08	
Clyde	12.35	
Crabtree	6.05	
Dellwood	16.79	
Fines Creek	5.53	
Franklin	18.43	
Franklin Ct.	2.77	
Hayesville	13.02	
Highlands	14.19	
Jonathan	16.17	
Junaluska	25.07	
Macon Ct.	2.55	
Morning Star	15.00	
Murphy	6.28	
Murphy Ct.	3.35	

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

"Christ built no temple, yet the farthest sea
Can yield no shore that's barren to his place
For bended knee.
He wrote no book and yet his words and prayer
Are intimate on many myriad tongues,
Are counsel everywhere.
The life he has lived has never been assailed,
Nor any precept, as he lived it yet
Has ever failed.
He built no kingdoms, yet a king from youth
He reigned, is reigning yet, they call his realm
The Kingdom of Truth."

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference will have its first annual meeting in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28. Each society will be entitled to ONE DELEGATE ONLY. The opening session will begin on Tuesday afternoon, April 1, at 3 o'clock. We trust that each society will send a representative and that she will be there on time for the opening session and stay through the last session. We want to make this a great meeting; many interesting things are being planned for it. We shall look forward to seeing you in Greensboro.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Pres.
Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Sec.

A SPLENDID YEAR'S RECORD

Mrs. Eugene C. Ivey, secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First church, Hickory, sends us the following gratifying account of the 1940 record of her society:

"The Woman's Society of Christian Service closed the year's work with one of the best reports of the organization. Our society has had all of the mission and Bible studies and kept in touch with the new organization of the Methodist church by representation at all of the meetings when called.

The treasurer reported every item paid in full and a surplus on the yearly pledge. Three life memberships were given and a memorial honoring Mrs. T. P. Bonner, a loyal and faithful member of the society, was given. One hundred dollars was given for the support of a missionary in India. The most active and fine work reported from each department. Christmas boxes and baskets of fruits were sent all the sick and shut-ins of the church.

While we rejoice over the fine record of the past year, plans are being perfected for a finer and fuller year in 1941."

MISSION STUDY AT HIDDENITE

From the publicity committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Hiddenite on the Statesville district we have the following interesting item:

"The Woman's Society of Christian Service at Hiddenite had an interesting and effective mission study recently under the supervision of Mrs. E. E. Lackey. The subject of study was 'The Uprooted Americans.'

After the worship period and introductory remarks by Mrs. Lackey, the program was given in a most interesting manner, using a public address outfit with radio broadcasts which were given from a migrant camp. These broadcasts gave the human side of the study, and through a round table discussion gave information as to what the government and the churches and other organizations are doing for these people.

Representatives from Stony Point, Taylorsville and Pisgah, churches near us, came to enjoy the program with us."

COVERS OF WORLD OUTLOOK FOR SCRAP BOOKS

In the January issue of the World Outlook a suggestion comes from one of the readers that seems to us a most splendid way in which to preserve the beautiful cover pictures of the magazine. This writer says:

"I have used the beautiful covers to make several scrap books. Under each picture I have pasted any information concerning it that I find in magazines and the like. I certainly would like for your magazine to give some information about each picture used on the covers, so that I may know more about them and the artist who produced them."

Another says: "My circle always expects me to begin my monthly review of the World Outlook with the cover picture. So much do I enjoy their beauty, I always give the interpretation of a picture when such an interpretation appears." What a fine suggestion that would add to the interest of the circle's monthly program! Let's try it.

THE CHRISTIAN CRUSADE—NOW

The above is the heading of an article in The Methodist Woman for February, contributed by the General Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist General Conference, from which we quote:

"Christian Evangelism is Methodism's supreme opportunity to help Christ save this broken world. The new life and the better way which Christ gives offer to mankind the only hope of spiritual renewal.

Against the black background of man's sin and hate, we see with increasing clarity that only the radiant evangel of the Son of God can redeem this tortured, troubled world. All others systems are divisive; Christ alone unites and saves.

Evangelism has always been Methodism's first love. Methodism needs now to return to her first love, her position for souls, if she would recover her lost radiance of the warmed heart. To win adults, young people and children to a firm faith in Jesus Christ and a loving loyalty to him, to persuade them to believe in him as their personal Saviour and guide; and to hold him before the whole world as the Redeemer of men from sin, greed and hate and war—this commission still holds for people called Methodists.

The challenge to Methodism today is to write a new chapter in the history of the church of Christ, even as Methodism of the 18th century wrote such a chapter. . . . Methodism would not have had its day of birth unless Wesley and his fellow laborers had been willing to leave the beaten paths for new ways. Let every Methodist take up the evangelistic working tools of the kingdom of God with intelligence and enthusiasm for this desperate day.

What Is Evangelism?

It is more than programs, plans or promotion. Methods and machinery, terms and techniques are but means to the end that men may become Christians.

Evangelism is bringing men to Christ and Christ to men; is the divine new life of God brought through faith in Christ into the life of the believer; is salvation from sin, life instead of death; is challenging men to obey Christ's command, 'Follow me'; is seeking and winning the lost to Christ and the Christian way; is offering the rich, abundant, victorious life of Jesus to the world through faith in him; is 'intelligence on fire'; is bringing new life, the divine life of Christ to all who believe, so that the convert walks in a new way, sees a new truth and lives a new life.

Loyalty to Christ's Church

Fidelity to Christ involves a continuous loyalty to his church. The church is the mother of souls, through her service and influence we first learned of God, at her services we worship and find inspiration and strength; in her membership we enjoy true Christian fellowship, by sharing in her world-wide service, we help to build a Christian world.

Christ alone is adequate to this epochal day, but he is not adequate alone. Christ only can save this lost world, but he cannot do it alone. We, too, must take up our crosses, and, following him, help him redeem this broken world."

THE CHRISTIAN GOVERNMENT OF CHINA

Prof. Henry P. Van Dusen in Methodism's World Mission asks, "What nation is there on the face of the earth in whose government the head, whether he be president or prince, the commander-in-chief, the prime minister and finance minister, the minister of foreign affairs, two of the three ranking members of the diplomatic corps and the nation's leading financier are devout Christians? It is hardly an exaggeration that among corresponding leaders in all of the Christian nations of Europe and America there is not more than one, or at least two or three persons of Christian conviction and devotion, to match five or six of China's foremost officials."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

On the January spiritual life program which was prepared by Miss Elizabeth Lamb the timely and helpful suggestion is made that we keep a copy of the following in our Bibles and read daily throughout the year: "1 John's example says, at any cost take time to think and to pray until you know the will of God for the day and the hour. Offer him yourself. 2. Concentrate fixedly on your appointed task in life. 3. Let your hope of a better day always burn like a huge bonfire in the night. 4. Center your mind on Christ with wonder, awe, and great expectation."

WORK AT STUDENT CENTER

Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, director of Methodist student work at East Carolina Teachers' College in Greenville, reports that there are approximately 350 Methodist students on the college campus and a variety of fruitful activities at the Student Center adjacent to the campus. The Methodist students at E. C. T. C. are organized into an association and they work in committees, some of which are: recreation, worship, social service, music, supply, publicity. Cabinet meetings, student-faculty teas, prayer services, groups listen to the Saturday afternoon opera broadcasts, choir practice for the student—these and many other worth while activities are held at the Student Center. Once each month the student association meets on the campus; once each month a group of these students give a devotional program at the Pitt county home; the students are encouraged to make Sunday school and church services a regular part of their program. These influential activities are aiding the Methodist students at E. C. T. C. to become so trained and attached to religious life that they will be good church workers in the church and communities in which they live when they leave college; are helping them to rightly use their leisure time and making it possible for religion to have an outstanding place in their thinking as they are surruonded by other influences of college life. The women of the North Carolina conference may be justly proud of their opportunities to aid in this worthy project which is one of the projects of our department of supplies. Cash donations should be sent to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville, and reported to Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon.

HAPPY IN ANTICIPATION

On the woman's page of a recent issue of the N. C. Christian Advocate appeared an item concerning Viola Nethery and Vera Falls, two girls from the North Carolina conference who were consecrated as deaconesses at the recent meeting of the general board of missions and church extension in Philadelphia. Writing to Mrs. Fred L. Johnson of her experiences at the meeting, Viola gives a description of the consecration service in which description one may readily discern the earnestness and eagerness of her purpose as she anticipates the privileges of the service which she will render as deaconess of the Methodist Church. She writes: "The service of commission for newly appointed missionaries and deaconesses was beautifully simple. We all wore white—at least the girls did. There were twenty-seven of us, including the former three branches of Methodism. Bishop Arthur J. Moore presided and delivered a simple and effective sermon. Later as he was commissioning us, he shook hands with each of us and made us each feel that he was giving each of us a special commission. After we left the church all of the newly commissioned group met in the Y for a time of fellowship, which was fine. It was rather hard for us to break up this group, knowing that each of us would be going separate paths. Now we are concerned with getting back into the round of every day tasks. We hope that the memory of those high hope that the memory of those high moments of the consecration service will remain with us to keep us sweet and strong for the jobs that await us."

A UNITED FRONT

The Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, was a busy place December 7-13 as the Council of Women for Home Missions, Home Missions Council, Foreign Missions Conference of America, Federal Council of Churches, United Stewardship Council, National Council Church Women, and the Missionary Education Movement met for separate business sessions and then for a great united meeting on the world problems facing the church today. . . . Dr. Mark A. Dawber, executive secretary of the former Home Missions Council, burdened by world events, and the immediate future would suggest that we might anticipate wider and deeper implications as a result of the present world crisis. While we rejoice in the blessings we have in the United States, and thank God for our good fortune that has enabled us to escape the horrors of war and the edvastation that has been the experience of other nations, we are none the less mindful of the forces within our shores that constitute a threat to our national life. These factors represent the challenge that the church must face realistically. They have been summed up as follows: 85,000,000 or 63 per cent of our population without the church; 30,000,000 children and youth without religious training; 30,000,000 foreign born parents and their families, representing 45 nationalities; 96 metropolitan centers have 45 per cent of our population, with the evils of city life, and in many of them only one out of seven are members of the church. The actual criminal population is four and one-half million, which is three and one-half times as many as are enrolled in our colleges and universities; the annual crime bill is $15,000,000,000—$120 for every man, woman and child. The national liquor bill last year was $5,000,000, a little short of 50 per cent of the country's food bill. We spent $15.33 per capita for education. These facts suggest something of the task that confronts the church in general. They also have potent meaning for home mission agencies, and they have significance for foreign missions, for only in proportion as America becomes genuinely Christian shall we be able to help evangelize the world.—The Methodist Woman.

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS IN JAPAN

Five years ago when Miss Mildred Hudgens was director of religious education at Edenton Street Methodist church she received a call to serve as missionary to Japan. Having already graduated from Scarritt College and having been consecrated, Miss Hudgens sailed for the Orient in the fall of 1936, where she has taught in Palmore Woman's Institute in Kobe. Recently the Methodist missionaries in Japan who are ill or whose furloughs were near at hand were ask to return to America. Coming under the latter class, Miss Hudgens has returned and has accepted a position in the office of Mrs. Velma Maynor, administrative secretary of foreign missions in charge of Japan, Korea and the Philippines. In an address to a large group of folk at Edenton Street church on January 29, Miss Hudgens stressed the need of sympathy and understanding on the part of Americans toward the common People of Japan and impressed her hearers with the fact of the Christ-like attitude of the Japanese Christians. She stated that the American church should be proud of what is being accomplished in the mission fields of Japan and that in spite of opposition and difficulties faced in the work there, the work has been worth while. Said she: "Christianity in Japan will not die. We must share God's love with others and that is the motive of the missionaries."

FAMOUS AUTHOR PASSES

Miss Katherine Mayo, 72-year-old author and literary crusader against unwholesome social or political conditions, recently died at her home at Bedford Hills, New York. Her passing recalls a furore raised in missionary circles in 1927 by the publication of her book, "Mother India." This volume took the lid off the seamy side of India and exhibited a horrible picture of social conditions. It was denounced by Hindus and some missionary leaders, who did not dispute the general accuracy of miss Mayo's findings, but insisted that it was a one-sided picture of social conditions. Mahatma Gandhi, however, insisted that the book should be read by all Indians. Among Miss Mayo's other books was one advocating a better police system in New York, a defense of war work of the Y. M. C. A., and a volume titled "Soldiers," which stirred up the American Legion because of its handling of the bonus demands of the veterans.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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MONDAY MORNING PICK UP

Now that most of the Monday morning requests and complaints have been considered and a good deal of checking on items about on the place has been negotiated, the time has come to cool off a little and settle down to write a few lines to our friends. Our elementary school, conducted here on the Home grounds, has resumed operation after a week suspension. The high school boys and girls have gotten back to their books for the spring semester and we are now in position to face the promised cold blast from the north. There is always plenty to do here. There is never a dull moment.

THE FLUE HAS FLOWN

Our flu situation is clearing up very satisfactorily. At one time there were 90 of our youngsters flat of their backs, none very sick but many of whom could become decidedly worse but for careful nursing and timely consideration. Lots of fruit juice came in as a very present help in time of trouble. Later came the trays and finally the youngsters began to arise from their beds. To be sure, some of the children have had earaches and other aches, but the flying flu has carried with it most of the aching of the aches. Now that the children are getting well, a number of the workers are beginning to get sick, more from exhaustion than anything else. A little rest will serve them well.

PRIMING THE MOTOR

The mid-winter fifth Sunday offerings have been encouraging. They have served to prime the motor which generates warmth and guarantees life for our big family. The total offering has gone slightly beyond the $3,000 mark, no great sum compared with our total expense, but a mighty good starter for cold day machinery. The largest offering in the Asheville district comes from Hendersonville, $15.66. The largest from the Charlotte district is from First church, Charlotte, $273.58, the next being from Wadesboro, $100, more in proportion. North Wilkesboro leads in the Elkin district with $45, followed by Elkin with $38. Central, Shelby, leads in the Gastonia district with $42.91, followed by Main Street, Gastonia, with $30.62. Park Street, Belmont, leads, comparatively, with $25.89. Main Street, Reidsville, leads in the Greensboro district with $21.52, followed by Spray with an offering of $18.57. Wesley Memorial, High Point, sets the pace in the High Point district with an offering of $120, with an additional $100 as a Christmas special. Main Street, High Point, and Franklinville come next with offerings of $23.56 and $23.20, respectively. First church, Morganton, leads in the Marion district with $23.24, followed by Forest City with $14.48. First church, Salisbury, leads the Salisbury district group with an offering of $60.15, followed by Forest Hill, Concord, with $27.90. First church, Hickory, leads the Statesville district with $60, followed by First church, Newton, with $40. Central, Canton, leads in the Waynesville district, its offering being $15.56. Centenary, Winston-Salem, leads in the Winston-Salem district with $125, followed by Main Street, Thomasville, with $50. Prospect, Thomasville circuit, with an offering of $25, leads comparatively. Some outstanding high steeple church schools have not sent any "winter primings."



Studies well, reads well, and does well

WORKING THEIR WAY

Letters from several of our college students last week indicate that the youngsters are not only making their marks scholastically but are working their way to some extent industrially. Reid Suggs, a sophomore at the University of North Carolina ,serves as an assistant in the medical department. He was a starter on the varsity basket ball squad against Wake Forest. Dorothy Griffith, a junior, serves as an assistant in the athletic department at Appalachian State Teachers College. She is a star member of the girls' basket ball squad. Virginia Daniel, who will graduate from Brevard College in June, is an assistant to one of the instructors. Virginia Baker, Barbara Jones and Imogene Williamson, freshmen at Pfeiffer College, have come through their mid term examinations in good shape and are now taking in washing, having agreed to do the laundry work for four young men professors. Everett Gibson, having completed his junior fall semester at Lenoir Rhyne College where he is captain of the basket ball squad, is leaving college, having volunteered to join Uncle Sam's air corps at Pensacola, Florida. He has already taken a number of solo flights.

GOING AND COMING

Since the first of the year a number of our youngsters have left the Children's Home for other homes. Cornelius, Mary Ellen and Jean Blair have gone to live with their mother. So have Dennis and Billy Bush. Mildred Stewart has gone to live with her father. John Miles has gone to be a sailor for Uncle Sam and David Myers has gone to be one of Uncle Sam's sailors. Bobby Templeton, following his mid-term graduation, is in a hospital for surgical treatment on a lame knee. Hugh Walton has registered for a month's football training at Catawba College, where he will enter next fall. In place of these ten departed youngsters have come Bertha and Rose Marie Edmondson from Greensboro, Vera Griffin from Monroe and Patricia Pryor from Belmont. Next in line ready to be received are Harold, Edna and Edward Venable from High Point, Jean Reid from Pilot Mountain and Conrad, Hubert, Larry and Jerry Sharpe from Hiddenite. Behind them stand half a dozen groups of children waiting their turn for admission.

THE KHAKI BOYS

Lonnie Austin writes that army life in Honolulu is fine. His photograph looks good. Gilbert and Elbert Townsend, twins, are getting to be full-fledged soldiers at Fort Jackson, where Johnny Miles has just gone after enlistment. Johnny writes that the army life is fine. Guy Edney, another of our boys who marked up his age a couple of years, writes that he loves army life at Fort Benning very much.

PAINTED ON THE INSIDE

The picture this week is that of Mary Neil Wagner, one of the happy little girls in the Smith building. Mary Neil, just nine and in the third grade, has just come out victorious in her tussle with the flu, and the color in her cheeks indicate abundant health is returning. We have no more satisfactory little youngster here than this little girl. Mary Neil is sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Pleasant Grove, Forest City.

THE BELL RINGS AGAIN

We don't have so much financial joy bell ringing as we did a few weeks ago but we have some. Those good groups of friends who have pulled the old bell cord since last report are herewith listed. The tones that come from the joy bell seem to be a little sweeter as the weather grows colder. Kindly note the ten per cent givers, with their pastors in charge and join us in grateful thanks:

Webb's Chapel, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. A. W. Lynch.

Sulphur Springs, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Highland, High Point, Rev. T. G. Smith.

Morven, Sandy Plains and Shiloh, Morven circuit, Rev. P. T. Dixon.

Proximity, Greensboro, Rev. G. W. Vick.

Grace, Leicester-Grace, Rev. A. F. Phibbs.

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INFIRMARY—We were fortunate in escaping the influenza epidemic so long. Last week, however, we had a "flare up," and at this writing there are 30 of our number confined at the infirmary. None of the children are seriously sick, and I hope that within a few days all the children will be out of the infirmary going to school and assuming their regular activities.

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DISTRESSING — Recently I have had urgent appeals from our pastors and laymen to take children who are badly in need of institutional care. It was embarrassing to have to tell these pastors and leading laymen that there is no room in the Methodist Orphanage for the admission of additional children. Unless some children drop out we shall not be in a position to admit other children before next summer. Since our granduating class is not large, we shall not be in a position to meet the heavy demands that are being made on the Methodist Orphanage for the reception of needy children. It is sad when urgent cases are presented to us not to be in a position to respond to distressing appeals.

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CHILDREN COMPLIMENTED—Dr. Alexander Webb, Jr., who was in charge of the March of Dimes for Infantile Paralysis, secured the services of 50 of our larger boys and girls to canvass the business section of Raleigh on January 26. Here's what Dr. Webb said about our high school boys and girls: "I have never seen a more admirable group and can truthfully say that there was never a moment of adverse criticism. Their appearance, manner, interest and cheerfulness is certainly to be envied by one and all." Our boys and girls are happy to render this service for a worth while cause, and they appreciate the remarks of Dr. Webb concerning them.

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DINING ROOM FLOOR—In last week's issue of the Advocate I outlined a plan by which we could have battleship linoleum put on the floor of our large dining room, without costing the Orphanage or any one else anything but a little effort. Most of the girls who wait on the tables, wash the dishes and scrub the floors are rather small. To keep the dining room floor clean necessitates frequent scrubbing. When it is remembered that there are more than six thousand square feet of floor space in the dining room, our friends can readily see what a big undertaking it is to keep the floor in a good, sanitary condition. There are at least a thousand visits made to the dining room each day. The children will necessarily carry in some red mud and drop greasy things on the floor, and this makes it necessary for our girls to spend much of their time scrubbing the floor. If we could put battleship linoleum down, all that would be necessary would be to sweep the floor and mop it occasionally, and not have to scrub so hard. I have a feeling that our many friends throughout the conference, and particularly the women's organizations, will co-operate with us in securing enough Octagon soap coupons to buy the battleship linoleum. We are happy over having a new electric range, electric oven and electric toaster in our kitchen, which were bought with Octagon soap coupons. Any friends are requested to mail the Methodist Orphanage any Octagon soap coupons they may be able to share.

THE FIGHT THAT FAILED

I saw a funny one the other day. Our neighbors have dogs. Now the one neighbor keeps his dog in the yard and the gate is always closed, but the other neighbor lets his dog run everywhere, even across our back porch after my wife has scrubbed it. Well, the dog with the liberties goes over to the dog shut in, and you should hear the racket. They growl, snap, bark and make enough noise for a dozen dog fights, but the fence separates them, and no harm is done except your nerves may be a little scratchy. Well sir, a neighbor boy often saw this mix-up through the fence, and I guess he wanted to see a dog fight, so he sneaked up and opened the gate. I thought I was going to see bloodshed, but just as soon as the dogs could see that they were free to tear at each other's throats they suddenly remembered other engagements. The dog with the liberties went home, and the dog that was kept in decided to take a nap in his kennel. The boy was disappointed, he didn't see a dog fight.

I've often seen the same sort of thing in church. Now as class leader, I make some calls. Once in a while I meet a fellow who growls, snaps and barks at the fellow across town. Then I go to see the fellow across town and he carries on worse. I learned long ago not to say anything, but I was sure that when they met in church that it would be terrible. But when they meet they shake hands and that's all there is to it. So I learned as class leader just to let what I hear pass right in one ear and out of the other. Barking church members don't bite, the sad thing is they don't pray much either.—United Evangelical.

TREES—ALONGSIDE OF THE ROAD

I think that I shall never see,
Along the road, an unscraped tree
With bark intact, and painted white,
That no car ever hit at night.
For every tree that's near the road
Has caused some auto to be towed.
Sideswiping trees is done a lot
By drivers who are not so hot.
God gave them eyes so they could see,
Yet any fool can hit a tree.

—Judge.



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THE METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL

One of the first booklets released by the new board of education is The Methodist Church School, which has been mailed to each church school superintendent in the conference The 1138 copies distributed were given by our Methodist Publishing House, and were mailed by our conference office in Salisbury. Since this leaflet sells for 15 cents, our publishers have given us approximately $165 worth of literature. Every superintendent is grateful for this contribution. This booklet contains suggestions for pastors, church school superintendents, church boards of education, and workers' conferences on planning the program of Christian education in the local church. The conference board of education will send one copy free to any pastor sending his request to Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

PARK AVENUE

Under the direction of Brother J. S. Gibbs and G. Q. Miller, superintendent, approximately 50 persons met for the regular quarterly meeting of the workers' conference at Park Avenue church Friday evening, January 24. Work with children, young people and adults was discussed and plans for the church school evangelistic program looking toward Easter were presented. On the program from Park Avenue were Rev. J. S. Gibbs, G. Q. Miller, Mrs. G. Q. Miller, Miss Nell Carter, A. F. Morris, James Gibbs, Miss Nancy Eagle, Mrs. B. J. Lentz, Mrs. Sam Shores, and Mrs. John F. Kirk. Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Earl D. C. Brewer and Carl H. King from the conference staff also participated. The people of Park Avenue are not only planning for Easter, but are looking toward the construction of a new education building for their overcrowded church school. It is always a joy to be asssociated with this fine group in any venture.

CULLOWHEE

Information coming from Cullowhee indicates that B. C. Moss and Walter Lanier are taking full advantage of their opportunities in this fine little college town in the western part of our state. With regular council meetings, well attended evening meetings for young people, Sunday school classes, choir activities and preaching services, the Methodist church is becoming increasingly effective in its ministry to its own constituency and to the students of Cullowhee. We rejoice with Brother W. L. Hutchins, Moss, and Lanier, all of whom are intensely interested in the success of this charge.

DALLAS

It is always a privilege to be associated with Jesse Wilkinson in any enterprise. A visit to a recent workers' conference in his church at Dallas revealed plans for an extensive program during the months ahead. With a completely renovated parsonage, a generous Christmas gift in money, and continuous poundings, Jesse is happy in his work. His friends continue to admire him for his sincerity and his fidelity to the gospel he preaches and lives.

CHURCH NEWS BY RADIO

The North Carolina Council of Churches has recently inaugurated a radio broadcast over WPTF, Raleigh, at 2:15 p.m. each Sunday. The broadcast will deal with news and significant developments in the churches of North Carolina and throughout the country.

BURKE EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

The young people of the Burke County Union sponsored an Epworth Training conference at First church, Morganton, January 26-29, with two courses being taught by Reid Wall and Earl D. C. Brewer. In spite of influenza and bad weather, they opened the conference with about 60 in attendance. Miss Connie Cope is district director of youth work in this area, and Miss Margaret McGimsey is president of the union. Miss McGimsey also served as dean of the Epworth Training conference.

FORSYTH EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

For a number of years the Forsyth Union has been a leader in regard to Epworth Training conferences. This year the group met at Burkhead church, and two courses were taught by Robert G. Tuttle and J. Elwood Carroll. Jean Steelman, Brona Nifong and Ernest Brewer were active in planning and promoting this conference.

ROCKINGHAM AND GUILFORD EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCES

As district director, Mrs. Carl Willard is leading her unions in Epworth Training conferences. Early in January Rollin Gibbs, C. S. Kirkpatrick, and Mrs. John W. Austin, Jr., taught in a well attended conference in Greensboro. Brother Kirkpatrick and Robert G. Tuttle taught in the Rockingham conference held in Leaksville. Robert Laughlin of Greensboro and Lester Ballard of Reidsville served as deans of these two conferences.

ROWAN COUNTY SCHOOL

Beginning Sunday night, February 9, at First church, Salisbury, the Methodist churches of Rowan county will conduct their regular annual training school. Courses will be taught by Mrs. W. W. Weant and Miss Elizabeth Oliver of Salisbury, Dean P. E. Lindley of High Point College, Reid Wall of Granite Falls, and Dr. H. E. Spence of Duke University.

GASTON COUNTY SCHOOL

The Gaston county school will be held at Main Street church, Gastonia, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, February 9. Instructors for this school are Mrs. Paul Berger, Roanoke; Mrs. J. H. Davis, Lynchburg; Carl D. C. Brewer, Salisbury; Dr. James Cannon, III, of Duke, and Dr. R. L. Ownbey of Charlotte. Brother C. E. Rozzelle will plan for the worship services in this school. Dr. C. H. Pugh, Mr. J. R. Dellinger and Miss Evelyn Dellinger are also assisting in promoting the school.

THE ELKIN SCHOOL

The pastors and superintendents of Elkin and vicinity are making plans for a three teacher school which will be held at First church, Elkin, February 16-19. Courses will be taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Mrs. McMurry S. Richey of Asheville, and Brother C. S. Kirkpatrick of Greensboro.

THOMASVILLE SCHOOL

The pastors and superintendents of Thomasville are sponsoring a three teacher school to be held at Main Street church February 23-28. Miss Elizabeth Oliver will give TEACHING CHILDREN; Wilson O. Weldon, SENIOR-YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT PROGRAM; and Dr. G. T. Rowe will offer A SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT. Pastors and superintendents of participating schools are J. C. Auman, J. T. Bowman, L. F. Tuttle, W. M. Rathburn, Van B. Harrison, J. W. Boyles, Dr. Connell, Carlos Hill, C. F. Lambeth, G. C. Baity, Lester Tysinger, W. H. Morgan, J. H. Fritts, J. L. Pierce, M. W. Veach, W. A. Shore, M. G. Maner, and J. D. Cagle.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY SCHOOL

An eight teacher school will be held at First church, Charlotte, February 23-28, and will be sponsored by 21 pastors and the superintendents of 26 Methodist Sunday schools in the county. Practically every Methodist church in the county was represented last year and plans are under way for a unanimous response this year.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9

Race Relations Sunday, February 9, is an excellent opportunity for us to assist the Negro colleges of our entire church. The following pastors are leading the way with this observance in our conference:

Asheville district—
E. O. Peeler, Oakley.
R .H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.
Charlotte district—
John H. Carper, Thrift-moores.
Edgar H. Nease, Hawthorne Lane.

Gastonia district—
Jesse G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
Greensboro district—
Rollin P. Gibbs, Mt. Pleasant circuit.
High Point district—
J. W. Braxton, Central, Asheboro.
O. L. Brown, Calvary.

Marion district—
George F. Hood, North Forest.

Salisbury district—
E. A. Bingham, Albemarle circuit.

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Wilson O. Weldon, China Grove.
Ralph B. Shumaker, Kerr Street.
Julian J. Holmes, Jackson Park.
Clegg W. Avett, Landis.
W. B. West, First, Salisbury.

Statesville district—
J. W. Moore, Central, Mooresville.

Waynesvlile district—
G. N. Dulin, Andrews.
V. A. Horton, Rockwood.
J. L. Stokes, II, Franklin.
C. D. Brown, Lake Junaluska.

Winston-Salem district—
A. C. Kennedy, Doub's.
L. E. Mabry, Trinity-Mt. Carmel.
H. Grady Hardin, Centenary.
W. J. Plint, Winston-Salem circuit.

TREASURER'S REPORT
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Robbinsville	5.60	
Shooting Creek	4.87	
Sylva	13.92	
Waynesville	22.57	
Webster	20.01	
Whittier	24.06	
Total	439.32	
Winston-Salem District		
Davidson	35.59	
Doub's	1.71	
Forsyth	25.54	
Forsyth-Maple Springs	15.00	
Hanes-Clemmons	3.00	
Lexington-Erlanger	23.71	
Trinity-Mt. Carmel	10.66	6.00
Mt. Airy, Central	43.90	
Mt. Airy Ct.	2.95	
North Davidson	16.30	
Pilot Mountain	11.63	
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion	1.50	
Rural Hall	46.59	
Thomasville, Community	28.78	
Thomasville Ct.	38.54	
Walkertown, Love's	122.77	
Walnut Cove	8.15	
Welcome	169.68	
West Forsyth	8.66	
Winston-Salem—		
Centenary	1120.95	110.00
First	25.26	
Hiatt-Sedge Garden	24.09	
Ogburn Memorial	15.15	
Winston-Salem Ct.	14.76	
Total	1814.87	
Grand total, regular	10,015.36	
Grand total, 4th Sunday	5,569.91	
Total	15,585.27	

Ministerial support funds received from district treasurers, W. N. C. Conference, through January 31, 1941:

District	Epis'pl	Con.C.	D.S.
Asheville	$ 208.18	$ 809.61	$ 832.76
Charlotte	56.47	219.60	225.87
Elkin	53.08	206.42	212.32
Gastonia	152.99	594.97	611.96
Greensboro	193,73	753.41	774.91
High Point	225.67	877.61	902.68
Marion	133.65	519.73	534.58
Salisbury	241.62	939.61	966.46
Statesville	165.04	641.82	660.15
Waynesville	74.78	290.81	299.12
Winston-Salem	208.43	810.60	833.75
Totals	1713.64	6664.19	6854.56

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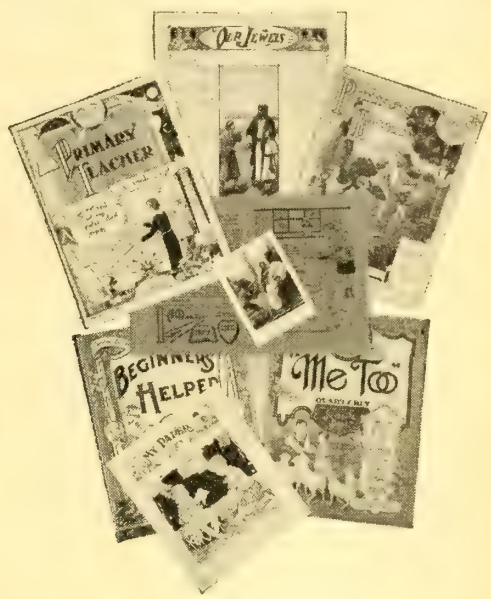
The Friend of Philadelphia shows characteristic sense in this comment: "To sentence a young woman to a year in the reformatory for dropping an American flag on the ground does not so much develop respect for the flag as contempt for those who use such methods of defending it."

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CHILDREN OF ONE FATHER

By H. H. Smith

We do not have to turn to Europe to find race prejudice. To our shame, it is found in every part of our country. A few years ago there was an editorial in a religious paper with this heading, "Mean." The writer said that a street car was waiting at a terminal for a few minutes before the scheduled time to start. As he entered the car he saw a Negro woman hurrying to catch the car, which was about to start. The conductor waited a moment for her, but when she reached the car, in her confusion, she started to enter at the wrong end of the car. Provoked at this, the motorman moved off and left her standing there. In commenting on this mean treatment of a Negro woman, the editor said that, if she had been a white woman, she would not have received such treatment.

Look around your own community and see how much truth there is in the assertions that, when there is a depression in business, the Negro is the first to be laid off and the last to be re-employed. How much truth is there in the charge that the Negro is being discriminated against in the present defense program, as to the matter of employment?

Sometimes race prejudice manifests itself in the use of contemptuous nicknames. Some nicknames that are more or less in common use are these: "Nigger" for Negro, "Dago" for Italian, "Greaser" for Mexican, "Jap" for Japanese, "Chink" for Chinese, and "Sheeny" for Jew.

The following poem was written by Bishop Robert McIntyre, who, as I understand, came to this country from Ireland a little more than a generation ago. As we read these lines, let us recall that our Lord Jesus Christ had some very severe words for those who used contemptuous epithets in speaking of their fellow men.

CHILDREN OF ONE FATHER

Dago, Sheeny, and Chink,
Greaser, Nigger, and Jap;
The devil invented these terms, I think,
To hurl at each hopeful chap
Who comes so far from over the foam
To this land of his heart's desire,
To rear his blood, to build his home,
And to kindle his hearthstone fire.
While the eyes with joy are blurred,
Lo, we make the strong man sink
And stab the soul with the hateful word,
Dago, Sheeny, and Chink.

Dago, Sheeny, and Chink,
These are the vipers that swarm
Up from the edge of perdition's brink,
To hurt and dishearten and harm;
O, shame when their Roman forebears walked
Where the first of the Caesars trod;
O, shame when their Hebrew fathers talked
With Moses and he with God.
These swarthy sons of Japhet and Shem
Gave the goblet of life's sweet drink
To the thirsty world which now gives them
Dago, Sheeny, and Chink.

Dago, Sheeny, and Chink,
Greaser, Nigger, and Jap,
From none of these did Jehovah shrink.
He lifted them all to his lap,
And the Christ in his kingly grace,
When their sad low sob he hears,
Puts his tender embrace around the race,
As he brushes away its tears,
Saying, "O, least of these, I link
Thee to me for whatever may hap,
Dago, Sheeny, and Chink,
Greaser, Nigger, and Jap."

WHY THE CROSS?

By G. Ray Jordan. Abingdon-Cokesbury, price $1.00.

Especially appropriate for the Lenten season, here is a book both ministers and laymen will enjoy. Eight chapters abounding in human interest hold the reader's attention to the end. In answering the title-question "Why the Cross?" Dr. Jordan avoids all theological speculation and portrays the familiar characters associated with the Cross so that the tragic scenes are again enacted. Posing the question in the first chapter, the author asks "Why the Cross, for Jesus?" In answer he states, "Jesus could not escape the Cross because of what he was and of who he was." Closing the chapter we find this italicised sentence: "Choosing the Cross—with all it means—was more like God than anything else Christ could have done."

The next five chapters take the reader through very incisive characterizations of "Judas, Who Betrayed Him," "Simon Peter, Who Lost His Nerve," "Two Shrewd Politicians: Annas and Caiaphas," "Herod, Who Bartered His Soul for Pleasure," and "Pilate, Who Tried to Shirk Responsibility."

Following these is a chapter, "Why the Cross, for God?" One scintilating sentence is "God goes to the Cross to win us from wickedness, because he loves us to the death, because he is willing to pay any price to save us unto life!" The final chapter, "Why the Cross, for You and Me?" is an understanding application of the principles of the Cross to our own lives. The basis is the text "And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me. cannot be my disciples" (Luke 14:27). The reader of this little book will find it a spiritually rewarding experience.

Clare Purcell.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

The chap who fishes for compliments usually catches suckers.

When it comes to "smelling a mouse" old sister Longnose can put Tabby out of business.

Unceasing prayer may enable the humblest Christian to become a silent Thunderbolt in any community.

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ONLY A DOG, BUT A HERO

Yes, boys, Romeo deserves to live in history, as he certainly will in the hearts of at least one family in Johnstown."

"Why? Who is Romeo? Oh, tell us about it. Don't whet a fellow's curiosity so sharp," cried Fred, who being his uncle's namesake had special privileges.

"Uncle Fred has just returned from the Conemaugh Valley, bringing stories enough to tell for a year," Frank said.

"Only they make me cry," wailed Mamie.

"That's because you are a girl," exclaimed little Bert, the smallest and in his own opinion the bravest of the family.

"Now, Uncle Fred began," whispered Mamie laying her head on her uncle's roomy shoulder.

"Well, one night, about six o'clock I was walking down Main street looking for a supper, and a supper wasn't easy to find, even when you had money to pay for it. I noticed a crowd of men and women in the next block and when I reached them, I saw the attraction was a beautiful water spaniel. 'Come here, Romeo, my noble dog!' said one woman."

"If it ain't a dog story!" exclaimed Fred, in parenthesis.

"Yes, Romeo is a dog," replied Uncle Fred, "but he bore his honors in a way to shame some men who, more by accident than he, have become famous. Another woman said with a sigh, 'Ah Romeo, it's a pity Johnstown hadn't more such as you; there wouldn't be so many people dead here now.'" (After the great Johnstown flood).

"I soon learned what was meant. When the South Reservoir gave way, and the flood came upon the town, Mrs. Kress, Romeo's mistress, fled to her sister's house, taking Romeo with her. Still the water came sweeping down, rising right through the parlors, and driving them upstairs, then rising to the ceiling and upper floors so they soon had to go out upon the roof.

"Suddenly a big wave rushed over them, carrying Mrs. Kress swiftly away down the stream. She was quickly drawn under by the current, and, as she disappeared, Romeo plunged in. When her dress came to the surface he grasped it in his teeth, and pushed her toward a small frame house, which still resisted the waters. His noble effort proved successful and his mistress, dragged on the light frame, felt quite secure, but it was only for a moment. Another wave of the widening, deepening current struck the weak building, its walls yielded with a crash, and the woman and the dog were again upon the flood.

"The noble brute swam by his mistress' side, keeping her head above water while she was borne upon the current. For over half an hour this battle with the waves went on. Finally the dog succeeded in bringing his precious charge to Alma Hall, where she was taken out of the water and carried to the roof for safety. There her strength failed and she fainted. Then for the first time Romeo 'lost his head,' as Bert here would say. He thought his mistress dead. He howled frantically, and nothing comforted him until she opened her eyes and put out her hand to him. Then he lay down by her side and went to sleep."

"He must have been a tired doggie," said Mamie, wiping her eyes.

"That's so!" said Frank. "Swimming is hard work." Frank was taking his first lesson in swimming.

"Uncle Fred, what did you mean by saying that Romeo would put some folks to shame?"

"Mamie never gets the whole of a story till she gets the moral." And Fred's interest was evident.

"You boys need to get the moral," answered Uncle Fred. "I mean, Mamie, that Romeo did not get proud of being praised. He looked very happy and it's all right to enjoy being appreciated, but he didn't swagger and try to boss the other dogs." Frank nudged Bert, who changed the drift of the story by wondering "if Romeo got any of the things sent to the Johnstown sufferers." And all agreed that he deserved lasting fame for loyalty, faithfulness, presence of mind and modesty though he was "only a dog."—Selected.

DO YOU KNOW HER?

By Monica Williams

Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou,
Thinking of things to do;
Quickly she runs to open the door
When mother comes from the grocery store.

With a cheery smile she knows it is fun
To brush up the crumbs when the meal is done,
Carry the plates to the kitchen with care,
While mother rests in the big arm chair.

And when all the others rush out to play,
She waits for a moment just to say—
"Goodbye, mother, I do love you."
Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou.

—Sunshine Bulletin.

THE SORROWFUL BIRD

By Marie Wagner

The most consistently sorrowful voice in nature belong to the whippoorwill. His chant is so pitifully miserable that he might be shouldering the woes of the entire world. "Whippoorwill!" he wails. "Whippoorwill! Whippoorwill!" over and over through the interminable hours.

It seems inconceivable that such a tragic burden could be false. Yet false it is, for the whippoorwill is a superlative actor—probably our greatest bird tragedian.

With remarkable instinct for his art, he is particular about atmosphere and setting. Everything must enhance the effect. So he sings only at night, when the darkness shrouds him in mystery. Then his chant sounds four times as dismal and morose.

Though he speaks only one line, his performance is a truly astonishing one, in that it lasts as long as the night. For besides having nature's most mournful call, the whippoorwill is a tireless singer. One man once counted a thousand eighty-one calls, one following directly after the other. The man finally fell asleep, worn out. The whippoorwill was still singing.

Aloof and eccentric, the whippoorwill is also uncannily crafty. By day, he is camouflaged by the forest floor, which he matches in color. But should you chance to recognize him, he at once goes into his act. He develops a highy convincing limp.

"I've broken both wings and one leg in a horrible accident!" he implies as he hobbles away.

You follow, stricken with sympathy. Then, when you are a goodly distance from his nest, he flutters his "wounded" wings, gives his "fractured" leg a little kick—and flies away!

But despite this duplicity, the whippoorwill remains one of the summer camper's most welcome visitors. He eats mosquitoes, thereby enabling the camper to get much needed rest. Then, having fortified himself and done his good deed, the bird repairs to the trees to repent.

"Whip-poor-will!" he shrills in artistic anguish. "Whip-poor-will! Whip-poor-will!"—Our Dumb Animals.

Little Axel: "Mama, why does the man hit the pretty lady with his stick? Is he mad at her?"

Mama: "Shush! He isn't hitting her. He is the music director, and keeps time with the stick."

Little Axel: "But why is she hollering, then, mama?"

Iis Tommy's dog a setter or a pointer? asked Mrs. Jones.

He's neither, replied Tommy's mother. He's an upsetter and a disappointer.

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Durham—Shiloh, Burlington Ct.	April 15
Rocky Mount—Weldon	April 16
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Elizabeth City—Plymouth	May 15

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH
General Evangelist, Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.

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March 17-30—First Methodist, Carlisle, Ky.
April 1-10—Thomasville.
April 13-27—First Methodist, Richmond, Ky.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Calvary, 7:30 9
Front Street, 7:30 12
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 16
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick Ch., 7:30 16
West Burlington, 7:30 19
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 11 23
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 3 23
West Durham, 7:30 24
Carr, 7:30 26

March

Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 2
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 2
Duke Memorial, 7:30 4
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 5
Chapel Hill, 7:30 6
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 9
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 3 9
Graham, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April

Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 9
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 3
Carthage, 7 9
Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Washington, 11 9
Bath, night 9
Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Murfreesboro, Union, 11 23
North Gates, Parkers, 3 23
Aloskie, night 23

March

Kitnakeet, Rodanthe, 11 2
Hatteras, Buxton, night 2
Williamston, 11 9
Windsor, Cashie, 3 9
Hertford, night 9
South Mills, McBrides, 2 14
Roper, Mackeys, 11 16
Aulander, Roxobel, 3 16
Edenton, night 16
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1 19
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Creswell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
PREACHING SCHEDULE

February

Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9
Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

Having already held the business session of the first quarterly conference, this will be a preaching service.

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Lillington, Lillington, 11 9
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 7:30 12
Mamers, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16

SECOND ROUND

Raleigh, Person Street, 11 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 1:30 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 26

March

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 2
Cary-Apex, Apex, 7:30 2
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 11 9
Elm City, 7:30 9
Wilson, 11 16
Nashville, 7:30 16
District Evangelistic Conf., 10 a.m., Enfield 17
Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March

Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Maysville, Maysville, 11 9
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 9
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 9
Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30 20

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 9
Black Mountain, 7 9
Weaverville, 7 16
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Big Springs, 11 9
Unionville Ct., Zion, 3 9
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 7:30 9
Trinity, 7:30 12
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 14
Pineville, Harrison, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
Matthews, 7:30 16
Central Avenue, 7:30 17
Marshville, Wingate, 11 23
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 23
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 23

March

Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Ararat, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Bryant Memorial, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Dobson, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Elkin, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Jonesville, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Miller's Creek, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Moravian Falls, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
North Wilkesboro, 2 8
St. Paul, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Trap Hill, North Wilkesboro, 2 8
Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, 2 8

Note—Dr. M. B. Stokes, returned missionary from Korea, will deliver a missionary address at each of these zone conferences.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

February

Mount Holly, 11 9
Lowell, Bethesda, 2:30 9
East End, night 9
Lowesville, 11 and 2 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 and 2 16
Belmont, Park Street, night 16
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 23
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Laboratory, 2 23
Bessemer City, night 23

March

Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Meeting of Golden Cross directors, Cherryville, 2:30 February 9.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 9
Danbury, Bethany, 3 9
Calvary, 7:30 9
Reidsville Ct., 11 15
Mitchell's Grove, 11 16
Flat Rock, Bethel, 3 16
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 16
Proximity, 7:30 19
Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 and 3 23
Newlyn Street, 7:30 23
Glenwood, 7:30 26

March

Pleasant Garden, Rehobeth, 10 2
Haw River, Mizpah, 11:30 2
College Place, 5 2
St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 8 6
Richland, Giles, 2 9
Calvary, 7:30 12
Rankin Memorial, 11 16
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 16
First Church, High Point, 7:30 19
Coleridge, Rehobeth, 3 23
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 26

March

Shiloh, Friendship, 2 1
Farmer, New Hope, 2:30 2
Denton, Jackson Hill, 7:30 2
Ward Street, 7:30 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, 3 9
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

North Morganton, 7:30 9
Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 2:30 9
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 9
Mount Zion, 11 16
Davidson, Fairview, 2:30 16
Jones Memorial, night 16
Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January

Junaluska, 11 26
Sylva, 7:30 26

February

Whittier, Shoal Creek, 11 2
Bryson City, 7:30 2
Cullowhee, 11 9
Clyde, 7:30 9
Morning Star, 11 16
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30 16
Rockwood, Rockwood, 11 23
Canton, First Church, 7:30 23

March

Robbinsville, 11 2
Andrews, 7:30 2
Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 9
Fines Creek, Baldwin's, 2:30 9
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 7:15 9
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Waynesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

February

Thomasville, Community, 11 9
Welcome, 3 9
General Terrace, 7:30 9
Erlanger, Erlanger, 11 16
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 3 16
Doubs, Brookstown, 7 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Hanes, Hanes, 7 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

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Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Ardmore, 7:30 4
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 3 9
Walkertown, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
First Church, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Kernersville, Cherry St., 7:30 23
North Davidson, Bethesda, 11 30
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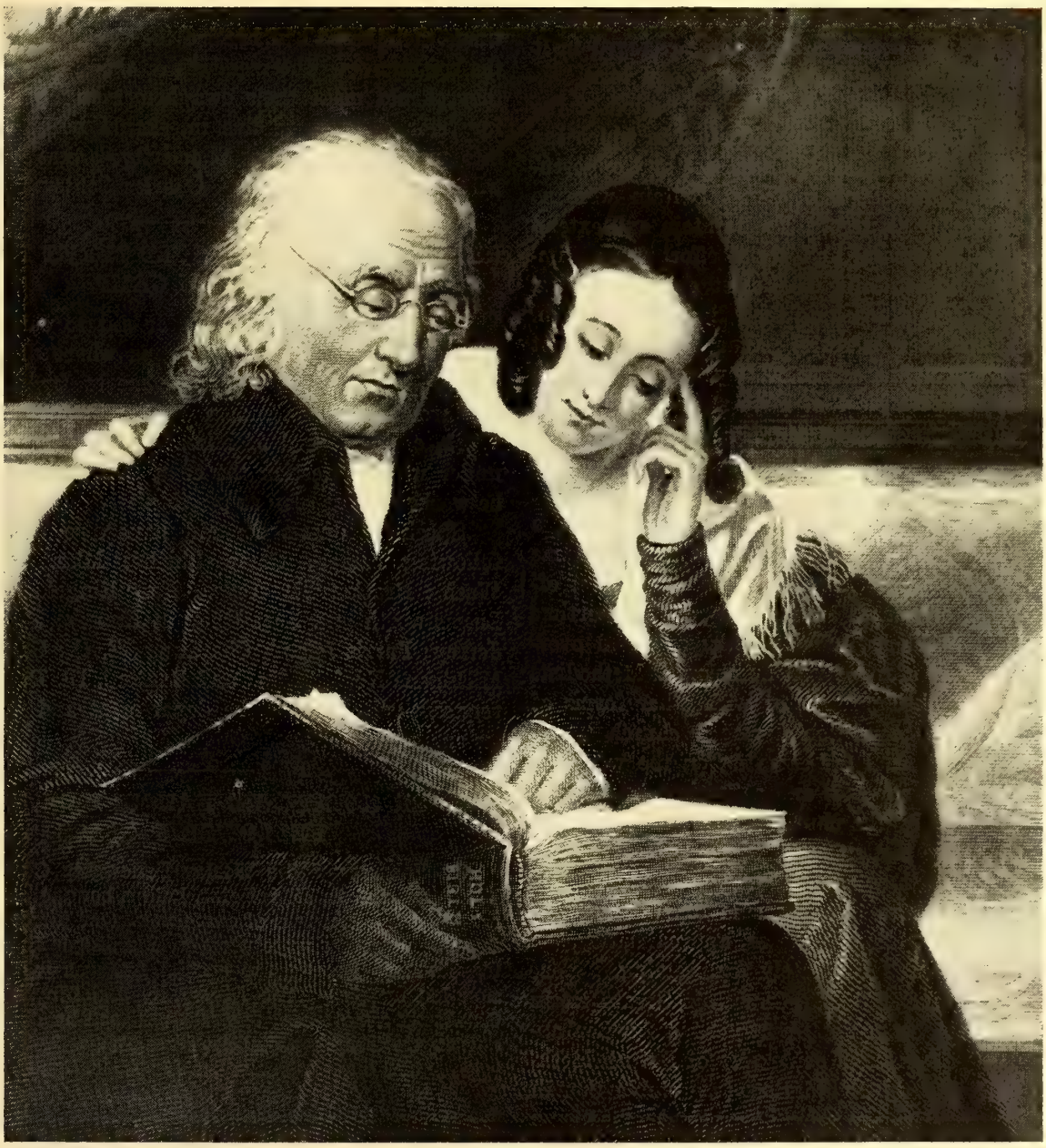
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SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES



"Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

John 5:39.

BRITISH METHODISTS SIGN APPEAL TO AMERICA

Amid blood and tears, wounds and sudden death, heartaches and fierce resentments, questings of mind, the ruins of shattered homes and the agony of depleted lives, in contact with cruelty beyond comprehension and vandalism which stuns the imagination, ministers, lay preachers, deaconesses and members of the Methodist Church in Great Britain—the "Mother Church of Methodism"—are carrying on a work of evangelism, healing, counsel, comfort, relief and reconstruction beyond any human praise.

Facts and figures, however, vivid, fail to illustrate the extent and scope of their magnificent effort. Undertaken in addition to the normal activities of the church, multitudinous in number and often extraordinary complexity owing to wartime conditions, this emergency work forms a practical example of the "Religion of the Second Mile" which overlaps racial divisions and national boundaries and which invites and demands from those engaged in it supreme sacrifice, devotion, faith, courage and love.

It is true to assert that in no previous period of the church's history has there arisen a situation in which the difficulties and hindrances, the possibilities and opportunities confronting Methodists in Great Britain were so great, so numerous, or so urgent. To maintain and extend this united spiritual, moral and social effort for an imperilled people, thousands of Methodist church leaders, workers and members are risking their lives, their health, their strength, and their material resources. They cannot do more! Yet the claims are so widespread and urgent and the need so imperative that more must be done.

It is under the stress and strain of such an emergency that the Mother Church of Methodism is appealing to her sons and daughters overseas for immediate help. In Great Britain, a special committee was appointed to raise a fund to sustain the Methodist work and witness at home and abroad; to maintain church and Sunday school effort, especially in evacuated areas; to cope with wartime emergencies and problems, including the spiritual oversight and material comfort of vast numbers of Methodists engaged with the fighting forces or with other forms of national service; to recondition damaged church premises where this is essential for carrying on the work; to develop the numerous agencies and activities already created and established by the church for the sheltering of the homeless, and the instant relief of Methodists in particular who are in peril, or who suffer from enemy action. This committee estimates that the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling or, approximatley, one million dollars must be immediately forthcoming.

Of this amount, the Methodist Church in Great Britain will endeavor to raise one-half, partly by a further appeal to the already overtaxed generosity of British Methodists, and party by the liquidation (regretable though this is) of assets now in possession of various connectional committees. For the remainder, the president and leaders of the Methodist Church in the homeland appeal for the sympathy and generous support of the eleven million Methodists in the United States. In a time of need unparalleled, and for the furtherance of the work of God within the Methodist Church, we ask you to help us!

Henry Bett, President of the Conference.
Edwin Finch, Secretary of the Conference.

WHAT THE CHURCH EXPECTS OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE

It is obvious that the church expects its young people to be the church sooner or later. The present members want their children to spread the teachings of the church to others and to carry its ideals with them wherever they may go. They want them also to apply those ideals to their living. In order to do this the young people are expected to know the principles that make this church unique. Of course they must come to church if they are to learn anything about it. And the only persons that can get them to come and to learn are themselves. I'm sure all of you know of or have known of a home that is a sort of magnet for children. For example, there was a home where a group of children were always to be found. The parents had fixed a recreation room in the basement. They had put a ping-pong table in it and had many other small games of interest to their children there. It was always their phone number that was called first around supper time; their home had become the center of the young of the community. The members of the church, as much as they should make their own homes an interesting place for their children to live in, should build their church into an attractive center of activity so that their children will come and develop it.—Charles Conley.

NEARBY CHURCHES WOULD SERVE METHODIST BOYS IN CAMP

Twenty specific askings for aid to churches in the neighborhood of numerous camps where draft enrollees will be trained have already come to Dr. Channing A. Richardson, superintendent of the Department of City Work, of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, under whose direction the camp-church relationship will be worked out as soon as possible.

Specific requests for aid have also come from the following camps: Camp Shelby, Miss.; Bremmerton, Wash.; Bracketville, Texas; Fort Ringold, Texas; Fort Leavenworth and Fort Riley in Kansas; Fort Dix, New Jersey; Parris Island, Charleston, S. C.; Camp Augusta, Michigan; Norfolk, Va., and Rantoul, Ill. Doubtless other requests will come to the department and its committee on army service.

OVER 150 ATTEND BANQUET OF WESLEY FELLOWSHIP CLASS

On February 5 the Wesley Fellowship Class of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, held a banquet at which time it launched a program of expansion. One hundred and fifty-five young adults were present. Mr. Edgar Snider acted as toastmaster. Among the special features were: A discussion led by Miss Irene Abernethy and Mr. Ben Wyche of Charlotte; a statement of goals, outlined by Mr. Harry Bell; and several readings by Miss Lena Davis. It was a most enjoyable and inspiring occasion. Mr. M. T. Lambeth is teacher.

Miss Hulda Whiteley, Secretary.

CONFERENCE ON EVANGELISM FOR ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

A conference in the interest of evangelism will be held at Enfield Monday morning at 10:15, February 17. A number of the pastors will participate in the program. Bishop Clare Purcell will bring the main address of the conference. Each pastor is urged to bring with him those who are serving on the membership committee and a group of his young people. There will be no afternoon session.

L. C. Larkin, D. S.

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Dr. James C. Stokes in his contribution, "Is War the Greatest Evil?" which appears on another page of this Advocate, seems to have made out his case. What do you think?

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We hear there is to be a bill put through the legislature to teach temperance. Why not require that every bottle sold in an ABC store have placed across it some such label as this: Warning! Alcohol is a Poison!

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The liquor store managers insist that they are out to regulate and to limit the sale of liquor. Yet they fill the papers with flashy displays of the various brands to increase the sale. Such duplicity is most contemptible among honorable men. Why not be honest?

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This is a day of "Digests." The Reader's Digest, the Religious Digest, the Science Digest, the Garden Digest, the Writer's Digest, and the Congressional Digest are among those we are able to name at this moment. But there are others, not a few. No matter what may be a man's preference in reading matter, he is able to secure it already digested.

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Some of the leaders and would-be national leaders about Washington appear to be deeply disturbed because the American people refuse to give much attention to their efforts to set the nation agog with war scares. There are two reasons for this. Four million men were in military service during the World War, and a man who has been a soldier does not give much heed to a fellow who has never entered the service when he had an opportunity—and usually those who shout the loudest belong to this class. Furthermore, once a soldier is enough for most men. Anyhow he is never easily frightened by war cries. And these 4,000,000 men serve as a stabilizing force in the nation at this time.

Much is made of the grave of the unknown soldier. What about the unmarked graves of the old soldiers of the cross who rest in obscure graves? Worthy of all honor are the men who died on the field of blood. But more worthy are those who enabled us to sing "Faith of Our Fathers." Their devotion and spirit of sacrifice in the days of peace made possible this land of freedom's holy light of which we sing.

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Some complain of the few who attend church. Really we often marvel that as many people attend church as do. Necessarily church services are much the same from year to year. Too often slow, dull, earthy, weary routine, wanting in a spiritual glow and daring adventure by souls on fire for God, fill the hour as the people patiently wait for the benediction. The atmosphere of earth and parade of self instead of the living Christ and the Lord high and lifted up being made to fill our worldly sanctuaries. Our preachers in the pulpit and our people in the pews are often too self-centered.

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The biggest hot air factory on the continent unquestionably is at Washington, D. C., and the chief exhaust is the Congress of the United States. But we are not complaining. In fact we think well of it as a necessary evil in a democracy. It is a thousand fold better than the state of affairs that exist in Russia and Germany. In fact we think the United States should have a Hyde Park as England does in London, where any and every man and woman can go and have his or her say unhindered. It helps most men to get bad stuff out of their systems. If you are ever in London go to Hyde Park—Sunday is the day when the exhaust works are especially active—and learn what a fine thing it is to allow people to shout themselves empty of every ism on the face of the earth. Congress is a miniature Hyde Park, but we ought to have the real thing.

Visits of the General Assembly

ONE visit has been made to Chapel Hill and another is contemplated for Elizabeth City. A previous General Assembly honored Edenton with a day's session. Most of these visits, however, are to do honor to the early sessions of the legislative body. As is well known, before the capital gained a fixed habitation at Raleigh, the legislature held its sessions at Halifax, Edenton, New Bern, Smithfield, Hillsboro and other places in the older sections of the state.

In those early days there were certain advantages in this. Before the days of railroads and easy transportation over good highways, the people were much islolated in the several sections of the state so that it was not easy to reach the capital. But all that is changed now with the coming of the automobile and the building of the concrete highways. To pass laws for the whole state to be enforced under present conditions is normally to be expected. Yet many contend that certain laws, for example, the liquor laws should be left for the counties to determine. Such procedure under pioneer conditions in the days of slow transportation and no highways might be justified, but not now. Between suns one can go the entire length of the state and one can cross the state three or four times in a day. How perfectly absurd then to make county lines the limit of liquor control and regulation for the common good.

If laws are to protect the people and to function for the public welfare, any legislator who will not allow the people of the state as the whole to speak should cease to talk about the rule of the people—he should be ashamed of himself to claim that he is a democrat.

The legislature may make its visits and enjoy a pleasant outing, but its serious business is to legislate for all the people and to give all the people a voice in the affairs of the state. Let the defense of democracy begin at Raleigh in the good year of 1941.

Billions for Tyranny and Destruction

HIGH sources estimate that Hitler has spent more than a hundred billion dollars for the military set-up in Germany. This is driving America to expend another hundred billions for defense in an effort to make secure this western world. All this incomprehensible expenditure in the end means nothing but tyranny desolation and death. Such is always the procedure and final end of war. Science, art, literature and religion have small place in a land given over to force and the domination of the war lords.

Human welfare and freedom of the individual belong to the lands of free men and constructive effort. The builders of nations and the conservators of civilization foster homes, schools, churches, farms, commercial enterprises and all the other pursuits of peace. The men and women whose lives are dedicated to all such undertakings rank far above the Napoleons and the Hitlers who lay desolate continents as they shut the gates of mercy on mankind. All such have their little day and cease to be; devoted builders who toil and press on with Him who went about doing good have a permanent place in the new heaven and the new earth.

Some Disclosures of War Time Germany

THE voice of William L. Shirer is familiar to many who got war news over the Columbia Broadcasting System during the past year. Mr. Shirer arrived home from Germany December 23. Since then he has contributed an article to Life on "Inside War Time Germany," Part 1 appearing in the issue of February 3. Many will read with no little interest the disclosures made.

Especially startling was the indifference of the German people last June when Paris fell. Instead of spontaneous rejoicing of the war-weary German populace little enthusiasm was manifest in their communities or in their desire to get hold of the press reports.

The limited hurt done by the R.A.F. bombings becomes clear as compared with the German attacks on England. The Nazis had a distance of 300 miles to make for a return trip while the English had to go 1100 miles. So the 20 or 30 minutes allowed the R.A.F. in their haste to find a target and the number of bombs they could carry were greatly limited. Then, too, the British attack was with too few planes and their loads have been too light to wreak the havoc London has suffered.

To keep up their morale the Nazis have kept up the lighter side of war time existence. The theatre and all sorts of diversions are going at full blast. There never were such crowds

before to cram the places of amusement as at present. "The two most popular playwrights," says Mr. Shirer, "in Germany are British—Shakespeare and George Bernard Shaw." Numerous sports help the people to forget the drudgery of their daily life. The fact that the people of Berlin can still enjoy their theater, opera and serious music undisturbed has undoubtedly been of much importance in maintaining morale.

A wonderfully suggestive sentence from Shirer: "The news of the first American plane to be shot down over Berlin was suppressed in Germany and American correspondents were forbidden to cable the story."

Kindness and Warmth of Spirit Honored Even in New York

TWO old people wholly unknown to fame died recently in New York, yet the newspapers printed extended notices of them even though they occupied obscure niches in the great city and left none of this world's goods.

Listen to the story by The New York Times: "Recently, and within a week of each other, there died in New York two old people wholly unknown to fame. They occupied obscure niches in the great city workshop and left behind them none of this world's goods. Yet the newspapers printed extended obituaries of both. This was because each possessed the treasure of the humble—a gift of kindliness, a warmth of spirit that lingers as a radiance in the memory of all who touched their simple lives. They were "Old Tom" Delaney, lamplighter emeritus and doorman at Bellevue Hospital, and Mathilde Fuhlenborf, philosopher without portfolio, who conducted a vertical course in cheerfulness while running an elevator at Columbia University."

Two Sermons for a Haircut

BROTHER pastor, what are your sermons worth in the market as a commodity of exchange? To illustrate the above question, we have a little story that runs as follows:

The pastor went to the barber shop for a haircut. After stepping out of the chair, he said to the barber: "What are the charges?"

The smiling barber said in reply: "Oh, nothing, Brother Pastor. I will take it out in preaching."

Then the pastor said: "But, my brother, can you afford it?"

After a moment of hesitation, the barber said: "Pastor, I will come twice."

Foibles of Our Lame Humanity

IT is both interesting and amusing to see sports writers "tear their shirts" in an effort to create all-American ball players by the use of their typewriters and a free use of display headlines. All-American players are not made in newspaper offices, but on the playing field. Those made by ballyhoo die as soon as the ballyhoo stops.

An interesting and amusing foible of the Methodist ministry is "running for bishop." A young fellow of likeable personality and highly magnified gifts as a pulpiteer gets it into his head to go to the top, as he thinks, and become chief pastor. Then the fun begins and sometimes the comedy becomes tragedy for him when he exchanges the qualities that characterizes a true son of the gospel for the ways of the scheming politicians. We hear quite a bit about the rottenness of politicians. But there is nothing quite so putrid as ecclesiastical politics. In the language of that great dramatist, it smells to high heaven.

Maine Has Right Sort of Governor

SUMNER SEWALL, the new governor of Maine, in his inaugural address said:

"I fully realize that the responsibilities which I am undertaking will demand my full-time attention. I shall endeavor to be available to you at my office and at my home six days each week for any discussion of our common problems and those of the people we are serving. Sunday I frankly hope to spend with my wife and my children at church and at home. I feel that this is good Christian living, which is, after all, a condition to good government."

Wouldn't this rule of the chief executive of Maine be a good one for all husbands and fathers to adopt as their own?

Lee and Lincoln

THE celebrations of the recent birthdays of Robert E. Lee and of Abraham Lincoln serve to remind one that Lee no longer belongs to the South alone and Lincoln to the North, but now each belongs to the whole nation. The North honors Lee, the South honors Lincoln.

This in itself is conclusive evidence that we as a nation no more regard the Mason and Dixon line a dividing line that cleaves the nation asunder.

People and Things

Doubs charge, A. C. Kennedy, pastor, has just raised $700 on their parsonage debt.

Rev. C. C. Benton, pastor of Central Avenue church, Charlotte, underwent an operation on February 7. He expects to return from the hospital in a few days.

William Morley Punshon, notable English preacher of a generation ago, once said: "Cowardice asks, Is it safe? Expediency asks, Is it polite? Vanity asks, Is it popular? But conscience asks, Is it right?"

The people of Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, A. A. Kyles, pastor, have done work on their parsonage that has made it very attractive. They have also increased their budget for this year seven per cent.

Centenary, Winston-Salem, had a men's supper February 5 with an attendance of 200. Mr. Henry Dwire, new vice president of Duke University and a member of Centenary, brought an inspiring message to the large group.

Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Walters of Knightdale, N. C., announce the arrival of a son at Rex Hospital on February 11 at 1:10 a. m. Weight, 7 pounds 12½ ounces. Mrs. Walters and the baby are getting along nicely.—M. M. Walters.

Some time our church bell went bad—for some reason cracked. We tried to have it brazed, but the sound is dead. I thought possibly you might be in position to tell us where we might get one—where some are doing away with bell and putting in chimes.—Geo. B. Connally.

Dr. William Lyon Phelps, professor emeritus of English literature at Yale University, has been appointed director of the Hall of Fame for Great Americans on the campus of New York University. He succeeds the late Dr. John H. Finley, editor emeritus of The New York Times. Dr. Phelps is expected to take up his new duties at once.

Senator Sheppard began an address in the United States Senate with these words: "I condemn beverage alcohol as a frightful menace to the armies of young men now training to preserve democracy and peace—to the men who man our ships and pilot our aircraft. An alcohol-drinking democracy cannot develop the maximum strength for national defense."

We, the members of the District League of Stewards of the Methodist church in annual session, Warsaw, N. C., do hereby call upon the North Carolina Legislature now in session to enact a law calling for a state-wide referendum on whether intoxicating liquors shall be sold in the state and requiring better law enforcement, also to outlaw all slot machines which may be used for gambling.

Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Bolick have recently moved into a new parsonage in Oak Park. The people of the Fletcher charge have provided a preacher's home which is reputed to be one of the finest in the Asheville district. It is an eight-room brick house with new furniture, a furnace with stoker, and other up-to-date fixtures. Brother M. S. Richey gives assurance that he will furnish at an early date a cut of this new parsonage and also of a church on the Fletcher charge that is to be dedicated.

Mrs. Florence Rush Keiser Nance, wife of Dr. Walter B. Nance, advisor to Soochow University, China, and formerly its president, died in Shanghai on December 16, according to word received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Mrs. Nance was born in Staunton, Va., on May 1, 1875. She and Dr. Nance were married in Kobe on September 27, 1898, and began a fruitful missionary career together. After a short period in Shanghai, they were assigned to Soochow University at its founding in 1901, and all their later service was connected with that institution.

Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist church, spoke to the student body of Louisburg College on Friday morning in the college auditorium on "Have We Found Out What Kind of Person We Want to Be?" Dr. Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College, who presided at the meeting, briefly spoke to the students on student-parent relations in regard to studies at the college.

Dr. Robert Paine Pell, for 31 years president of Converse College, S. C., died at his home in Spartanburg, Friday, February 7, and the funeral was held Monday afternoon following. Dr. Pell had been in declining health for some time. However, he was seriously ill only a few days before his death. Dr. Pell was a brother of Edward Lehigh Pell, D.D., of St. Petersburg, Fla., and the late Judge George P. Pell of Raleigh.

Helena Gin-Chiu Kuo, brilliant young lecturer, journalist and author of the recent book, "Peach Path," will be heard at Bennett College Saturday, February 15, at 8 p. m. in the Pfeiffer Science Assembly Hall. She will be heard at Woman's College of the University of N. C., on the same tour. Witty and convincing in her constructive analysis of present-day happenings, Miss Kuo has a message for every American. The public is invited to hear her.

The Lambda chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary business fraternity, yesterday honored eleven high rating business students with membership in their organization. New members of the fraternity are: Lois Pickering, Helen Hall and Annie Sue Barrett, all of Roxboro; Caroline Davis and Edith Pittman of Wilmington; Gaynelle Jordan, Mount Olive; Jane Rosser, Fayetteville; Beatrice Lewis, Hobgood; Laura Ballard, Oriental; Osborne Davis, Marshallburg; Joseph Newsom, Littleton. Officers for the current year are: Alice Cahill, president, Winston-Salem; Edna Gillis, vice president, Raleigh; Joseph Newsome, secretary-treasurer, Littleton; Della May Lewis, reporter, Spring Hope.

The Waynesville zone of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met in First Methodist church of Waynesville February 8. Mrs. Rufus Siler presided. After the opening devotional the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and routine business was disposed of. The meeting was then turned over to the district secretary, Mrs. F. E. Branson, who discussed at length "The Efficiency Aims of 1941." In addition to this interesting treatment Mrs. Branson also outlined and discussed the organizational set-up of the W. S. C. S. Mrs. J. B. Taylor, secretary for missionary education, then outlined and discussed the approved list of courses of study for this year. Mrs. W. L. Hutchins spoke on children's work. After the conclusion of the meeting lunch was served by the Waynesville society.—Jos. T. Shackford, Cor.

Robt. M. Varner, pastor of Old Fort charge, writes: "We want to say that we are getting along fine here at Old Fort. We were assigned the Old Fort work about a month after our conference. This gave us a late start for the first quarter's work. However, we were indeed happy to report that the first quarter's budget was balanced and some money left in the treasury. Our church attendance has been good and we believe we will be able to continue to make progress in the Master's kingdom. We are now looking forward to the work in the Wesleyan Service Guild among the business and professional women of our church. We are also planning for a pre-Easter meeting with my father, Rev. J. M. Varner, doing the preaching. Mrs. Varner, myself and children were delighted with the manner in which we were received here and the consideration shown us ever since our arrival. We are trying to prove ourselves worthy of such fine consideration by such fine people."

No North Carolinian ever forgot that President W. P. Few, president of Duke University, was a South Carolinian by birth and gave that state due credit. But at the first pass out of the box our good friend, John Marvin Rast, editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, claims for South Carolina Dr. Robert Lee Flowers, the new president of Duke, when he is a Tar Heel born and a Tar Heel bred.

The spiritual meeting of the Marion district for the pastors will be held at First church, Marion, February 27, beginning at 10:30 in the morning. The pastors are to be the guests of Rev. J. C. Cornett, D. S., for lunch. Work has begun on the new $10,000 educational building at Forest City, Rev. W. H. Groce, pastor. The superintendent has just completed his first round of quarterly conferences. There has been an increase of about $2500 on benevolences over last year. The pastors' salaries have been increased by several hundred dollars.—H. M. Wellman, Reporter.

Many refinements are being made in the underground passages in which approximately one hundred thousand Londoners spend their nights, according to the London press. Two and three tier bunks have been installed for sleeping purposes. Concerts and games are provided and electric lights and curtains have been installed. There were even Christmas trees.. The air has been made pleasant and safe by the installation of a mechanism which sprays a fine mist of scented antiseptic solution which not only counteracts unpleasant odors, but tends to protect people against disease such as colds, influenza and throat infections.

The Waynesville district Methodists become parsonage conscious. The Whittier charge has recently purchased a brown bungalow to replace the one which was destroyed in the flood last August. It has hardwood floors throughout, bath and electric lights. Plans are going forward to furnish. Hayesville has recently completed remodeling parsonage and installing complete water system. First Methodist church, Canton, has completed remodeling parsonage. Fines Creek has virtually completed renovation of interior of parsonage, including installation of electric lights. Robbinsville has remodeled parsonage, including new hardwood floors and new furnishings for the house.—Jos. T. Shackford, Cor.

Mrs. W. C. Thompson, 80, widow of the late William C. Thompson, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. M. West, in Hickory, January 27, following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were conducted at the First Methodist church, with Rev. W. A. Rollins, the pastor, in charge. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Thompson died in 1925. Mrs. Thompson is survived by one son, Rev. Loy D. Thompson of Lincolnton; one daughter, Mrs. West; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. A native of Gaston county, she was the daughter of Captain J. C. Moore and Mrs. Sarah Goode Moore. She had lived in Hickory for many years and was one of that city's best known and most beloved women.

Prof. Donald W. McConnell, youngest son of the three children of Bishop and Mrs. Francis J. McConnell of New York, died Monday evening, February 3, in the New York Hospital consequent to an operation performed in an effort to save his life. He leaves beside his parents his wife, the former Miss Jean Lyon to whom he was married in September, 1927; a brother, Thomas, a lawyer in Chicago, and a sister, Miss Dorothy McConnell of New York City. He was born in Ipswich, Mass., October 8, 1901. Dr. McConnell after having received his B.A. degree from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1923, pursued graduate studies in Union Theological Seminary and in Columbia University, earning in the latter both his master's and doctor's degrees. For thirteen years he has been on the faculty of New York University in the department of economics. The economic penetration of Latin lands was his particular interest and he has done considerable traveling both in Europe and South America in research for new courses which he has developed in this field. He contributed to, then edited a text, "Economic Behavior," and was a frequent contributor to magazines. The current issue of World Outlook contains an illuminating article, "Investing in Good Will," from his pen.

DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN TO PREACH AT WESLEY MEMORIAL, HIGH POINT, FEBRUARY 16

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, the pastor of Christ Methodist church, New York City, will be the guest preacher at Wesley Memorial church, High Point, next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, according to Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor. His subject will be "The Drama of Deliverance."



Dr. Ralph W. Sockman

Dr. Sockman has been the pastor of Christ's (formerly the Madison Avenue church) since 1917, having spent his entire ministry in that church. He is the author of many books. In April he will deliver the famous Lyman Beecher lectures on preaching at Yale.

Dr. Sockman is the holder of many degrees. He graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with the A.B. degree; from Union Seminary with the B.D. degree; from Columbia University with the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. The doctor of divinity degree was conferred upon him by Ohio Wesleyan, New York University and Wesleyan University. The LL.D. degree was granted by Dickinson College; Rollins conferred the L.H.D. degree. Florida Southern granted him the degree of doctor of literature.

THE LORD HAD A JOB FOR ME

The Lord had a job for me, but I had so much to do.
I said: "You get somebody else—or, wait till I get through."
I don't know how the Lord came out, but he seemed to get along—

One day I needed the Lord, needed him myself—needed him right away—
And he never answered me at all, but I could hear him say—
Down in my accusin' heart—"Nigger, I'se got too much to do;
You get somebody else or wait until I get through."

Now, when the Lord he have a job for me, I never tries to shirk,
I drop what I have on hand and does the good Lord's work;
And my affairs can run along, or wait till I get through,
Nobody else can do the job that God's marked out for you.

—Paul Laurence Dunbar.

CHURCH EXTENSION MEETING

The executive committee of the Section of Church Extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet in Board Street church, Statesville, at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of March 7. The purpose of this meeting is to approve applications that are to be sent to the general board. All applications for consideration at this meeting should be in the hands of the secretary by March 1.

Ivon L. Roberts, Secretary.
J. A. Jones, Chairman.

Satan Among the Sons of God

By DR. HENRY SLOAN COFFIN

Excerpts from a sermon on a recent Sunday morning in the Duke University chapel, preached by Dr. Coffin. In this he insisted earth will never be a Utopia and life will never be entirely comfortable; but, for those who fight for right, life can be a training ground for courage, a school for wisdom and a pathway to comradeship with God. The well known president of Union Theological Seminary, New York, in discussing the never ending struggle between good and evil had as his topic "Satan Among the Sons of God."

Dr. Coffin found his text and topic in the Book of Job: "It came to pass that when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord that Satan also came among them." He referred to the "sons of God" not as human individuals, but as noble attributes and elements of character; to Satan, not as a personality, but as base and ignoble characteristics and tendencies in human life.

"It is an important part of God's revelation to us that along with the sons of God Satan comes also," said the noted religious leader, pointing out that absolute good is always accompanied by strong opposing tendencies, temptations.

"There are idealists who desire to withhold or steer away from what is not 100 per cent good; but in practice, they, like the rest of us, have to adjust themselves to the mixed situation with which life presents us; and in making that inevitable adjustment the peril lies in closing the eyes to factors which do not fit into the perfectionist's picture, and they deceive themselves."

By overlooking these factors, he continued, great harm is done by sincere people whose motives are unselfish. This is true in the family, in the university, in the field of personal decision and also in the field of national decisions, said Dr. Coffin.

Parental love is thus sometimes allowed to become possessive and demanding, "and Satan finds a place among the family affections. There are spoiled husbands and spoiled sons, and the distaff side of the house—as the Scriptures attest—is not immune to the influence of Satan.

In the noblest academic life, among the sons of God Satan comes also. How easily the university community becomes parasitical! It is supported by thousands of workers not much likely to share the emoluments of academic life. Its relative freedom from the economic pressure on the mass of folk may blind its eyes to social injustices. The comforts and enjoyments afforded students may foster irresponsibility until the institution may turn out people without a sense of obligation to their fellows.

"As sons of God present themselves to enrich us on a campus like this, how clear-eyed we must keep to recognize Satan among us!"

In the realm of personal decisions, "in every actual situation there is evil conjoined with good," Dr. Coffin declared. "Are you without thoughts of being patted on the back when you decide to do some good deed? When we attempt to disentangle motives, how hard it is to separate good and evil. . . . Even that part of your mind which you deem your very own—you may call it your conscientious self, to which you look for direction—is that conscience all light, all love?

"We must never forget that when to ourselves, and to all other men, sons of God present themselves, Satan comes also.

"This is not to dull the luster of an unselfish decision. . . . But in such high hours of consecration, when a man says 'Whatever the cost, this claims my devotion—' he must not let his critical eye close. The immediate course to which his sublime choice leads will present this confusing sense of sons of God and Satan."

In the broad field of national decision, also, whenever a righteous choice is made, evil is ready to turn the decision to its own advantage if possible, the minister asserted. "The critical situation of this moment divides us into isolationists and interventionists. We may appropriately ask, 'Is there nothing devilish in the isolationist attitude? Do the interventionists, too, not face Satan?'

"Whatever course a man embraces, let him be aware that he aligns himself with deviltry as well as with the sons of light. None-the-less, in a democracy a citizen must make his decision. If he be Christian, he must face for his country the Christ-like and the Satanic. . . Nor should these alloyed decisions take the heart out of us, nor paralyze our action.

"Noble pages of history have been written by nations whose motives have been mixed, but whose loyalty to the loftiest ideal they knew won, not for themselves alone, but for future generations as well, illustrious spiritual gains."

It was under circumstances somewhat analogous to our own, Dr. Coffin declared, that Athens successfully fought for the preservation of liberalism in the fifth century before Christ, that Holland and England withstood the totalitarianism of Spain and preserved evangelical Christianity in the 16th century.

"Our own Revolutionary patriots won the right to self-government, both for themselves and for lovers of freedom in the motherland and for those democracies which today form the British Commonwealth of Nations."

"Evil in God's world is a puzzle, but evil is here and God can use it. . . . Were there no Satan, life would be a puppet-show to both actors and spectators. The satanic forces must be discerned, fought with, and subdued; but they cannot fully be got rid of. They have a function in God's purpose. It is for us to subjugate them and compel them to minister to God's will. . . .

"There is corporate sin and personal sin in our most conscientious choices. We continually need penitently to expose ourselves to God's judgment and to ask for his pardon and cleansing. That should keep us humble. . . .

"There is no prospect on earth of a Utopia, international, economic, or political," Dr. Coffin concluded. "There is no hope of creating in home, or school, or university, or in friendship, an elysium from which iniquity is barred. Life for peoples and for individuals will never be entirely comfortable. Apparently, God does not intend it to be comfortable, and we will have to take it at that.

"But for men and women who give battle to discerned evil, . . . life can be a school of wisdom, a training ground for courage and strength, a source of hope to men, lifting them generation after generation to comradeship with the living God."

JEWISH GROUP GUESTS OF HONOR AT METHODIST CHURCH

Last Sunday morning the members of the B'nai B'rith chapter of Beth-El Synagogue were guests of honor at the Julian S. Carr Bible class of Trinity church.

The Jewish group was invited as a token of the splendid racial feeling existing between the Christian and Jewish people of Durham. Both Rabbi Israel Wowshowitz of Beth-El Synagogue and Rev. George W. Perry, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church, had a part in the program.



Professor B. G. Childs

Dr. B. G. Childs, for a number of years teacher of the Julian S. Carr Bible class, spoke most appropriately and effectively on "Faith of Our Fathers.

Former Congressman William B. Umstead, chairman of the official board, delivered an address of welcome. The program was broadcast over Station WDNC.

This was said to be the first meeting of its kind ever to be held in the city of Durham. But it was by no means the first time the Jewish people and the Methodist had joined in religious services and had displayed the finest courtesy to each other in their city.

More than half a century ago in Wilmington when Front Street church was destroyed by fire the Methodist congregation worshipped for two whole years in the Jewish synagogue of the city while the present Grace Methodist church of Wilmington was being built. For more than fifty years the Grace congregation has cherished this gracious act of courtesy. Most of the men and women of both congregations have passed on but the fine feeling of brotherhood remains.

Such acts as the one in Durham last Sunday morning might well be repeated over the land.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College Players will present a satirical comedy, George Kaufman's and Edna Ferber's "Royal Family," under the direction of Miss Charlotte Searles, instructor in the department of speech and dramatic art, Friday, February 28, at 8:15 o'clock in Odell auditorium. The play, a lampoon on the Barrymore family, pokes fun at the idiosyncrasies of actors through portrayal of the Cavendishes, a family of delightful maniacs representing all ages and traditions of the stage. Cast for the comedy includes: Miss Joan C. Kosberg, Elizabeth, N. J., as Fanny Cavendish; Miss Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, Julie Cavendish; Miss Alice Lee Harris, Wake Forest, Gwen, Julie's daughter; Miss Erlene Green, King, Kitty Lemoyne; Miss Margaret Cox, Greensboro, Della; Miss Marie Haines, Merschantville, N. J., Miss Peake.

Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art, in charge of technical arrangement, will be assisted by classes in play production.

Dr, Luther L. Gobbel attended the national conference of defense commission of colleges and universities which met last week at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington. While there Dr. Gobbel was entertained at dinner by the Washington chapter of the college alumnae association.

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton tonight closes a series of inspirational services for religious emphasis week at the college. The group of meetings was sponsored by the Y. W. C. A. with Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president, in charge.

A BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADER OF ANDREWS PASSES

George B. Hoblitzell, a leader in all good works, died January 18, 1941, in an Asheville hospital of a heart attack. He was born in Myersdale, Pa. Twenty-five years ago he came to Andrews, where through all these years he has been an outstanding civic and business leader and greatly esteemed by the people of all that section.

The funeral services held January 19 were conducted by Revs.G. N. Dulin and E. F. Baker and were said to be the most impressive ever held in Andrews.

The Junaluska Journal said of him editorially:

"When death took George B. Hoblitzell it robbed not only Andrews but all this section of a man whose life was a constant example of unselfishness; a business leader who put kindness before profit; a man who adored his home and family, and a faithful, generous tried-and-true friend of all humanity. Doctors say he died because his heart proved too weak to meet an attack. But that same heart was always strong and ready to meet the needs of others.

"A quiet man, kindly natured, one who smiled easily, was quick to praise and slow to censure, George Hoblitzell endeared himself to all who knew him—and he was known well throughout all this mountain region. As far as his means would allow, his charity was practically limitless. Scores have benefitted by his kindness, invariably given quietly ,and sometimes secretly. No worthy person in honest need ever went to George Hoblitzell and came away empty handed."

ELKIN DISTRICT MEETING IN NORTH WILKESBORO

February 8 eleven charges and 52 churches of the Elkin district of the Methodist conference were represented at a meeting held in the First Methodist church of North Wilkesboro. Rev. A. C. Gibbs of Elkin, district superintendent, presided and Rev. D. B. Mullis, pastor of the Jonesville charge, served as secretary. The meeting will take the place of the second quarterly conferences usually held at each church, and the charges represented were Ararat, Brown Memorial, Dobson, Elkin, Jonesville, Millers Creek, Moravian Falls, North Wilkesboro, St. Paul, Trap Hill, and Wilkesboro.

Reports were received from the pastors of the various charges, and talks were made by Rev. A. L. Aycock, pastor of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church; Rev. L. B. Abernethy, superintendent of the Chatham hospital at Elkin; Rev. M. B. Stokes, returned missionary from Korea; Miss Elizabeth Olive, Salisbury, director of the Children's Division of the Conference Board of Education; Rev. H. F. Duncan, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church. Delegates and alternates from the various churches were elected to attend the district conference to be held probably in May.

Is War the Greatest Evil?

By JAMES C. STOKES

The question which composes this title is not just an academic inquiry propounded for the sake of provoking an argument. It is one which many of us are asking ourselves with all of the spiritual earnestness, moral honesty and intellectual acumen which we can commandeer. It is a practical question in a world which is experiencing war; it is an even more practical question to that part of the world which is facing an ever increasing threat of war.

One can scarcely conceive of a more complete evil than war, especially as it is waged in modern times. Indeed, it is not by happy coincidence, but rather by clear observation and experience of facts that the Methodist Church, along with other denominations, organizations, and individual citizens has been led to outlaw war. The following statement, voiced at Oxford by the World Conference of the Universal Christian Council, has been given the official and special endorsement of the Methodist Church: "Wars, the occasions for wars, and all situations which conceal the fact of conflict under the guise of outward peace, are marks of a world to which the church is charged to proclaim the gospel of redemption. War involves compulsory enmity, diabolical outrage against human personality, and a wanton distortion of the truth. War is a particular demonstration of the power of sin in this world, and a defiance of the righteousness of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and him crucified. No justification of war must be allowed to conceal or minimize this fact." (Doctrines and Discipline of The Methodist Church, 1940, paragraph 1716).

On the material side, the heavy toll exacted by war is revealed in the following figures on the cost of World War No. 1, taken from a report of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: the cost in money to all nations involved was four hundred billion dollars; the cost in dead, missing, or unaccounted for was 15,988,371 from among the armed forces, while even more civilians were killed. In the light of the loss and injury of life, of the hatreds engendered, of the injustices perpetrated, and of the enormous amount of property damaged, destroyed, and wasted, only the most flint-hearted individual would have the temerity to hold war aloft as a grand and glorious venture in human achievement. When we face all of the stark and appalling facts of war as it really is, we must conclude that it is indeed a most great evil, and that it extorts an awful price paid in human misery, suffering, and sin.

But can it positively be said that war is and must always be the greatest of all possible evils? My answer to this question, even in the face of the cumulative evidence against war, is that there is sometimes and under particular circumstances an even greater force of evil. Such a force has been present and is yet at work in the world today. It may be classified under the general head of extreme Nazism, Communism, Facism, and a rule-by-force militarism which has shown regard for neither God nor man. There is a sense in which the entire world shares in the responsibility and guilt for this destructive, degenerative force. We Americans share in it to the degree that we as individuals and as a nation have fostered despotism, abetted misunderstanding, cultivated racial prejudice, and encouraged violence. For whatever sins lie at our door, we ought to be heartily repentant.

Wherever responsibility may lie, the fact is that this force exists and that it threatens the entire world with calamity. Let us look at the catalogue of its crimes.

To begin with, it has struck a blow straight at God. The sovereignty of God, than which there is no more cardinal conviction, either in Judaism or Christianity, has been declared null and void. One's supreme loyalty is to be given not to the Father of mankind, but to the "father" of the state. Whatever additional allegiance one may be capable of holding toward Deity must be only of a secondary nature, at best.

In the next place, this evil force has hurled a mortal thunderbolt at man. It has swept aside all ideas of the infinite value of every human personality and has relegated man to the position of a cog in a machine. It has said that man exists solely to serve the state and to obey it, regardless of individual likes or dislikes. It has no place for any individual opinion or action which is at cross purposes with the avowed policy and program of the state, whether on religious, moral or political grounds. It will not, therefore, recognize minority groups nor tolerate in any way the conscientious objector. Thus, it deprives man of his powers of initiative, of his rights of freedom to think, feel, worship, speak, and do. It strips from him the last shreds of dignity and honor, and leaves him half-dead in soul and body.

Further, it has set up and worships at the shrine of race prejudice. It has deliberately gone into the business of fomenting racial animosity, and has so directed this diabolical evil as to bring about the wholesale slaughter and exile of members of the Jewish race. It has harassed the Jews, and all who disagreed with them, by the use of theft, fire, pillage, extortion, torture, and death, and has categorically propounded the doctrine of a one-race superiority. In pursuance of this doctrine, it has, wherever it had the power, launched itself in a campaign to subjugate and degrade the members of other racial groups.

Finally, this demonic force, exemplified in the totalitarian states, has openly avowed the policy of rule by tyranny and coercion. It has at one fell stroke—so to speak—swept aside the values of religion and democracy, which, while not yet brought to perfection and full justice, have nonetheless progressed far along the road. In this very act it has, as far as it was able, made null and void the sacrifice and suffering undergone by a host of men and women who offered their lives as the price for purer religion and a freer democracy.

It is becoming increasingly clear that we are facing the dilemma of choosing between these two evil forces, war and the tyrannical rule of the totalitarian state. Neither prospect is a desirable one. Still, there is this distinct difference between the two, as far as consequences go: war, at its worse, can be considered to be but a temporary venture into insanity, from which we may, by the grace of God, emerge with our religious, cultural and

political values, if damaged, at least not destroyed; while a quiescent surrender to totalitarianism can have only the effect of collecting all of our hard earned values of religion and democracy into one heap, and destroying them in one glorious bonfire.

Is war the greatest possible evil? I cast my vote in the negative, not as one who is disillusioned, nor as one who is resigned to an inescapable fate, but as a realist who is seeking to see it all clearly and to see the whole of it.

METHODIST STUDENTS CONFERENCE HELD LAST WEEK AT COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The ninth Methodist Students Conference of North Carolina met Friday evening of last week and continued till Sunday noon in College Place church, Greensboro. It was a fine group of students numbering more than 200. All the Methodist and state colleges of North Carolina were represented.

In business session Saturday morning H. A. Scott, Jr., junior of Duke University, was elected president of the conference for the coming year. It was further decided to hold the 10th conference next year in Chapel Hill on the invitation of the Wesley Foundation of the University of North Carolina.

Other officers elected include: Helen Buckner, Greenville, student at East Carolina Teachers College, vice president; Delbert Byrum, Pineville, High Point College, vice president; B. C. Moss, King's Mountain, West Carolina Teachers College, vice president; W. H. Lewis, Fallston, University of North Carolina, secretary-treasurer, and Charles McAdams, Mebane, State College, reporter.

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton of Ann Arbor, Mich., conference speaker, addressed the conference in the morning and afternoon on "The Church and Human Fellowship" and "My Vitality and the Vitality of My Church." Following both addresses Mrs. Overton led open forum discussions.

In summarizing the discussion of the conference theme, "The Church Universal in a World of Force," Mrs. Overton said the church must build a program "to have a functional fellowship of all Christians on the basis of the fact of God," must develop "dynamic expectancy, spontaneous benevolence and strategy for human fellowship," and that "we must turn our vitality to building a vital church."

Saturday night the delegates enjoyed a banquet in the Greensboro College dining hall, followed by a play, "The Martyr's Return," presented by the Wesley Players of Woman's College.

Sunday morning Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, dean of the conference, conducted the installation of officers, followed by a communion service for the delegates with Rev. R. M. Courtney conducting the service.

At 11 o'clock Mrs. Overton delivered the conference sermon on "Can I Have Faith in the Future?" at the regular morning service of College Place church.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT NEWS

Rev. and Mrs. Claude Moser of Lenoir were hosts to the minister and their wives of Caldwell county January 15. After a delicious dinner the ministers organized their union for the year. The wives discussed the recent story of parsonage life, "One Foot in Heaven."

The members at Cornelius church, led by their pastor, Rev. W. S. Smith, are completing an educational building.

The new educational building at Granite Falls has been recently equipped with steam heating equipment. The building will be dedicated this summer.

The Max Brandons have added running water and bath room equipment to the Grace Chapel parsonage.

Rev. H. T. Allen spoke to 227 young people at the Catawba county youth banquet. The young people gave a ban-

he Iredell county school teachers held their banquet at Street Methodist church in Statesville with 276 pres- Rev. J. S. Hiatt made the address on the subject, "Home Made Philosophy."

Mrs. P. F. Langenham of Broad Street church, Statesville, has 80 years of experience; so she made one hundred dollars on the quilt her circle was sponsoring.

The stewards of the Statesville district met at Statesville February 4. Reports revealed that most of the charges balanced their first quarter's budgets. Many have improved property and reduced debts. Rev. H. F. Duncan brought the meeting to a close on a high spiritual level with an address on "Everyday Evangelism."

Reid Wall, District Reporter.

DR. G. T. ROWE SPEAKS ON IMPORTANCE OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Speaking at the Western North Carolina Conference on Christian Education held at Sunny Acres Tuesday of last week, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, professor of Christian Doctrine in Duke University and noted Methodist minister, stressed the high importance of Christian education in colleges and universities.

"Among my many uncertainties of today I am eternally certain of two things:

First, education and religion, the church and the college must stay close together, for either one is headed to disaster if it goes by itself. The people in the churches cannot possibly get hold of religious problems by themselves; they need the help the colleges can give. And on the other side, there is no educational institution that can live and remain vital and at the same time be separated from the positive influence of the church itself. When universities stand apart from that which comes down from above, from the religious interpretation of life that causes man to face the world, hell and damnation itself and dares them to do their worst, those universities fall! That is being clearly shown in Germany today."

Secondly, Dr. Rowe declared that "whatever good may be in the independent and state college, whenever the church colleges perish the vital part of education is lost—sooner or later. The whole educational system loses its eternal quality when it loses religion from its resources. The church colleges in the United States have put the heroic and consecrated quality into education—in a far greater proportion than to their number of students and finances. This has been true because the teachers and officers of these church schools have made religion the business of their lives, and not merely an incident."

RULES FOR EFFECTIVE PREACHING

1. In your preparation go the bottom of your subject and think of all that might be said upon it. 2. Do not torture your subject or the people by saying all that can be said. 3. Do not make your sentences too thick with thought. Water poured too fast into a funnel runs over and makes a mess of things. 4. Do not preach too long; the length of a sermon is measured by the extent of hearer interest. Take aim—fire—quit! 5. Do not fire your sermon as though it were gunshot rather than a bullet. Aim at results that are likely to strike and stick. 6. Preach as if Christ were standing at your elbow. 7. Be downright in earnest. Preaching is earnest work. Set forth Christ crucified and risen again as the center of all Christian truth and life.

WHEN BISHOPS GO HOME

Texas tops all other states in the number of Methodist bishops living within its boundaries. While there are two episcopal residences, Dallas and Houston, this alone is not the reason, since Georgia, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania each have two effective bishops. Florida is the most popular state for retired bishops with four living there. Texas has been chosen as home by three of the retired General Superintendents. This gives Texas high rating with five bishops. There are just 48 Methodist bishops, active and retired, living in this country, so that if they were distributed by states there would be one bishop for each state. On this basis, Texas has five times its share, with New York, Georgia and Florida tied for second place with four bishops each. Only one of the five bishops in Texas is a native son.

GREENSBORO LOSES VALUABLE CITIZEN AND CHURCHMAN IN THE DEATH OF DR. JOHN H. WHEELER

Dr. John H. Wheeler, 70, a well known churchman and citizen of Greensboro, died February 11 at his home in Greensboro after an illness of three months.

A native of Guilford county, Dr. Wheeler was educated in Tarboro schools and at Dugger's School for Boys in Warrenton. He obtained his D.D.S. degree from Baltimore College of Dental Surgery in 1895, and practiced in Greensboro since that time.



Dr. John H. Wheeler

In 1929-30 Dr. Wheeler was president of North Carolina Dental Society, and from 1908 to 1928 he served as a member of the state dental board of examiners. He was a member of the Guilford Dental Society; North Carolina Dental Society since 1900; Third District Dental Society since 1921, and American Dental Society since 1900. He made numerous contributions to the state society's magazine. Dr. Wheeler was not only a workman who brought honor to his profession, but he was a citizen who stood for the highest and best things in his community. He was an active member and former steward of West Market Street Methodist church. Dr. Wheeler organized the Wheeler class for women, and later organized the men's Wheeler Bible class. He headed the purchase committee, as choir director, when West Market Street church's first pipe organ was bought. He was a former member of Greensboro Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Beulah Howerton of Durham; two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Rankin and Miss Bertha Wheeler, both of Greensboro; a brother, Dr. Charles M. Wheeler, Greensboro, and three nieces, Mrs. Gilbert Powell and Mrs. Earl Weatherly, both of Greensboro, and Mrs. Brantley McAdoo, High Point.

The funeral services were held in West Market Street church at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, February 13. These services were conducted by Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of the church, and Rev. W. K. Goodson, associate pastor.

"IN EVERYTHING, GIVE THANKS"

At the end of the year every merchant takes an inventory. That is to ascertain how he stands in the business world. If he has more cash in the bank and more goods on his shelves than his debt represent, then he can start the new year with confidence and courage. By the same token I believe that every right thinking man and woman should take a mental inventory of themselves at the end of every year. Let each one "count your many blessings," as that good old hymn has it. Then look into our own hearts and see if we have been really thankful; or have we taken it all as a part of the day's work, like drawing our breath. Over 1900 years ago, in the city of Rome, Paul sent this admonition to the church at Ephesus (and he gave it as the prayer way of life: "Giving thanks always for all things unto God, the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." That advice is just as good now as it was when St. Paul first gave it. Let us look for a few moments at the many blessings that we now enjoy as a nation. First, we are at peace with the world; second, we are not ravaged with the curse of a destructive war, as are the people of Europe and parts of Asia and Africa; third, we have plenty to eat, drink and wear as a nation, and we are not rationed as the natives of Europe are. Now, just to give one example to show how complete this rationing is administered. Japan's latest order is that each man in the empire is to be allowed one towel for the year! Now, the Japs, with all their faults, are considered to be neat and cleanly as a nation. So that order must be a bad crimp in their style. How would you like that? Fourth, we have absolute religious freedom. So we can't be sent to a "concentration camp" simply because we refuse to fall down on our knees and worship Hitler instead of God. Fifth, we have freedom of speech and the press. So if we criticize the administration, as most of us do more or less, we are not hustled off to a dungeon in the dead of night without even notice to our families, or even shot as is happening every day in Russia, Germany and Poland. Sixth, we can get the truth about what is happening in the world over our radios, day or night, without a threat from the government of being shot if we listen to any foreign radio. (That is the order of Hitler to his slaves in Germany). Seventh, when we hear the sound of an airplane over our heads we do not have to fear that it will drop a bomb on us and blow us up, as is now the case all over England. All in all, I firmly believe that we are the most fortunate nation on earth today.

Niel Lee.

LOUISBURG STUDENTS AT THE METHODIST STUDENT CONFERENCE

Three students from Louisburg College attended the Methodist Student Conference Movement that was held in Greensboro at the College Place Methodist church February 6, 7 and 8. They were as follows: Troy Barrett of Fayetteville, Dorothy Watson of Rowland, and Jane Sanderlin of Elizabethtown. On February 7 from 9 to 9:30 the devotional period was under the guidance of the students from Louisburg College. Troy Barrett was the speaker for the group. The theme of the program was "The Church Universal in a World of Force." Many students attended from the different colleges throughout the state to enjoy this wholesome program. The purpose of the Methodist Student Conference Movement is primarily to stress the importance of the church in the world today.

Reaffirming the fundanmental principles of Christian character, Wallace E. Haines, secretary of the University Action Committee of the University of Chicago, addressed the students of Louisburg College, seeking to reorient them in the terms of "Where We Came From, Why We Are Here, and Where Are We Going," and in terms of the Christian philosophy in the nature of life meaning and life goals.

China born Jonathan Lyndell, University of Chicago graduate, followed Mr. Haines to the platform, speaking briefly on the values of the Christian religion in his own life, and concluding his talk with a personal plea to the students of Louisburg College to seek to apply these principles and teachings to their own lives.

During the afternoon personal conferences were held, followed at 7 o'clock by an open forum discussion under the leadership of Mr. Haines.

Some of Our Women Who Are Valuable District Leaders in Christian Service



MRS. FRED L. JOHNSON
Secretary Rocky Mount District



MISS AMY B. HACKNEY
Secretary Asheville District



MRS. GERTIE MATTHEWS
Secretary New Bern District

THE LABORERS ARE FEW

By E. E. Snow

We cannot read the Gospels without the conviction that our Lord Jesus Christ was a laborer. We are filled with amazement at the amount of prayer, teaching, healing, and the work of love that completely filled his ministry. He was moved with compassion toward the multitude. He not only ministered to them but he wanted to send others to minister to them. The harvest was plenteous but he said, The laborers are few."

The greatest need of the church today is day laborers, faithful laborers going from house to house in the service of our Lord. Spurgeon said: "You cannot reap wheat by standing a dozen yards off and beckoning to it. Get out among the wheat like men in earnest." We cannot win men by preparing sermons and then wishing men would come to church and hear them and be saved. We must go out into the fields after them. Go not as some superior person of the community, but as an humble servant of our Lord.

Discussion groups may be necessary in planning our work, but souls are not often won by them. We have debated the relative worth of educational, personal, and mass evangelism long enough. God have mercy on the Methodist Church if we have become so blinded in our prejudices that we cannot see that God would have us use all three. We have now talked and planned long enough—it is time for action. Glenn Frank said: "Christianity was intended for a crusade; we have turned it into a debate."

"The people had a mind to work." Something happened when they worked; it always does when men work. "We are laborers together with God." Paul said that with a clear conscience. Can we? "Workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Are we? "Do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry." Do we do this work, and have we made full proof of our ministry? "The laborers are few."

THE WOMEN WORK AND WIN

This week we are able to report progress for the women in Christian Service. Miss Amy B. Hackney has sent in her complete list from the Asheville district. Last week we reported that we had received the list of the New Bern, forwarded by Mrs. Gertie Matthews, and the list of the Rocky Mount sent by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson. The faces of all three of these district secretaries appear on this page. Others will please continue to advance the good work by forwarding their photographs and the lists of their districts.

Mrs. Johnson cheers us much by the plans she has to get new subscribers in her local church at Conway. So do Miss Hackney and Mrs. Matthews offer words of encouragement. Mrs. J. W. Holmes of Davis Street, Burlington, sends the largest list of new subscribers this week. She adds this note:

"We are working very hard to place the Christian Advocate in every home in our church during this month, and hope to have big things to report before the month closes."

FOSDICK ON REPEAL AND ALCOHOLISM

I am taking it for granted also that every man with eyes in his head must see that the repeal of prohibition did not solve our problem. It simply threw us back to the status quo ante, plunged us once more into the intolerable situation which our fathers faced two generations ago when they rose up in indignation against the liquor traffic. Once more we face that traffic, everywhere antisocial, not to say criminal, in its consequences. We are in a worse status by far, and this present, loose, tipsy, cocktail party generation cannot be the last word in the story of alcoholism. As sure as history repeats itself, a revolt is due, a change of public attitude born out of disgust with and fear of the intolerable estate we now are in.—Harry Emerson Fosdick.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference will meet at West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28. The opening session will begin on Wednesday, March 26, at 3 o'clock. Each society should elect one delegate. Please send her name to Mrs. C. W. Phillips, 210 S. Tremont Drive, Greensboro, by March 10, if she desires to be assigned to a home during the conference. This being the first annual meeting of our new organization, we trust every society will have a representative.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Pres.
Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Sec.

AN OMISSION

We regret deeply that the name of Mrs. E. A. Lamb was omitted from the article on "Girls and Young Women's Missionary Groups" that appeared in the Western North Carolina Conference woman's page in the Advocate issue of January 30, 1941. Mrs. Lamb is the new secretary of girls' and young women's groups of the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, and has started her new work with an interest and enthusiasm that presages success in the new year. We trust that the groups in the conference will give Mrs. Lamb their heartiest co-operation and keep in touch with her in this work. Her address is Mrs. E. A. Lamb, Cedar Falls, N. C., Box 2.

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING

It is earnestly desired that our Societies of Christian Service have a representative at the annual meeting to be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28, 1941. It is also very important that the names of the delegates be sent in AT ONCE to the district secretaries so that they may send them to the chairman of entertainment committee, that homes may be provided for all who may attend. Blanks for names of delegates are being sent out by district secretaries to the presidents of the societies, with request that the delegates be elected at the February meeting and name sent to secretary right away, so that no time may be lost in reporting these names to hostesses in Greensboro. Should you fail to elect your delegate in February it will mean delay in their reaching Greensboro. So let us urge that you attend to this at the earliest possible moment. If you have had your February meeting and did not elect a delegate, will you do so as early as possible and send to your district secretary. Each society is entitled to ONLY ONE delegate and her name should be sent in AT ONCE if she desires entertainment while in Greensboro.

The entertainment of an annual meeting is no small undertaking and we feel most appreciative of the invitation of the women of West Market Street church for this first meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service to be held in their church. Surely we should co-operate with them in every way possible and nothing is more important on our part than having the names of our delegates in ON TIME.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

Mrs. J. W. Payne

My Dear Co-Worker:

My letter of greeting to you is late, but we have had much difficulty in getting the names of all the officers in our new organization. My lists have just come in. I see that many of you I already know, but many are new names, and to the "old" and "new" I can sincerely say that I wish for all of us great happiness and good as we labor together.

There will be two types of classes: a jurisdictional class and a conference class. The jurisdictional class will be our highest standard class, the requirements being very much the same as the Council classes of the former Southern societies. If you desire to have a jurisdictional class, send to me for a report blank for it BEFORE YOU BEGIN YOUR CLASS, so that you may learn what the requirements are, for the requirements are printed on the back of the report blank. That is the only report blank that I have. (Your quarterly report blank is in your corresponding secretary's book. Be sure to report each quarter, whether you have had a class or not).

Your conference class is any good class that you have, in which you use the correct textbook. This class may be an all-day class or have just one or two sessions. Though not as much time is required on these classes as on the jurisdictional classes, do all that you can to make them interesting and worth while studies.

If you have already studied "Uprooted Americans" (as many of you did last fall), then study the books on China for the spring and summer. I have a little playlet on China which I will mail you for 5 cents per copy. It has three characters.

Your pastor will doubtless be teaching soon his school of missions. His textbook will be "Methodism's World Mission" by Van Dusen. Urge your women to attend his classes, and that will be accepted as one of your mission studies. You can get either jurisdictional or conference credit on it.

The Bible study will be sponsored by the spiritual life chairman, but you are to help her and see that this is done. You also report the class. The book emphasized for study by both the spiritual life leader and the secretary of Christian social relations for this year is "Jesus and Social Redemption." If you have already studied this or do not care to study it, just select any other Bible study on your book list. These Bible studies may be put on just as you would put on a jurisdictional or conference mission study class, or they may be studied in each circle. If it is studied in the circles, the lessons each time must last from one-half hour to an hour. Then each circle can be reported as a separate Bible class.

Please have at least one study in your society this year! I am working very, very hard to make our conference the first one to report a study class in every society. In 1940 two districts had almost a perfect record. Don't let your society be the one that spoils your district's record. But it is not just for record that we would do this work. In times like these all of us need to be more intelligent Christians. We are no longer just citizens of our own communities and members of our local churches. We are all world citizens and members of the world Christian community, and we must study and know the problems that must be faced at home and abroad.

In each district we have a district secretary of missionary education and service. She will be glad to come and help you if you need her.

The Adult Student, one of our church school periodicals, carries on its front page the following from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek of China expressing his value of the Bible in a trying experience he has recently endured. He says: "I have now been a Christian for nearly ten years, and during that time I have been a constant reader of the Bible. Never before has this sacred Book been so interesting to me as during my two weeks' captivity in Sian. This unfortunate affair took place all of a sudden and I found myself placed under detention without having a single earthly belonging. From my captors I asked but one thing, a copy of the Bible. In my solitude I had ample opportunity for reading and meditation. The greatness and love of Christ burst upon me with new inspiration, increasing my strength to struggle against evil, to overcome temptation, and to uphold righteousness."

SCARRITT ACCREDITED BY SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

It is interesting to know that Scarritt College for Christian Workers in Nashville, Tenn., has been admitted to membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It is the only institution of its type ever accredited by a major association.

The college operates as a senior college and graduate school. It offers professional training for students preparing for social or religious work. The graduate school offers professional training in missions, religious education, social work and related fields.

NEW ADDRESS FOR WORLD OUTLOOK

The editorial and circulation offices are now located in the new headquarters at the Board of Missions and Church Extension in New York City. All communications to World Outlook should be addressed to World Outlook, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

A MEDITATION

"God needs me to be a better follower of the Christ this year than I was last year. Have I thought to plan or vision this? Can I say, 'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do' and follow where he leads?"

CONFERENCE DATE SET

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, announces that the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service will convene in the First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, March 25 at 2 p. m. through noon March 27. Each Woman's Society of Christian Service is allowed one delegate and each Wesleyan Service Guild is allowed one delegate. Young women's circles do not send delegates, since they are a part of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The name of delegate with one dollar luncheon fee should be sent to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount, as soon as possible and all names MUST be in not later than five days before conference. Delegates are asked to reach Rocky Mount in time to register and be in the church by 2 o'clock on March 25.

COUPONS AND LINOLEUM

An immediate need at the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh is 6,000 feet of battleship linoleum with which to cover a bare dining room floor where many, many feet walking three times each day make impossible proper cleanliness and sanitation. The women of the North Carolina conference responded generously last year with coupons from Octagon products when the need for an electric range was so great. Shall we not respond equally as cheerfully and as heartily to this new opportunity to help our beloved Methodist home? Mail coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.

MISS BROOKS REPORTS

Miss Ruth Brooks, who has been serving as rural deaconess on the Person circuit in the Durham district since the summer of 1939 and on both the Person and Yanceyville circuits since September 1, 1940, is going about the Master's business with consecration and effectiveness. In the Oak Grove community of the Person circuit Miss Brooks promotes prayer meetings in homes of shut-ins, conducts Saturday afternoon story hours, attends meetings of the board of Christian education, young people, Woman's Society of Christian service, home demonstration clubs, using her car to transport many of the women to these meetings. She teaches a class of intermediates at Oak Grove Sunday school, acts as superintendent of the Sunday school at Woodsdale, plans worship programs, parties, etc. Miss Brooks has been working with young people's groups in all of the five churches on the Yanceyville circuit, the distance from the Oak Grove community where she lives ranging from 25 to 40 miles. She has been visiting in the homes of the folk in the community. Recently it was decided that she go to the Yanceyville circuit on Monday after each third Sunday, remaining through Friday, and spend that week for the next three months in the Bethel community. Miss Brooks needs and merits the prayers and material help of the women of the N. C. conference. Address communications to her at Woodside, N. C., Rt. 1.

MISSIONS IN CHINA BRIGHT

That God is working in a marvelous way in China today was the heartening message that was brought to the congregation of the Tabernacle Baptist church in Raleigh and to rodio listeners on Sunday evening, February 2. The speaker was Dr. H. H. McMillan, who has been a Baptist missionary to China for 28 years, having gone out to that field when only 28 years of age. Dr. McMillan has recently returned from the Orient and stated that the Chinese people entrusted to him to bring to American people their warmest greetings and earnest appreciation for what they have done for China in this, her greatest crisis. Said he: "The best friend among all nations." Dr. McMillan related thrilling events of how new fields have been opened to the missionaries in China as a result of the Japanese invasion—fields where the gospel had never before been preached. He told of how God is manifesting his power in a wonderul way in that part of China which is occupied by Japanese military operations. The Chinees are giving of their meager means to rebuild churches and institutions, for orphanages and for other home missions causes for the advancement of God's kingdom. Said he: "Missions is just as bright today as the promises of God. 450,000,000 Chinese are waiting for Jesus. God is not going to cease until his gospel is given to the people of East Asia and around the world. This is the beginning of a bright day and it is not too soon for us to gird ourselves for the tasks ahead."

NEWS FROM ROPER SOCIETY

The Roper Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized in September, 1940, with 26 charter members and with the pastor, Rev. M. R. Gardner as an active charter member. Two new members have been added. Installation service was held by the pastor for newly elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. A. R. Hooker; vice president, Mrs. C. L. Walker; corresponding secretary, Miss Alma Knowles; recording secretary, Mrs. Deldee Norman; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Dixon; secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. F. D. Wilson; missionary education and service, Mrs. M. R. Gardner; literature and publications, Mrs. Joe Norarah; chairman membership committee, Mrs. J. W. Chesson; spiritual life committee, Mrs. B. B. Spencer; fellowship committee, Mrs. H. M. Williams; publicity, Mrs. Jack McAllister. The study committee consisted of Mrs. M. R. Gardner, Mrs. A. R. Hooker and Mrs. Jack McAllister. The week of prayer was observed and a union mission study class of Roper, Mackeys and Pleasant Grove societies was held, studying the book, "Uprooted Americans," under the leadership of Mrs. M. R. Gardner. Spiritual life group meetings have been held once each month under the supervision of the chairman, Mrs. B. B. Spencer. At the January meetings pledge cards were signed for 1941 while Mrs. M. R. Gardner sang "I Gave My Life for Thee." The pledge was read in unison. $36 was pledged for missions and leaving about $32 to be applied on the local budget.—Mrs. Jack McAllister.

ZONE LEADERS MEET

The Durham district zone leaders held their executive meeting at Edgar Long Memorial church, Roxboro, on Friday, January 31. Miss Florine Robertson presided. She led the devotional which was deeply spiritual and discussed many phases of the work for the year. Dates of the spring zone meetings are as follows: Alamance, March 9, 2 p. m., at Belmont; Orange, March 16, 2 p. m., Efland; Caswell, March 23, Bethel, 2 p. m. at Leasburg; Person, place not announced, date March 2, p. m. After the business session Miss Robertson entertained the leaders at Shank's Grill, where they enjoyed delicious refreshments. Zone leaders present were: Mrs. J. A. Warren, Mrs. T. B. Hough, Mrs. Taylor Long, Mrs. W. M. Fox. Mrs. A. K. Umstead was absent because of illness.—Mrs. W. M. Fox.

A GUILD WHEREVER POSSIBLE

If there are as many as six business and professional women in any local church or community, there is a potential Wesleyan Service Guild. The W. S. G. is an organization which meets the needs of employed women for active and fruitful Christian service as does no other organization, and it is not necessary for a woman to be a Methodist in order to be a member of the Guild. Reaching the employed women of the church and community should be the purpose and goal of every Woman's Society of Christian Service wherever that goal is possible. Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, is conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild in the North Carolina conference and she will be happy ot aid in the organization and promotion of Guilds when she is given opportunity.

Pray not to God to give thee sufficient, for that he will give to each man unasked; but pray that thou mayest be content and satisfied with that which he giveth thee.—Plutarch.

Let's not be submerged by this wave, but ride on top of it to the high purpose of God.—Helen Kim, Korea.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

VALENTINES ARE COMING

Came a little boy running through the cold wind of yesterday morning to this scribe with a little scrap of paper. It was a Valentine. The lad had gotten his honorarium the day before and had been privileged to go over town to spend it as he wished. At least two Valentines were bought. One was sent to Mrs. Woosley and the other came to this scribe. On the little envelope was scrawled "To my dear sweet Pop." The man looked at the little lad and both of them forgot that the weather was cold.

TIME TO THINK

This Monday morning has almost passed and not a single complaint has come in. It is almost unbelievable that a fellow could sit in the office several hours on a Monday morning and be permitted to think. Our family must have known that the report of the auditor had come in and that there was need for digesting its contents. It is never wise to bring on more trouble when there is enough already at hand. But it really is fine to be able to report that our family is happy and that it is now in the process of such growth and development as is not hindered by distracting influences. The children are getting well and the workers are getting back on the job. Only two workers are yet prevented from assuming their normal responsibilities.

OVER ELEVEN THOUSAND

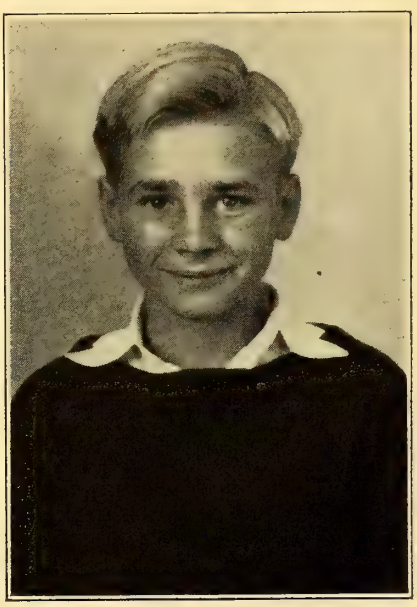
The auditor's report shows that we spent $11,187.95 more to sustain and develop the Children's Home family in 1940 than in 1939. That's a lot of additional expenditure. Nearly seven thousand dollars of this amount went to our High Point Children's Home family. The rest went to improvements here on our grounds. Five buildings were painted on the outside and one throughout the entire inside. An entire cottage housing thirty-three boys was furnished with new beds, mattresses, chairs and dressers. These items, with a number of other improvements, called for quite a bit of additional outlay. There are yet five buildings which need a lot of inside painting. We have twenty-one brick buildings which are used by our family in one way or another. The up-keep of these buildings requires quite an item of expense.

ONE ADVANTAGE OF DEBT

We spent during 1940 $2,338.45 more than we took in. We had some red figures on our audit book. They look pretty as to color but they leave a bad feeling after the color is looked at for awhile. From indications now available our red figures will be bigger next year. About the only comfort a fellow can get out of being in debt is that he can call on the church organization to help pull him out. The Children's Home has been going along on a balanced budget so long that there has come a sort of feeling in the minds of some of our people that there is no need to be exercised about its financial welfare, since it is presumed that it will get along some way. There is a fond hope sometimes expressed, "Why worry about the Children's Home? Those wealthy Winston - Salem Methodists will take care of it!" Well, the red figures are coming up.

FURTHER REFLECTIONS

It is further recorded in the auditor's report that administrative expense did not increase during the past year. As a matter of fact it was about $100 less. This showing is all the more remarkable when it is recounted that the area of operations has been extensively enlarged and that the calls for service come from an enlarged constituency. We really have surprised ourselves at being able to go along so far without having to call in any additional help. We feel sure that our friends will in the run of time adjust their contributions to the increased demands and that our financial exhibit will cease to show any "polk berry juice."



He tends to the telephone

MEANINGFUL DECISIONS

The report we have been working on for the past several weeks to be submitted to the Duke Endowment covers every phase of our operative enterprises. We not only must list our financial pressure but also our water pressure and our air pressure. We must state how many cubic feet of fresh air there is allotted to each child in his living quarters, how much opportunity he has to bathe and what toilet conveniences there are available. These and many other questions having to do with physical comfort go along with the cost of food, cost of clothing, cost of education, health and recreation. It just about takes a Philadelphia lawyer to work out a report for the Charlotte Duke Endowment. But the work is well worth while and is entered into with relish. Among other items, it is recorded that during 1940 fifty-seven children were admitted into our Children's Home and fifty-three went to live in other homes. Decisions having to do with 110 children were very meaningful to them. Much of the future of their lives depended on these decisions. Of those leaving our Home thirty-one were returned to relatives, six went to college, one went in hospital training and fifteen secured self-supporting jobs.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

It seems not to get too cold for the tones of our ten percent apportionment bell to ring. To be sure there was a lull right after Christmas, but the tones are pealing out again. How sweet they sound! Those having paid their apportionment in full and therefore entitled to pull the old bell cord are listed as follows. Reach over and shake their hands in grateful thanks:

Elmwood and Ebenezer, Elmwood circuit, Rev. Y. D. Poole.

Palm Tree, Vale circuit, Rev. E. P. Green.

Rowan, Main Street-Rowan, Rev. W. R. Bustle.

Glenwood, Greensboro, Rev. R. M. Hardee.

Main St., Gastonia, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle.

Center, Davie Ct., Rev. G. W. Fink.

PALM TREE BREEZES

Rev. Ellis P. Green, pastor of the Vale circuit, writes as follows: "The old ten per cent apportionment bell rings in full at Palm Tree, $20. If nothing stands in the way, White Zion will do the same thing soon." There's nothing sad about that Vale enterprise. There are just two Palm Tree churches in the Western North Carolina conference. One is located in Cleveland county on the Fallston charge and the other is near the border line between Lincoln and Catawba counties. Both Palm Trees have new churches and both have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full for the present year. Rev. George W. Clay is pastor of big Palm Tree and Rev. E. P. Green is pastor of little Palm Tree. We would like for the Oak Groves, Pine Groves, Shady Groves, Pleasant Groves, Pine Swamps and the Virginia Hollows to come along with their apportionments. Let them blow in the good tidings similar to the Palm Tree breezes.

A QUILTING PARTY

Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte, who for 60 years has been a consecrated and effective Sunday school teacher, writes as follows: "I am sending a quilt that was made by Mrs. Louisa Wriston 32 years ago for the Tryon Street Light Bearers to be sent to the Children's Home. Mrs. Wriston's daughter, the late Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, kept the quilt all these years and at the time of her death it was sent to me. A half dozen women, including a good Presbyterian sister, came to my house one day last week and you can't imagine what a good time we had quilting and talking. The quilt is too large for the children's beds but you can double it. Hope the flu will fly from the Home very soon."

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .... (here designate the bequest) .....

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION—To keep in touch with all the boys and girls who go out from the Orphanage requires a great deal of correspondence and travel. When children leave the Orphanage many good results would be lost if I did not keep in touch with them. I make an honest effort to know where all former boys and girls live, what they are doing, and how they are getting along.

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CONTACT MAN—It is my responsibility to travel over the conference, to attend district conferences, missionary institutes, and to preach, or to make addresses, somewhere practically every Sunday in the year. In order to do these things it is necessary to be in my study often for preparation.

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TREASURER—The board of trustees appointed me treasurer of the Orphanage several years ago. All receipts and disbursements are carefully and conscientiously attended to. All monies, as well as donations, are properly acknowledged. It is no little undertaking to be responsible for nearly a hundred thousand dollars which passes through my hands annually.

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EDITING ORPHANAGE PAGE — In order to keep our constituency thoroughly posted, I write short notes every week for the Orphanage page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Through this medium our friends become acquainted with the needs, opportunities and happenings at the Orphanage. For twenty-six years I have never missed sending Orphanage notes to the Advocate.

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FARMER—To grow an abundance of vegetables, corn, hay and ensilage requires considerable knowledge of scientific trucking. The Orphanage has a two hundred acre truck farm, located about three miles from the campus, where our trucking activities are carried on. We have a trucker who is in charge of this phase of our work, but I give the matter my close personal attention.

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CASE WORKER—It is incumbent upon me to do all the case work for the Methodist Orphanage, which entails thousands of miles of travel over the conference. To scrutinize every applicant requires much time and skill. Furthermore, it is my duty as superintendent to give much thought to the out-go, as well as the in-take. No child is permitted to leave the Methodist Orphanage without first making satisfactory arrangements for his or her future.

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PERSONAL—I have thought for some time that I would give a brief resume of the duties and responsibilities that rest on me as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. I shall necessarily have to be brief for lack of space. It may be enlightening to friends to know the major duties that devolve upon me.

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EMPLOYER—All teachers, matrons and workers are hand-picked by the superintendent. It requires much patience and insight to choose teachers, matrons and workers who are qualified for so many special types of work.

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The following has been broadcast in the Charlotte Observer by Arthur Talmadge Abernethy:

I feel so sad as I seat myself to sing,
I fear the tears will wash the effect of my verse. A mountaineer met me in front of the Castle Cafe in Valdese, and he was weeping like a widow. He told me why:

"Yes, Mister, I am shore plumb sad;
It's all about my son. The lad
Was such a fine, obeyin' boy
He never giv' me no annoy;
He never went again' my will,
He never hung around no still.
He went to church, an' paid his dues,
He'd never pester me fer shoes;
He'd wear his suit of underwear,
Without no change, fer a whole year.
An' up till he was twenty-one,
He wus the finest sort of son.
An' " (here the old man hung his head)
"That boy o' mine is now plumb dead.
It breaks my heart," the old man cried,
"My boy committed suicide."
I asked what caused the tragedy;
He answered: "It's a mystery.
He never dun that way before;
He must have lost his mind, I'm shore."
"What caused it?" The poor fellow said:
"He tuck a bath; it killed him dead."

A man lost a valuable dog and advertised in a newspaper, offering five hundred dollars for it, but got no replies. He called the office.

"I want to see the advertising manager," he said.

"He's out," said the office boy.

"Well, his assistant."

"He's out, too, sir."

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Rev. W. A. Patton, a Man With Two Careers

By G. W. BUMGARNER

In the N. C. Christian Advocate of November 28, 1940, there appeared an obituary to Rev. W. A. Patton. This obituary was of great interest to those who had known Rev. Mr. Patton. To many, who had perhaps forgotten this man since his retirement in 1928, came an awakening of memory at sight of his name. There are 1,000 souls somewhere, dead or alive, whom he led to Christ before 1916 who will no doubt thank God that this man once came their way. How many more he led to Christ after that time is not exactly known. His was the kind of fiber that made the former M. E. Church develop in western North Carolina.

Mr. Patton had a remarkable career as a minister in spite of the fact that he was forty years of age when he began to preach. It might be said that this man had two careers, for at the age of 16, according to his brother, Reed Patton, "Will went from home" in Fairfield, Va., "to Marion to learn a trade at 16." This trade he was to follow for 24 years.

William Patton's father was John McClung Patton, who was a partner with a Mr. Reed and Cyrus McCormick in making wheat fans and other farm implements at Salem, Va. These partners had distributing plants at Marion and Fairfield and perhaps other Virginia towns. Cyrus McCormick left this partnership to establish his factory in Chicago. Reed and Patton then moved to Marion and started a factory there.

While "Will" was just a lad he and his father were riding from Lynchburg to Marion on the train when his father died suddenly. This was probably what induced "Will" to learn a trade in early life in order to help support his brother and his two sisters, the mother having died several years previous to the father.

After the death of John McClung Patton the children made their home at Fairfield. It was from Fairfield to Marion, Va., that "Will" went to learn the carpenter's trade. His adeptness made him well known in Marion in a few years as a finishing carpenter and a cabinet maker. The home in which his widow now lives is adorned with a beautiful winding stairway and with panelling and furniture which he made. There are perhaps, even today, homes in Marion, Va., which he finished according to his own blueprints. In Ashe county, N. C., which became his home county, there are several homes which are commonly known to have been built by him. The pulpit in old Graybeal's chapel near Lansing, N. C., which he built many years ago, was moved by loving hands to the new Duke-built Methodist church which stands in the heart of Lansing. After he became a minister, a deed of love which he often performed was that of building a coffin for a friend or a parishioner.

When "Will" was about 28 years of age his contracts for cabinet building and finishing houses was broadening out and finally took him to North Carolina. Calvin Graybeal of Ashe county heard of him and had him come to his house to live while he did some work there. Rose Ellen Graybeal, was a daughter in the home and just in her late teens. It was love and marriage for "Will" and Ellen, January 9, 1884. And this Virginian of Fairfield in Westmoreland county, Va., the county in which Mt. Vernon is located, providentially cast his lot with, then a little developed section of western N. C.

Twelve years after marriage Mr. Patton ceased fighting the call to the ministry and laid aside the well worn books on the science of carpentering and picked up his Bible and notebook. His Bible was well worn too, and its message began to be fulfilled and to bear fruit.

Preacher Patton was a diligent student of the Bible and its great commentators. He took little for granted and dug it out for himself. His advice to young ministers was that they not become dogmatic in early years, but rather let their thoughts mature with much study and prayer. He read and leafed much of the popular literature of his day and gleaned from it many illustrations.

From a brief study of his sermon files I have found that he has, approximately, 175 sermons which he used throughout the years. This in itself is remarkable, for many of them are written out to some degree of fullness. It is remarkable as well since much of his ministry was spent on large circuits and since for 12 years he superintended large districts during the period before the good roads and automobiles. The Clyde district which he served for six years included everything in N. C. west of McDowell county.

Perhaps an even more remarkable discovery is the general strain of his sermons. The man is somewhat revealed in the fact that of the 175 sermons, 25 are from the letters of Paul and several others come from Hebrews and Timothy, letters which breathe the spirit of Paul; 21 are based on the teaching passages of Matthew; 10 are from Luke and 15 are based on the Johannine works; five texts are taken from Job, six from Isaiah, and several are from the other prophest. That is to say that much over half of his sermons are based on select verses from the heart of the Bible.

The man is unique in his method of filing sermons and sermon matter. Apparently he never had, during his whole ecclesiastical career, any uniform paper upon which to write his sermons. A little memo-book of 1908, advertising wire fencing and John Morgan's store at Clyde, N. C., was written full of his thoughts on some subject. He placed it in an envelope along with other bits of paper covered with writing on the same subject. Later he was reading a book and he stripped the sales covering from it and started writing. And soon this too went into the envelope already bulging with its odd pack of notes. The only thing uniform about his sermon file is the fact that the litters of notes on each subject are in separate envelopes of the business letter size. It all reminds one of a sermon he wrote on "Ropes and Rags." He told in that sermon how ropes are made from the rags gathered everywhere. This box of scraps became in his hands beauty and harmony, and now bespeaks the hands of efficiency, constancy and character.

As the bits of paper in an envelope increased and his thinking matured he cut strips of paper to fit the envelope and essayed a summary of the accumulated thoughts and left all in the same container. As the years passed and the sermon became a part of him he made an outline for his sermon outline book and marked the envelope "transferred." This filing system, together with his diary of 30 years, reveals the fact that he kept tab on himself and his work. He never covered the same ground without purpose.

Rev. Mr. Patton's mother was an Episcopalian. This is no strange thing, for the Episcopalians are historically mothers to the Methodists. The father was a Presbyterian. When the family moved to Marion, Va., both joined the M. E. Church, South. The tolerance of W. A. Patton could be explained in this background of two churches in M. E. Church, South, but when he answered the call to the ministry he took hold of the work nearest at hand in the M. E. Church.

His worth to Ashe county, N. C., would be hard to sum up. He stressed clean playing. He loved a game of baseball as long as he lived. He knew the value of wholesome recreation because he had played professional baseball with the Marion League as a young man. His body was athletic and quick throughout his 84 years. During the last years of his life his great old physique would often take him briskly over the quarter-mile from his home to Lansing. It was a physique which had stood thousands of miles in the saddle. During his last days the mind worn by study (and handicapped in later years by a confluence of the hardening of the arteries and a depression in the skull made when a rock aimed at an apple, when he was a child, fell upon his head) came and went. But the body was always strong. He was no weakling in mind or body in the days when he rode the saddle. He never was a weakling.

He was always for education. He had faith in it because he acted on it in his own life. There have been few other men of Ashe county as well informed and as intelligently informed as he. He fired youth to do something worth dying and living for. He was a popular commencement speaker because youth looked up to him and loved him. He constantly stressed before them that one could be an educated fool, could have much power from education, have much wealth from that power and still fail in life.

I present him before your mind again for his sake and for the sake of the Lord whom he served well.

LIBERIA

Tiny, backward Liberia is the only ground in Africa not held or in the dominance of an outside power.

More than one-fourth of Africa is desert. The Equator cuts it in half. North and south of the Equator is the tropical rain belt. On either side of this tropical belt are the Savanna belts, with an adequate rainy season to support veldt vegetation. The east coast also gets rain in season from the Indan ocean monsoons. North and south of the Savannas are areas where less than an inch of rain a year falls.

Little of Africa away from the coasts is suited for war. Difficulties of transport are enormous.

A network of airline landing fields stretches over the continent, but there are virtually no highways in the interior. Millions of natives are for the most part uninterested in the affairs of the warring nations.

There's wealth there though, and that makes Africa important in addition to its strategic location. The world's greatest gold, diamond and copper mines have already been opened by the British. Nobody knows what vast wealth would be uncovered by systematic prospecting the back country. Certain it is that Africa is a vast storehouse of tropical products of the soil.

SECRET LIFE

The night-blooming cactus which parades her beauty and fragrance on the moonlit deserts of Mexico, Texas, and Arizona has a secret life spiritually suggestive to man. Beneath the surface, buried deep in the burnished sands its enormous, fleshly roots are to be found shaped like a turnip and weighing from sixty to one hundred and twenty-five pounds. This large root is a veritable reservoir which stores up enough food and drink to tide the plant over a two-year period of drought, so that regardless of weather conditions, its blooms and aroma will not fail to come to the desert each year, usually the latter part of June. Every organism has a secret life wholesome or dissipating. What of your life and mine?—Southern Christian Advocate.

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By Dr. L. R. Akers

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CHILDREN AND THE CHURCH

"The work of the children's division is in reality the church's plan and program for children. Through the class sessions, worship services, and other activities, a child comes early to feel identified with the life and work of the church. Junior teachers have the privilege and responsibility of being a child's teacher and friend when he joins the church. We should help him look forward to and prepare this experience with understanding, high purposes and with child-like faith. Furthermore, we should join the church in planning ways whereby its youngest members may grow up into larger service and deeper convictions concerning the Christian way of life."

Pastors, parents and teachers are anxious to make possible the finest opportunities for the boys and girls in the church school. Not oniy do the ones who have made their decision to ask for membership in the church need special guidance but each child from birth on needs to be surrounded by an atmosphere that is Christian. As we plan more thoroughly for worship in the church school there are certain source materials which should prove particularly helpful to primary and junior workers. These are:

For Primaries:

Perkins, "As Children Worship."

Perkins, "Worship in the Church School."

"International Journal of Religious Education. (Suggested program) per year $1.25.

"Elementary Teacher." (Suggested programs(per year $1.00.

For Juniors:

Burgess, "Junior Worship Materials."

Perkins, "Worship in the Church Church."

"International Journal of Religious Education."

"Elementary Teacher."

The "International Journal of Religious Education" should be ordered from "The International Council of Religious Education," 203 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. All the other materials suggested here may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House in Richmond, Va.

As we make plans for the boys and girls will become members of the church let us keep in mind the pledges they make in joining when they profess to believe in God as their heavenly Father, and accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, to believe in the Bible as God's Holy Word, and to accept the Methodist Church and uphold it by their prayers, their presence, their gifts and their service. Parents, pastors and teachers should anticipate questions which will be raised by the boys and girls and during these weeks prior to their joining give them guidance which will help them in understanding more thoroughly the vows which they will take.

CHILDREN AND MISSIONS

A new leaflet is available to answer inquiries about plans for the missionary education of children in the Methodist Church. The leaflet deals with suggestions for planning the year's programs, for directing emphasis to World Service Sunday, for interpret-World Service to children and the handling of the missionary offerings made by the children's groups.

This leaflet may be secured from the North Carolina Conference Board of Education, 647 College Station, Durham, N. C., without cost, and upon request. Call for "Children and Missions" when ordering.

CHILDREN'S WORKERS' MEETING AT CALVARY CHURCH

The workers in the children's division of Calvary Methodist church, Durham, met in their quarterly session on Thursday night, January 30, in the church hut. Twelve teachers were present and Mrs. Eugene Chesson, superintendent of the children's division, Dr. W. P. Hardee, superintendent of the church school, and Miss Alma Cade of the conference board staff.

Mrs. Chesson opened the meeting with a short devotional, after which reports were made on the work done in the primary and junior departments during the World Friendship emphasis on China. During this emphasis the boys and girls participated in extra sessions and at the conclusion heard, in joint session, a returned missionary tell many interesting things about her experiences in China.

The Fellowship of Study was emphasized. Miss Cade called attention to two books which have meant a great deal to children's workers and parents, namely, Baker, "The Worship of the Little Child"; and Odell, "Our Little Child Faces Life."

Plans were made to assist the nursery home visitor in establishing contacts with parents of young children. The group decided to invite parents of children within the division to visit the department so that they might know more about provisions made for their children and that they might work with the workers in carrying the teaching done in the home.

At the conclusion of the discussion the group disbanded looking forward to the next time they will meet together to plan their work with children.

NEWTON GROVE CHARGE YOUNG PEOPLE

The young people on the Newton Grove charge have been quite active during the past year, meeting together each month to share together in worship and in fellowship. These meetings brought representatives from five of the six churches on the charge. They have engaged in many fine activities, including sending a delegate to the Young People's Assembly at Louisburg, clothing a girl at the Methodist Orphanage, pledging and paying their mission pledge.

The officers for this year are:

President. Percy Warren, Newton Grove.

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Plans are being made all along for continued good work to be done by this group as they meet together in their monthly sessions.

ROCKY MOUNT CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SCHOOL

The Rocky Mount Christian workers' training school will be held in First church, Rocky Mount, February 16-20. At a recent meeting of the pastors of the Rocky Mount churches and other leaders definite plans were made for the school. While the school is promoted by the Rocky Mount churches, workers in other churches in the Rocky Mount area are invited to share in the school. The school will begin on Sunday night, February 16, at 7:30 p. m.

Courses to be offered in the school are:

Use of the Bible with Children, Miss Alma Cade.

Training Leaders in the Youth Division, Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

Christian Education in the Local Church, Robert W. Bradshaw.

INFORMAL TRAINING

Several charges in the conference are planning to hold this spring three or four day instititutes at which detailed study will be made of the different phases of the Christian education program as it affects the local charge. Mount Olive-Calypso will have such an institute February 24-26, Fremont March 9-12, and Manteo (for churches in that area) May 18-21. In each of these institutes Miss Cade will lead the discussion with workers in the children's division, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work, with workers in the adult division, and Robert W. Bradshaw, with workers in the youth division.

No ignorance is more profound or more pitiful than that which scorns the power to understand the deepest truth that lies hidden in the mind of the common folk. Jesus affords the incomparable example of confidence in the power of the unsophisticated man to understand the things of the spirit.—John Wright Buckham, D.D.

History makes haste to record great deeds, but often neglects good ones.—Ballou.

Children's Storyland



THE ESKIMO

They are born in the snow; they are cradled in ice; the shriek of the north wind is the only lullaby they hear. They live at certain times in huts that are built of snow and they go to sea, when the sea is not frozen, in boats of sealskin and bone. They are clad in seal and other skin, and wear very warm inner garments of birds' skins dressed with the feathers on.

The Eskimo babies are carried in their mother's hoods in the greater part of the immense territory in which their tribes dwell. But in Labrador the babies are carried in the boots of their mothers. These boots have a long pointed flap in front, which is made for this purpose, and which is very like a snug box, into which baby can be tightly and cozily squeezed.

The Eskimo children are born into one of the most peaceful, the most orderly, if not the most luxuriantly comfortable community on earth. The Eskimos have no magistrates; they have no laws; yet they maintain among themselves good order. Perhaps they find the fierce and constant war that they must wage against the climate too exhausting to admit of their waging war among themselves.

A quarrel among Eskimos is almost unknown, and when it does occur it never goes further than a difference of opinion, which those who quarrel settle by separating. If two members of an Eskimo family do not pull together comfortably they separate quietly and once for all. If two sections of an Eskimo tribe fall out, one section moves a few miles away. That is the way in which every Eskimo quarrel ends.

Even the children play together peacefully and never quarrel among themselves, doubtless because they never see aught that approaches quarrelsomeness among their elders.

The Eskimos sing almost constantly when they are indoors, between the intervals of sleeping and eating. Perhaps it is one of the necessities of their lonely life. I know only one of their songs; it was taught me by a man that had been with one of the great exploring parties and had gone much among the Eskimos. It was rude, dreary and terribly sad. "Amna, Amna Ayah," that was what it repeated, and when I compare it with the folk songs of the Chinese, and the national ditties of the Burmese, I am all but sure that the men are right who have concluded that the Eskimo and the Chinese have the same origin.

The Eskimo children are not indulged in a largely varied diet, but they are introduced to the family meals at a very tender age, and they are allowed to gorge themselves until they "can eat no more." The Eskimos have been called a race of gluttons, in a mild way, wild. But it is unfair to call that gluttony which is only satisfying hunger. The waste of strength caused by daily Eskimo life, with its active exercises and constant exposure to severe cold is very great.

Eskimo life is so hard that the children are forced, almost at babyhood, to join in the daily occupations of the adults. So it is not strange that we find them gorging themselves and overeating like their elders. They eat seal's flesh, walrus beef, and bear's flesh; sometimes raw, sometimes partly cooked. They suck blubber. They devour all manner of eggs. The eggs of the eidre duck are their favorite dainty. They eat birds and fish and mollusca, when they can get them. They depend very largely for food upon the Iceland moss. Indeed, to many of the Eskimos, Iceland moss is what marcaroni and olives are to the Italians—what rice is to the Hindus. The Iceland moss contains a bitter taste which is sickening to American palates, and when used as a food, not a drug, is very harmful to health. But the Eskimos extract, or take out, what is hurtful. They chop the moss into small bits, steep it for days in water, in which is quicklime or salt of tartar, then they dry it, powder it, mix it with the flower of the knot grass, and make it into cakes. Or, if they have reindeer's milk with which to eat it, they boil it.

The Eskimo children go to no school. They learn nothing approaching book knowledge, save only the words of a few plaintive songs; and the superstitions of the schaman, who is the medicine-man, the priest, the conjuror of many of the Eskimo tribes. Quaintly enough, the "schaman" is pronounced showman. And he is a showman indeed, and the children adore him or fear him exceedingly. He claims to make wind and rain, cast out evil spirits, and is both doctor and father confessor to the tribe. In Greenland he is called "angelok."

Angelokism and Schamanism are almost, if not quite, the same, and they comprise all the religion of which the Eskimo children of the far north ever hear. Of course, the Eskimos who have moved down towards the northern edge of Anglo-Saxon and Norwegian civilization have been changed in many ways. But I am not writing of them. I am writing of the Eskimos who are now what they have been for centuries.

But if the Eskimo child goes to no school of the ordinary kind, it goes to the most thorough of all schools, and in the busy academy of industrious life it learns completely each of the few things that it is necessary for an Eskimo man or woman to know.

The boys learn to find the nests where the wild sea-birds lay their eggs. They learn to catch the eider duck, and to rob it of soft down. They learn to fish in many odd and successful ways. They learn to gather dry moss, to catch driftwood, if any comes their way, and to get blubber; these three things are their only fuel. They learn to make tools of peace and weapons of war, hewing them with stones out of stone. And they learn to wage war—not with their fellowmen, but with the wind, snow and cold, and with the great sea monsters, and the richly-furred animals, from whom they wrest food, fuel, raiment, and often life itself.

They learn to disguise themselves in inflated sealskins until they deceive the very seals, and so are able to creep up quite close to these most timid of all animals. They learn to hunt the otter, the beaver, the sea-horse and the ermine, the reindeer, the bear and the wolf. They learn to spear the walrus and the whale. They learn to build canoes and snow huts. They learn to catch the wild birds with hand nets.

They learn to build sledges with the tusks and bones of great animals, to fashion lamps and kettles of soapstone and to inlay their oars with quaint devices of ivory-like bone and of walrus teeth. They learn to drive the long, mad teams of Eskimo dogs, and, if they live in Labrador, they learn to ride the reindeer.

The items of their daily lives are not perhaps many, for we can squeeze them into a page. But if we could pause to tell of any one of these few items all that we know, the telling would fill pages with vivid interest; and yet we know comparatively little of the Eskimo. But they live so near Nature's cold North throne, they see so many wonders of which we cannot ever dream, that they must always have for us a strange fascination.—Author Unknown.

SMILES

By Anna E. Overton

When angels whisper to the babe
Asleep, his glorious smile replies;
Cherubic answer, then, sweet smile,
To love's own message from the skies.

The smile of childhood and of youth
Beams forth like sunshine after rain;
Smile-crinkled faces, life's hearts-ease,
Chase care away, make strong again.

The benediction is the smile
Of placid age; it speaks of rest
From toil and tears; of courage gained
Through well-spent years—such smiles
are blest.

Teacher: Willie, can you tell me the difference between perseverance and obstinacy?

Willie: Yes'm. One is a strong will, and the other is a strong won't.

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Clare Purcell, Charlotte, N. C.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Durham—Shiloh, Burlington Ct.	April 15
Rocky Mount—Weldon	April 16
New Bern—Asbury, Dover charge	April 17
Wilmington—White Oak	April 18
Winston-Salem—Midway	May 8
Waynesville—Hayesville	May 13
Elizabeth City—Plymouth	May 15

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH
General Evangelist, Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.

February 9-23—Christ Moravian, Winston-Salem.
March 2-16—First Friends, Alliance, Ohio.
March 17-30—First Methodist, Carlisle, Ky.
April 1-10—Thomasville.
April 13-27—First Methodist, Richmond, Ky.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 16
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick Ch., 7:30 ... 16
West Burlington, 7:30 19
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 11 23
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 3 23
West Durham, 7:30 24
Carr, 7:30 26

March

Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 2
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 2
Duke Memorial, 7:30 4
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 5
Chapel Hill, 7:30 6
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 9
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 3 9
Graham, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 ... 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Mt. Gilead, 11 16
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 16

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Gatesville, 11 16
South Camden, Perkins, night 16
Murfreesboro, Union, 11 23
North Gates, Parkers, 3 23
Ahoskie, night 23

March

Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, 11 2
Hatteras, Buxton, night 2
Williamston, 11 9
Windsor, Cashie, 3 9
Hertford, night 9
South Mills, McBrides, 2 14
Roper, Mackeys, 11 16
Aulander, Roxobel, 3 16
Edenton, night 16
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1 19
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Dover, Tuscarora, 11 16
Oriental, 7:30 16
Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

March

Morehead City, 11 2
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 2
Marshallburg, 7 2
Beaufort, 11 9
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 9
Morehead Ct., 7:30 9
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 16
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 7:30 16
Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
Ayden, 7:30 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Greenville, 7:30 4
Mt. Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 11
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 11
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mamers, Cool Spring, 11 16
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 16
Raleigh, Person Street, 11 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 1:30 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 26

March

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 2
Cary-Apex, Apex, 7:30 2
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Wilson, 11 16
Nashville, 7:30 16
District Evangelistic Conf., 10 a.m., Enfield 17
Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March

Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 16
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night 16
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23

March

Southport, 11 2
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 3 2
Grace, Wilmington, 8 2
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 11 9
Carvers Creek, Trinity, 3:30 9
Elizabeth, Wesleys, 7:30 9
Trinity, Wilmington, 11 16
Garland, Salem, 3:30 16
Wesley Memorial, Bethany, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Epworth, Wilmington, 8 23
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30
Whiteville, 7:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, night 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Clinton, night 11
Fifth Avenue, Wilmington, 11 18
Chadbourn, p.m. 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Weaverville, 7 16
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 16
Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Spencer Memorial, 7:30 14
Pineville, Harrison, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
Matthews, 7:30 16
Central Avenue, 7:30 17
Marshville, Wingate, 11 23
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 23
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 23

March

Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 ... 30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
CHECK-UP RETREAT MEETINGS

February

Boone, Warrensville, 2 22
Creston, Warrensville, 2 22
Green Valley, Warrensville, 2 22
Helton, Warrensville, 2 22
Jefferson, Warrensville, 2 22
Laurel Springs, Warrensville, 2 22
Sparta, Warrensville, 2 22
Todd, Warrensville, 2 22
Warrensville, Warrensville, 2 22
Watauga, Warrensville, 2 22
West Jefferson, Warrensville, 2 22

March

Advance, Farmington, 2 1
Cooleemee, Farmington, 2 1
Davie, Farmington, 2 1
East Bend, Farmington, 2 1
Farmington, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville Ct., Farmington, 2 1
Yadkinville, Farmington, 2 1

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

February

Lowesville, 11 and 2 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 and 2 16
Belmont, Park Street, night 16
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 23
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Laboratory, 2 23
Bessemer City, night 23

March

Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missioanry Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Reidsville Ct., 11 15
Mitchell's Grove, 11 16
Flat Rock, Bethel, 3 16
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 16
Proximity, 7:30 19
Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 23
Liberty Grove, 3 23
Newlyn Street, 7:30 23
Glenwood, 7:30 26

March

Pleasant Garden, Rehobeth, 10 2
Haw River, Mizpah, 11:30 2
College Place, 5 2
St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Rankin Memorial, 11 16
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 16
First Church, High Point, 7:30 19
Coleridge, Rehobeth, 3 23
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 26

March

Shiloh, Friendship, 2 1
Farmer, New Hope, 2:30 2
Denton, Jackson Hill, 7:30 2
Ward Street, 7:30 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, 3 9
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornelt, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Valdese, Valdese, 11 16
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 16
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 7:30 16
Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mount Zion, 11 16
Davidson, Fairview, 2:30 16
Jones Memorial, night 16
Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Morning Star, 11 16
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30 16
Rockwood, Rockwood, 11 23
Canton, First Church, 7:30 23

March

Robbinsville, 11 2
Andrews, 7:30 2
Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 9
Fines Creek, Baldwin's, 2:30 9
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 7:15 9
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

February

Erlanger, Ebenezer, 11 16
Doubs, Brookstown, 7 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
North Davidson, Bethesda, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18

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In Memoriam

WILSON — Herbert Astor Wilson passed to his reward January 9, 1941, at the early age of 45 years. Brother Wilson was a very loyal and devoted member of Palm Tree Methodist church, Fallston charge. He married Minnie Laura Jenkins in 1921, and it was a very happy one. Herbert was a good husband, a good friend to his pastor, loved his church and treated his fellowmen as a Christian should. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. "Well done, a crown won."

Geo. W. Clay, Pastor.

CROWDER — Charlie Crowder, 65, years of age, passed to his reward on January 3, 1941. Charlie was a member of Palm Tree Methodist church, Fallston charge. Brother Crowder was a very kind neighbor and faithful husband and father. He had suffered a great deal for several weeks. He leaves his wife who was Miss Bertha Shuford, and six children, three brothers and three sisters, and 13 grandchildren. May the Lord bless those who mourn his going.

Geo. W. Clay, Pastor.

HOBLITZELL—George Black Hoblitzell, 56, long time resident of Andrews, beloved citizen and leader, operator of Teas Extract Company, passed quietly and suddenly on January 18, 1941. Beloved by his employees, by the people of Andrews, and by all who knew him far and near. This fact was attested by the floral tributes and presence of friends at the funeral. A Methodist, Mason, Shriner, Rotarian, town councilman, he will be missed from every phase of our community life. He leaves a wife, son and sister with a host of friends who held him in love and high esteem. The pastor was assisted by Rev. E. F. Baker in the funeral in the home on Sunday afternoon. Burial was made in Andrews cemetery in the family plot beside his little daughter, Fannie Sue. A great, unselfish and good man has gone from us. He did not talk his religion, he practiced it. G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The entire community of Walkertown and county of Forsyth sustained a severe shock in the death on Christmas Eve of Thomas Albert Crews. We, the board of stewards of Love's Methodist church. who had been associated with him so intimately and in various ways for a long period of years can hardly realize yet that this Christian gentleman, this lovable companion, this high-minded, broad-visioned associate is to be with us no more. As a member of the committee which had in charge the construction of the present Love's Methodist church, as treasurer of the board of stewards of Love's Methodist church ,and in various other capacities in connection with his work as a member of the board of stewards, he was devoted and faithful and capable, exemplifying in everything he did the true Christian spirit that spirit which puts service above self.

As a citizen of Walkertown community, Thomas Albert Crews was public-spirited and generous within his means. He gave freely, not merely of his means but of himself, to make of the Walkertown community a better place in which to live. No call for service ever went unheeded, even though the call meant a sacrifice. He was constantly requested to participate in civic movements, because it was known that he was ever ready to do anything he regarded as for the advancement of the community that he loved so well, for which he wrought so faithfully and in which he spent his entire life.

In Love's church he showed that same spirit of willingness and readiness to serve. Although an able business man, he was not too busy with the duties incident to the upbuilding of his private enterprise to be of service to those about him at all times. He will be greatly missed. Indeed, he is already missed in the church, in civic affairs, and in various other spheres in which he moved so modestly and yet so effectively.

With the realization of the individual loss sustained by every member of the board of stewards of Love's church in his death, and recognizing at the same time the irreparable loss suffered by his family and his friends in the community generally, the board of stewards of Love's Methodist church desires to express to the members of the family in their hour of bereavement its assurance of heartfelt sympathy and its deep appreciation of a life without which Walkertown is poorer today.

In making this expression of sympathy, we would again, as members of an organization that believes firmly in the providence of an all-wise Creator, voice our resignation to the will of that Creator and our confident assurance that this removal of our fellow member whom we mourn today is already working out for good and that just as he served here with true unselfishness so he is being given opportunity to serve in a larger sphere of usefulness in another and a better realm.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the board of stewards of Love's Methodist church of Walkertown, N. C., and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

W. N. Poindexter,
D. C. Moir,
H. C. Martin.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The lights are out in the mansion of clay,
The curtains are drawn, for the dweller is away;
She silently stepped o'er the threshold by night,
To make her abode in the City of Light.

It was with sad hearts that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church in Mebane, record the passing of Miss Gertrude Stanfield on December 3, 1940, from this life to life eternal. While we miss her presence and helpfulness in the society, we all realize that we must humbly submit to the will of our heavenly Father.

This deceased member's beautiful character and sweet smile she had for all will forever be cherished in our hearts. She was a true Christian woman, possessing the virtues of love, kindness and sympathy, always willing to lend a helping hand to those who were in sorrow or need. Be it resolved:

That we shall cherish her memory, and that we hereby express our appreciation for having known her and served with her. We commend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him who knoweth best.

That a copy of this memorial be placed in our minutes, a copy sent to her family and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

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IN ENGLAND . . . 1941

The boys and girls of English city Sunday schools have been tagged and evacuated to distant places of safety — some to America. It may be long before their voices will again be heard in classes and choirs. . . . The pennies of Methodist Sunday school children have for years been a large factor in supporting Methodist missions in Asia and Africa. The tinkle of these pennies, too, has been silenced by bombs. . . . And the missionaries. . . . ?

THE DAY OF COMPASSION

Sunday, March 2, 1941

METHODISTS OF AMERICA

WILL GIVE

ONE MILLION DOLLARS

FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF

$250,000 for moral and religious work in army camps
$250,000 for aid to British Methodism, our Mother Church
$500,000 for overseas relief and "orphaned" missions

Methodists of North Carolina will respond nobly to this urgent human need.

Clare Purcell

Bishop in Charge.

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"Compassion Day," March 2, should be a great day on account of the generous offering that we have a right to expect from every church, yea, from every individual in each congregation.

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We are told that four out of every five services held in England are conducted by laymen. Well may we be glad that our laymen in America are stressing the place of the laymen.

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Dr. Rollins H. Walker, we are glad to announce, has been secured to prepare the Sunday school lessons for this Advocate. There is no man in our knowledge who can do the work so well as he. This announcement will delight our readers, many of whom are familiar with the quality of his work. We have had numerous inquiries concerning the Sunday school lesson since we were forced to discontinue it at the close of last year. But it will appear again in next week's issue of the Advocate and everybody should be happy.

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Jesse Jones, outstanding business man and member of the President's Cabinet, makes a startling statement about war and money. Here is the press report Wednesday morning of this week: "The secretary of commerce and federal loan administrator was discussing a defense housing bill before the house committee when he said: 'We're in the war; at least we're nearly in the war. We're preparing for it; when you do that, you've got to throw money away.'" Since we are nearly in the war, we have got to throw money away. To throw money away and to enthrone dictators ever go with war. Yes, this war to save democracy! Alas! the inconsistency of democracies. A few autocratic senators at Raleigh are not willing for four hundred thousand citizens of the state to vote on the liquor question. They are the dictators in North Carolina.

This present tendency to treat lightly the demand to remove liquor selling from the camps in which are the soldier boys does not set well with the thousands of people who have the old fashion convictions about booze, boozers and booze sellers. Why not do something to protect the thousands upon thousands coming to the camps in our own state? Oh, for a Thomas J. Jarvis to make his voice heard!

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Elsewhere on this page there is a story of the growth of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in the fifty years of its existence. It is worthy of note that half a century ago the University in name at Chapel Hill was only a small college of 200 students, and Trinity College, now Duke University, was a little college in Randolph county, with less than 200 students. But in fifty years these have grown to be great universities with thousands of students. The growth of these colleges is a marvelous story of educational progress in North Carolina.

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February 18, 1891, was a great day in the history of North Carolina. For it was the birthday of the Woman's College of Greensboro, North Carolina. The month that gave Lee and Lincoln and Longfellow to America gave the womanhood of North Carolina and of the nation a college that in fifty years has become one of the great educational institutions of this country. Tuesday of this week the state legislature in joint session in the city of Raleigh celebrated this event with appropriate ceremonies in which the governor of the state and the executive heads of the University of North Carolina of which the Woman's College is an important part, joined in these ceremonials. The day was also observed in due form at the college in Greensboro, where more than 2,200 students and a very superior teaching force are devoted to the important work that they have in hand.

An Arresting Statistical Study

THE North Carolina Highway Safety Division has prepared a statistical summary of traffic accidents in 1940 which reveals a state of affairs that should arouse the people from their indifference to this slaughter on our highways. We note a few items from this statistical summary: Nine hundred and eighty persons were killed in 1940. There were 5,267 injuries officially investigated and reported to the safety division's office, but from newspaper clippings and other sources the department learned that there were close to 10,000 injuries on the highways. This report notes that a little more than ten per cent of all drivers reported in fatal accidents were drinking, excessive speed 22 per cent, on wrong side of the road 8 per cent, did not have right of way 7 per cent, disregard of signals or warnings 6 per cent, improper turn 6 per cent, improper passing on curves and hills or "cutting in" 6 per cent, all others 45 per cent. Where two or more faults of a single driver are indicated both are charged. According to these figures, excessive speed and drinking drivers lead in fatalities.

Of the 337 pedestrians killed last year 51 or 15 per cent were drinking, which is approximately double the number of pedestrians reported for 1939. Saturday and Sunday continue to lead in fatalities—an average of one person killed every six hours of each of these days. It is easy to understand why the greater number of accidents occur on Saturdays and Sundays, but it is not so obvious why Thursday leads all the other days of the week.

How Firm a Foundation

THE great old hymns of the church under certain conditions in the trying situations of life have a ring of assurance peculiarily their own. In this jittery, uncertain age we would do well to turn to them anew and listen to the note of victory in their lines. Last week in Durham at the funeral service of Mrs. Louisa Jane Wilson, ninety-five years old, the words of "How firm a foundation" were finely, yea, unusually significant in the hush of that hour.

This mother had sent a wonderfully fine family out into the world to fill a notable place, especially in the church and in the field of education. She had ministered tenderly and faithfully to the members of her own household and to others of her generation. Through the varied trials for almost a century she had known the firm foundation and abiding Friend on which to rest her faith as she journeyed on the way, at times none too smooth.

Certainly this generation needs nothing more for security and stability of individual and of family life in these tempestuous times than to be firmly fixed on the sure foundation that abides down to old age. Then, in whatever condition, their faith stands secure because of that firm foundation.

Cling to the Main Values

IF we are to accept at face value all that comes out of Washington, airplanes, war vessels, army equipment and the training of our boys for defense have the first place in this nation. All else is of minor importance. These present undertakings in American life are counted of superior moment. But as a matter of fact they are not the chief values and of first concern with the American people.

The men and women of industry in factory, field and other business enterprises are forced to carry the present increasing burden of taxes. The fathers and mothers who keep the home fires burning, the teachers, doctors and ministers who care for the mental, physical, moral and spiritual health of the nation are values far above the munitions of war and the material elements of defense. Without these, we would have nothing worth defending; and soon these material weights would sink us.

Right here between these two oceans during the past two hundred years this Republic has gained its present vigor and influence among the nations by fostering those values which are peculiarly our own. Industry, integrity and morality practiced by the free men of enterprise in America have been at a premium. Home, school, church, Bible and family life have evermore been to the front. The needy and oppressed of other lands have enlisted our eager concern. Our former efforts to make the "world safe for democracy" proved to be a failure. Now we are venturing on another enterprise in the name of defense without any assurance as to what the results will be, save and except that we know war has never been a cure for any of the maladies of the nations.

In the midst of these present military ventures we would do well to hold fast to the main values and stress the virtues that have made us great. Not these present war ventures of every sort, but those peace time elements of

our American life are the guarantee of our permanent security. These are truly fundamental to "the needed defense" of which we hear so much. Otherwise we may be relying on a Maginot Line as did the French. Are we willing to cling to the values that have been our security through all the decades gone?

Illustrious February

THE two noted Americans, Washington and Lincoln, born in February are sufficient to render immortal this second month of the year. Most of us fail to keep in mind how truly American were both Washington and Lincoln —born in February.

Both born upon our soil—of parents also born upon it—neither of whom had ever caught sight of the Old World. Both were instructed according to the modes of the times and both lived from youth to manhood with the elementary knowledge which our institutions provided for the children of the people. Washington was a creature of colonial Virginia, partaking of the agony and glory of the War of Independence, with its victory of peace in the formation of the Union. Lincoln knew the hardships of the pioneer life of the middle west and gave his later years to the preservation of this Republic. Both were genuine Americans. Washington is ours; Lincoln is ours.

The Present Day Quest

NOWHERE have we seen the questioning disposition of the present age described more effectively, though with surprising brevity, than has been done by John Hall Wheelock in his Harvard Phi Beta Kappa poem.

Note the following lines:

"Pilgrims and outcasts between birth and death,
Scanning the frontiers of the night for news;
Probing the atom; challenging the cell;
Knocking at every gate and every door
Of the inexorable silences;
Wondering, doubting, grieving, worshipping—
Perplexed before the mystery of things."

"Make yourself an honest man, and then you may be sure that there is one rascal less in the world," said rugged old Thomas Carlisle in his own emphatic style. But who would dare question the soundness of his admonition? Begin moral reforms at home. Physician, heal thyself." The teacher or preacher who does not express in his own life and practice all that he teaches and preaches should keep silent.

"The March of Hunger in Europe"

HERBERT HOOVER has sent to the people of the United States a second appeal urging relief for the starving multitudes in the invaded democracies of Europe. Mr. Hoover closes his plea with the following stirring sentences:

Can you believe that American public opinion or the spiritual leadership of America has so lost its bearings as to be opposed even to an effort to aid those who lie in the ditch of war?

I am aware that 3,000 miles away in the surroundings of these millions of American homes it is difficult to envisage what all this means. I am perhaps one of the few living Americans who have dealt with famine among millions of people. During the last war and for a year after, it was my appointment from the American people to represent their hearts and their religious faith in saving tens of millions from starvation and disease. I moved continually among these hideous scenes. I have seen the agonies of famine. I have listened to the pleadings of children, the fierce demands of mothers for the right of their children to live. I have seen stations and hospitals filled with its consequence in distorted minds and bodies. I have witnessed it in twenty nations. I have seen generals of armies to whom dead on the battlefield brought little emoemotion melt to tears in the face of these spectacles. I have seen starvation's unending blight upon the world and know its consequences are a part of the causes of the world's agony today. I had hoped it would never again come to the world. But it has come and I would be untrue to myself and my country if I did not fight it out to the end.

Shaking Or Growing Plum Trees

AMONG American citizens the Negro excels in picturesque speech as well as in high grade humor. And these gifted citizens of our Southland when speaking of a place seeker in ecclesiastical circles call it "shaking the plum tree." What can surpass the suggestiveness of this phrase when applied to a man who is constantly on the lookout for a big salary or a place of eminence in the divine economy?

Among Caucasians are a few, not many, who keep busy "shaking the plum tree." Let us mildly suggest it would be more seemly and profitable to plant and grow plum trees than to be shaking those plum laden trees that others have planted and brought to the fruit bearing stage. Because the chief end of man is not to eat the fruit of the trees that others have planted. And above all not to enter into other men's plum orchards when not invited and not desired.

People and Things

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, received its offering for emergency war relief last Sunday. The congregation responded so generously that the apportionment will be paid in full with an extra 40 per cent for good measure. Mr. James W. Poole is chairman of the Day of Compassion committee.

In 1939 and 1940 the Winston-Salem district accepted $26,816 on the benevolent askings. To date this district has accepted $29,424 on the askings. With several of the churches adding the World Service offerings to the askings, the acceptances will amount to over $30,000 for the year 1940-41. —W. Grady Hardin.

With the recent payment of a $2600 obligation on their handsome parsonage, the people of Shelby Central have cleared all church property of debt. Since conference about $1000 has been expended on the church, including a public address system, and the pastor's salary has been increased to $4000.—H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

Rev. Thomas B. Brinton, superintendent of the Sandoa Congo, accompanied by Mrs. Brinton and their sons, Lewis and Donald, arrived in Boston on February 6 after a six weeks' journey from South Africa on an American freighter. They will spend a year's furlough, probably in Florida. For the present they may be addressed in care of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Miss Ernestine Fields has joined the college faculty of High Point College as a member of the music department. She replaces Mr. Charles McNeill, violin instructor, who left for a year of selective service in the army last Monday night. Miss Fields is from Ann Arbor, Michigan. She graduated from Ft. Hayes State College, Hayes. Kansas, and received her master's degree from Michigan University. She has also studied at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, and at the Colorado State College of Education in Greely, Colorado.

Rev. M. C. Ellerbee, pastor of the Burlington circuit, and his people believe in getting the jump on things and doing them not only on time but ahead of time. Already the charge has raised its entire quota for the Day of Compassion to be observed on March 2. The amount has already been sent to the treasurer. That is a good way to avoid an accumulation of duties by putting them off. Their example will be an inspiration to others.—S. J. Starnes, Reporter.

The International Relations Club of Louisburg College held its second meeting of the new semester on Friday, February 14, at 7 o'clock in the evening, with Joe Felmet, student at the University of North Carolina, as guest speaker. Mr. Felmet spoke to the club members on "The Social and Religious Aspects of Pacifism." In his closing remarks he definitely stated his belief that pacifism would overcome armed resistance. Following the speech the meeting was concluded with an open forum. Mr. Felmet is a junior at the University of North Carolina and is a member of the pacifist organization at the University.

Brother Hobbs was with us on the Burlington circuit yesterday and informs us that, as far as he knows, Burlington circuit is the first charge in the Durham district to pay the Methodist Day of Compassion quota in full. Along with this we are looking forward to Laymen's Day in New Salem church next Sunday. Our lay leader, Brother Kenneth Davis, is to preside. We expect to have Brother D. C. Lentz, Brother Plyler and Brother Barnes on program. Still further, Fairview revival begins Sunday night. Mrs. C. L. Steidley, High Point, to lead our services each night at 7:15 February 13-March 7.

Traffic accidents cost North Carolinians more money each year than it costs to operate the entire state-supported school system, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, stated this week. "We are inclined to look upon the cost of highway accidents only in terms of human suffering, twisted limbs and horrible death, while overlooking the economic aspect of the accident picture," he said. "Last year, for example, the cost of traffic accidents in North Carolina reached upwards of $25,000,000. This sum included all costs of hospitalization, doctors' bills, repairs and replacement of damaged vehicles, working time lost by accident victims, and an estimated valuation of $5,000 placed on each life lost."

Dr. Robert Lee Flowers has been elected president of Duke University in succession to Dr. W. P. Few, who died last fall. At that time Dr. Flowers was made acting president. He has had position in this institution and Trinity College, its predecessor, for fifty years. He is a graduate of Annapolis Naval Academy. He was professor of mathematics until the building of Duke in 1923 called him in to be treasurer and to active supervision of the construction and the business of this institution. No man alive knows more about Duke University and the ramifications and activities of the Duke Foundation than Dr. Flowers. He is a faithful, loyal Methodist. He is succeeded as vice president by Henry R. Dwire, an alumnus of nearly forty years, a business man and editor, and a valuable man of affairs in the University.—Southwestern Advocate.

Mr. J. B. Ivey of Charlotte, North Carolina, stopped over in Dallas a day last week, on his way to California to visit his daughter and her family. By the courtesy of Mrs. Mary Gunnell and Mrs. Alice Maffett, his companion summer residents of Lake Junaluska, he was shown Dallas, Southern Methodist University, the Methodist Hospital, and some Methodist churches, and he was much pleased. Mr. Ivey is a brother of the late Dr. Thos. N. Ivey, who was editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate. He has served several times in the General Conference, and is always a member of his annual conference and its boards and major committees. He has had a large part in developing the assembly grounds and equipment of Lake Junaluska. He is a mercant and a recognized business leader in North Carolina. Mr. Ivey is a champion dahlia raiser in his country. He takes the prizes in all contests. He has recently published a fascinating story of his life and experiences. His father was a Methodist preacher. We always have a welcome for him in Texas.—The Southwestern Advocate.

Last week the woman's auxiliary of Bethesda church on the Lowell charge paid Rev. and Mrs. D. F. McCarver a visit and brought a shower of many useful things as well as a purse. Rev. Mr. McCarver superannuated some years ago from the McAdenville church and since that time has made his home in Lowell. Mrs. McCarver being an invalid never gets out, but bears her infirmities with the fortitude of the good saint that she is. Lowell charge, which constitutes the following churches, Lowell, Bethesda, Ebenezer and South Point, are moving right along under the leadership of the new preacher, Rev. E. E. Snow. Good crowds are attending each church, finances are coming up to date and plans are in the making for another good year on the Lowell charge. Twenty-five young and old people are attending the training school in session this week in Gastonia, which indicates the interest of the work of the church. We don't believe that another district can surpass Gastonia district for brilliant Christian young people who are going forward with their work, also acting as an incentive to the adult groups all over the district to carry on their particular work as efficiently as the young people.

The Rutherford County Ministers' Wives' Association and their husbands were entertained at a supper meeting at 7 o'clock February 6 by Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Smathers of Rutherfordton. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Cornett were also present. After the supper and a delightful social hour the wives held their regular business session.—Mrs. T. R. Wolfe, Pres.; Mrs. C. H. Peace, Sec.

Italian mules have been shot because they did not understand the Greek language. Here is the arresting story as told by the World Outlook: "Mules who do not understand the Greek language are of no use to Greek soldiers. That is the explanation given for the shooting of animals captured from the Italians. The mules understand Italian very well, but Greek was all Greek to them. Since they would not obey commands issued in the Greek language, they were shot."

Superlatives for Louisburg College were announced recently and include the following students: Most ideal student, Katherine Gillis, Raleigh; most versatile student, Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va.; best liked boy, S. J. Starnes, Durham; best liked girl, Gloria Simpson; Vanceboro, most beautiful girl, Dorothy Edge, Hope Mills; most handsome boy, Sam Rhodes, Raleigh. Those students are all outstanding in scholarship and student activities and will occupy prominent places in the yearly annual published at Louisburg.

W. A. Barrino of Marshville, more familiarly known to his many friends as Lonnie Barrino, has made for himself an outstanding record, having served the Marshvlle Methodist Sunday school for more than 40 years as secretary. During that entire time he has missed Sunday school only one time and that was almost 19 years ago when his brother-in-law, R. F. Price, died in a Charlotte hospital, and Mr. Barrino was called to his bedside. Mr. Barrino is a son of the late David Bramwell Barrino and Ellen Marsh Barrino. His grandfather, Charles Barrino, was one of the pioneer Methodist ministers of this section of the state, having come to Union county from Kingstree, S. C.

A Final Word

Jesus had compassion. If we have His spirit we must have compassion.

Methodism feels in her heart an urgent response to an urgent need.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, IS THE DAY!

The Mother Church in England is in sorrow and tragic need. The missionary structure in the ends of the earth is being shaken to its foundation. More than a million American boys are in army camps.

The goal of One Million Dollars, if reached, will be inadequate to meet the total need. Surely our Eight Million people can reach this goal.

Let nothing, absolutely nothing, interfere with this gift.

PREACH—PLEAD—PRAY—PAY!

Each pastor will receive from my office a return postal card. Please make report Monday, March 3. The offering should be sent to Dr. O. W. Auman, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois. Be sure to see that all remittances carry the notation "Day of Compassion Offering." Of course these amounts cannot be credited to regular World Service apportionments.

Jesus had compassion. If we have His spirit we must have compassion.

CLARE PURCELL.

FULL WEEK AT EDENTON STREET, RALEIGH

Dr. John C. Glenn and a group of leaders are planning a "school of Christian living" and Laymen's Week to be observed March 2-7 at Edenton Street church.

Each morning at 8:20-8:45 a period of meditation featuring a series of messages on "The Parables of Jesus" by Mr. Fred T. Barnett, Lakeland, Fla., will be held. At 7:30-8:15 each evening courses designed to make a wide appeal will be offered.

Following the class sessions the groups will assemble in the church auditorium for a platform hour consisting of special music, congregational singing and a series of addresses on "Christianity and the Man of Today" by Mr. Barnett.

Dr. Glenn will be director and dean of the "school of Christian living" and Laymen's Week. Assisting him will be: Mr. Barrett D. Wilson, in charge of music; Mr. Earl Stapleton, leader of congregational singing; Mrs. J. P. Pillsbury, organist; Miss Mary Gardner, pianist, and the board of managers composed of Dr. J. E. Hillman, chairman of the board of Christian education; Mr. C. A. Dillon, general superintendent of the church school; Mr. Clyde A. Massey, adult counselor; Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service; Mrs. A. W. Hoffman, president of the Wesleyan Service Guild; Mr. H. A. Dupree, chairman of the board of stewards; Mr. B. Troy Ferguson, charge lay leader; Miss Laura Holland, president young people.

LAYMEN'S WEEK AT TRINITY, DURHAM

The observance of Laymen's Week will begin Sunday, February 22, 1941. Sunday, morning and evening, the laymen will have charge of the services. Tuesday evening supper will be served at the church. This is open to the members of the Trinity congregation. Dr. W. K. Green will be the chief speaker. However, the singing of old hymns is to have priority over speech making.

On Friday evening the laymen will join with the young people in the evening service, with Dr. Hornell Hart as the chief speaker. In all the services of the week the laymen will have charge.

ELKIN DISTRICT ZONE MEETINGS

Three zone meetings have been held in the Elkin district: one at Jefferson, one at Mocksville, and one at North Wilkesboro. These meetings took the place of the second quarterly conferences in the local churches, and things were accomplished that proved the value of such meetings. The pastors made reports which were encouraging. The various phases of our church program were emphasized by our leaders in a fine way. And best of all, Rev. M. B. Stokes brought us a stirring message on the world of tomorrow. His account of the revivals in Korea was indeed interesting. Having finished the second round in this fashion, Brother Gibbs has been free to preach at various places in the district. He plans to speak in each local church in the district before the end of the year. Dwight B. Mullis, Reporter.

A FINE FAMILY

The Father of Success is Work.
The mother of Success is Ambition.
The oldest son is Common Sense.
The other boys are: Perseverance, Honesty, Thoroughness, Foresight, Enthusiasm, and Co-operation.
The oldest daughter is Character.
The other daughters are Cheerfulness, Loyalty, Courtesy, Care, Economy, Sincerity, and Harmony.
The baby is Opportunity.
Get acquainted with the Old Man and you will be able to get along pretty well with the rest of the family.

—Oasaycap Chronicle.

* Finances of the Church

By S. D. Hurst, Chairman of the Finance Committee of Grace Church, Wilmington

In our own business we have no hesitancy about making up a budget and planning for the year's work, mapping out a program to follow, and striving to carry out that program. In fact, there would be little or no progress without certain definite planning. The church is likewise engaged in a business—the tremendous and all-important business of saving souls, with a consequent bettering of relations, one with another and nation with nation. This program cannot be carried on without money. The church leaders, like business leaders, also have to make plans in advance to keep the various phases of church work in operation, and unless all units respond to their efforts the work is hampered. Having served as chairman of the finance committee in one of the local churches for several years I know what it is to map out a program and try to arrange the finances accordingly. I have experienced the disappointments when the response was not good and have experienced the joy that comes when the people get behind the program and make it succeed. The disappointment to our general officers is all the greater when the general program of the church is at stake. The marvel to me is that so much is done in missions, education, hospitalization, etc., with the relatively small amount asked of each church.

So long as the persons in charge of the general program of our church use the money wisely and for the spread of the gospel, for the relief of suffering and for the uplift of humanity, I consider it a sacred duty for each local organization to contribute in full the amount asked by the annual conference, and I am glad that my church has taken a similar view.

The response from the various local units determines the success or failure of the entire financial program of the Methodist Church, and the response from the individual members determines the success or failure of the local church. So our entire program hinges on the interest and loyalty of our members. We must therefore work to educate our members regarding the matter of giving to the church and stimulate their interest. To do this we must have a definite program in our church and keep that program and the matter of individual responsibility constantly before the membership. One year the program may be paying off the indebtedness of the church, another year it may be raising funds for repairs, or increasing the pledges for some specific religious or charity work. Our ultimate goal should of course be "Every Member a Contributing member."

For any program to succeed it is necessary, of course, that the leaders of the church should actually lead. I have a very definite and amphatic opinion on this point. In the first place, I don't think a person can have much religion and not contribute to the church; it is an unnatural condition. If our religion teaches anything it is charity and I'm not merely speaking of a friendly chat or visit. If we are in earnest about our beliefs, it is impossible to withhold our money. If we are in earnest about our religion the least we can do is to support the church financially. Not all of us can be preachers or teachers, but we can certainly give, and the reason we don't get any more out of our religion is that we put so little in it.

Secondly, a leader cannot effectively lead if he takes lightly his financial obligation to the church. The teacher, church school superintendent, chairman of the board of education, or any other officer of the church cannot effectively speak on any subject if he declines to contribute. My views here are very definite also. I have listened to men teach, men with talent who very ably presented the lesson, but men whom I know make no pledge or sometimes do make pledges and then fail to pay them. Such teaching does not favorably impress me because I cannot believe that such persons are sincere. Any officer or leader who declines to pledge or contribute cannot lead in educating the other members of the church because that person's own education is far from complete. Would you have any faith in a drunkard who preached long and loud to a class of young boys on the evils of alcoholic beverages? Such leadership is a definite drawback to the purposes of the church and we must see that our leaders understand the financial needs and also their obligations in relation to those needs.

I have noted with a feeling of concern the lack of training in the church schools on the question of finances. We need to teach this just as much as any other phase of the work. If our children go all the way through church school without the proper stress on their financial obligation to the church, the conditions we have been discussing will never be corrected. We should have regular and intelligent teaching of this important phase of church work, else we will keep on, generation after generation, merely paying out at the end of the year and congratulating ourselves on our showing. There is much more to church finances than paying the preacher, the choir and the janitor, and keeping up with our orphanage and benevolent contributions. We should at all times be in position to expand our work. We should find ways to make our church more effective in the world. We should take advantage of the opportunities that come to us every day to minister in the name of the church. Such expansion and such ministry are impossible without a more liberal attitude as regards our money, and until we come to a full realization of our responsibility and privilege in that direction our religion will not mean very much either to us or to those on the outside of the church, those folks who are always on the alert for evidence of disloyalty on the part of the church members in an effort to justify their own existence outside the influence of the church of Christ.

Let us than give full support to our church by paying the full amount asked by the annual conference; let us as leaders, lead in all phases of Christian work; let us plan a definite program for our local church and keep that program constantly before the members; and let us educate our members as to their financial obligations. When we work earnestly and diligently along these lines good results will be accomplished. I know, of course, that religion cannot be bought; I also know, however, that when Christianity comes into our lives we cannot be other than liberal.

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*Gist of an address before the League of Stewards of Wilmington district at Warsaw, February 2, 1941.

SPIRIT OF CONQUEST MOVES WHITEVILLE

Allow me brief space in your great paper to say that Whiteville charge is still in the active class. We have held our school of missions here in Whiteville with a very good attendance considering the great amount of sickness in our little city. We have a large and active group of ladies in the Woman's Society of Christian Service who are interested in every phase of the church work. Right now they are working intensively on the project of getting the Whiteville parsonage rebuilt. This will necessitate the raising of quite a large sum of money. But these interested ladies are not discouraged by the size of the task. They have already moved the pastor and his family out of the old parsonage into a nice little cottage over on Jefferson street at 117. The date for the beginning of the work of remodeling the parsonage is not definitely fixed on account of the scarcity of carpenters, but the work will begin in the near future. The entire membership of the church is interested in having a new home for their pastor at the earliest possible moment and they will see that it is pushed to the finish.

The laymen here also are very much on the job. We have just held our first quarterly conference and every item in our budget was paid up to date and all local expenses have been met. In addition, the laymen are pushing the matter of building the new parsonage to the fullest extent. To convince you further that our people use excellent and discriminating judgment, both our board of stewards and our board of trustees are 100 per cent subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, when the subscriptions sent in today are recorded.

Our people are also active and interested in the work of the church. Nineteen of them were elected at our quarterly conference as junior stewards. They will serve their church well in this capacity.

When the end of the year comes we are convinced that Whiteville will not be very far behind the leaders among the charges of the North Carolina conference.

L. V. Harris.

MRS. MARY S. TROGDON PASSES FEBRUARY 15

Mrs. Mary Stanfield Richardson Trogdon, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James N. Richardson, and wife of the late Samuel L. Trogdon, was born in Halifax county, Va., May 28, 1861, and died of a heart attack at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Hoke Henderson, of Elkin, N. C., February 15, 1941.

In early girlhood she went with her parents' family from Virginia to San Marcos, Texas, and was educated in Carroll Institute, San Morcos, where her father taught mathematics and the classics.

After teaching in Virginia she was married to Mr. Samuel L. Trogdon in 1888, and lived in Greensboro about 50 years. She was a member of West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro.

She is survived by three sons, H. C. Trogdon, New York; O. C. Trogdon, Greensboro; and R. P. Trogdon, Alabama; and two daughters, Mrs, C. H. Rose, Ft. Pierce, Fla.; and Mrs. Hoke Henderson, Elkin; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Hanes chapel, and interment was in Green Hill cemetery, Greensboro, Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, assisted by Rev. O. V. Caudill, presbyterian minister of Elkin, officiating.



In an American Army Training Camp. . . . 1941

Perhaps your son is—or will be—in this or another army training camp. . . . Is his spiritual and moral life, as well as his physical being adequately ministered to? It is to help your son "maintain the spiritual glow" at camp that the Methodist Emergency Commission seeks one-fourth of the million dollars to be raised by Methodism on Sunday, March 2.

Recovering the Evangelistic Sermon

By DR. S. A. MAXWELL

Evangelistic preaching implies spiritual leadership. Through this kind of preaching the minister has to create demands as well as supply them. It is no exaggeration, and neither is it egoism, to say that as the preachnig is, so will be the people. A congregation soon discovers the measure of both the minister and his message, and it will be no more spiritual, nor more evangelistic, no more self-sacrificing, and no more zealous for good works than he is. When we complain of the deadness of congregations, ought we not rather to examine our own hearts? And if we do so with rigid scrutiny, should we not often find a bit of apathy there. Possibly we have planned our paths too much along safe ways, and have not striven for courageous heights.

Only by the power of a living evangelism can our ministry and the church henceforth be justified. The voice of confidence and conquest must ring in our messages. Evangelistic fervor and the spirit of Christian propaganda must speak through our sermons. The misery of impotency which is the torture of so many ministers and the shame of so many churches must be overcome. Is it possible to transform the average modern church into an evangelistic center? Can evangelistic methods be used in a regular pastorate? It is commonly asserted that the mass of people will not come into the church. Evangelism has largely left the local church and gone out to halls, tents, and tabernacles. It is only very widely assumed that there is some irreconcilable difference between the pastor and the evangelist, and a corresponding disparity between the ordinary service of a worshipping church and the service called evangelistic. Such assumptions, in the light of the gospel, must be radically false, and therefore perilous. With such assumptions long prevailing many churches will be justly and accurately described as social clubs, united by moral ideals, rather than spiritual communities quick with divine fire. Is such an hour creeping upon us now? Then there is real danger that the minister may become just a vocal essayist, and true evangelism regarded with contempt. Given a bold and wise leadership, there is no church that will not hail with approval the bugle-note that calls the evangelistic advance.

Most ministers have commenced their ministry with evangelistic sermons. An evangelisitc message was their only message. That which fired them to preach at all was a real passion for souls. Many preachers if they look back far enough in their own experience, will see a youth full of warm enthusiasm pleading with men and women for their redemption—yes, a youth who was once himself. Why has the pastor come to view himself rather as the calm expositor of truth than as its impassioned advocate? Is it just the deadening effect of expanding duties? Why has the note of persuasive appeal dropped out? This note is majored on in the evangelistic sermon. The evangelistic sermon can only be recovered by ringing this note. Of all the errors that have wrought real ruin to the church none has been more fatal and devastatnig than the tacit admission that the work of the pastor is a thing separate and unlike the work of an evangelist. This deadly error has kept many pastors from preparing and preaching evangelistic sermons. So we have not made it our chief business to save men! We have left the art of spiritual appeal and impassioned persuasion to the professional carrying on the meeting down in the hall. The inescapable tendency has been to regard the work of evangelism as inferior, hence to discredit it culturally and intellectually.

Surely there is no reason why culture and evangelism should be treated as foes or opposites. Other things being equal, the man best fitted for evangelism was the man who brought to the work the ripest mind and widest culture. Culture and evangelism were united in the Wesleys, they were united in Henry Drummond, they were united in Charles G. Finney, they were united in Daniel Steele, and how truly were they welded in the peerless ministry of L. A. Banks. Evangelism has everything to gain by a close alliance with culture. It has everything to gain in a covenant with scholarship. Surely it is not necessary to close one's eyes to the splendid and reverent work of our great Biblical critics in order to retain a vision of the cross or express holy zeal in the redemption of men. There may have been two Isaiahs or ten, but what has that to do with me so long as I have the profound spiritual message contained in the book? Such questions do not belong to the field of evangelism and never in the evangelistic sermon if indeed they have place in any sermon. Such matters have no vital relation to the gospel of evangelism. The evangelistic sermon is concerned only with the great spiritual facts of sin, penitence, and redemption; its battlefield is the human will; its message is the love and judgment of God; its purpose is the practical mission of winning men to Christ.

Can the local congregation have a normal evangelism, the transformation of the existing church into an evangelistic centre? Throughout this country we have thousands of magnificent churches, spacious, costly and fittingly equipped for evangelism. These buildings represent millions in money and great generosity and self-sacrifice; are they after all so many cruel and mocking mistakes, or social clubs just conducting a program in competition with civic agencies? They were built for the glory of God in the salvation of men; why not therefore use them for this purpose, why not devote them to this supreme end?

We must face the fact, as pastors, that we have treated our churches, especially when composed of people of social and cultural competence, too much as schools of spiritual and moral culture, and too little as training grounds of an army bent on conquest. Surely there comes a fitting moment to close the book on tactics and gird on the sword. We understand the theory of evangelistic warfare, so let us take the field. The pastor is the supreme general in this conquest. He must feel the urgency of the hour. He must act.

> "Oft, when the Word is on me to deliver,
> Opens the heaven, and the Lord is there.
> Then with a rush the intolerable craving
> Shivers throughout me like a trumpet-call—
> Oh, to save these! to perish for their saving,
> Die for their life, be offered for them all."

(Coninued next week)

DO CHURCH MEMBERS NEED TO CHANGE?

I was a "good church member," "good and acceptable," I think my certificate of transfer read. I had even been a paid worker for three years. I could plan a worship service so that there would be unity and coherence in songs, prayer, Scripture and story. I could teach a Sunday school class so that members increased, the organization worked smoothly, many stayed after the class to tell me how much it meant to them and how they enjoyed it. I could even teach a teacher training class so that some drove for miles to hear me. I could condemn the sinner in most appropriate Scripture quotations and it was even said that I could preach a good sermon—this coming from someone who could have meant a good deal—but I never changed anybody.

> "The eels went on eeling,
> The pikes went on stealing,
> Much delighted were they,
> But they stayed the same way."

Then I met up with a group of people who were changing people and had as their aim the changing of the world by changing people. They challenged me to surrender my life to God, and I did not know what they meant, for wasn't I already a "good church member"? I was frankly curious to know what it was all about, as they seemed to be having a good time and what is more seemed to know where they were going. I had joined the church when I was ten years old, had taken a college degree, spent two years in a school of religion, but deep within me there was a longing for something I did not have. I could not define it and was too proud to confess it to anyone. If these people had the answer to this longing I wanted to find out; if they didn't there would be no harm done. So I checked out all the money I had and went to a house party.

Here again everybody seemed to be having a good time. No one rushed to convert me. I heard several from different walks of life tell what it meant for them to surrender their lives to God. Some were good church members like me and witnessed to a real awakening. After two days of listening and watching I knew what they had, but I did not know how to get it. Finally God sent a young Wellesley graduate to me to tell me how she surrendered her life to God. She told me how she began and was willing to help me.

My first step was in learning to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit. This was beginning as a little child and certainly was good for my pride, for the young lady was several years my junior and had been leading a surrendered life only a short time. We had a quiet time together.

In this quiet time I was to ask God to show me what was the matter with me. This was a virtual admission that there was something the matter with me. How was it that I had overlooked the word "repentance" in my reading and teaching! I was further instructed to check my life by the four absolutes, honesty, purity, unselfishness, and love as taught by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. I had many times asked for the blessings without fulfilling the terms; now I was to fulfill the terms and be honest with myself and God. Next followed an experience of the oft used term "conviction of sin." I know now what it means. I had a good case of it. David, the Prodigal and Zachaeus all set the pace for me.

The next step was being willing to ask God to show me what to do about these convictions. It was quite certain that I had to do something to "clean up." That meant being willing to tell my friends and family that I had surrendered my life to God (witnessing) and in telling them to make the restitution which a change of life necessitated.

This brought forth some interesting results which were conducive to my testing and growth. (Growth in grace is a good term).

My loving and indulgent aunt said, "You are just tired and need a rest." (Full of new wine). A member of my family to whom I apologized for being so selfish said, "I always knew you were selfish and am glad you have found it out." A church worker with whom I had worked and from whom I had parted in no peaceful manner said, "Now after ten years you apologize. (Why did I wait so long?) A college president to whom I confessed some dishonesty said, "Do you expect me to show the same Christian spirit you have? We both say 'Our Father' and 'forgive as we expect to be forgiven.'"

How did I change? Most of this change was on the inside—that was a change heart, but not all. Some of my friends on seeing me for the first time said, "What has happened to you? You look ten years younger." Another said, "You are not so ambitious." (She meant selfish).

First, God became a reality to me. A real scientfiic reality and force. He had a plan for my life. That plan is revealed as I listen and obey. He has a plan for the world. As I work to fulfill my part of this plan I am helping God to remake the world. This is ever a thrilling and challenging thought.

Second, The Bible, especially the New Testament, became new to me. I was away from home and borrowed a Bible and sat up late at night reading the Gospels and Acts through. This was the Way of Life.

Third, People meant more to me. As before they had been either blocks or stepping-stones to my ambition; now they were fellow-travelers along the way. All in God's plan.

Fourth, The church and all it stood for meant more to me. I had not attended church regularly for some time. When I did I criticised the preacher. "He made mistakes in his English," and "the sermon was not as I thought he should have preached it." Now I very definitely pray for the preacher as he delivers the sermon. If he does not make a point clear I pray God to help him with the next one.

Fourth, I am willing to tell what Jesus Christ has done for me, as I am telling you now. In my daily round of every day life I find that many are anxious to know whether or not you have found anything real in religion.

Fifth, My battle with sin became definite and real, not just "I acknowledge and bewail my manifold sins and wickedness," but definite sins of self-will, unloving thoughts, unbridled tongue, putting self-interests first. Each day begins with a quiet time when I ask God to remind me of my sins and tell me what to do about them. I find that as I gain victory over these sins that God uses me to help someone else. The first person God used me to help was a good church member like I had been—full of pride and good works. So God can use you if you are willing to begin as a little child and listen and obey.

E. B. S.

MAIN STREET CHURCH, GASTONIA, LIQUIDATES DEBT

At the conclusion of the morning service Sunday, February 16, at Main Street Methodist church it was announced that the last dollar of indebtedness on the church property had been liquidated, the announcement being the source of great rejoicing to the membership of 1400 or more.

Rev. Excell Rozelle, the pastor, called to the microphone Thomas E. Summerrow, who has been treasurer of the special debt fund for the past five years, and Mr. Summerrow told the congregation that on Saturday a check for $23,600 had been mailed to the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company at Greensboro, wiping out the last cent of principal and interest. Mr. Summerrow thanked the members for the splendid and loyal manner in which they had responded. Allen H. Sims, director of the special campaign, recently inaugurated to consummate the debt payment, paid a splendid tribute to the membership. "In 20 years in Gastonia," said Mr. Sims, "I have never seen such unanimity and such co-operation as the finance committee has received from you during this campaign. The committee rejoices with you in the accomplishment of this feat and on the manner in which it was done." J. H. Separk, the oldest member of the official board in point of continuous service, 40 years, congratulated the congregation and foretold a greater future for this church.

Charles W. Gunter and John R. Rankin, special members of the committee, who worked with the standing finance committee composed of Carl Rustin, chairman, Allen H. Sims, Lawrence Rankin, John O. Durham and Charles S. Barkley, was introduced. Resolutions extending thanks to the committee were unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the congregation. E. D. Atkins is chairman of the official board. On January 1 of this year the balance on the debt, at one time considerably more than $50,000, had been reduced to $25,000. During that month a regular payment of $1400 brought the balance down to $23,600 and it was then that the board of stewards decided to wipe the entire debt balance out in a few weeks.

The debt was originally incurred back in the Roaring Twenties when the church built its present educational building at a cost approximating $200,000.—Gastonia Gazette.



Orphaned Missionaries . . . 1941

Sister Ruth Hanson, nurse-in-charge, Methodist hospital and maternity ward, Old Umtali, Southern Rhodesia, with a newly born "son of Africa."

JONATHAN CHARGE NEWS ITEMS

Since coming to the Jonathan charge in June I have thought many times of writing to the Advocate about the work which is being done here. I feel that progress has been made along several lines and I am happy to serve such loyal people. An outstanding event of last summer was the organization of a new church at Hazelwood, which now has 52 members with bright prospects for the future. Before conference last year revivals were held in all the churches on the charge and 80 new members received. Since conference 40 others have been added. A Methodist Sunday school has been organized at Cove Creek with an average attendance of more than 50. It is hoped that a church can be organized there during the spring.

Considerable improvements have been made on the parsonage during the last few weeks. Electric lights have been installed and new dining room chairs bought. A bath room has been completed looking forward to installation of running water which we hope to have in a short while. A driveway has been built leading up to the house and a wood shed erected. A number of fruit trees have been ordered to plant a half acre orchard.

Fifty new Methodist hymnals have been bought by the Shady Grove Methodist church. A table and small chairs have been provided for the primary class and new curtains to divide class rooms in the church.

At this time there are 25 subscriptions to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and I hope to send in more during the year.

I must not close without mentioning the many kindnesses of the people. We have received several poundings and a week never passes without someone giving us food of some kind. We are happy in our work here and are thankful for the opportunity to represent the Master in this community.

R. Odell Bown.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The 1941 senior class of Greensboro College was formally robed in the impressive cap and gown service on February 18 at 7 p. m. in Odell auditorium by the little sister class, the sophomores. Dr. Gobbel, president, presided over the ceremony and presented Miss Majelle Morris, Salisbury, with her cap and gown ,to be robed by her little sister, Miss Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro, followed by the rest of the officers and their little sisters, then the remainder of the seniors. After the ceremony the seniors were honored with a reception given by the faculty in Main building.

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton's visit on our campus proved to be an inspiration to all who heard her. On last Thursday morning Mrs. Overton brought her series of services conducted on the theme of "Christian Youth in a Reorganizing World" to a close. Beginning her services on Sunday night, Mrs. Overton spoke on "Christian Youth and Friendship" and on Monday night her topic was "Christian Youth and a Sound Mind," which she declared to be "a balanced approach to life." For the Tuesday chapel theme she presented "Christian Youth and Vital Goodness," while on Tuesday evening, day students' night, she spoke on "Christian Youth and the Home of Tomorrow." In her talk on Wednesday night on "Christian Youth and Patriotism," Mrs. Overton commented that "It is amazing to see what a change there has been in patriotism in the past year on the college campuses; it is interesting to see the alive, alert interest the young people are taking in the future of our nation." The last of her discussions was heard in chapel Thursday morning and had as its subject "Christian Youth and Wider World Christianity."

Bringing the religious emphasis week services, which were sponsored last week on our campus by the Y. W. C. A., to a close a communion service was held at the regular vesper service on Sunday evening in the "Y" hut. Rev. Kenneth Goodson, assistant pastor at West Market Street Methodist church, spoke on the significance of the communion service and recounted the story of the events leading up to the Last Supper. A beautiful altar was improvised with a cross and lighted candles in a seven-branched candelabra. The service was in charge of Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, Dorothy Smith, Bridgeton, and Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland.

GROUP MEETINGS

W. B. McEwen, High Point district lay leader, will hold group meetings at the following places during Laymen's Week, February 23-28: Denton, Asheboro, Liberty, Shiloh, Mt. Vernon, High Point. In this project he will be assisted by A. J. Koonce. In these meetings the theme adopted by the board of lay activities for 1941 will be emphasized, Stewardship in Action. A book, The Methodist Church, will be studied. Charge lay leaders and associate workers are asked to attend the most convenient meeting.

A missionary institute will be held in First church, Asheboro, on the afternooon and evening of March 30. The program is being planned by Rev. I. L. Roberts, missionary secretary for the district. Mr. Roberts has divided the district into 11 missionary areas. After the institute a meeting will be held in each area at which time the book, Methodism's World Mission, by Van Dusen, will be studied and illustrative pictures will be presented.

J. C. Madison, Dis. Rep.

SON OF DR. AND MRS. COSTEN J. HARRELL DIES IN NASHVILLE

Julius Harrell, 19, son of Dr. and Mrs. Costen J. Harrell, Nashville, Tenn., died at the home of his parents February 7, 1941, after a long illness. His father is pastor of the West End Methodist church.

Funeral services were conducted at the West End Methodist church Monday morning by Dr. B. G. Hodge, assisted by Dr. Thomas C. Barr, Dr. E. P. Anderson, and Bishop Paul Kern.

Young Harrell was born in Atlanta while his father was pastor of the First Methodist church there. He later moved with his parents to Virginia, where Dr. Harrell filled pastorates in Norfolk and Richmond before going to Nashville eight years ago. Young Harrell attended St. Christopher School for Boys in Richmond. He was an honor student in high school, and was on the debating team at Webb School at Bell Buckle, where he was graduated in June, 1938. He also attended Duncan School in Nashville. He matriculated at Vanderbilt University in 1939 and attended classes part of the time during 1939 and 1940.

Possessed of a brilliant mind and an attractive personality, the youth's future seemed unusually bright, until he was stricken with the illness from which he did not recover.

Surviving are his parents; his grandmother, Mrs. Julius Walden, Athens, Ga.; three aunts, Miss Julia Walden and Mrs. Audley Morton, also of Athens, and Mrs. Marvin Self, Farmville, N. C., and an uncle, Thomas C. Harrell, Greensboro.

NEWS NOTES FROM SHILOH CHARGE

During a period of much flu and other sickness our attendance at Sunday school and church services has held up well. At Sunday school last Sunday were 245. The first Sunday in February our pastor brought us a timely message on "The Man Who Blushed," using the instance of Ezra who blushed because of shame of the sins of his people. Mr. Madison is giving us a straight gospel and we feel that we really need it. Sunday he brought us a temperance message in keeping with temperance Sunday in our state. At the close of the service many of our people signed petition cards sent out by the United Dry Forces which will go to the General Assembly at its 1941 session. Along with signing a card, we as Christians should feel it our duty to pray and work for doing away with the evil forces of liquor.

The second quarterly conference will be held at Friendship church on Saturday afternoon, March 1, at 2 o'clock. If you are a member of the conference, consider yourself obliged to go. Our young people are still working to secure our quota of subscriptions to the Christian Advocate which takes the place of the former Methodist Recorder. We just hope that we shall be able to secure them. On next Sunday morning our C. E. Society will have charge of our monthly prayer service at 11 o'clock. We hope to have a helpful program. Continue to pray for us in our work.

Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

SUPERLATIVES AT BREVARD

The executive and social committee of the Christian Student Movement at Brevard planned and carried out a Valentine banquet last Saturday which included the entire student body and faculty of the institution. The program followed the general Valetine theme and was given by several campus and town students. Following the banquet a large majority of the banqueteers attended the show given in the college auditorium.

In a recent election the sophomores at Brevard elected the superlatives of the class for the year 1941. The voting, done by secret ballot, resulted as follows Best all-round, Dovie White, Rosman, and Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro; most scholarly, Julia Travis, Apex, and Pendleton Banks, Brevard; most popular, Mildred Maxwell, Brevard, and Jack Donnell, Climax; most original, Ruth Wilson, Bald Creek, and James Rowe, Charlotte; best personality, Marie Parker, Dobson, and Bill Dunnagan, Yadkinville; best looking, Carolyn Klusemeier, Charlotte, and Wyche Ray, Goldsboro.

DAVIS STREET, BURLINGTON, MOST FAVORED

I had hoped to be able to send in a greater number of subscribers to our church paper this week, but feel that due to so much sickness throughout our membership it is making our progress slow. In spite of so much sickness our church and Sunday school attendance has been very good. Our women are doing a wonderful work in our society, having around 280 charter members, all of whom are showing a great deal of interest and enthusiasm.

We are looking forward to having Mr. Fred T. Barnett of Lakeland, Florida, with us for a week of services beginning February 23. During the week a Bible conference will be held at 10 a. m. and messages on "The Stewardship of Life" at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Fred W. Paschall has started on his eleventh year as our faithful, loyal and devoted pastor. We are so happy to have him as our guide and feel with his guidance our church is going forward toward the greatest year's work yet done for our Master. Mrs. J. W. Holmes, Reporter.



In China 1941

Children . . . refugees . . . in China. What does tomorrow—even the rest of today—hold in store for them?

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE ANNUAL MEETING

The missionary women of the Western North Carolina conference are looking forward with unusual interest to the first annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, scheduled to meet in West Market church, Greensboro, March 26-28.

This meeting promises to be of outstanding interest, because it will be the first time that the representatives of the missionary societies of the three former Methodisms (Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Protestant, and Methodist Episcopal, South) will come together as the united organizatoin, in which larger opportunities for service and greater responsibilities in carrying foward the woman's work are committed to them. It is earnestly desired that all of the societies have a delegate present who will carry back to her society a report of the meeting that will be of value in the work for this year. It is quite fitting that this first meeting should be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, where the second Woman's Missionary Society in the North Carolina conference was organized on February 23, 1879, (later transferred to the W. N. C. conference upon its organization in 1890). In this connection it is interesting to note that this society was the first society in the conference to assume a special; that West Market Street church furnished the N. C. conference society its first president (Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson); its first corresponding secretary (Mrs. F. M. Bumpass); the Woman's Missionary Council its first treasurer (Mrs. F. H. E. Ross); the Western North Carolina conference its first president (Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson), and its first corresponding secretary (Mrs. F. M. Bumpass), and from this church has gone out several missionaries to the foreign field, two of whom are still in active service, Miss Nina Troy in China and Miss Ola Callahan in Mexico.

The program committee composed of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Mrs. W. T. Powell, Mrs. A. L. Thompson and Mrs. R. G. Rives are arranging a program of unusual interest for the three days, and which will include many prominent speakers of our Methodist Church and one or two missionaries.

IN RE: HISTORY OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

By Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Conf. Treas.

Last year, by unanimous action of the executive committee, Mrs. W. R. Harris was asked to write a history of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina conference. This she readily agreed to do, and its preparation was a labor of love on her part. The result fully justified the effort. Publication of 1000 copies was made in late summer with the title, "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement." The book was placed on sale in Statesville at the conference reorganization meeting. About 200 copies were sold that day. Since that time sales have lagged, and it has occurred to me that many women who would be interested in owning a copy, either do not know about it, or else do not know where it may be obtained.

Each district secretary has a supply, and will offer them for sale at all district and zone meetings. Mrs. Harris will also have them for sale at the annual meeting in Greensboro this spring, or she will fill orders by mail, if postage is enclosed. The price is only 50 cents and all funds come back into the conference treasury.

Many women who have served a long time in the missionary society will wish to have this volume as a memento of the old days. Younger ones, and those from sister churches uniting in the new organization, should possess it as a source of information. The green and gold binding, the pictures of leaders, some of by-gone days, make a volume attractive in appearance and format, one which will be an ornament on the living room table of any home. I make this plea because Mrs. Harris has been too modest to "cry her own wares" on the Advocate page. Let's all get together and dispose of the histories.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

My Dear President:

I hope the Woman's Society of Christian Service in your church is now in good running order and that you and your women will be able to do a wonderful work this year.

I send this letter to tell you of our plans for this first quarter's work.

1. We are anxious that every woman in our church be invited to become a member of our Woman's Society of Christian Service. Please see that this is done in your church.

2. Since January was set aside as our PLEDGE MONTH, we are asking that every member be given the opportunity of making a pledge to the W. S. C. S. This pledge to be paid some time before the first day of January, 1942, and we urge that it be paid quarterly.

Just this word of explanation to those of you of the former Protestant Church. It was voted that for 1941 only, the former Protestant women be allowed to raise their full amount of missionary money as given in former years, but to pay two-thirds of it to the conference treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and one-third to the treasurer of the local church, to be applied on its World Service budget, so that pastors might receive credit on their church budget for one-third of the money raised by the women. This means that in making your pledge to the Woman's Society of Christian Service you should promise two-thirds of the amount paid to your branch treasurer last year. If you are accustomed to raising a part of this money by a thank offering in your church, it is perfectly permissible for you to go right ahead with such plans, and I hope you will do so.

3. A copy of the New Efficiency Aim has been sent every society president. This is the goal we are to strive to attain this year, and it is in the reach of every society.

4. Our first annual meeting is to be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28. Each society is entitled to ONE DELEGATE ONLY. Please elect your delegate at your next meeting and send her name to your district corresponding secretary immediately. This is important if your delegate expects to have a home while attending this meeting. Your delegate is asked to pay $1 when she registers on arrival in Greensboro, which will entitle her to tickets for the lunches on Thursday and Friday.

The first session will begin at three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, March 26. Please see that your delegate comes for the beginning and stays until the close on Friday afternoon. Many interesting features are already being planned for this meeting. We hope to have a number of our missionaries with us. Some of our leaders from New York will be there, and an open forum on our new work will be held, so be sure and have a representative there for the entire time. I trust that many of you will fill your cars with women and visit the conference each day. We shall be making history during those days. Watch "our page" in the Advocate for further information.

5. I trust that each member of your society will be much in prayer for this our first annual meeting. And may I suggest that those of your number who cannot attend some time during the conference have prayer services in the the homes or churches for the success of this meeting. It will be wonderful to know that the women all over our conference are praying for this meeting.

I shall look forward to meeting your delegate in Greensboro March 26. Wishing you much success in the great work you are undertaking for our Master. Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

COMPASSION SUNDAY, MARCH 2

The Methodist Emergency Commission, carrying forward the appeal of the Council of Bishops, asks every church in Methodism to observe Sunday, March 2, as a "Sunday of Compassion" in the interests of threefold relief, Camp Service in the United States, aid to English Methodism, and Overseas Relief. These causes represent forms of Christian emergency work seldom paralleled in extreme need and in immediate obligation.

The commission is working through the regular agencies of the church to secure $1,000,000 in free will and sacrificial gifts in cash on Sunday, March 2, for these purposes, including the relocation and transport of missionaries compelled to leave their former fields of labor. The money raised will be divided among the three fields of relief on the basis of 25 per cent for camp work, 25 per cent for English Methodism, and 50 per cent for overseas relief.—The Methodist Woman.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THIS PERILOUS WORLD

Speaking at the institute of religion in Raleigh on February 10, Miss Phyllis Bentley, noted English author who has very recently come to America from her native land, sounded a challenge that people should exercise faith and courage in these perilous times. Said Miss Bentley: "There is one thing about which everyone on earth is agreed and that is that this is a perilous world. As we look out on this perilous world let us not despair. . . . Some of the perils of today are war, disease and poverty. All the perils of the world today are frustrations of personality. . . . What are to do to make it a less perilous world? Are we to try to limit our desires or are we to try to control the outer world? . . . It is the human birth right to change, to improve, to progress. . . . Let us determine that the next principles of our world shall be justice and freedom. There can be no peace without justice. There are three essentials to justice and freedom, namely, knowledge, power and goodwill. . . . Injustice is acting in accordance to that which is not the truth. . . . With knowledge, power and goodwill as essential elements of a less perilous world, we must have the desire for a less perilous world."

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The first Friday in Lent each year is observed in 51 countries around the world as World Day of Prayer. This year that day falls on February 28. In America 8000 or more public services are held on the World Day of Prayer. In cities or cmmunities where such services are observed no member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service should fail to attend unless unavoidably prevented, and in communities where this observance is not held there is a supreme opportunity to members of the W. S. C. S. to promote this great international enterprise. It is not difficult to realize that more than ever we need a world unity based on brotherhood and peace such as the Prince of Peace came to establish. Your editor commends to you for reading and re-reading an article in the December issue of the Methodist Woman which is entitled "The World Day of Prayer." It should give to every reader a full consciousness of our responsibility and privilege in the observance of World Day of Prayer.

PLANNING EARLY ESSENTIAL

A reminder that the first annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of North Carolina Conference will convene in Rocky Mount on March 25-27 should be enough to start each society in the conference planning for election of delegate and promptly sending the name of that delegate with one dollar fee for lunches to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount. Only one delegate is allowed from each society and one from each Wesleyan Service Guild. Another important point to remember is that delegates should arrive in Rocky Mount in time to register and be in the church auditorium by 2 p. m. on Tuesday, March 25. Announcement of speakers and other features of the program will be made at an early date.

FIRST HONORARY LIFE PATRON

A letter from Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon to Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville, district secretary, states: "Your letter telling me that the Fayetteville district had made me an honorary life patron of the Woman's Division of Christian Service brought one of the happiest moments of my life. I feel humble and proud. Mrs. Bourne tells me that I shall be the first life patron of the woman's division and that I shall have the very first pin. This honor which you have shown me is unmerited but I deeply appreciate it. In some way it seems to bring to me here in New York, where I must admit I feel a bit strange, a sense of security in the loyalty and love of you at home. I feel that I am still your representative and because of this I shall hope to be a more useful and a better person." Miss McKinnon also wrote that her trip to the Orient has been canceled because of many policies and plans still to be worked out and because of the unsettled state in the Orient. She is sensing a disappointment at not being with her friends over there. Mrs. Lawrence reports that recently the zone leaders of the Fayetteville district met in her home to plan the year's work; that they manifested a keen interest in the program and that they are particularly interested in the legislative council.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

In the item above reference is made to the legislative council. This council is a state-wide organization which works for legislative measures of a social nature, such as laws benefiting women and children, labor laws, health laws, marriage laws, liquor laws, etc. Composing the council are representatives from the North Carolina Conference of Social Service; N. C. Federation of Woman's Clubs; N. C. Federation of Business and Professional Women; State Nurses Association; State Superintendent of Public Welfare; State Council of Jewish Women; State Association of University Women; State Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Woman's Auxiliary Episcopal Diocese of N. C.; North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church. Mrs. D. S. Coltrane is representative for the W. S. C. S. Officers of the council are: President, Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith; first vice president, Dr. Ella Black Winston; second vice president, Mrs. W. T. Bost; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Charles G. Doak. Mrs. Carl K. Sanford is executive secretary and is employed for the duration of the legislature.

NORTHAMTON ZONE MEETS

An encouraging outlook on the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service; a challenge to co-operate in the observance of Compassion Day on March 2; emphasis upon the fact that although the missionaries have been called home we must keep free from hatred, increase our faith by prayer, love and sacrificial giving, comprised the theme of the address of Mrs. E. L. Hillman, jurisdictional and conference president at the meeting of Northampton zone, Rocky Mount district, on January 30. Mrs. Hillman was introduced by Mrs. J. E. Taylor, Conway. Mrs. W. P. Stephenson, Jackson, presided. Reports were given by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, and by representatives from the 14 societies in the zone. Others on the morning program were: Mrs. H. W. Maddrey, Severn, who spoke on "The Time for Faith in the W. S. C.S."; Mrs. E. J. Gay, who led the devotional, and Rev. E. L. Maness, who offered prayer. The afternoon session featured officers' training and the pledge service. Leading discussions in the officers' training were: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Mrs. P. F. Newton, Mrs. J. B. Hurley, Mrs. W. L. Maness. The pledge service was led by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson. The zone voted to send $4.29 to help furnish a room at Gibson Hall, Scarritt College, and $10 to Viola Nethery, student at Scarritt. Spring church won the attendance banner.

COMPASSION SUNDAY

Sunday, March 2, will be observed in American Methodism as a "Sunday of Compassion in the interest of Camp Service in the United States, aid to English Methodism and Overseas Relief. These causes represent forms of Christian emergency work in extreme need which gives us an immediate obligation. Headed by the Methodist Emergency Commission and the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church, it is expected that on Sunday, March 2, members of the Methodist churches in America will give a total of $1,000,000 for these purposes. The money raised will be divided as follows: 25 per cent for camp work, 25 per cent for English Methodism and 50 per cent for overseas relief. Every church in American Methodism, large or small, rich or poor, is asked to obseve this Day of Compassion, and women of Methodism can do much to make it meaningful and vital. Your editor urges that you read the item "Compassion Sunday in the February issue of The Methodist Woman.

ZONE MEETING SCHEDULES

Miss Florine Robertson announces that zone meetings in the Durham district are scheuled as follows: Person, March 2, 2 p. m. at Ca-Vel; Alamance, March 9, 2 p. m. at Belmont; Orange, March 16, 2 p. m. at Efland; Caswell, March 23, 2 p. m. at Bethel, Leasburg charge. Time and place for the Durham zone meeting to be announced.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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TWO ITEMS OF INTEREST

As has been before said in these columns, there abides with us two chief items of interest: the health and happiness of our children and the health and happiness of our treasury. When either one of these items get under par the whole family is affected. A visit just made to the infirmary reveals that there are yet thirty youngsters in bed. The flu has paused but some of the attendant annoyances are still with us. We still have earaches, recurrent instances of temperature, coughing colds and other minor ailments, which attend the ravages of flu. Added to the foregoing responsibilities is a new case of mumps, coming to a lad who recently joined our family. We certainly hope that isolation will nip this annoyance in the bud. But, after counting all the ailments, there are 375 children who are well. Halleluiah!

THE OTHER ITEM

Our financial welfare is not quite so easily treated as our physical welfare. We can't so readily call a doctor to treat the financial flu and its attendant anxieties. We do issue plenty of calls but we are not quite sure as to whether the reception is good at the other end of the line. About the only thing we can do is to be very careful about what is done at our end of the line and have faith in our calls for help getting through to our warm-hearted friends. So far, so good.

STATION IDENTIFICATION

In the midst of our general broadcast for financial help we will pause briefly for station identification, calling attention to the two congregations which have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full during the past week, these being listed with their pastors as follows:

Macedonia, Vale circuit,, Rev. E. P. Green.

Mitchell's Grove, Jamestown, Rev. G. H. Needham.

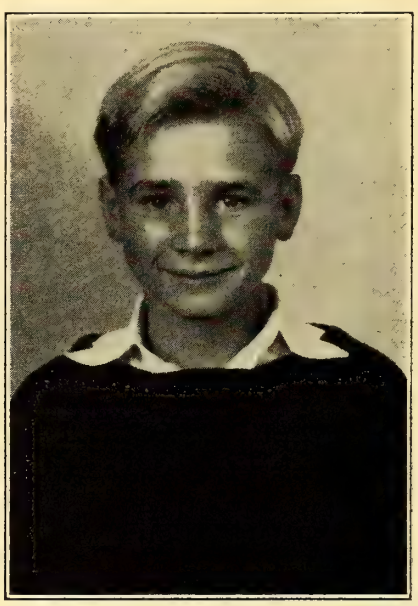
Mitchell's Grove is the first former Methodist Protestant congregation to pay its apportionment in full.

GRAPE-VINE INFORMATION

Through the grape-vine route we heard tell of a pastor's getting up before his congregation to present the Children's Home "collection." It is reported that in the course of his remarks he urged the cancellation of all special giving on the part of groups in the congregation, suggesting that if the congregation would pay its apportionment in full and fifth Sunday offerings it would have fulfilled all its obligation and supplied all the Children's Home needs. While the first part of the statement may be true, the second does not hold true. At any rate, in that particular congregation various groups began cancelling their specials and the entire church school cancelled its fifth Sunday offering. The old altruistic gun backfired. It wasn't properly loaded.

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT

The eighth annual basket ball tournament for North Carolina orphanages was held at the Junior Order Children's Home at Lexington Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of last week. Boys' and girls' teams from the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, the Children's Home at High Point, Mills Home at Thomasville, the Children's Home at Winston-Salem, the Junior Home at Lexington and the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs



He is still the telephone boy

contested with one another. Our girls' team came through as winner in the girls' contests, this being the fifth time the trophy has come to our girls. Our boys went to the finals and were then beaten out by the fine Junior Home team.

FINE SPORTSMANSHIP

One seldom sees a more intense desire to win and yet a better give-and-take spirit than that which prevails among the orphanage contests in our basket ball tournament. No teams seemed to fight any harder than those coming from our orphan homes. Even the contesting teams in our own family, the High Point division and the Winston-Salem division, fought one another as only brothers and sisters can fight. Brethren and sisters, they fought—and then they made up and loved one another. That's the orphanage spirit.

SOME BASKET BALL BENEFITS

One can hardly estimate the value that comes to a family such as ours from playing basket ball. The game requires skill and ability, functioning through quick thinking and quick acting. When properly played and properly refereed it offers about the finest instance of good sportsmanship coming to a large group of adolscent boys and girls. Basket ball means a great deal to our family. Only about 100 of our boys and girls can participate in this game because of the lack of space and lack of opportunity to play. Our little gymnasium is doing its best, but at that it can only do a part of the good that comes from the mid-winter sport. Only those who work with adolescents can give even a generally true estimate of the good results coming to a family such as ours. Long years ago we learned that a bunch of youngsters must have an absorbing interest. If such an interest is constructive, then youngsters tend to become happy, contented and successful in all their enterprises.

THE TELEPHONE BOY

Last week we presented the picture of Burke Black thirteen years old and in the sixth grade. We also offered a paragraph about him, but through some means it did not appear on our page. We are therefore presenting Burke again in the hope that there may be some reading matter about him. Burke is an interesting sort of a fellow. He is always the announcer of any program in which his group participates. He was the quarterback on the 80-pound football team last fall and is now one of the school house boys, having particular charge of answering the telephone in this building. Burke likes his job and does it well. He came to the Children's Home when just a little over two years old from the Salvation Army headquarters in Charlotte. While here he is working out his salvation, not with fear and trembling but with determination and assurance. He is a likeable lad, the sort of a fellow one likes to hobnob with, one who will do most of the talking. Burke is sponsored by the Gleaners class, a fine group of women in Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville.

OUR DIRECTORS

The executive committee of our board of trustees met with us one day last week an transacted some business of far-reaching importance, a report of which can be made at some subsequent time. We are always glad to have our directors with us. They come too infrequently. Being busy men and our enterprise being free from alarming tendencies, we go along with infrequent meetings. Those present at the recent executive committee meeting were R. G. Stockton, Rev. R. M. Courtney, Rev. J. W. Moore and R. O. Lindsay. The next meeting of our board of trustees will be held here in late March.

LEARNING TO LIVE

We work on the assumption as we deal with our boys and girls that it is much better to direct than to restrict their activities. At best in a family as large as ours there must be a lot of restrictions, but the emphasis that we are trying continually to give is on properly motivated activity. Such is

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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FORM OF BEQUEST

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..... (here designate the bequest) .....

MARBLE TIME—For the last week or two I see groups of boys over the campus, down on their knees—but not praying. Tennyson says that "in the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," but our small boy's fancy turns to marbles. Since they are on their knees and toes so much, a great deal of patching will have to be done on their trousers, and many shoes will have to go to the repair shop, as a result of their marble shooting. Marbles is a great game, and every red-blooded boy loves to indulge in that sport.

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ON THE FLOOR—One day last week one of our small girls came to my office and begged me to take her little brother, who was left behind. I said, "Marie, we haven't a single bed unoccupied, where could we put your little brother to sleep?" Without a moment's hesitation she said, "I'll give him my bed." Then I asked her where she would sleep, and her reply was, "I will sleep on the floor." On several occasions Marie has begged me to take her little brother into the home, telling me how much she enjoys living with us, and how badly she wants her little brother to enjoy the home with her.

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THE LEGISLATURE—The Orphanages of the state hope that the present legislature will enact a law exempting orphanages from having to pay taxes on property they may own off the campuses. Through legacies and foreclosures, the Methodist Orphanage owns property not located on the campus. The decision of the Supreme Court puts all such property on the tax books of the state. Unless something is done about it, we shall have to pay $2,500 in taxes for the past year. Friends of the church and fraternal orphanages of the state would render a real service if they would urge their representatives and senators in the legislature to exempt orphanages from taxation.

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ELEVATION—At the request of Rev. H. I. Glass, Raleigh district superintendent, I conducted services at Elevation church on the Benson charge the second Sunday in this month. Rev. H.A. Chester has been confined in Highsmith Hospital, in Fayetteville, for the past few weeks. I was glad to hear that Brother Chester is recovering very nicely from a major operation. I considered it a privilege to fill his appointment and to render him service in his absence. Due to the very cold day and the prevalence of flu in the community, the congregation was small. The Methodist Orphanage has some very substantial and loyal friends in the church at Elevation. I appreciate what they are doing for our children.

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LEAGUE OF STEWARDS — The Warsaw area in the Wilmington district held a meeting of the League of Stewards in Warsaw the first Sunday afternoon in this month. Brother W. A. McGirt, district lay leader, presided over the meeting, which was very interesting and helpful. Prof. F. S. Aldridge and Dr. A. K. Green of Duke University delivered timely addresses. It was my privilege to say a few words in the interest of the Methodist Orphanage. Brother McGirt is one of the most progressive district lay leaders in the conference, and gives freely of his time and efforts to promote the whole program of the church throughout the Wilmington district. He is also one of the most valuable members of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage. Brother A. S. Parker, district superintendent, was present and gave his enthusiastic endorsement to the work that the League of Stewards is doing. The attendance was good, and no doubt much good will result from the meeting.

THIS IS POLAND

One of the most heart-rending appeals ever uttered is a cry from the women of Poland which was recently smuggled into the United States by a Polish woman who escaped from that country. She reports the plight of the Jewish and Catholic women as unspeakable. This is a part of the appeal: "The world has witnessed many atrocities and crimes; the history of mankind is saturated with blood and tears, but history tells of no Calvary equal to ours. We are seized on the streets, our homes are entered at night. We are housed with fallen women, we are deported to German brothels. Our daughters are outraged. We mothers have shed tears until we have no more to shed. We have prayed that our daughters might die. Poland has forgotten laughter. Before God Almighty we swear our words are true. We are living in hell. We are smothering in it. Our condition grows worse day by day. We plead for help." Such is but a segment of the long appeal. This is German justice. Adolf Hitler pledged his word of honor that not a single Pole would be deprived of his liberty. The Nazi press informed us that Poland under German administration is prospering and that the majority of the Polish people are cheerfully cooperating with the German administration and are satisfied with it.—The United Presbyterian.

This morning a little girl tried to get the early morning services over the radio. She dialed for about ten minutes without success and finally exclaimed: "Mother, all I can get is the Silent prayer."—Christian Science Monitor.



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IF GEORGE WASHINGTON COULD RETURN TODAY

The world is not the same as that into which George Washington was born that February day in 1732. Could he return, he would be astonished by the changes that have taken place. Much of the progress his country has made he could trace to policies advocated by him. History appears to indicate he led and directed a transformation that has grown with increasing strength over western civilization.

The circumstances within his life made George Washington the prophet and executor of a new and brighter era. He was born a loyal subject of an English king. He was reared in Tory surroundings. Culturally, he was more than ordinarily endowed with education and refinement. He would have graced the court of any king. Standing six feet two inches without shoes, he made no apology for his oversize, but stood erect as any small man ever tried to do. Majesty and dignity were in his bearing. He viewed himself and other men as being not only made for, but, under God, makers of destiny.

It was such a man who providentially was called to bring this nation into being. That he was God's man for his times all devout historians aver. As the first great soldier of his country, he won the Revolutionary War. As its most eminent patriot he refused to use the results of that victory for his own benefit, but bestowed them on his fellow countrymen. As a wise statesman, he gathered around him the best talent of his times and created the American Republic. The advancing years only reveal how nobly he planned.

What a changed country he would see, could he return today. And yet it would rejoice his heart to see his own policies brought to fruition. Washington was a staunch advocate of education. When Washington was born there were only three colleges in this country—Harvard, William and Mary, and Yale—with an attendance of 275 students. Were he to return now, he would find 913 institutions of higher learning, having an enrollment of over 800,000 students and endowments approximating $815,000,000. The man who declared, "Knowledge is, in every country, the surest basis of happiness," would be amazed how literally his counsel had been fulfilled. In his farewell address Washington expressed his hope that the citizens of this country would be enlightened with true knowledge, that government might always be the expression of that enlightenment. He said:

"Promote, then, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge. In proportion as the structure of a government gives force to public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened."-Watchman-Examiner.

WHERE CHURCH BELLS CAN RING

By Mrs. G. K. Savage

I oft forget the needy when there's snow;
I often overlook a sunset's glow;
I may not hear the robins that sing,
But I always hear the church bells ring.

With every day a twin to the day before,
And hours are filled with duties—chore after chore;
I forget what day it is or what the next might bring,
But I always know Sunday because church bells ring.

I'm thankful for homes when friends may meet;
For uncensored news and friendly cops on the beat;
For public schools where happy children sing;
But I'm most thankful for a country where church bells can ring.

In spite of threatening war clouds today;
In spite of those who believe "religion doesn't pay";
May every Amercan resolve to do at least one thing—
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Put the Pinex into a pint bottle and add your syrup. This makes a full pint of cough remedy, very effective and quick-acting, and you get about four times as much for your money. It never spoils, and is very pleasant in taste.

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***THE STORY OF JUNE HARLOWE**

Just after the shells of civil strife
Had torn in shreds our southern life,
A baby boy was born in June
When discord filled the land—all out
of time.

An angry sun upon his face did shine,
With only now and then a happy line
To brighten days so dark and sad
That filled the life of the lonely lad.

Though thinly clad and poorly fed,
With rags and boards his only bed,
He dared to face a cruel world—
The flag of hate above his head un-
furled.

His school—the axe, the plow, the sky,
With plenteous stores uplaid on high,
But sealed to him of fearful mind
The key of knowledge he could not
find.

Through seventy-seven years he stared,
Unknowing facts and fronds unbared;
He stood condemned before the court
Of common, human, sensible sport.

Most sadly lost amidst the whirl
Of a mad, enlightened, crazy world;
In angry mood he cursed and swore
He'd find his way to the eternal shore.

He rests; he wraps the winding sheet
About his wearied bones complete;
The call has sounded, his task is done;
His tent is folded, the crown is won.

*Note—June Harlowe died February 9, 1941. He knew he was going to die. He lived a very simple life, enduring long years of poverty and inferiority complex. He worked hard till the end. He planted a large garden that he might be able to share with his neighbors should they need anything from him. Though uneducated, he educated his children and managed to keep the gaunt wolf from his door.

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CHILDRDEN'S HOME
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not only true in our athletics and in our work schedules, but also in our religious services. From the very youngest children to the older ones do the youngsters have a great part in expressional services. Children are more interested in what they do than what they hear. Preachments grow tiresome to them. In our various Sunday school departments yesterday it was reported that the youngsters found particular joy in their discussions and in the rendering of their programs. This scribe greatly enjoyed the one presented by a group of junior boys on the life and work of Paul. They had a number of Bible readings, written statements and a prayer centering around Paul's endeavors. Burke Black reported that the only thing they did not succeed in getting properly lined up was the songs. He said that they just couldn't find any songs that had Paul's name in them.

A farmer said that his well had two defects. It froze up in winter and dried up in summer. It must have been dug by a fellow whose name appears on our church roll—but maybe there are others.—Religious Telescope.

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January 26—World Service
February 9—Race Relations
February 23—World Service
February 23—Laymen's Day
March 2—Day of Compassion
March 23—World Service
March 30—Children's Home
April 20—Church School Rally Day
April 27—World Service
May 11—Golden Cross
May 25—World Service
June 8—Methodist Student Day
June 22–World Service
June 29—Children's Home
July 27—World Service
August 24—World Service
August 31—Children's Home
September 28—World Service
October 5-11—Childhood and Youth Week
October 26—World Service
November 23—World Service
Nov. 30—Children's Home
December 28—World Service
December 28—Student Recognition Day

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Children's Storyland



ONE OR TWO EGG COOKIES

By Emma Florence Bush

Grandma was making cookies. She put some milk into a yellow bowl, then she brought out from the pantry two eggs in a brown dish. Alice sat with her elbows on the table watching.

"Haven't you but two eggs?" she asked.

"No," said grandma, "the hens do not lay many eggs just now, and they are very high at the store."

"Couldn't you make the cookies with one egg and make me a little custard with the other egg?" asked Alice.

"I don't see how I could," said grandma. "The little sick girl I am making them for likes the kind it takes two eggs to make."

"I want a custard," whinned Alice.

Grandma looked in her cook-book and found a rule for one egg cookies. She made them, and the little custard for Alice, who said, "That was so good, grandma, I wish you hadn't made cookies but had made me another custard."

By and by it grew dark and grandma put on her hat and coat and took the basket of cookies. "You may stay with us tonight, Alice," she said. "Get ready and come along."

"Are you carrying some cookies for us, grandma?" asked Alice.

"No," said grandma, "the little girl does not sleep much and she likes cookies to nibble."

When they reached the house grandma put on a print dress and told Alice she might sit in the chair a while and watch the little sick girl, whose name was Edith. She had been very sick and her mother had been sitting up nights and taking care of her daytimes. Now some good neighbor came in at night.

Edith did not talk but she smiled at Alice, who smiled back at her. Grandma read her stories, but every little while Edith could not breathe and had to be propped up with pillows. At last grandma took Alice by the hand, and led her to a couch in the next room and tucked her in with a puff. "Now go to sleep and I will call you in the morning."

But although Alice went to sleep she kept waking up and she saw grandma come in and out the room for more pillows. Once she went back carrying the cookies.

"Did she like them?" Alice whispered the next time grandma came in.

"Pretty well," said grandma.

"I didn't know anyone ever couldn't breathe easy enough," whispered Alice sleepily. "I am sorry now because I teased for a custard."

The next thing Alice knew, grandma came to wake her for it was breakfast time.

"Grandma," said Alice soberly, as they walked home, "may I take the fifty cents daddy sent me to spend and buy some eggs, and will you make some more cookies for Edith and put two eggs in?"

"Yes, I will," said grandma, "and you may take them over this afternoon. She is really better and I think she will be glad to see you."

"And I will carry her my big doll Rose," said Alice, "so she will have company when she can't breathe. And grandma, I am never, never, never going to tease for things for just myself again. I didn't understand."

"Of course you didn't," said grandma, "but now that you do I am very sure you will keep your word."

And she did.—Presbyterian.

TO THE MUMMY OF A CAT

By Henry Beckett

When you were alive
Did you ever catch a mouse
That lived down a hole
In a great Egyptian house?

Did some little girl
Like to stroke your velvet fur,
And after a meal
Did you sleep and purr?

Or, being a cat
That was worshipped and enshrined,
Did you have to act
Very haughty and refined?

Well, ages have passed
Since a cat was idolized,
If you came to life
You'd be awfully surprised.

—Our Dumb Animals.

SMUT

Smut was a coal-black lamb that it's mamma wouldn't own.

Strange that any mamma, even a sheep, didn't know her own little child, isn't it?

When Rosa, Smut's mamma, first saw him lying beside his white, pink-nosed sister, she stamped her foot, and bunted him away.

Poor, weak little Smut! He rolled over, got up on his trembling legs, and cried terribly; but while Rosa thought there never was such a beautiful lamb as the pink-nosed sister, she would not let him come near her.

He would have fared very poorly indeed if Nellie hadn't seen it all; but she cuddled and pitied him to his heart's content.

Nearly every hour she fed him warm, sweet milk from her own silver spoon, until he grew stronger, and could drink from the bright, new basin which papa brought to feed him in.

"Dear me!" said mamma. "That lamb is a nuisance! He is worse than any goat."

"Let the child take comfort with him," said papa. And so Smut stayed, and grew so fast and so pretty that his mother was glad to make friends with him.

One night in early winter Smut was sleeping on his bed of hay in the corner of the stable, dreaming of the green summer pastures, no doubt, when a light suddenly awakened him.

What a bright light it was! It was growing warmer, too. Perhaps summer was coming back.

Old Dobbin began to prance and snort, and gave a long, wild neigh of terror, while Brindle began to low mournfully, and Smut winked at the strange light. What was it all about? Perhaps Nellie would know.

So he scrambled out from his warm nest, pushed the door open, and ran to the long shed.

He scampered across the shed, but alas, the kichen door was fast!

"B-a-a-a! B-a-a-a!" cried Smut, as he bunted away at the hard, woolly head.

"B-a-a-a!" he cried again, as loud as he could, for the bright light was shining out of doors now, and the clouds of smoke made him sneeze.

"Mercy sakes!" said mamma, rubbing her eyes. "Burglars are in the kitchen, I know."

Papa ran to open the shed door, but what he saw was almost worse than burglars—it was fire!

Then there was a great confusion and shouting and running, while Smut cuddled with Nellie in her own little bed.

Old Dobbin and Brindle were saved, the house was saved, but the stable burned down.

"And we might all have been burned in our beds if it hadn't been for you, you blessed lamb!" cried mamma, with her arms around Smut' sneck.

"He isn't a nuisance now, then?" asked papa, slyly.

"He's a darling, better'n—better'n most anything!" said Nellie. "And he shall sleep in my bed all winter."

He didn't quite do that, but he had a nice warm pen of his own in the new stable, with plenty of clean straw for a bed, and plenty of good hay to eat.

What more could a lamb want? I don't believe he knew what he had done to earn it all, do you?—Religious Herald.

Old Lady: "Son, can you direct me to the People's Savings Bank?"

Boy: "Yessum, for a quarter."

Old Lady: "Isn't that a mighty high pay, my boy?"

Boy: "No, ma'am; not for a bank director."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Durham Ct., McMannen's, 11 23
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 3 23
West Durham, 7:30 24
Carr, 7:30 26

March

Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 2
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 2
Duke Memorial, 7:30 4
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 5
Chapel Hill, 7:30 6
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 9
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 3 9
Graham, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Fayetteville Ct., Salem, 11 23
Stedman, Bethany, 3 23
Johnson Memorial, 7:30 23

March

Glendon, High Falls, 11 2
Hemp, Pleasant Hill, 3 2
Person Street, Calvary, 7:30 2
Maxton, 11 9
Rowland, 7:30 9
Red Springs, 7:30 10
Aberdeen, Vass, 11 16
Pine Bluff, Beaver Dam, 3 16
Hay Street, 7:30 16
Parkton, 11 23
Laurel Hill, Tabernacle, 3 23
Gibson, 7:30 23
Hamlet, 10 30
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 30
Rockingham, 7:30 30
Sanford, 7:30 31

April

Raeford, Parkers, 11 6
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
Jonesboro, 8 6
Caledonia, Johns, 11 13
West End, Marcus, 3 13
Laurinburg, 8 13
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Murfreesboro, Union, 11 23
North Gates, Parkers, 3 23
Ahoskie, night 23

March

Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, 11 2
Hatteras, Buxton, night 2
Williamston, 11 9
Windsor, Cashie, 3 9
Hertford, night 9
South Mills, McBrides, 2 14
Roper, Mackeys, 11 16
Aulander, Roxobel, 3 16
Edenton, night 16
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1 19
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Pikeville, 11 23
Grifton, 7:30 23

March

Morehead City, 11 2
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 2
Marshallburg, 7 2
Beaufort, 11 9
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 9
Morehead Ct., 7:30 9
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 16
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 7:30 16
Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
Ayden, 7:30 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Raleigh, Person Street, 11 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 1:30 23
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 26

March

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 2
Cary-Apex, Apex, 7:30 2
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16
Tar River, Trinity, 11 23
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 23
Louisburg, 7:30 26
Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Weldon, 11 23
Halifax, Smith's, 3 23
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 23

March

Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 23
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 23
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night 23

March

Southport, 11 2
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 3 2
Wilmington, Grace, 8 2
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 11 9
Carvers Creek, Trinity, 3:30 9
Elizabeth, Wesleys, 7:30 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 16
Garland, Salem, 3:30 16
Wesley Memorial, Bethany, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30
Whiteville, 7:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, night 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27
Shallotte, Village, 11 30

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, p.m. 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Ivy, Laurel, 11 23
West Asheville, 7 23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Marshville, Wingate, 11 23
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 23
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 23

March

Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homesetead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

CHECK-UP RETREAT MEETINGS

February

Boone, Warrensville, 2 22
Creston, Warrensville, 2 22
Green Valley, Warrensville, 2 22
Helton, Warrensville, 2 22
Jefferson, Warrensville, 2 22
Laurel Springs, Warrensville, 2 22
Sparta, Warrensville, 2 22
Todd, Warrensville, 2 22
Warrensville, Warrensville, 2 22
Watauga, Warrensville, 2 22
West Jefferson, Warrensville, 2 22

March

Advance, Farmington, 2 1
Cooleemee, Farmington, 2 1
Davie, Farmington, 2 1
East Bend, Farmington, 2 1
Farmington, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville Ct., Farmington, 2 1
Yadkinville, Farmington, 2 1

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

February

Lincolnton, First Church, 11 23
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Laboratory, 2 23
Bessemer City, night 23

March

Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missioanry Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 23
Liberty Grove, 3 23
Newlyn Street, 7:30 23
Glenwood, 7:30 26

March

Pleasant Garden, Rehobeth, 10 2
Haw River, Mizpah, 11:30 2
College Place, 5 2
St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.

SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Coleridge, Rehobeth, 3 23
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 26

March

Shiloh, Friendship, 2 1
Farmer, New Hope, 2:30 2
Denton, Jackson Hill, 7:30 2
Ward Street, 7:30 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, 3 9
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Connelly Springs, Hildebrand, 11 23
Morganton, Salem, 3 23
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30 23

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Hickory, First Church, 11 23
Taylorsville, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 23

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Rockwood, Rockwood, 11 23
Canton, First Church, 7:30 23

March

Robbinsville, 11 2
Andrews, 7:30 2
Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 9
Fines Creek, Baldwin's, 2:30 9
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 7:15 9
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

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February

Lexington, First, 11 23
Reeds, Reeds, 3 23
Grace, 7:30 26

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
North Davidson, Bethesda, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11

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We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Sharon Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to our beloved sister, Mrs. Ralph Dover, who passed to her heavenly reward on October 23, 1940.

Mrs. Dover was corresponding secretary and treasurer of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, and we believe there has never been one who loved the work of our Master more than she. We feel that she was one of the most faithful, patient and kind members the church has ever had. Everyone looked upon Mrs. Dover as a friend, and every heart was saddened by her passing. Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That even though we feel the loss keenly we bow in submission to His will.

Second, That we thank God for the life of one so good, one whose example of courage will always be an inspiration to us.

Third That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the county paper, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. W. B. Dodd,
Mrs. Evans Grigg.
Mrs. Glenn Blanton,

STANFIELD—On Tuesday morning, December 3, 1940, the death angel visited the home of Mrs. B. F. Stanfield and took from it her daughter, Gertrude. Her passing has brought deep sorrow to the hearts of her loved ones and especially to the writer of this. The last few weeks of her illness she suffered much, but she bore it with patience. She was a member of Mebane Central M. E. church and served it loyally as long as she was able to attend. Surviving the deceased are an aged mother, Mrs. B. F. Stanfield, and seven sisters, Mrs. Martha Fuller of Greensboro, Mrs. H. A. Burt of Raleigh, Mrs. W. T. Anderson of Charlotte, Mrs. S. J. Averitt of Oxford, Mrs. Wallace Copeland of Chapel Hill, Mrs. F. L. Johnson of Conway, and Miss Ethel Stanfield of Mebane The funeral service was held from her home Wednesday afternoon, December 4, and her body was laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery at Mebane. The many beautiful flowers showed the high esteem in which she was held, and she has left a vacant place here on earth which never can be filled. We all loved her, but Jesus loved her more, and he has sweetly called her to yonder shining shore. May the heavenly Father abundantly bless and comfort the family.

(Written by a friend and neighbor who loved her).

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

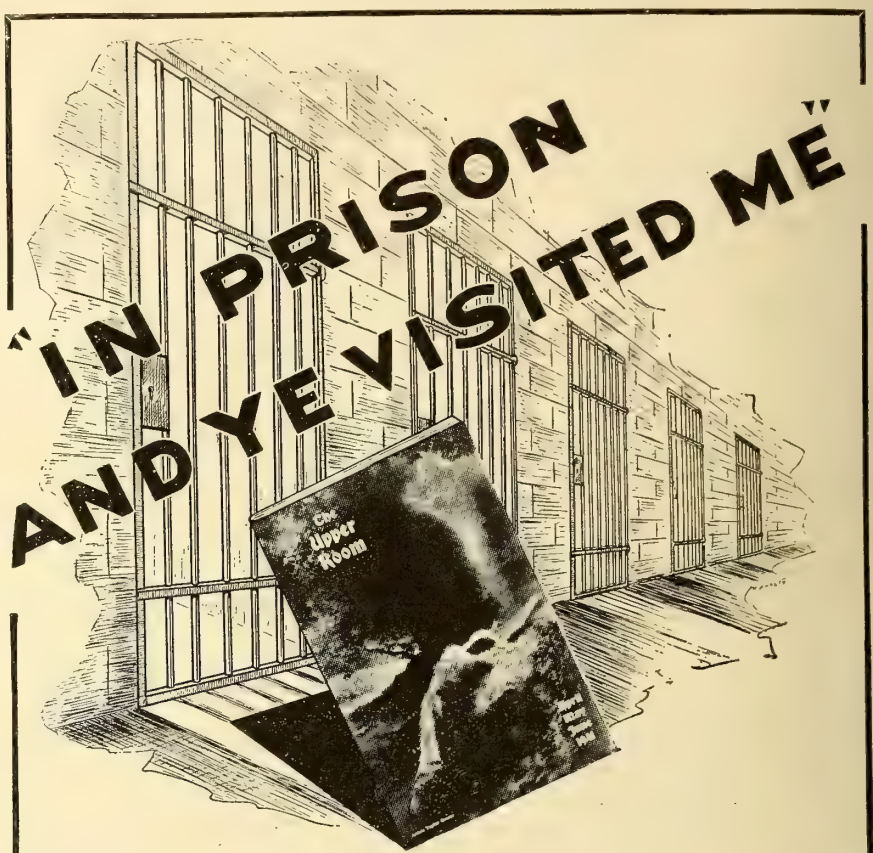
We, the members of the Susanna Wesley Bible class, and Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, wish to pay tribute to one of our oldest and most loyal members, Mrs. R. A. Shankle, who suddenly passed away October 22, 1940. Her death came as a great shock to her family and friends.

Her trust in God brought her peace, her service to those about her afforded her joy. She leaves to her family of splendid sons and daughters a priceless heritage of good example and godly influence.

The passing of such a life proves a great loss to our church and community. Her beautiful Christian life and devotion to her church and home have been a benediction to us. We thank God for her life and bow in humble submission to our Father's will. We extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

The committee requests a copy of these words of appreciation and gratitude for her life and service be recorded in the minutes of our class and society; that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. R. L. Smith,
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Why not make March 2 long to be remembered in all our churches? Rise up, O men of God, "Live and help live." "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least . . ."

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Compassion Day figures: $1,000,000 in one day in one offering. 45,000 congregations to make offerings. 8,000,000 Methodists asked to contribute. $500,000 for relief in China and Europe. $250,000 for aid to British Methodist congregations. $250,000 for camp social and religious work.

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The Methodist women of Greensboro are making preparations for a great missionary conference March 26, 27, 28. The place of assembly will be West Market church, but all the churches of the city will join in entertaining the hundreds of delegates and visitors who will gather from every section of the Western North Carolina conference. This first assembly of the women of the united church will unquestionably be the greatest that has been held in North Carolina. The plans for entertainment are about complete.

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Billions of dollars for defense and millions of boys in camp to meet the enemy overseas is the present order. How about defense against the enemy within our own gates? We are just now face to face with war and liquor, the two damnable foes of man. The World War was a sore failure. Millions of boys died to get rid of the Kaiser—now he is about the safest German going. Whatever the end, this present war is going to be, as all wars—a disappointment. We were told that the XVIII Amendment was a failure; we now know that repeal was a dismal failure. The XXI Amendment turned the whole liquor question back to the states. This noble panacea to save us from the saloon and the liquor store has not been successfully tried out. Under the constitution the state is at present the unit. Why not give this plan a serious trial right here in North Carolina? This is the meaning of the present demand for a referendum to give all the people a chance to speak. We do insist that in this nation-wide fight to save democracy in the rest of the world that we give our democracy a chance to save us from the hurt of alcohol. A campaign for this state-wide vote would do much to save North Carolina from the ravages of drink and the slaughter on our highways.

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The present law making body at Raleigh deserves the name, a peripatetic legislature. First was a trip to Chapel Hill which should have served to add to their intelligence, then a jaunt to Fort Bragg which perhaps stirred their fighting blood, and Wednesday of this week they journeyed to Elizabeth City where no doubt they enjoyed a rest after the long ride on the railroad, and upon their return to Raleigh no doubt vowed that this would be the last ride of the present season. Anyhow, three times should be enough to satisfy the most exacting.

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Said Dr. Charles E. Maddry, speaking before the recent Baptist State Convention, "The darkness and stress so ominous in the world today need not deter our missionary endeavor. Carey went out to India in a dark hour. Judson and Rice began their heroic work during one of the darkest periods of American history. Persecution and closed doors may demand a shift in planning," admitted Dr. Maddry, "but it need not decrease our faith or enthusiasm. Europe and America are Christian today because of closing doors in the first century. Paul and Silas had started on a tour of the churches in Asia Minor when these doors closed in their faces. They went instead to the westward, to Europe. Surely this was not a misfortune. In the same spirit we should look with enthusiasm to the challenge presented by new opportunity opening up before us in China and South America today."

Privilege the Stumbling Block of Leadership

ANYONE chosen for leadership is never chosen for privilege. The politician eager for place and position does not make a statesman. A preacher anxious for a soft place and big pay has never been numbered among the apostles and prophets of God. Men of apostolic mold, with prophetic message in the soul, have never emerged from the places of privilege, clothed in soft raiment. The highest point reached in the Old Testament is the story of the Suffering Servant and the final disclosure in the New is One who gave his life a ransom.

The chosen people of God, the favorites of high heaven, were not selected to enjoy unusual privilege but to be the servants of the Most High—saviours of the race. So the Jews have been and they remain a suffering people. Out of the Captivity came a remnant to establish a church—their kingdom at an end. No one knows what is to be the outcome from present sufferings and afflictions of this people still without a country. Are their sufferings to be vicarious and redemptive?

George Adam Smith says that all along the history of the world the sufferer has been the astonishment and stumbling block of humanity. Men do not find meaning or profit in suffering —they are staggered by it. They do not see how pain in God's service shall lead to glory. Yet we do come to know that in every nation, in every family, the innocent suffer for the guilty. Vicarious suffering really becomes redemptive—a service for God and for man. From among these come the statesmen and the ministers who are mighty for God and for humanity. If you are chosen for leadership you are not chosen for privilege.

Talking War From the Pulpit

TO talk war Sunday morning in the pulpit and call it preaching the gospel of the Son of God is a misnomer, if not a contradiction of terms. Anyhow this was the essential implication of Professor Lyon Phelps in a letter of his that appeared in a recent issue of the New York Times, where he expressed the wish that "ministers, priests and rabbis in their sermons would stop talking about the war."

The reasons he gave for this desire were: (1) that college students are "sick and weary . . . of hearing the war dominate sermons," and (2) that what "every individual needs is the regeneration that comes through religion." There also was, by implication at least, the assertion that sermons dealing with the war are "about as inspiring as lukewarm soup."

It is well to give heed to the admonition of a man like Dr. Phelps. A writer of many delightful volumes, an interpreter of literature, a charming personality, a man whom the people flocked to hear in his platform addresses even as the students of Yale crowded his lecture room, and withal a gospel preacher of rare excellence, he is a man who should be able to speak with authority about the quality of a sermon. And it seems to us the part of wisdom to give heed to what he says upon this important and timely subject.

Yet some will persist in using what everybody has heard by radio or have read in the morning paper. Instead of calling it a sermon why not call it "Headline Hash"?

Softness, Needless Self-Indulgence

THESE are biblical terms. They appeared in the apostolic writings of the first century of the Christian era, but they are wondrously modern and by no means limited to the sacred writings of Christianity. These words suggest why so many people are on relief; private relief, public relief and every possible sort of relief. Softness and needless self-indulgence explains most of it.

The people who made this country great worked hard; they could endure privations without complaint. They had few if any luxuries. They cleared the land, cultivated the soil, navigated the rivers, tunneled the mountains, built the cities and established schools and colleges and erected churches. They were a sturdy, hard working self-reliant people who spurned softness and self-indulgence.

No one expects or desires the return of those primitive conditions of the pioneers, but we must preserve those sterling virtues and that strength of character that were possessed to such a remarkable degree by the founders and builders of this American nation.

And these early virtues have not entirely departed, even if some men in their more pessimistic moods say so.

If in need of a tonic for this pessimism go to any of our colleges or universities and see the very large number of young men who are waiting on table, serving in the kitchens and gladly

doing every sort of job available in order to bring to realization a dream of their early years. And they count no sacrifice too great in making preparation for the years that lie ahead. The college and university campuses of this country are largely peopled by young men who are in every respect worthy of the best traditions of our early history.

Our First Special Appeal

UNITED Methodism in the Day of Compassion makes its first nation-wide special appeal for funds. The million dollars sought is to go to the need of a broken, suffering world. Could any appeal be of more universal interest or better suited to get a response from all.

In the preparatory stages of Methodist union we had the Aldersgate Celebration. This made equal appeal to the hearts of the three Methodisms which owed so much to the warmed heart of John Wesley on May 24, 1738. Our Day of Compassion on March 2, 1941, can do as much for the Methodists of the united church.

Surely the results of this needy undertaking will send a thrill of joy across the land as the churches get the reports from every section of the church. In this there will be no north nor south, no east nor west, but a national rejoicing of the whole people who have enjoyed this high privilege to render a fine service to the needy.

It Sounds Like an Old Time Controversy

WHAT sounds like old times? To see in a church paper a discussion of infant baptism. Almost a page editorial headed "Is Infant Baptism a Sacrament?" appears in last week's issue of The Watchman-Examiner, an excellent Baptist paper published in New York City. The editor is seeking to set straight Dr. Frank Lukens who in a recent number of Christianity Today discussed: "The Sacrament of Infant Baptism."

The editorial closes with the following:

"The schism which has rent the church into so many framents will never be healed while men advocate error as though it were truth. And the holding of the sacrament of infant baptism as a Christian legitimate not only is dangerous doctrine—modified while under tender, idealistic control—but is a foe to that spiritual freedom for which all New Testament Christians should stand."

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WE need another Aldersgate experience to save America and England of this day. We have a marvelous Methodism in America. In numbers, organization and resources we are well fixed. But how about the future? Surely we will not forget what Aldersgate did for Wesley and England.

Four years after his Aldersgate awakening John Wesley one Saturday reached Epworth, his birthplace. The curate of his father's church (who had been his father's amanuensis) refused to permit him to take any part in Sunday's service and he himself preached against "enthusiasts."

James R. Joy recounts what occurred that same evening following the announcement that the son of the old rector would preach in the church yard at six, having been denied the church: "All Epworth turned out to hear the town's most famous son. His platform was his father's table-tomb, near the end of the ancient stone church. The dramatic scene has often been painted and engraved, and it is sculptured on the Wesley tablet in Westminster Abbey. The people besought him to stay, and he remained for eight days, preaching daily in the church yard from his father's tombstone and in the neighboring villages. 'I am well assured,' wrote Wesley, 'that I did far more good by preaching three days on my father's tombstone than I did by preaching three years in my old pulpit.' Aldersgate had wrought this difference!"

Honey in the Heart

OUR world is within. That which really counts is on the inside. Emptiness within spells emptiness without. What a man brings back from a trip around the world, or from any other trip, depends upon what he started with. The measure of a man is the measure of his world. The following selection in the dialect of the American negro expresses the idea:

Dere's honey in de rose when dey're bloomin' 'roun de dore,
An' dere's honey in de water when it laps along de shore;
Dere's honey in de dew-drop when it glistens on de grass,
An' dere's honey in de glow-worm when at night it flutters past;
Dere's honey in de sunlight dat is shinin' from on high,
An' dere's honey in de cotton fleece a-floatin' in de sky;
Dere's honey in de clover blossom growin' 'long de road,
An' dere's honey in a burden when love helps to tote de load.
Dere's honey at de finish, an' dere's honey in de heart,
An' dere's honey all de way, when dere's honey in de heart.

People and Things

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Lewis wish to anounce the birth of a daughter, Sara Ann, February 24, St. Luke's Hospital, New Bern; weight six pounds.

Mrs. E. O. Peeler wishes her friends to know that she is ill in the Biltmore Hospital, Biltmore, N. C. Her husband is pastor of the Oakley Methodist church near Biltmore. Their friends will pray for her speedy recovery. Mrs. Peeler is her same delightfully cheerful self.—J. S. Williams.

Dr. Robert E. Speer, noted Bible teacher, will be here March 2-7 in a union meeting sponsored by the ministers' association of Fayetteville. All services will be at Hay Street church at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. We will have 100 cottage prayer meetings February 25-27 in preparation for Dr. Speer's coming to Fayetteville.

For Sale—One aluminum communion set which contains 2 36-glass trays, 1 base, 1 top, with maltese cross; 1 No. 3 filler, with bulb, and 1 narrow rim bread plate. Price $20, postpaid. This set is practically new. It has only been used a few times. Address W.C.Sides, Jr., Box 543, Mocksville, N. C.

Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College, spoke to the student body in the college auditorium February 18 on "The Importance of the Individual." He gave living examples in his talk of people of today who are facing the war situation in Europe. In closing Dr. Patten gave the poem, "Man in the Making."

The home of Rev. J. B. Trogdon, pastor of Guilford circuit, located south of Asheboro, was completely consumed by fire last week. Brother and Sister Trogdon were away visiting neighbors at the time and nothing was saved from the well furnished house. It was only partially covered by insurance. They are now living in the home of his son.

It is reported that, pending church union in Scotland, an elderly Scotchman, after voting year after year against the union of the Kirks, suddenly and unexpectedly went over into the union camp. Some of his friends intimated that he had been inconsistent, to which he replied: "No, I am consistent. I still believe union is wrong. I believe it is wicked. But it is the Lord's will."—Selected.

One of the high points of the recent ministers' week banquet at Emory was the announcement that $91,033.75 had been raised on the $100,000 goal of the Parker Recognition fund. This amount was raised by over 2,000 or 39 per cent of the ministers in the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and it was the unanimous wish of the ministers assembled for ministers' week that we give the remaining 61 per cent of the ministers a chance to participate in the raising of the small balance that remains.

Mrs. W. R. Rose of Sumter, S. C., passed away on February 16. Two of her five daughters are connected with North Carolina Methodism. Mrs. Barrett D. Wilson is the wife of the director of music at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh. Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., is wife of the pastor of Forest Hill Methodist church, Concord. Her funeral was conducted in the First Baptist church, Sumter, of which she was a devoted and honored member.—C. C. Herbert, Jr.

The missionary zone meetings that were to have been held in Fayetteville, Hamlet, Biscoe and Sanford on January 20, 21, 22, 23, respectively, but were postponed on account of the flu, will be held on the following dates: Hamlet, March 4; Biscoe, March 5; Sanford, March 6; Fayetteville, Hay Street, March 10. The same daily schedule and the plans that were to have been followed in January will be followed in this case. The zone meeting in each case will begin at 4:30 p. m. and close at 8 p. m. Picnic supper.

On the front page of the issue of February 13 of this Advocate appeared the picture "Search the Scriptures," which had been secured through the courtesy of the United Presbyterian of Pittsburgh, Penn., but by an oversight the credit line was omitted as was the credit line of the Keystone View Company of New York, Inc. We hasten to correct this oversight which we regret.

The Lambda chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial fraternity, held a Washington party on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Louisburg College. Guests of the evening were Dr. and Mrs. Walter Patten, and Professor and Mrs. V. R. Kilby. The entertainment committee, Miss Edna Gillis, Raleigh, and Joe Newsom, Littleton, provided appropriate games and refreshments.

After playing "Sun-Up" to two capacity audiences, "The Footlighters" of High Point College have started work on another production, "Stage Door," which will be given in the early spring, the dates not yet having been announced. Prof. Walter Fleischmann, who directed "Sun-Up," will also direct the staging of "Stage Door." He has been very successful in producing plays with the local students.

Shiloh charge observed temperance Sunday, February 16; 250 petition cards were signed and $7 offering. Friendship church on this charge observed Day of Compassion February 23 and received a $41 offering. This was $17.50 above their goal asked by the district superintendent. Shiloh church has reached its goal of subscriptions to the Christian Advocate (general Advocate).—T. G. Madison, Pastor.

Under the management of Willard Matthews, Miss Helen Pritchard, one of America's leading harpists, thrilled her large audience at Louisburg College with her artistry and pleasing personality, which was indicated by real entertainment for the college students. Miss Pritchard showed her mastery of the harp in a highly diversified array of selections. This performance is the second in the Louisburg College concert series.

At the close of the conference on evangelism in Enfield last Monday, the Rocky Mount ministers' wives held a luncheon at the parsonage, honoring Mrs. Clare Purcell. There were 18 present. Mrs. Purcell, on being intoduced by Mrs. P. F. Newton, president of the group, spoke of her enjoyment of the splendid program of the conference, and she also, in her gracious manner, thanked the "wives" for this courtesy they had extended her. Lloyd Murrie Lee, baby son of Rev. and Mrs. Allen C. Lee, who was baptized by Bishop Clare Purcell at the beginning of the morning service, was chosen mascot for the organization. Mrs. L. C. Larkin, conference president of ministers' wives, announced that the conference luncheon would be held in Rocky Mount March 26, and urged everyone present to attend.—Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley, Sec.

We are happy in our work on the Mocksville circuit. The people have given us a very warm reception. Bethel, Union Chapel and Chestnut Street have purchased a beautiful studio couch for the living room, with Simmons innerspring mattress, and two beautiful odd chairs. Dulin has purchased six nice dining room chairs. We have been given more fresh meat than we knew what to do with along with just lots of other edibles. We have had two generous poundings from Chestnut Grove and Bethel. The finances are in fine condition, and we are hoping for a very successful year with these good people. Zion, a church with 14 members, have painted their church both inside and outside. It looks up-to-date. This is the home church of the Ratledges and Richardsons of our conference. Some of these brethren have fallen on sleep, but Zion, though small now, has made a large contribution to the church.—William C. Sides, Jr., P. C.

The annual formal concert of the High Point College 45-piece band will be given in the college auditorium Wednesday night, March 5, it was announced recently by Olin Blickensderfer, director of the band. The band will play ensembles, regular overtures, and novel numbers. In addition to these, solos will be played and the cornet trio has a scheduled number. Further announcement concerning the program will be made later.

Members of the New Bern district staff met at the district parsonage Monday afternoon, February 17, to discuss district plans for the remainder of the year. The distict superintendent, Rev. J. A. Russell, was in charge. Matters discussed included missions, education, evangelism, lay activities and other interests of the church. Recommendations will be sent to the several pastors of the district. After the meeting Mr. and Mrs. Russell were hosts to members of the district staff and their families in a delightful oyster roast, with more than 20 present.—C. W. Robbins, Reporter.

One of the finest pieces of training done with the older pupils in the Methodist Girls' School of Singapore is their training in mothercraft at the child welfare center, under the supervision of Mrs. Loverage, a trained nursing sister. Most of the girls are from Chinese homes. The same girls take care of the same baby over a period of months, giving the baths, keeping the weights and health record, preparing the orange juice and porridge, and most important of all, seeing how various ailments respond to right treatment and how planned and regular feeding improves the health and disposition of a baby. The practical work is supplemented by lectures, and from time to time the girls must take tests from accredited medical people.

Following the report of two of its members who had just returned from a visit to Japan, and in view of the urgent advices of the United States government, the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church on February 20 sent cables withdrawing or transferring to other mission fields all of its missionaries, both men and women, now stationed in Japan, Korea, and in the north and central China areas under military control of Japan. Announcement of this action was made by the secretaries of foreign work of the board at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City. It was pointed out by Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, executive secretary of the Division of Foreign Missions, and one of those who visited Japan, that this action was taken in compliance with the American government's desire, as a precautionary measure, to remove all its nationals from these areas, and also because of the Methodist Church's desire to relieve from embarrassment the Christians of Japan, Korea and occupied China.



In China . . . 1941

Children . . . refugees . . . in China. What does tomorrow—even the rest of today—hold in store for them?

ANOTHER GOOD MAN GONE TO HIS REWARD

Rev. J. H. Brendall, Sr., a retired Methodist preacher, passed to his reward on Wednesday, February 19, at 1 o'clock at the Chatham Memorial Hospital in Elkin.



Rev. J. H. Brendall

Dr. Brendall had been in failing health for some time, but like all men, he thought he was slowly improving and would eventually be well again. But late in January he suffered a slight stroke of paralysis from which he did not recover. On Saturday, February 1, we took him to the hospital at Elkin, where he lingered until the end came.

His funeral was conducted at Muir's Chapel on Thursday, February 29, by the pastor, assisted by Rev. Kenneth Goodson and Dr. C. C. Weaver. We laid his body to rest in the Westgreen Memorial cemetery to await the resurrection when he shall answer to another roll call.

Dr. Brendall was a good man. He loved the church, and notwithstading he was nearing his 83rd birthday he was always present at the Sunday morning service and attended Sunday school as regularly as any young man When he got too feeble to walk from his home to the church some one would go and bring him in his car. He always led the opening prayer at the morning service, and we all loved to her him talk to the Lord.

A full account of his life and death will be prepared later and published in the Advocate.

A Friend and Brother.

THE BATTLE CRY OF FREEDOM IS FEED 'EM

It is written that Roosevelt the First expressed his admiration of the Methodist Church by saying it was a singing church, a pioneering church and a church with an organization. If those marks still distinguish us all is well. But the organization sometimes bothers me. And I like to chime in with movements and crusades outside the well worn groove. As a pastor I especially promoted the appeals that were outside and over and above the budget—"the budget"—that modern golden calf which we set up for the organization. The Master might say about all this business, "This ye ought to have done," but he would not exempt us from "this other" also. I have a plain conviction that this Compassion Sunday offering for human misery and religious succor is close to his heart. Every pastor and member should rally with glad enthusiasm to this opportunity, and the budget will not suffer when we do this humane and Christ-like service. And I would not forget that it is the great organization which also promotes this good work and makes the million dollars so easily possible. L. B. Hayes.

THE BIBLE

Cities fall, empires come to nothing, kingdoms fade away as smoke. Where is Numa, Minos, Lycurgus? Where are their books? and what has become of their laws? But that this book no tyrant should have been able to consume, no tradition to choke, no heretic maliciously to corrupt; that it should stand unto this day, amid the wreck of all that was human—surely there is a very singular providence, claiming our attention in a most remarkable manner.—Bishop Jewell.

MRS. HENRY PFEIFFER, BENEFACTOR OF BENNETT COLLEGE, VISITS GREENSBORO

On last Monday evening Bennett College welcomed its greatest benefactor, Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, who was accompanied from New York City by Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. James. She remained at the college until Wednesday morning.

In celebration of her annual visit the senior day program was held in the Henry Pfeiffer Science Assembly Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock and on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock a Negro arts recital was given by the Arts department of the college under the sponsorship of a



Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer

Greensboro citizens committee, including Dr. W. C. Jackson, administrative dean of Woman's College, Mrs. Laura W. Cone, Dr. Silas A. Peeler, Judge William M. York, Mayor Huger King, Stark S. Dillard, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and J. A. May, president of the Merchants' Association. The program presented creative work of Negro artists in the fields of music, poetry and the dance.

Mrs. Pfeiffer, widow of Henry Pfeiffer, manufacturer and philantropist, is a unique figure in the field of educational philanthropy, and since 1930 has been far and away the most liberal individual donor to institutions of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer first blessed Bennett College in 1934 with a donation of $247,000 to match a $250,000 endowment grant of the General Board, New York City. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Pfeiffer's generosity continued through the years—her gifts for specific buildings and purposes totaling $614,000, with the greater part bringing matching sums from the General Education Board.

Long Interested in Education

Mrs. Pfeiffer became interested in the problems of the South when, as a young bride, she drove with her husband, who was at that time a salesman of pharmaceutical goods and was laying the groundwork for his subsequent great business success in pharmaceutical and chemical products.

Her philanthropies are international in scope. She is one of the most liberal supporters of the foreign missions of the Methodist Church. In the South her generosity has not been confined to Bennett College, for at Misenheimer, this state, she has built a junior college from its beginning to its present flourishing state. At Cedartown, Ga., Mrs. Pfeiffer has built the Ethel Harpst Home and School for Children, and besides this she and Mr. Pfeiffer have made large contributions to several colleges in Florida.

Mrs. Pfeiffer's Benefactions

It is interesting to summarize the generous donations of Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer as they have been tied in with other aid to Bennett College.

The 1930 conditional grant of $250,000 in endowment by the General Education Board was met with a gift of $247,000 on the part of Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer for erection of a dormitory, a central heating plant and a science hall. Then $38,000 was granted by the General Education Board for equipment of the science hall and for new library books.

Then a year or so later Mrs. Pfeiffer gave $100,000 in endowment and $100,000 for erection of Annie Merner Hall, a modern dormitory. The last sum was matched by the General Education Board with construction of the Thomas F. Holgate Library. Incidentally, the Carnegie Public Library for Negroes is on the campus and works co-operatively with the college library.

In 1939-1940, Mrs. Pfeiffer and associates donated $20,000 for landscaping the campus. The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church erected Carrie Barge Hall, a new dormitory, at cost of $75,000. Mrs. Pfeiffer's donation of $150,000 for the chapel, now nearing completion, brought the crowning touch of adequacy to the college's plan of growth.

In all, Bennett College in six years has received $1,327,000 for capital expansion, many of the benefactions coming from various friends and foundations other than those named above.

"YOUNG PEOPLE KEEPING IN HARMONY WITH CHRIST DURING DIFFICULT TIMES!"

Growing out of the conviction that young people sincerely desire to keep themselves in harmony with Christ even in the midst of difficult times, the joint councils of the young people's division of Dilworth Methodist church have agreed that some constructive and attractive program should be made available for our young people. We have, therefore, given ourselves to the task of bringing to Dilworth church for the week-end of March 7, 8 and 9, such Christian leaders as we believe to be in sympathy with young people in the facing of their problems, and who are, themselves, interested in giving them inspiration and direction in adjusting themselves to times such as ours in a Christian way.

To this inspirational conference we are inviting all interested young people and their adult leaders of the Charlotte area, who would like to come with us as we shall undertake to bring ourselves into harmony with Christ inwardly and outwardly. To realize this purpose the program has been arranged. Will you join us reverently in this search for a better way of life?

Howard P. Powell,
Pastor Dilworth Methodist Church.

The question to be asked at the end of an educational step is not "What has the child learned?" but "What has the child become?"—J. P. Monroe.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE TO MEET IN WEST MARKET STREET CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The annual conference meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service scheduled for March 26, 27, 28, at West Market Street church, Greensboro, will bring to this city a delightful group of about 650 women. This meeting is of historical significance because it is the first convocation of the women of the three former groups of Methodism, the Methodist Protestants and the Northern and Southern branches of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The program will be directed largely to the ideals and objectives of the combined organizations. West Market Street church is honored and delighted to be the meeting place of the conference. Having from the beginning and through the years contributed largely in leadership and gifts to the missionary cause, she is proud of her tradition and heritage. Sharing equally with her in a spirit of genuine pleasure and hospitality, all the Methodist women in Greensboro are planning for what they hope will be a meeting of exceptional interest and inspiration.

WHERE HE WILL BE AT HOME

Honorable Raymond McCrary of Lexington, N. C., a great lover of all beautiful things, has from time to time given to his friends and neighbors products of his pen that merits a wide circulation. Such a gem appeared in last week's issue of The Dispatch, which is his home town paper. Listen to Mr. McCrary:

"And so Dave Leonard is gone. We will miss him. We will miss his smiles, his good cheer, his happy voice, his good humor, his waving of his hand in salutation to his friends. The world is not quite so bright with him out of it. He had a wonderful disposition and kindness was one of his finest qualities. Gloom and sorrow were strangers wherever he was present. He meant no harm to anybody. We hope he's gone to a world where the sun always shines bright and sorrows never come and tears never flow. Dave would not be at home in any place except one like that. It would seem wrong for him to be anywhere else."



Orphaned Missionaries . . . 1941

The new hospital which Sister Hanson built at Old Umtali. There are two wards—one for men, one for women. Near this hospital is a new and similar maternity building.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT NEWS—BOND'S BURNING SERMON

On the night of February 10 the Union County Y. P. Union held its regular monthly meeting at Indian Trail Methodist church. There were in attendance some 200 young people. The district superintendent, Dr. G. T. Bond, and Brother J. W. Fitzgerald, missionary secretary for the Charlotte district, were the speakers.

The young people of the district are getting enthusiastic over the young people's missionary institute which is to be held at Central church, Monroe, on the night of March 17. An impressive array of speakers have been arranged for this meeting and we are assured of a great meeting.

Rev. I. L. Shaver, returned missionary to Japan, has been speaking at many places in the Charlotte district. He has created much interest in the approaching missionary institute which is to be held soon in the district.

He spoke at Belmont Park Methodist church Sunday, February 16, at 7:30 p. m. The auditorium of the church was crowded as they listened to the challenging message of Brother Shaver.

Recently there was held in Wadesboro a pastors' conference. All the pastors of the county were invited to the home of Rev. C. P. Bowles. Bishop Clare Purcell, Dr. G. T. Bond, and Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary of conference board of education, were present. These leaders and the pastors were engaged during the day discussing the problems incident to rural Methodism in Anson county. A great interest was shown in the educational program of the church in rural areas.

Rev. J. L. Rayle and his good people have completed paying the debt off their new educational building at Harrison Chapel. It is a beautiful and serviceable building which will meet the needs of the Harrison Chapel community for a long time to come. Brother Rayle has endeared himself to his people and all indications are for a very favorable and profitable year on the Pineville charge.

G. T. Bond's Fiery Message

Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent of Charlotte district, brings a fiery message. This can be attested by the Zion Methodist church on the Unionville charge. The day of the quarterly conference had arrived. The district superintendent had arrived a little early and was speaking with some of the church leaders with regard to their new church. The matter of insurance was raised. It was learned that insurance was carried on the new building, but the old church building just immediately behind the new structure carried none. The district superintendent encouraged them to carry adequate insurance upon all property of the church. When the hour of morning worship arrived Dr. Bond and Brother Mills began their service. Dr. Bond began his discourse and was beginning to warm up to his subject when he saw the bulk of a large colored man loom before him in the front door.

"What is it, John?" addressed the Dr. Bond.

"Yore church is on fire!" answered the colored man.

Hastily Dr. Bond dismissed the congregation and all the men went to fight the fire. Soon the fire was extinguished and all were reassembled in the church auditorium.

Dr. Bond proceeded immediately into the business matters of the quarterly conference. The matter of insurance was duly considered and provision was made for adequate coverage.

Several brethren were asking the district superintendent for the outline, at least, of that flaming message at the ministers' meeting last Monday morning. Possibly others are not carrying adequate insurance. John H. Carper.

THE WOMEN CONTINUE THEIR GOOD WORK

This week three more districts get in their list of names of those who are to look after the North Carolina Christian Advocate in their several societies of Christian service. These are: Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence, Sanford, Fayetteville district; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, Raleigh district; Mrs. F. E. Branson, Canton, Waynesville district.

This is all very fine. Our only regret is that "favorite photograph" did not come with the list. We hope to have in hand before long the complete lists of districts and the photographs yet due.

We note that many of the zone meetings will he held soon. This will be a fine occasion to get a good start on securing new subscriptions for the Advocate. We are thankful for what has already been done even before our organization is complete.

Recovering the Evangelistic Sermon

By DR. S. A. MAXWELL

(Concluded from last week)

Yes, the word must be on the preacher, a divine burden, a pressure and a potency, an inrushing tide from an infinite deep, that floods his own heart and life to the depths, before he can prepare or deliver the evangelistic sermon. It involves a question of purpose and emphasis. It is genuinely Biblical and gathers its emphases from those evident in the Gospel. The evangelistic sermon is the vehicle of the Bible and true to its supernatural revelation, discovers and sets in true light the peculiar glory and greatness of man. Loyal to the Bible the evangelistic sermon does this in its own peculiar way. If it represents man as a wrong-doer, it does not put that wrong-doing on a small, paltry, puny scale; he is a great wrong-doer and the very essence of his sin is made to consist of an act of audacious rebellion against the Supreme Majesty of the universe. Only a greatbeing, like man, would venture upon such an act. If the evangelistic sermon describes man as in peril on account of his sin, it unfolds that peril as being vast, tremendous, and immeasurable, a peril such as a great transgressor only, not some petty criminal, would be likely to incur. If it describes man as in ruins, it is the ruin of a mighty and glorious being, such as Horace Bushnell so fittingly describes in his sermon, "The Dignity of Human Nature as Shown by Its Ruins." If a man is overtaken by guilt, in the evangelistic sermon, the matter is of such importance that God himself sets out on a search for him, to rescue him and to restore him to righteousness. If the man is to be redeemed, it is not by silver or gold, or by the blood of any dumb animal, or by any cold process of merely naturalistic development, but by the incarnation of Divinity, the voluntary condescension of the Eternal Saviour to the pain, the suffering, the limitations, and the whole round of experience of our human life. Yes, the constant, pervading assumption in the evangelistic sermon is that man is a spiritual being, sprung from God, open to God, made for the highest righteousness, carrying about in him now God-like faculties, equal to direct and intimate communion with the great Creator of his being, permeable and inspirable by God. This is the distinct way in which the evangelistic sermon treats man. The evangelistic enterprise is measureless. Such an enterprise as discerned in the mind of our Saviour seems so vast, inclusive, and far-reaching, involving, as it does governments, nations, and centuries; the work seems so intricate, so complex, so difficult, so slow, so stupendous, that, in spite of ourselves certain undefined, secret benumbing doubts are engendered, even in loyal, earnest Christian hearts. No wonder the evangelistic sermon at times resorts to proverbs that overstate a point, and rejects qualifications, for the sake of calling attention in emphatic fashion to some pivotal truth. In this respect the sermon is following the method of the Master. The evangelistic sermon takes aim. It pleads for a verdict. No doubt the use of the pulpit for lecturing as a substitute for preaching has done more than anything else to reduce its evangelistic influence, and to produce both in the speaker and the congregation a sense of unreality. The evangelistic sermon takes the straight cut. It admits of no detours.

In recovering the evangelistic sermon we will discover the solution to many problems now vexing our leadership. It will generate the spirit of brotherhood in the congregation and among the ministers without obliterating the essential distinctions. It will beget loyalty and unqualified devotion to the whole program of the church. It will inspire evangelism in the whole enterprise. It is not a new anything that we need. It is just the recovery and use of the evangelistic sermon. When the pastors recover the evangelistic sermon they will go down to the little discredited group in the hall or tent and recapture the revival meeting and turn it loose in First church with all of its lovely surroundings. Then what a day it will be! First church will no longer be a class church but an evangelistic center. Yes, the poor and the neglected will stream into our congregations throughout our land. The evangelistic sermon in First church will burn out false and harmful distinctions. The poor will have the Gospel preached to them from its pulpit. Beware of the evangelistic sermon unless you want a real revolution! It will remake every class church. It will draw in the poor, the needy, and the neglected. Why not have these with us in the church instead of in the upstairs hall down in the slums? Paul, the apostle to the Gentiles, was a tent-maker, and poor; Hilderbran, the great ecclesiastical statesman, afterward Gregory VII, the greatest of the popes, was poor; Martin Luther was the son of a North Saxon miner, and poor; Jeremy Taylor, whose pen dropped gold, Sir Richard Arkwright, the inventor of the spinning-jenny, and Turner the great landscape painter, all graduated from a barber shop. Shakespeare's father was a grazier, and Cardinal Wolsey was a butcher; Ben Jonson worked with a trowel in his hand and a book in his pocket; Farady was apprenticed to a book-binder until he was twenty-two years of age; Sir William Herschel began life as a hautboy-player in a regimental band; Claud Lorraine, the great French landscape painter, was first an apprentice to a pastry cook; John Bunyan was a tinker; Copernicus was the son of a Polish baker; Richard Cobden was a London warehouse boy, whose masters told him not to waste too much time in reading; Ben Franklin was the son of a Boston tallow-chandler. And Patrick Henry, by whose fiery and resistless eloquence Virginia was swept into the tide of the Revolution, was poor; and William Henry Harrison was poor; and Henry Wilson was poor; and James A. Garfield was poor; and the Gallilean Christ had not where to lay his head. Empty First church of the men who were first poor, and you would paralyze its strength. If her membership was comprised of only those converted at her altars how small she would be. Then let First church take the lead in recovering the evangelistic sermon and recapturing the revival meeting.

Yes, our neglected people like the best kind of preaching when it is simple enough to be understood and warm enough to be felt by them. They are just like other folk in preferring a great church with a crowd of people, and all the stimulus of the crowd, to a little hut with a handfull of people. They like the better music, the organ, the

full choir, the good soloist, the stir and inspiration of the big assembly. But most of all they are hungry for the evangelistic sermon. Pastors, First church is as ready for this recovery and just as hungry for it as is the little church off the highway. What thrill for us if we recover the evangelistic sermon. What unlimited power is involved in its use. What conquests can be waged.

"And there I shall hear men praying the deep old-fashioned prayers,
And there I shall see once more the fond old faith confessed,
And the strange old light on their faces who hear as a blind man hears—
'Come unto me, ye weary, and I will give you rest.'"

When the revival is taken away from the local church and the evangelistic sermon is rarely heard, strange days are upon Methodism. The evangelistic sermon is the indispensable vehicle of the revival, the indispensable message in redemption, and without it reform movements perish for sheer lack of spiritual vitamins. Let us recover and use it!

"OUR DAILY BREAD"

By Allen P. Brantley

"Give us this day our daily bread" is a prayer for a universal human need. It is recognized and ordered by Jesus himself. He refused to supply the spiritual needs without supplying the physical as well. The five thousand hungry souls were to be supplied with bread as well as with spirituality. It is no use to preach goodness alone to souls that are withered and bodies that are starving. The hungry body will not be very receptive to spiritual food for their daily needs. It was his praying that our daily needs should be supplied. For the problem of the people's bread was ever uppermost in his mind. "Give us this day our daily bread" was a direct commitment, on the part of Jesus, as being interested in the physical needs and necessities of life. Bread is used as a symbol in this prayer to represent more than the mere food that the body demands, it is rather an all-inclusive symbol that represents the needs and necessities of life other than food alone.

Jesus was no dreamer, he was the greatest realist that ever lived. He knew that hunger was the genesis of discontent, while discontent is the incubus that gives birth to strikes, walkouts and troubles of all kind. Every man and women, boy and girl are born with certain inalienable rights, one being the right to have food enough to live. God's garden is provided with ample supply for all his children until someone begins to hoard it, then there is trouble; it always has been and always will be. We have little sympathy for people who are too lazy to work, but for people who are all but crying for jobs that they may make an honest living, it gives us serious concern. Is our economic system all that it should be when storehouses are filled and running over and people are starving? When food is destroyed and children go hungry? But the modern shylock would say what does it matter if people are hungry, we must have our prices. And we would call this a Christian civilization.

This prayer has a tendency to relieve mental anxiety. When a person is relieved of the awful anxiety of whether he is going to have food enough, or whether his job is going to last, then he can apply his surplus energy in building up his cultural, social and spiritual interests of life. We do not ask for riches or great storehouses to be filled. But we do ask for enough so that our lives may not be marred by over anxiety for tomorrow's needs. Jesus knew how hard it was for people to heed spiritual teachings unless they could be liberated from their worry. In his first temptation he was tempted to make enough bread for everyone. Looking down the ages he no doubt saw innumerable phantom hosts of the world's hungry people. Doubtless he saw stretching out into an endless sea millions and millions of the world's hungry men and women, mothers clasping puny children to their shriveled breasts, fathers tearing open their ragged shirts to show the bones beneath the skin and stretching out lean and boney hands in supplication, while all around like the moan of the sea there went up the cry, "Bread, bread, bread."

Was man ever made to be a common slave to work morning, noon, and night without a chance for expression? Must he drive like a gally slave without rest for the weary body and the forlorn soul? "Who made him dead to rapture and despair, a thing that grieves not and that never hopes.? Whose breath blew out the light that was in this brain, and how will the future deal with this man and how will it be when this dumb terror shall rise to judge the land after the silence of the centuries?"

When the cry for more money and for better wages go up from the underworld, it is a cry for more life, for more beauty and for more truth. This is a cry which ought to find a noble response in every man's heart no matter what class or party he belongs. It is the cry of humanity for life.

After all is said and done we must remember that bread should not be the complete motivating power in life. In ways past man's finding out God supplies man's needs especially those of the household of faith. He will give us today in this sense tomorrow's bread.

SUPREME COURT SPEAKS

It is urged that, as the liquors are used as a beverage, and the injury following them, if taken in excess, is voluntarily inflicted, and is confined to the party offending, their sale should be without restrictions, the contention being that what a man shall drink, equally with what he shall eat, is not properly matter for legislation.

There is in this position an assumption of a fact which does not exist, that when the liquors are taken in excess, the injuries are confined to the party offending. The injury, it is true, first falls upon him in his health, which the habit undermines; in his morals which it weakens; and in the self-abasement which it creates. But, as it leads to neglect to business and waste of property and general demoralization, it affects those who are immediately connected with and dependent upon him.

By the general concurrence of opinion of every civilized and Christian community, there are few sources of crime and misery to society equal to the dram shop, where intoxicating liquors, in small quantities, to be drunk at the time, are sold indiscriminately to all parties applying. The statistics of every state show a greater amount of crime and misery attributable to the use of ardent spirits obtained at these retail liquor saloons than to any other source.—The Supreme Court of the United States. Crowley vs. Christenson, 137 U. S. 86.

AN APPRECIATION OF JULIUS WALDEN HARRELL

In the city of Nashville, Tenn., which had been his home for seven years, there fell asleep on Friday, February 7, Julius Walden Harrell in his twentieth year, a young life singularly full of beauty and promise.

Julius was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Costen J. Harrell and grandson of the late Dr. Julius Walden of Athens, Ga. His grandmother, Mrs. Julius Walden, survives him, and also his aunts, Miss Julia Walden and Mrs. Audley Morton; an aunt, Mrs. Marvin Self, Farmville, N. C., and an uncle, Mr. T. C. Harrell of Greensboro. Dr. Harrell, Julius' father, is at present pastor of the West End Methodist church in Nashville and therefore, born and reared in a Methodist minister's home, and inheriting the history and traditions of his grandfather, a distinguished minister of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Julius was in a special way a "child of the manse." The influence of this fact was early manifested by the boy's growing interest in the church, the beauty of its ordinances and ritual. He loved its services. He shared in its ministry of music.

His life developed into splendid young manhood, well trained in preparatory schools for what seemed to promise a brilliant college career, and endowed by God with singular gifts in literature, in music, in debate. Stricken at the beginning of his university work, he courageously faced for nearly three years,and as the months passed, a steadily losing battle, always with high hopes, always answering each new challenge with steadfast purpose to do his best, longing to make some contribution to the needy world, to the church of his fathers, to the kingdom of God. But God had higher service for his willing young hands and gifted mind to undertake, unfettered, in the larger life.

Julius' memory had been stored through childhood with the precious truths of the Word of God. He knew by heart the literary gems of Christian faith. They came to him as he still fared on and felt his pathway leading upward toward the light. The struggle to do and be in God's service had not been for naught. As his mother sat by his bedside, she heard him say, with sweet insistence, "Mother, you must get them for me!" She replied, "What is it you wish, my dear boy?" And the reply came, "My rod and my staff." Then, the loving mother repeated to him the well known lines of the Shepherd Psalm, and at the close said, "There, you have your rod and your staff," and he was content and at rest again. That calm allegiance, that steady flame of courage, that patient loyalty were not lost upon those who served him—doctors, nurses, servants—they tell, with tear-dimmed eyes, the gripping power of this young life upon their hearts and the glow its radiance has left across their pathway.

His fraternity, D.K.E. of which his grandfather had been a member in old Washington and Lee days, honored Julius with their pin, though he had never been initiated and their admiration and love were shown at the last impressive rites as they stood silent and sorrowing on the quiet hillside of Mt. Olivet.

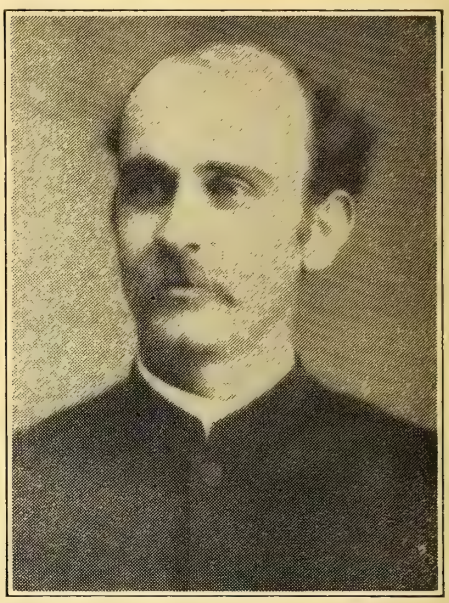
Bulwer-Lytton's words seem singularly appropriate:

"No life can be pure in its purpose
And strong in its strife,
And all life not be purer and stronger thereby."

And God will bless the memory of this noble young life translated so early to its higher fulfillment, and doubtless there will come to those companions whom he knew and loved and whom he has left awhile, the thought of taking up the torch his hands have flung to them, and of asking, deliberately, and with supreme willingness to answer, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" A Friend.

REV. F. M. SHAMBURGER LAID TO REST

In Oxford, Thursday afternoon, February 25, 1941, the chancel banked with flowers and the church filled with friends, neighbors and more than twenty of his brother ministers along with the family paid a last tribute of love and respect to this good minister of Jesus Christ. Frank



Rev. F. M. Shamburger

M. Shamburger, 81, graduated from Trinity College in June, 1883, and he joined the North Carolina conference at Statesville that fall. For forty-nine years he was, with the exception of a term as presiding elder of the New Bern district, in the pastorate. Since his retirement in 1932 the family had lived in Oxford. It was a long journey from Statesville across 58 long years to the final service in the Oxford church and Elmwood cemetery.

Devotion to the work of the ministry and fidelity to the task assigned him were leading traits of this dear brother who lived and labored in his day and generation free from guile and above the reproach of his fellows. The love and devotion in that home was beautiful to behold. The two daughters were and are the finest of our womanhood. The mother, who more than half a century ago left Baltimore to share the lot of an itinerant Methodist preacher has much to rejoice her heart in these later years.

Taking part in the funeral services were Rev. C. Freeman Heath, the pastor, Rev. O. W. Dowd of Dunn, Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent of the Fayetteville district, and Rev. I. S. Richmond of Erwin.

One time presiding elder in New Bern district, as already stated, Brother Shamburger served pastorates in Raleigh, Edenton Street church, Tarboro, Kinston, Laurinburg, Rockingham, Wilmington, Oxford, twice, Roxboro, Hertford, Weldon and Mt. Gilead.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Della Rowena Norman Shamburger, a native of Baltimore, Md.; two daughters, Mrs. Kerr Taylor of Oxford and Mrs. Pierce Johnson of Weldon. He also leaves seven grandchildren, Frank S. Taylor of Raleigh, Mrs. H. G. Hardin of Winston-Salem, Louise and David Kerr Taylor of Oxford, Frances. Mary Pierce, and Lee Johnson of Weldon.

DAVID CORNETT OF MARION THE VICTIM OF A TRAGIC ACCIDENT

David Cornett, 20-year-old Marion youth who had set his heart on enlisting as a flying cadet in the army air service, died in Marion Wednesday, February 19, the victim of an accidentally discharged gunshot.

The accident occurred Monday night as he was cleaning a small rifle in his room while his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Cornett, were away from home. The bullet struck him in the face and lodged in his brain. Dr. G. B. Justice, county coroner, said the shooting was "obviously an accident" and that no inquest would be necessary.

The young man was found unconscious in his room late Monday night by his father, the superintendent of the Marion district, upon returning home and wondering if David had gone to sleep with the light burning.

The minister told how his son had been deeply interested in aviation and was preparing to leave Wednesday for Ft. Bragg to take physical examination given volunteers for pilot's training.

Connected with Drexel Furniture Company in Marion, David had made arrangements to leave his work for three days and be allowed to return to his position in the event he should fail to pass the examination.

The funeral services were held in Marion Thursday afternoon, February 20, and were conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte and Rev. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Marion Methodist church. This tragic accident has brought sorrow to a host of friends of the young man and of the family, and they extend their warmest sympathy to the stricken family in these hours of their grief.

MESSAGE OF S. A. STEWART FROM JAPAN

Another meeting of our Japan Mission Council has been held. Bishop Baker and Dr. Diffendorfer, executive secretary of the Foreign Department of the Board of Missions, were with us. They were most welcome and most helpful visitors. Their addresses and sermons were thought provoking and far-reaching in their sweep. Bishop Abe of the Japan Methodist Church appeared twice and told of his relation to recent happenings. He spoke of that which has been sweeping over this country since last summer as a "typhoon." In one address he gave us a running outline of the events that had occurred in Christian circles since that time. The point to note is that in government circles there are those who are friendly to Christianity, and there are those who are decidedly hostile. And it is generally known where the hostility heads up. In the second address he told us of the plans for church union. He is very hopeful of the outcome. He does not think this is just due to outside pressure—the movement for union, I mean—but is the realization of the inner desire for union on the part of the Christians of the land, a realization which is being speeded up by the present situation.

There were many interesting features of our meeting, but there is not time to write of them now. It was decided by the bishop and his cabinet that a few of us should at once return to America on "advanced furlough." My wife and I are among the number. Our age, the state of our health, and the tense world-situation seem to have been the determining factors. We are reluctant to go. But it seems best. We are very busy packing right now, as we are planning to sail in February. We hope to spend a few weeks on the Pacific Coast, and then go leisurely to North Carolina when spring opens up.

S. A. Stewart.

BISHOP BALLOCH

Bishop Enrique C. Balloch, the newly elected episcopal head of the Santiago (Chile) Area of the Methodist Church, is a citizen of Uruguay where he was born. He



Bishop E. C. Balloch

is a descendant of Scotch settlers in Uruguay. Bishop Baloch is a graduate of the Methodist Theological Seminary (now Union Seminary) in Buenos Aires, Argentina. After a twelve-year pastorate at Central Methodist church, Montevideo, he became pastor of Central church, Buenos Aires, and superintendent of the Capital district in 1933.

KAGAWA IN EXILE

Word comes to us that Dr. Tyohiko Kagawa, noted Japanese Christian, who was arrested several weeks ago by the Japanese military, has been released from prison on the condition that he retire voluntarily on an isolated island. It was to be expected that sooner or later Dr. Kagawa would get into trouble because of his boldness in denouncing the unchristian principles of his government in the prosecution of the Chinese war. It is another instance of the inevitable clash that comes when an outstanding Christian leader defies the unchristian activities of his government. It is still a live question with many as to whether or not a man's conscience belongs to Caesar or to God.—Arkansas Methodist.



In China . . . 1941

All that remains of what was once home and a family-supporting business, China.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

"A Mind through which Christ thinks,
A Heart through which Christ loves,
A Voice through which Christ speaks,
A Hand through which Christ helps."

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

In keeping with a plan adopted by our conference a number of years ago to insure the sending of the names of the delegates to the annual meeting PROMPTLY, each president of each local society is asked to send the name of the delegate from her society to the district corresponding secretary (blanks for name provided by the conference), and each district secretary is in turn to send the names of her district to the chairman of entertainment committee of the hostess church. Since the blanks were distributed several weeks ago and the presidents have had sufficient time to elect and send in names of the delegates, we are now asking that each district secretary send these names to Mrs. Charles W. Phillips, 210 South Tremont Drive, Greensboro, N. C., not later than March 5, so that entertainment may be provided for the delegates while in Greensboro. It will save the entertainment committee so much unnecessary trouble if all of the names are in their hands early, so PLEASE let us attend to this immediately.

VISITING SPEAKERS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

We are glad to hear through our program committee that we are to have a number of outstanding speakers at our annual meeting, among them our own conference bishop—Bishop Clare Purcell, who will speak on Wednesday evening, March 26; Mrs. V. F. Devinney, executive secretary Joint Division of Education and Cultivation (organization and promotion) of the Woman's Division of the Methodist Church, whose presence will be an inspiration; Miss Lorena Kelly, one of our W. N. C. conference missionaries to Africa, who will not only bring us a message from the continent of her work there, but also show pictures that will be of interest and value; Miss Mabel Cherry, another of our conference girls, who for 12 years, as a member of the faculty of the Methodist Theological Seminary in Seoul, Korea, has done a most efficient work; and it is hoped that Rev. Charles Clay and Mrs. Clay, who have been in Brazil for several years carrying the gospel to the people of our neighboring nation, and who are now in the States, may also be present. What a feast of good things to which we are looking forward!

We are glad to hear from members of her family that Mrs. J. M. Harbison, mother of our Marion district corresponding secretary, Miss Claudia Harbison, is able to be at home again after spending several weeks in the hospital, following a fall in which she sustained a broken arm. It is also gratifying news to know that Dr. J. W. Harbison, husband of our conference secretary of supplies, is also recovering from a serious illness. We wish for both mother and son a speedy recovery.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We have been pleased to see on a page in our North Carolina Christian Advocate, other than the woman's page, the faces of two of our district corresponding secretaries—Mrs. Z. V. Moss of the Salisbury district, and Miss Amy Hackney of the Asheville district. It makes us glad to know that they have merited the honor which comes to them, through the work that they have done in securing a complete list from their districts of women in each of their societies to look after renewals and subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. We extend our congratulations to these two secretaries, and shall look forward each week to seeing cuts of others of our faithful workers as they complete their lists and send them in to the Advocate office.

A CHALLENGE

The following article is from the pen of Mrs. W. J. Piggott of Irvington, Ky., a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church from the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and brings to us a realization of some of our responsibilities as members of a missionary organization:

Today when the black-out of human brotherhood is setting mankind into warring camps and threatening the world with destruction, the church renews its effort to draw nations together in bonds of fellowship and good will, under God, our Father.

The Woman's Division of Christian Service, one of the strong arms of the missionary enterprise, provides a wide range of interest and service challenging to every woman in Methodism. A woman group in every local church should stand at the center of every forward movement and in proportion as these groups function, will the woman's organization deliver its full strength. The terms of membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service are simply stated: "A woman may become a member by giving prayer, service and an annual contribution of money to the total budget" for the world program of Methodist women. In the thousands of chapels in the open country, as well as in the great churches in populous centers, women can find an avenue of service and an outlet for her interest and energy. Church women readily declare against such evils as war, intemperance, despotism, prejudice, injustice, disease, and their like. The negative stand is good, but the positive position is better. Through departments of the woman's organization in the local church, fellowship may be enjoyed with hosts of Christian women, working constructively to eradicate these and other evils, to build up the local church and community, and to establish righteousness at home and abroad.

A conviction that the Christian church must live and give life to a world shaken to its foundations impress a grave responsibility upon Methodist wonmanhood in every walk of life. —The Methodist Woman.

OUR WORLD OUTLOOK

From China Christian Advocate

Almost every missionary-minded Methodist is acquainted with the beautiful magazine—the World Outlook—which has ministered to the church for almost thirty-one years. So far as we know it is the most beautiful missionary publication in the world, with fine paper, printing and materials and many clear photographs. We understand that its subscription list is a long one, and we do not wonder, for it might well vie with commercial magazines in attractive format and information.

It is expects to enlarge the size and publish more pictures of the arresting phases of the movement toward the kingdom of God on earth. It calls for a subscription list of 100,000 readers. In the great company of 8,000,000 Methodists now enrolled in our church that one in 800 of our church fellowship should keep abreast of our central calling is not an exorbitant asking! We imagine a greater proportion than this read certain commercial magazines every week and every month. We shall be eager to know if the 100,000 respond to this invitation.

When the young people of our great church, with their mothers and fathers, watch for this magazine and read it from cover to cover, 12 times a year, one of the first steps will be taken in the winning of the world for Christ; that of intelligent understanding of the present situation.—February World Outlook.

THE MORNING DAYS

By Grace Noll Crowell

These are the "morning" days—God help us keep
The clear, clean shine of dawn within our eyes;
Help us to sow good seed that we may reap
The autumn gold, and dear Lord, make us wise
To use the swift glad hours of youth for thee;
Help us keep faith with loveliness, we pray,
And give us the vision, Lord, that we may see
That thou are walking with us day by day.

Though this is the age of the Spirit, it is appropriately termed the Christian Era, for the Spirit "takes of the things of Christ alone"; never changes the theme but continues to unfold the "unsearchable riches."—Ecce Deus.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

UNITED IN PRAYER

O God and Father of us all,
Lift from our world its darkening pall;
Forgive our madness, sin and strife,
Turn our goals from death to life.
Create in us a zeal for right,
Help us to share our candle's light;
Impel our hearts to seek thy way,
Guide us to peace, O God, we pray.
(2 Peter 3:13).

Editor's note: This prayer is sponsored by the Standing Committee of World Federation of Methodist Women and has been prepared on attractive illustrated cards which may be secured free of charge from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, O. This prayer should be in the hearts and upon the lips of every Methodist woman everywhere.

ZONE MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Raleigh District

Southern zone: Horne Memorial church, Clayton, March 6.

Northern zone: Plank Chapel, Mar. 7.

Both meetings begin at 10 a. m. and you are asked to bring a light lunch.

Wilmington District

Onslow-Jones zone: Swansboro, March 5.

New Hanover: Wesley Memorial, Winter Park, Wilmington, March 6.

Columbus. Tabor City, March 14.

New Bern District

Tri-County zone: Epworth church, March 4.

Wayne County zone: Fremont, March 6.

All of these meetings will begin at 10 o'clock.

PREPARATIONS IN ORDER

By this time all February meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have no doubt been held and one delegate from each society has been elected to attend the first annual North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service which will be held in First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, March 25-27. Election of delegate is only the first step toward preparations for attending the meeting. The next and exceedingly important step is sending name and one dollar for luncheons to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount, IMMEDIATELY. Another important item in preparations for conference is that each delegate should plan to arrive in Rocky Mount in time to register and be in the church auditorium by 2 p. m. on March 25. We should cheerfully co-operate with our hostess society and with our conference program committee.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, is requesting that all names of members of the former woman's missionary society and the newly organized Woman's Society of Christian Service who have died during 1940 be sent to her AT ONCE. This is necessary if plans to print these names of the memorial roll on the conference programs are accomplished. Please note and heed this request. Mrs. Hillman's address is Box 69, Rocky Mount.

FUND HELPING MANY FOLK

Some time ago Cumberland-Lee zone, the woman's missionary society and the Belle Bennett missionary society of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville, sent a contribution of money to Miss Alice Green, one of our N. C. missionaries in China. Miss Green writes Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, expressing her heartfelt gratitude for the gift and relating interesting stories concerning the widespread good which is being accomplished because of the gift. Some of the money is aiding "Mr. Dan, the grand old man of Carrigen, whose smile," writes Miss Green, "is still wonderful, his faith strong and his witness for Jesus clear and fruitful." A group of 60 children are being fed one meal each day, many of whom come to classes in the morning without having had breakfast. These children are learning trades and are being prepared for future useful citizenship. Some young people who are studying in junior middle schools did not have clothing to keep warm and some do not have food to keep up their strength. The fund is helping to purchase food and clothing for them and for others. Miss Green makes the very significant statement: "It is a joy to be able to relieve suffering and to see people coming back into their own."

MENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC

In May, 1940, the Wake County Council of Social Agencies started as an experiment a mental hygiene clinic in Raleigh. Dr. James Watson, director of mental hygiene division of State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, volunteered his services during this experimental period. During these eraly months of the clinic many persons were interviewed and given mental tests by the psychiatrist. Dr. Watson recommended to the Council of Social Agencies that the clinic be organized on a permanent basis, that funds be secured for its operation and the services of a psychiatrist, psychologist, social workers and secretary be secured. The family service society, an agency of the community chest, agreed to release sufficient time of its case workers and secretary to carry on the work. The committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities of the W. S. C. S. of Edenton Street church envisi;oned the possibilities of such a clinic and the society has appropriated $400 for the operation of the clinic for 1941. The services of Dr. Maurice Greenhill, associate in neuropsyciatry at Duke University; Dr. William McGehee, associate professor of phychology at N. C. State College, and Miss Virginia Long have been secured as clinic psychiatrist, psychologist and case worker, respectively. The board of Mental Hygiene Clinic is composed of Mr. James M. Sapp, chairman; Miss Leah James, secretary; Dr. Bessie Lane, Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, Mrs. J. H. Highsmith, Mrs. James E. Hillman, the last three from Edenton Street church; S. H. Youngblood, R. Eugene Brown, Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Sr., from the community chest. Dr. Watson will be advisor to the board.

GRAVE ISSUE: OUR OBLIGATION

Mrs. P. A. Nicholson, Washington, N. C., writes your editor a hearty commendation of an item entitled "Women and Prohibition," which was published on the N. C. conference woman's page of the January 16th issue of the Advocate. Mrs. Nicholson's letter reiterates the responsibility of Christian women in the matter, a portion of which states: "There is certainly no issue today for us in America of greater importance. With the flower of our manhood in camps away from home influence and surrounded with liquor on every hand and beer being sold under government sanction, we are in a bad way. Hitler even sees to it that he and his soldiers are total abstainers and is drawing money from our breweries which are permitted by our church folk and bringing ruin and destruction all over our land by their votes. Our missionary women, supposed to be the most spiritual ones in our churches, should most assuredly take a decided stand on this question and come to the aid of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, who are fighting against such heavy odds."

$1,000,000 IN ONE DAY

$250,000 to aid British Methodism; $250,000 to meet social and religious needs of our boys in training camps; $500,000 for overseas relief. That sum is what Methodist churches in America will attempt to raise simultaneously on Sunday, March 2, 1941, for these three most needful causes. We cannot close our eyes to these needs. Your editor heartily reconmmends and urges you to read the several articles ranging on pages 6-43 of the March 1941 World Outlook. We shall be more sympathetic and understanding of the meaning of Compassion Sunday for having read them.

JAPANESE MISSIONS UNITING

Miss Laura Chase wrote from Fukouka, Japan: "The great event for our missions thus far in 1940 has been the meeting in Kobe of the three missions which are soon to be united. The program had been worked out by the committee and the housing arranged so beautifully by the former M. E. South missionaries in Kobe that the wheels moved with never a sound,and all energy could be applied to the problems involved. The best thing about the conference was the fine spirit shown by each mission, wishing to be fair but generous to the other two in every way."—The Methodist Woman.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FAMILY TO FAMILY

Our Children's Home family has a mighty high regard for the great Methodist family in the Western North Carolina conference. This regard is founded on the principle of love and dependency. Children like to look to their sustaining parents with a sense of security and with a feeling of gratitude. Since the Children's Home family is farther removed from the conference Methodist family than is ordinarily true of family life, we continue to send messages from dependents to sustainers through the Advocate medium. We want our friends to know how we are getting along from time to time. We will be saying the same thing over and over again. People who love one another ought never to get tired saying so.

SOME SICK, MORE WELL

Some of our boys and girls are still sick, a few having had to stay in the infirmary for ailments brought on by the flu. At present we have 33 children in bed. That seems a large number to those who have to look after their needs and urge their compliance with infirmary regulations. However, a great many more of our children are well, in fact about 375 of them are up and about, looking after their learning processes, and doing something towards the running of this place. We will be mighty glad when the cold winds have passed and balmy spring comes to drive away ailments.

HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The annual meeting of representatives of Methodist hospitals, homes for children, homes for aged and homes for working girls was held in Chicago February 19 and 20. This meeting drew representatives from coast to coast and from the Gulf to the Canadian line. A major portion of the time of the meeting was given to sectional meetings, thus enabling four groups to be discussing their problems and challenges simultaneously. There were, however, sufficient opportunities for the entire group to get somewhat acquainted with one another and the great philanthropic challenge of the church. The next meeting of the Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes will be held in Dallas, Texas, early in February, 1942. Officers elected for the ensuing year are: O. V. Woosley, president; Rev. Chester C. Marshall, superintendent of the Methodist Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, president-elect; Rev. J. H. Groseclose, superintendent of the Methodist Hospital, Dallas, Texas, first vice president; Guy M. Hanner, superintendent of the National Methodist Sanatorium for Tuberculosis and Beth-El Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado, secretary; and Miss Mary Stafford, superintendent of Milwaukee Home for Working Girls, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, treasurer.

METHODIST UNITY

The consolidation of our Methodist people into a compact working organization is coming more rapidly than many thought would be possible. There seems to be an overwhelming conviction that the wisdom of this consolidation is clearly manifest. However, there is yet much to be done in developing loyalties of consolidated institutions and in cultivating altruistic giving in the new make-up. Large numbers of people have been called upon to do things in a different way. Be it said to their credit that a great majority of our people have fallen into the new order in a loyal and whole-hearted way. Some have hesitated, a few have openly antagonized, but we are on our way towards a better understanding and a better way of doing. A big church like ours must continue to do big things. Methodism has come down through the years as an exponent of great thinking and large accomplishments.



She wants the flu to fly

CHILDREN'S QUESTIONS

As in the usual well directed family, we try to pay attention to the inquiries of our children. Our youngsters are to be heard as well as seen. When they raise questions we try to answer them. Of course there are many that cannot be categorically answered. After the passing of Mr. Norman many of our younger children wanted to know where heaven is. They felt sure that their friend had gone there. Others recounted some bad people they had known before coming here. They wanted to know where they went. They were particularly anxious to know whether there is a real hell and whether the fire ever goes out there. Questions that have bothered the theologians through the years now come up for review in our family. Of course we want to talk more about bringing heaven to earth than anything else. But the fact remains that heaven is not always with us.

A DEPARTED FRIEND

It is not our policy to call much attention to the sickness of our workers and the deaths in their families. We are more interested in growing life. However, during the past week one of our choice workers dropped off suddenly. While in the process of actual service S. L. Norman, the supervisor of our heating arrangement in the winter and director of small boys on the truck farm in the summer, suddenly died, literally falling in his tracks. Our entire family has been much affected. "Sid" has gone. However, his good influence still abides. Everyobdy had a good word for Mr. Norman.

BEAUTY CONTEST

The telephone bell has just rung. A good lady teacher over at high school, very much interested in our high school youngsters, wants to know whether two of our girls who have been put in the running for the annual high school publication's beauty contest can go along with the matter. As usual, we have countered with inquiries as to what is involved, the cost of the undertaking, and have tried to evaluate as to whether an emphasis of skin-deep beauty is sufficiently valuable for the involved outlay. This is one of the many questions that come along for evaluation. Our high school youngsters associate with other youngsters. They must not be peculiar. They must not be so institutionalized as to feel apart from the undertakings of their school organizations. At the same time, we feel that they must not be given to superficialities. We have some very pretty girls but we are more interested in their loveliness of character.

POLLY DOODLES ALL DAY

The picture this week is that of Pauline James, eight years old and in the second grade. Pauline, better known to us as "Polly," was one of the first of our youngsters to catch the flu. She is at the infirmary, being one of the two remaining charter members of the flu flare-up. This little girl is not sick enough to be in bed and yet has sufficient recurrences of temperature to not be up and about. So she spends a lot of time just "Polly doodling all day." Her usual smile has returned and the color in the little lassie's cheeks is returning. Poliy is sponsored by the Young Girls' class of Central, Shelby.

THE NEW BUILDINGS

After some unexpected delays the new Brooks building is practically completed. Only a few of the finishing touches are yet to be made. The occupancy of this building will relieve several acute congestions.

The outward construction on the Stockton building has been completed, the rooms have been plastered and only the mill work remains to be done. It is thought that this building will be completed and furnished in ample time for the transference of our High Point children to us by the first of July. Another building is yet to be started.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

VARIETY—The Methodist Orphanage page in this week's Advocate was edited by the Methodist Orphanage high school, under the supervision of Prof. J. O. Sanderson, principal of our school. I feel confident that our friends will read this page with much interest.

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SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION — The scholastic year 1940-1941 marks the third year of membership of the Orphanage high school in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The high school is endeavoring to comply fully with the high standards of this regional accrediting agency.

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FACULTY STUDY—At the beginning of the school year the high school teachers decided to have four professional meetings during the school session. At these meetings an evaluation of the school was to be made. Two of the meetings have already been held. The first of these was concerned with an evaluation of the high school guidance service; the second, with literary service. The remaining two meetings will be held during the spring term.

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GLEE CLUB—The forty-two members of the high school glee club have been extremely busy during the last few weeks preparing the selections for the state music contest. The contest this year will be held in various districts, the Raleigh district date being March 29. For contest selections, the mixed chorus will use "Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee" by Bach; the boys' glee club will sing "Dedication" by Franz; while the girls' glee club will sing "Dearest Lord Jesus" by Bach. The entire school is proud of the glee club and the record it has made during the past three years.

Mattie Kate Muse.

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SENIOR CLASS GIFT—Conspicuously and proudly displayed in the library is a new magazine rack, a gift from the senior class. For a long time there has been a need for a display rack for magazines in the library, and the senior class has very graciously provided this much needed piece of furniture. It is made of oak in a natural finish. Seven graduated shelves give it a capacity of forty-five magazines. In acknowledgment to the seniors for their loyalty and appreciation of the school, a brass plate with the following inscription has been placed on the front of the stand:

"PRESENTED BY THE CLASS OF 1941"

B. P. Smith.

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE—The second grade of the Orphanage school can boast of an unusual attendance record. During the first eighty days (four school months) of this year the the 21 seven and eight year old boys and girls in this grade have had 100 per cent attendance. This record remained perfect until late in the fifth month, when one or two boys had to surrender to the "flu" epidemic. The nine girls in the grade still had perfect attendance at the end of the fifth school month. Such a record speaks well for the pupils and the teacher, Miss Mary Ferree, who has been both a mother and teacher to the first and second grade children in our school for 24 years.

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION — Recreation and athletics are playing an increasingly more important part in the school. Each year a larger number of girls and boys participate in various sports and activities. Tennis, skating, softball, basket ball, baseball and football are playing an important part in the development of a large percentage of the boys and girls. It is not the desire of the school to over emphasize any one sport for the sake of turning out a winning team, but rather to encourage every pupil to take part in a well balanced physical education program. More than half the high school students have been playing basket ball during the fall and winter months. Although the high school teams have not been so successful, as far as winning a large number of games is concerned, they have enjoyed playing and have evidenced a very high degree of sportsmanship.

Ruth Pate.

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SCIENCE CLUB—Developing pictures is proving to be a great deal of fun and must be a very interesting hobby. Last week the senior science club under the guidance of Miss Irma Ragan, the club adviser, set up the necessary apparatus in a dark room previously used for motion pictures in the chapel. The pupils had quite a time covering up "peep holes" in the room, but with the assistance of several boys the work of making contact prints was under way. Miss Ragan spent considerable time in explaining various steps, and by the end of the period several members of the club had developed some reasonably good prints. With eager anticipation the club is waiting for the meeting next Wednesday, when they will attempt to develop several rolls of films, as well as make some more prints. Perhaps before long you will be able to have your favorite snapshots developed and printed by the "Scientists of Tomorrow."

Beretha Woods.

"Are you the barber who cut my hair the last time?"

"I don't think so. I have only been here six months."—Pure Oil News.

How To Relieve Bronchitis

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NEW LEAFLETS AND BOOKLETS

The following new materials which have been produced by the division of the local church of the Board of Edution are now available for distribution. It will be observed that there are two types of materials listed below, namely: first, free materials, which should be ordered from the Service Department of the Division of the Local Church, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.; and second, charge materials, which should be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond.

The free materials listed below have been written primarily for the officers and teachers of the church school and not the rank and file of the church membership. The printing budget of the division of the local church is not large enough to supply these materials free of charge to the membership of the church. Your co-operation therefore is requested in holding down orders for these free materials to such number as is necessary to supply only officers and teachers of local churches.

The conference board of education has a small supply of the free leaflets. If some leader desires only one or two leaflets, we shall be glad to furnish these on request. If a church, however, wants a number of the leaflets suggested, we suggest that they be secured from the Division of the Local Church, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. All charge leaflets are to be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

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2-B Foundations for Tomorrow's Church.
13-B Church School-Rally Day.
20-B Evangelism in the Church School.
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31-B Is Progress Only An Idea?
39-B Varieties of Christian Experience.
40-B The Pastor and the Children.
99-B I Would Like to See Someone Get Him In.
504-B Church Board of Education in the Small Church.
803-B The Tender Pilgrims.
808-B Increasing Membership and Attendance in the Church School.

Adult Department

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401-B The Adult Division of the Local Church.
402-B The Young Adult Fellowship.
403-B Adult Class—Why?
404-B The Adult Home Department.
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415-B Reaching Adults.
418-B A Ten-Point Program of Evangelism for Adults.
429-B Learning for Life School.
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2001-B Program and Organization of the Youth Division of the Local Church School.
2015-B The Call to Youth (Suggestions for Bringing Young People into the Fellowship of the Church).

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33-B Evangelism with Boys and Girls.
79-B Vacation Church School Materials.
112-B The Church and the Nursery Children.
126-B Reaching and Keeping the Children.
172-B Let's Have a Vacation School.
183-B The Children's Division of the Local Church.

Department of Leadership Education

700-B Course for Church Workers.
731-B Do You Want to Be a Better Worker?

Joint Department of Missionary Education

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;607-B The Missionary Education Counselor at Work.
608-B World Service Sunday in the Church School.

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Evangelism Envelope No. 1. The materials in this envelope have been prepared for the officers and teachers of the church school. It is our suggestion that the leaflets in this envelope be distributed among the officers and teachers of the church school.

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96-B How Do We Rate as Parents.
104-H The Little Child and God.
194-H Childhood and the Church.
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804-H A Program of Evangelism in the Church School.
2005-H Worship and Evangelism for Youth.
2020-H A Guide to Personal Evangelism Among Young People:
When You Join the Church (For Boys and Girls).
My Child Joins the Church (For Parents).
Church Membership for Boys and Girls (For Pastors).

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CARRINGTON

Mr. T. E. Carrington,
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Dear Tom:

The board of stewards asked us to draw up some suitable resolutions about you. Every time we have started to do so we have heard you laughing at these whereases and therefores. We know you do not want any of that. So what we shall do is just write you a letter from our hearts.

We remember how you and the few others formed the nucleus about which Calvary church, Durham, was established. You and they were the frontiersmen that set out into the unknown as prospectors who saw the invisible. You were the architects who saw the structure before the mudsills were laid in the dirt. The faith that was in you was the evidence of things not seen and the substance of things hoped for. With the bands of friendship that tied you together and with confidence in God and his cause which upheld you, you men laughed at impossibility and cried, It must be done. With limited means to build with, but with children enough in your own families to fill the Sunday school rooms, you Calvary pioneers pointed your church steeple toward the sky and built an altar for sinners to shed their tears on. We have seen you kneel in consecration and communion and with pentitential prayers at the altar that you helped to build. We and our children are kneeling there during these days and we often feel your presence.

Since you served as superintendent of the Sunday school, you will be glad to know that we are still adding to the structure which rests upon the foundation which you helped to lay. Since you served as treasurer of the church, you will be interested to learn that we are still trying to follow the admonition that you so often gave, Not to assume obligations that we cannot immediately meet. We have added some new members to the board since you moved away, but none of them have been put in your place; we are leaving that open because we feel that you will usually attend the meetings. We want you to know you still have a vote.

Give our love to all of our members who arrived there ahead of you. Tell them we will soon see them when we come up for the reunion.

Fraternally,
G. W. Mumford,
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D. B. Cameron,
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Let's see. Wasn't it David Harum who said, "There's as much human nature in one person as there is in another, if not more?"—Religious Tel.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Authority of Jesus

Luke 19:1 to 20:8

In the midst of his triumphal entry, as he caught sight of Jerusalem, Jesus burst out in loud lamentation. He saw the contrast between what Jerusalem might have been and the fate that awaited it. If the city had accepted the opportunity offered by Jesus he would have made it the spiritual center of the world, just as Athens had been its cultural center in a past age, and Rome was then its political center (Isaiah 2:1-4). But now, alas! they were about to crucify him whom God had sent to be the light of the world, and Jesus knew that in the thick darkness that would settle down upon them they would rise up against the power of the Roman empire in a delirium of a fanatical patriotism and be crushed under its heel.

Our question today is, Does the Lord look down upon America with a similar sorrow? What supreme opportunities have we missed? What blindness has settled down upon us as a nation? What will be the outcome? Will it be war with its dreadful effects upon us and upon our enemies? How little England a few months ago realized the hell that awaited it! Are we equally blind to our future? May God have mercy upon us!

The Cleansing of the Temple

When Jesus entered Jerusalem the weeping Christ suddenly became the Christ with the whip of small cords. Jesus was a combination of tears and lightning. The place where the traders sat was the court of the Gentiles. It was the one place where these wistful pilgrims from afar were allowed to worship. Think how the heart of a pilgrim like the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:27) would sink when he was ushered into a place noisy with wrangling traders and reeking like a stockyard. And still more would it be difficult for him to worship after he had been fleeced by the money changers. Of course every Jew from the high priest down knew that the whole business was an outrage. You cannot get ideas into people's heads by a whip of small cords, but sometimes you can use a whip to remind them of ideas that are already there. Small boys have had this beneficial experience at the hands of their mothers.

Another question for us to ask is, Are we defiling by commercialism such sanctuaries as our Lord's Day, our patriotic and religious holidays, our awe-inspiring natural scenery, and our church buildings? Do we ever allow the dollar sign to obscure the cross?

Naturally the chief priests and the scribes were greatly shocked by this young rabbi who was interfering with their graft and stealing the hearts of the people. So they came upon him in a body one day, demanding, By what authority doest thou these things? How modern is this scene! All over the world today angry officialdom is making the same demand of the true prophets of God.

The answer to the high priest's question was simple. Jesus had the same authority for cleansing the temple and preaching to the people that a bird has for flying without an aviator's license. Our Lord's authority lay in the fact that he spoke the truth and lived it, and his message commended itself to the conscience of every honest man (John 18:37; 2 Corinthians 4:2). And he had the added credential that, inspired by limitless love, he was proclaiming this truth at the risk of his life.

But to have said these things to the chief priests would have been to cast pearls before swine. So he asked them a question: The baptsim of John, was it from heaven or from men? See their faces fall, and embarrassment take the place of arrogance! If we say, From God, he will say, Why did ye not believe in him? And if we say, From men, all the people will stone us. So they had to answer, We do not know. And Jesus said, Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things. Thus suddenly all of the dignitaries had flat tires.

In our Lord's treatment of these hypocrites we see illustrated the fact that goodness is not enough. One must also be shrewd. Nay rather, we see that shrewdness is a part of goodness, and that the harmlessness of a dove is scarcely a virtue unless it be united with the wisdom of a serpent.

"ENGLISH AS SHE IS SPOKE"

The Boston Herald recently had an amusing editorial on the way in which broadcasters and even distinguished newspaper writers use the word "like." "It looks like Boston is going to kick," said the broadcaster. "It looks like the Vichy government is standing up a bit more stiffly," wrote the distinguished correspondent of the New York Times.

This usage is not as shocking as "between you and I" or "Mother baked some cookies for she and I," but it is serious enough to merit attention. Among the scholarly ministers of our free churches there are some who say "for she and I" and "It looks like the church is going ahead." We cannot go too far in our strictures, for the walls of our own house are thin and stones may easily come through.

But it is not too much to say that the greater the truth, the more important it is not to mar it by poor English, and the more public the position that a man holds, the more important it is not to make these glaring blunders.

The dog who strays into church and amiably mounts the pulpit wagging his tail is remembered long after the text is forgotten, and the use of "like" for "as" or the nominative for the objective will create an impression of a man that much good work will not obliterate.——From The Christian Leader.

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ADA BELLE AND THE CHICKENS

"You old hens, you old chickens, roosters! I wish you would fly away to the mountains and never come back!"

The speckled hen replied first. What she said sounded like "Pshaw! pshaw! pshaw!"

Another hen, the yellow one, walked close to the wire netting to say things, and after that all the hens and the roosters and the little chickens flapped their wings and told Ada Belle things she didn't care to hear.

"Keep still, will you? You make me feel cross as a bear," the child went on. "If it wasn't for you I wouldn't have to go over to Mrs. Brown's every day after their old left-overs for you to eat. I can't walk through our garden without looking first across Mrs. Benson's garden to see if the Browns are in their garden. If those Browns see me, no matter when it is, they always call: 'Ada Bells, Ada Belle! Here's a pail of chicken food ready for you. Better come and get it now!' Chicken food, dear me!"

Just at this minute Jimmy Brown saw his little neighbor. "Oh, there you are," he exclaimed in the happiest tones.

From the sound of his voice one would think Jimmy was bubbling over with joy just because he had discovered Ada Bells by looking over his garden fence. "Mother told me," continued the boy, "that I must find you, even if I went to your front door and rang the bell. Come over here, you're wanted."

"I'm wanted, am I? Well, I won't go."

Ada Belle said this with a pout. Then she hid behind the hen house and listened. She expected to hear Jimmy Brown come whistling into the garden with a pan of chicken food. His mother often sent him with it when Ada Belle managed to keep out of the way or pretended to forget.

It was warm behind the hen house—particularly warm, because it was July in Southern California. After Ada Belle had waited half an hour in the sun, she decided it might be safe to cross the garden and swing in the hammock under the pepper tree.

Sometimes it seemed as if all the little girl did was to dodge chicken food. Why she hated to go after it was more than she knew. Mother said that keeping of hens in California was so expensive she was glad to have a neighbor willing to save watermelon rinds, potato parings, and all sorts of things hens appreciated. She was ashamed of Ada Belle. "To think I have a little daughter who is a shirk," said mother. "Do you know, Ada Belle," she often suggested, "that lazy folks work harder trying to avoid work than they would if they did their tasks, oh, much harder?"

While Ada Belle was sitting in the hammock the Bailey twins went by talking and laughing in the merriest fashion.

"Where have you been?" called Ada Belle.

"Over to Mrs. Brown's," answered the blue-eyed twins. "Didn't she 'vite you?"

"'Vite to what?" asked Ada Belle, sitting straight up in the hammock.

"Why, there was a man, I guess he was a poetry man or something. He was her uncle, anyway, and he came from Los Angeles where he's been staying this week; and he brought her a five-pound box of chocolates, and he likes children bettern'n anything. So Mrs. Brown 'vited us all to a kind of 'sprise party, 'cause everybody was 'sprised, and the man told the best stories you ever heard and sang the funnist songs, and we had the finest time. Too bad you didn't get 'vited!" and on down the street went the twins, leaving Ada Belle feeling sad.

"Oh, dear! Oh, dear!" she wailed. "I thought it was chicken feed! I could have gone after it and given it to the hens in three minutes. Oh, dear, why didn't I know it was a party?"

Ada Belle remembered that mother said wise folks always did their work first thing. She was sure George Washington would have gone to the neighbor's every day if it had been his duty. Mother was usually right. "I wish I had gone over when Jim called me," said Ada Belle; and then she cried until her eyes were red.

Half an hour later, when the little girl was moping around the garden feeling as if everything had gone wrong, mother called her. "Come here, Ada Belle," said she. "Let me change your dress and comb your hair. Jimmie has come with a box of chocolates for you and an invitation to dinner. He said to tell you his uncle wishes to hear you recite 'The Ragedy Man,' and if you come over you are sure to have a jolly time."

When Ada Belle was ready to go mother kissed her. "If you would only learn to behave as well as you look," said she, "mother would take such comfort in her dear little girl."

"Do you mean chicken food?" demanded Ada Belle. "'Cause if you do, why, I've decided to go after it every morning forever and ever without being called or sent or talked to. Maybe some time I'll even learn to like the bothersome old chickens."—The Children's Visitor.

A TEACHER'S PRAYER

By Silema L. Stokes

Childish eyes to me uplifted
Ask the way to life so fair,
Seek to find in me the answer
To each groping doubt and care.

Father, grant me of thy wisdom
Bounteous measure, full and free,
For I cannot guide these children
Until thou thyself teach me.

Keep me ever in thy presence,
Guide me, fill me with thy love,
That these precious lambs may follow
Safely to that home above.

Thus may teacher, pupils, hastening
Down the pathway thou hast trod,
Find each doubt, each fear to vanish
In the presence of their God.

THINGS YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW

It's hard to believe, isn't it—that the Pacific end of the Panama Canal is farther east than the Atlantic end?

That Venice, Italy, and Montreal, Canada, are in about the same latitude?

That if an express train had started out from the earth for the planet Neptune at the birth of Christ, and had traveled 60 miles an hour day and night ever since, it would not be halfway there?

That Cuba would reach from New York to Chicago?

That the mouth of the Amazon river is as near to Europe as it is to New York?

That Texas is as large as 212 Rhode Islands?

That when measured in degrees of longtitude, San Francisco is about in the middle of the United States, including Alaska?

That the entire continent of South America lies farther east than Florida?

That Glasgow, Scotland, is in the same latitude as Alaska?

That if the southern end of Chile, South America, were placed at the southern limit of Florida, it would extend northward entirely across the United States and Canada, and halfway across Hudson Bay?—Religious Telescope.

A young couple with a seven-year-old son moved from the city to the country. On the boy's first day at school the teacher asked him who made all the beautiful flowers and trees.

"I don't know," he answered. "I just moved here."

Teacher: "Who can tell me what an island is?"

Tommy: "I know, teacher; it's a hunk of land that went out for a swim and got stuck."

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Hatteras, Buxton, night 2
Williamston, 11 9
Windsor, Cashie, 3 9
Hertford, night 9
South Mills, McBrides, 2 14
Roper, Mackeys, 11 16
Aulander, Roxobel, 3 16
Edenton, night 16
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1 19
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Morehead City, 11 2
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 2
Marshallburg, 7 2
Beaufort, 11 9
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 9
Morehead Ct., 7:30 9
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 16
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 7:30 16
Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
Ayden, 7:30 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9..... 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Greenville, 7:30 4
Mt. Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 11
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 11
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 2
Cary-Apex, Apex, 7:30 2
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16
Tar River, Trinity, 11 23
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 23
Louisburg, 7:30 26
Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Spring Hope, 11 2
Gold Valley, 3 2
Stantonsburg, 7:30 2
Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Southport, 11 2
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 3 2
Wilmington, Grace, 8 2
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 11 9
Carvers Creek, Trinity, 3:30 9
Elizabeth, Wesleys, 7:30 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 16
Garland, Salem, 3:30 16
Wesley Memorial, Bethany, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Shallotte, Village, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30
Whiteville, 7:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
Tabor City, night 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30..... 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 2
Pisgah, 3 2
Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Wadesboro, 11 2
Prospect, Trinity, 3 2
Brevard Street, 7:30 2
Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 ...30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
CHECK-UP RETREAT MEETINGS

March

Advance, Farmington, 2 1
Cooleemee, Farmington, 2 1
Davie, Farmington, 2 1
East Bend, Farmington, 2 1
Farmington, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville, Farmington, 2 1
Mocksville Ct., Farmington, 2 1
Yadkinville, Farmington, 2 1

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Belwood, Kedish, 11 2
Polkville, Polkville, 2:30 2
McAdenville, night 2
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13
Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.
District Missioanry Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.
Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Pleasant Garden, Rehobeth, 10 2
Haw River, Mizpah, 11:30 2
College Place, 5 2
St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16
No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Shiloh, Friendship, 2 1
Farmer, New Hope, 2:30 2
Denton, Jackson Hill, 7:30 2
Ward Street, 7:30 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, 3 9
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 2
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 2
Glen Alpine, 7:30 2
Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, 3 9
Rutherfordton, 7:30 9
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 16
Mill Spring, 3 16
Spindale, 7:30 16
Cliffside, 11 23
Broad River, 3 23
Forest City, 7:30 23

April

Old Fort Ct., 11 6
Gilkey, 3 6
Marion, First, 7:30 6
Burnsville, 11 6
Bald Creek, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 7:30 13
Bakersville, Glen Ayer, 11 20
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Martin's, 3 20
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 20
Elk Park, Newland, 11 27
Avery, Pisgah, 3 27
Old Fort Station, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Statesville, Race Street, 11 2
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 2:30 2
Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Robbinsville, 11 2
Andrews, 7:30 2
Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 9
Fines Creek, Baldwin's, 2:30 9
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 7:15 9
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

March

Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 11 2
Morris Chapel, 3 2
Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 7 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 3
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
North Davidson, Bethesda, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Oeburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the Daughters of Wesley Bible class of Duke Memorial Methodist church, record the passing of Mrs. Myrtle Turrentine Clements from this life to life eternal. She was for many years a member of this class, being among the first to join, and serving as president in 1917. She was always active in every phase of the class work and gave unstintedly of her time and strength in promoting the welfare of the class. Her beautiful character and outstanding personality will forever be cherished in our hearts. She was a true Christian woman, possessing the virtues of love, kindness, sympathy; always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need or sorrow.

We will miss her presence and helpfulness, but what she has meant to this class will never die. May her spirit of love and unselfish devotion linger in our hearts and inspire us to nobler, more useful lives.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we shall cherish her memory and that we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy. Be it further resolved, that a copy be sent to the family, one be placed on the records of the class, and one sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

HAYES—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hayes, honored and beloved members of Friendship Methodist church, Fallston charge, passed to their heavenly reward on January 5 and 24, 1941, just 19 days apart. Brother Hayes was 77 and Mrs. Hayes was 82 years old. These two people had lived well and died in the faith. They leave nine children and 48 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. They will be greatly missed in the church and community. Well done, faithful ones, rest from your labors.

Geo. W. Clay, Pastor.

POWELL—Miss Sudie Powell passed to her heavenly reward the latter part of October, 1940, at the age of 61. She is survived by two brothers, Joe Willis and Watkins Powell, and two sisters, Miss Bettie Powell and Mrs. P. H. Wright. From early childhood she was a devoted member of Battleboro Methodist church. Due to declining health in her last years she was unable to attend church but always maintained an intense interest in its work. Her bright, cheerful disposition and radiant Christian life was a constant source of inspiration to those who knew her. The memory of her life is blessed. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor from the old home near Battleboro, and burial was in the cemetery at Battleboro.

A. M. Williams, Pastor.

MYERS—Mrs. Charles W. Myers, daughter of Lyman and Althea Stanton, was born November 27, 1868, at Fulton, New York. In 1938 she came to Lexington, N. C., to make her home. On Friday night, December 20, 1940, Mrs. Myers passed away suddenly. Rev. H. G. Allen and Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., conducted a simple, dignified service at the Myers home on Saturday afternoon and the body was taken to Cobleskill, New York, for final rites.

Surviving her are her husband, Charles W. Myers, two sons, A. S. Myers of Lexington and Dr. S. W. Myers of Philadelphia; a brother, Howard Stanton of Williamsport, Pa., and a number of nephews, nieces and grandchildren.

Mrs. Myers was a faithful member of the First Methodist church and lived a beautiful Christian life.

John Hoyle, Jr., Pastor.

UNDERHILL—Mrs. Giles R. Underhill, age 74, died at her home, Louisburg, Route 1, January 17, 1941, after a two years' illness. She was the daughter of the late John H. Mitchell and Roxie W. Mitchell and widow of the late Giles R. Underhill. She had lived her entire life in Franklin county in the Hill-King Memorial church community.

Her gentle spirit and gracious personality will be greatly missed. She was devoted to her home and children as all good and true mothers are. Active in the work of her church through the years as steward and trustee, a good woman, mother and neighbor has gone.

Funeral services were held at Hill-King Memorial Methodist church, of which she was the oldest member. Her pastor, Rev. R. H. Nicholson, assisted by Rev. E. H. Davis and Forrest D. Hedden of Louisburg were in charge of the rites. Hymns sung in church were "How Firm a Foundation" and "Abide With Me," and at the grave, "Asleep in Jesus." Interment was in the Hill-King Memorial cemetery. She was a lover of flowers and her grave was covered with many beautiful flowers giving forth beauty and fragrance.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Baxter B. Benson and Mrs. Corydon S. Jones of Raleigh, Mrs. Otis B. Burrows of Louisburg, Route 1; a son, John R. Underhill of Washington, D. C.; four grandchildren, Mrs. Leroy Tucker and Emma Glenn Underhill of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Jimmy Jenkins and Eugene C. Underhill of Washington, D. C.; two great-grandchildren, Elizabeth Ann Tucker and Jerry Jenkins.



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SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION WEEK, MARCH 11-16

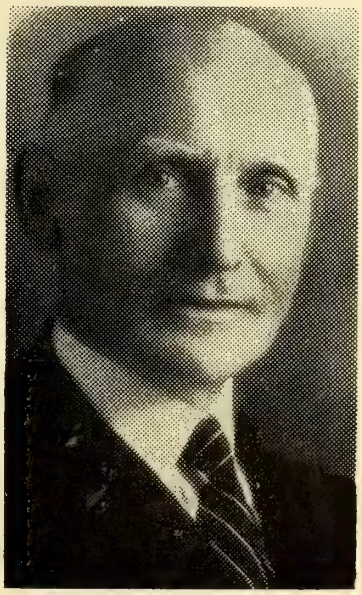
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PROGRAM OF SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION WEEK WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Plans are going forward in a fine way for Spiritual Mobilization Week, March 11-16. Final anouncements, giving full schedule and speakers for each of the meetings, have been sent to all ministers in the Western North Carolina conference.

Following is the complete schedule of area meetings:

Asheville: Tuesday, March 11

11 a. m. and 3 p. m., Central Church—Speaker: Dr. L. D. Patterson, pastor Norwood Methodist Church, Birmingham.

6 p. m., Supper, Central Church—Speaker: Mr. Edgar T. Welch, president General Board of Lay Activities, Westfield, N. Y.

8 p. m., Mass Meeting, City Auditorium—Speaker: Dr. John R. Mott, New York.

(For Asheville, Waynesville and Marion districts).

Winston-Salem: Wednesday, March 12

11 a. m. and 3 p. m., Centenary Church—Speaker: Dr. Patterson.

6 p. m., Supper, Robert E. Lee Hotel—Speaker: Mr. Welch.

8 p. m., Mass Meeting, Centenary Church—Speaker: Dr. Mott.

(For Winston-Salem, Elkin, Greensboro and High Point districts).

Charlotte: Thursday, March 13

11 a. m. and 3 p. m., First Church—Speaker: Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, Washington, D. C.

6 p. m., Supper, Efird's Dining Room—Speaker: Mr. Welch.

8 p. m., Mass Meeting, First Church—Speaker: Dr. Mott.

(For Charlotte, Gastonia, Salisbury and Statesville districts).

The week of effort to mobilize spiritual forces for evangelism, lay activities, and world service will close with the observance of Spiritual Mobilization Day in the local churches on Sunday, March 16.

These meetings will bring a new spiritual resource into the life of the Western North Carolina conference and will be a fine preparation for the Easter and Pentecost seasons.

Clare Purcell.

LIQUOR INVADES NATION'S TRAINING CAMPS

That the Barleycorn tomcat is now "squarely out of the bag," which, up to now, concealed the booze invasion of our training camp areas, has just been revealed in boastful editorial fashion in the latest issue of the Brewers Journal and in lesser lights of the trade press, examined by the Research Department of the American Business men's Research Foundation.

The liquor crowd is closing in on the army training camps. First of all, they say they are "sure" that beer from now on will be flowing unrestrictedly within the camp canteens.

Outside the camps they are swarming into the picture with every lure imaginable for the boys "on leave." Taverns, "juke joints," pool parlors, road houses, night clubs, gambling dens. Worst of all is the latest invention, the "red light" trailer—roaming the highways like jackals "seeking whom they may devour."

The liquor men say the dry groups are already stopped in their tracks. "The government," they say, "will not listen" to church appeals.

But, won't they? The liquor crowd expects soon to have a million new customers from whom they hope to extract a million dollars of training camp pay a week. Perhaps, however, they underestimate the effect of aroused Christian influence, even now beginning to demand that the hard-liquor cordon around the camps shall be abolished—and that beer—only re-admitted recently after 35 years ban, be thrown bodily out of the canteens that otherwise properly minister to the needs of the newly enlisted boys. Are these boys—these soldiers for democracy—to be the first casualties inflicted by the liquor crowd?

THE NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The N. C. Council of Churches under the leadership of Rev. Ernest Arnold, with headquarters in Durham, is continuing its program and enlarging its activities looking toward a finer co-operation between the various denominations in the state of North Carolina. Mr. Arnold is on the go constantly meeting with those who are interested in various communities of the state. The meeting in Greensboro on February 25 brought together some of the leaders of the Council in Greensboro to discuss ways and means of promoting the financial side of the Council's work. Those wishing to make a real contribution to the advancement of our Christian civilization could do no better than raising some money to put at the disposal of the North Carolina Council of Churches.

C. W. Phillips.

THE SPIRIT OF BRITISH METHODISM

"In one district of an English city we found the husk of a Methodist church," says a recent visitor. "Quite by accident we met the minister and he shepherded us around the ruins. It was a tragic story. The faithful little flock were holding their Sunday evening service in the school room when the bombs came. No one inside was killed but several received head injuries. Many, however, were killed on their way home that night. A local preacher who had preached that morning from the text: 'Be not afraid of them that kill the body . . .' arrived home that night after his home guard duty to find that his son and daughter had both perished as a result of the raid. Two other bodies were dug out from wreckage close to the church. It was a pathetic sight to find some little boys' caps among the debris in the Sunday school.

"The minister of this church, one of the faithful few people remained in the community, was not defeated: 'Look! We are holding our services over there in a school room! We began to do so the very next Sunday after the raid had taken place. And,' he added, with emotion, 'my friend, the bereaved local preacher was with us too!'"

KAGAWA NOT IN JAIL

Toyhigo Kagawa, Japan's world-famed Christian evangelist, is not in jail, he is not confined to a "small island" somewhere off Japan proper, and he has not renounced the Christian church.

Various rumors of one or another of these happenings have been abroad in America for some time, but no one of them is true. Dr. Kagawa was in jail—for official questioning—last fall, but he has been free since September.

Last fall, according to Dr. William Axling of Tokyo, Dr. Kagawa was the principal speaker at 119 of the 247 evangelistic meetings held under the auspices of the National Christian Council of Japan in 62 different parts of the Empire. Bishop James C. Baker and Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer had a meeting with Dr. Kagawa during their visit there in January of this year. He had just completed 51 days of strenuous evangelistic meetings and after a week-end of rest, was entering upon another series of meetings. They reported him in good health.

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In the wake of war follows unemployment, poverty, pestilence, disease and often revolution. When the war is over we pay the price. So war is always disappointing, being a cure for nothing—the end is ruin.

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Our prayers and our sympathies go out to all the stricken people of the nations at war. Last Sunday our Methodism made an offering to render some material aid to those forced to endure their present sufferings. May this be more than a friendly gesture.

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The great gatherings at Asheville, Winston-Salem and Charlotte next week with outstanding speakers such as those announced should be far above the ordinary. Then, too, the women of the two conferences are to gather at Greensboro and at Rocky Mount. Every nook and corner of North Carolina should feel the effects of these notable assemblies.

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In this war to save democracy, the morals of America's new soldiers now training in the army's training camps may be the first casualty unless much is done to clean up liquor and vice conditions becoming so rampant. What are we going to do right here in North Carolina? Will the legislature act? Will the people support Senator Morris Shepherd's bill known as S-860?

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So this legislature must get liquor money to balance the budget? Anyone who stands around liquor stores and notes the streams of poor white folks and hard working negroes exchanging hard earned cash for that which does no one any good knows who suffers most in this day of boasted social security and human welfare. These poor folks and their families must furnish the taxes so much needed to balance the budget. God have mercy on North Carolina.

"I regard prayer as a master cure, and personal religious experience as the highest and truest form of psychotherapy. There can be no question that the religion of Jesus, when properly understood and truly experienced, possesses power both to prevent and cure numerous mental maladies, moral difficulties, and personality disorders."—Stanley Jones.

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When a minister of the gospel advocates the sale of liquor it becomes news. This explains why every report of the liquor hearing before the committee last Tuesday mentioned the fact that the rector at Pinehurst spoke against the liquor referendum. Preachers in North Carolina who favor the sale of liquor are as scarce as hen's teeth.

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When a preacher appears in defense of liquor and favors the sale of the stuff the situation keeps him on the defensive protesting the use of the poison. He is on a level with those who tell of the reduced crime and lawlessness following opening liquor stores. Greed and profits furnish the only excuse they have. A preacher and the church is expected to be actuated by altruistic motives. Tige gets in bad company on such occasions.

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Daniel L. Ridout in the Central Edition of the Christian Advocate says: "The slaves of freedom when there was no freedom in sight sang of the sweet chariots that were swinging low to carry them home at the very moment that they were suffering in this present world. But today we face a challenging question. Will the Negro of 1941 create a spiritual? Crowded into unsightly and unsanitary Harlem tenements, will he sing his way out to new glories and spiritual triumphs? Will the little black children which swarm the city's streets turn to melodies like that which poured from the soul of the little lad on the auction block of a century ago?"

Democracy Threatened in North Carolina

THIS present state-wide demand of the legislature to allow a referendum on the pending liquor bill puts our democracy to a serious test. To deny the people of North Carolina the right to vote on this question is for a few men in the legislature to violate the true spirit of democracy as they act as Hitlers in this most democratic state of this Republic.

This is not a question as to whether liquor is a good or bad thing, but it is the question whether the people can be trusted to act as free men—to vote as they wish to vote on the liquor issue in this state. Our political and our moral rights are both in jeopardy at this hour in North Carolina. We are spending billions of dollars for arms and sending millions of boys to camp to train for defense against Nazism and Hitlerism overseas. Yet this present legislature would deny the people of this state the right to exercise their democratic rights. Why not let our blood-bought democracy at home be free before we set out to make the world safe for democracy? Remember, the spirit of democracy enthroned in the hearts of Americans is most essential to a formidable defense at home. To trample upon the sacred rights of free men at home render futile all our daring efforts to make secure the rights of man overseas. We would rather North Carolina would vote for liquor stores than that the people of the state should be deprived of their cherished rights in this truly democratic state; for democracies have a way of correcting their errors when the people are left free to act. Truly the patience of many citizens of our state are being sorely abused by what they are made to suffer at the hands of a few designing men in Raleigh seemingly more eager to do the bidding of the liquor interests than to conserve the rights of the people of North Carolina.

Why not be frank and honest with the people and put aside all the quibbling and technicalities in the General Assembly in the effort to deny the people a right to vote on this issue?

The Pre-Easter Season

WE Methodists in these modern times have come to place considerable emphasis upon the pre-Easter season and the pre-Easter revival. We do not call it Lent, as do the ritualistic churches. Lent is said to be the Anglo-Saxon word for "long" as the Lenten season which began in the Christian church a thousand years before the Protestant Reformation came with the lengthening of the days in the spring time. But this pre-Easter emphasis upon personal religion takes the place of Lent with us Methodists as well as with other non-ritualistic churches, and some day in the years ahead we may get back to the old name.

The United Presbyterian in last week's issue says:

"One thing we might all do during this period of religious emphasis—and do it profitably without compromising our Protestant souls—we could detach ourselves now and then from the hurry, from the drive, the unrest, the stress and the strain of the world, and spend some time or more time alone behind closed doors. Religion is pre-eminently a personal matter. It is, in its inmost character, a confidential agreement between God and the individual soul. To be alone with God and to sit in judgment upon our sins and shortcomings, to be alone with our deep questions, with our doubts and fears and misgivings, to be alone with our inmost selves, with God—this is of the essence of religion. There is strength to be had in solitude. 'In quietness and confidence shall be your strength; in returning and rest shall ye be saved.' "

The State Becomes the Unit of Control

UNDER the XVIII Amendment the nation was the unit for liquor control. With the adoption of the XXI Amendment, to supplant the 18th, the state became the unit of control. So now the state of North Carolina acts as a unit in the enactment of laws for all the people of the commonwealth.

This unity of action for control applies to all such affairs of the people as roads, schools and the police power of the state. Three times, in 1881, 1907, and in 1933, by big majorities the people have spoken at the ballot box in favor of a state-wide liquor law for North Carolina. Now, once more, the citizens are requesting a referendum at the ballot box for a state-wide law enacted by all the people of the state instead of the present hodge podge system which allows the few to override the will of the many. The General Assembly in 1937 had no moral right to let the counties vote on liquor stores after the state had voted as a whole again and again against liquor. At present the few cer-

tainly have no right in this democracy to refuse the people of the state as a whole to vote as they wish for liquor control. To deny all the people this right to vote in this day of boasted democracy is to make our loud acclaim for national defense against tyranny a by-word and and a reproach. Gentlemen of the General Assembly, give our democracy in North Carolina a chance to save us from the hurt of alcohol. Act so as to save us from dictators here at home.

The Mountains and Isles of Greece

GREECE, celebrated in the history of freedom, of literature, of art, of philosophy, and of civilization generally, is at this hour attracting the attention of the world and appears to be the object of attack by the present day scourge of Europe. Olympus, the home of the Greek gods, is familiar to every high school boy and girl. The Aegean Sea and Patmos, where the exiled dreamer wrote his apocalyptic visions, is familiar to every Bible reader. But now these mountains and isles of Greece have become a theatre of this second world war.

Was it Lord Byron who sang:

> The isles of Greece, the isles of Greece!
> Where burning Sappho loved and sung.
> Where grew the arts of war and peace—
> Where Delos rose, and Phoebus sprung!
> Eternal Summer gilds them yet,
> But all, except their sun, is set.

If Byron were alive today he might not be so sure that the sun of the Ionian and Aegean Seas had sunk. Perhaps, as Greek soldiers struggle forward in Albania's mountains and the Maid of Athens turns Red Cross nurse, something is being reborn, some new sun rising.

Better Than Hitching Your Wagon to a Star

SOMEONE has said "Star-hitching and wishful thinking never made a hog-killing." Very true, but this is a nation that is tied close to earth. It is of the earth earthy.

Better than this is Nixon Waterman's verse that runs as follows:

> "Don't hitch your wagon to a star,
> Young man, for, as a rule.
> 'Twill prove more practical by far
> To hitch it to a mule."

The Silent Sufferer

ONE of the serious perplexities of ordinary humanity is our inability to understand the silent sufferer. Our sense of guilt is so widespread and man's continual distrust of God is so persistent that men cry aloud in their despair. That age-old and oft repeated agonizing cry of Cain, "My punishment is greater than I can bear," and that other ancient despairing plea, "Oh, that I knew where I might find him," haunts us. Indeed, these complaints of earth know no bounds. The agonies consequent upon the sins of the soul fill all the world and even spill over into the eternities. Then, along with this horrible sense of guilt is the abiding fear of being left alone, without God and without hope. So the outcry of guilt and the wail of doubt fill the world with the noise and tumult of mankind.

Even the Bible is not free from the age old cry of human agony, first heard in far off Eden. This crowds the centuries with the wails of our crushed humanity. But we find something new in the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah. It is the Silent Sufferer "who as a lamb to the slaughter is led and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, he opened not his mouth." Free from guilt and from doubt, he suffers on in mysterious silence. The full disclosure of this one visioned by prophet became manifest in the Christ who gave himself a ransom for many. Free from sin and doubt, he went to the cross. Even the disloyalty of Peter and the treachery of Judas escaped the expected human condemnation and the just vengeance of heaven. Only sorrowful warnings and deep anguish of soul does Jesus allow a place in this hour of base disloyalty and treachery. Alas! the cruelty and the sin of it all! Peter wept bitterly in anguish of spirit and Judas died that he might go to his own place. But Jesus suffered on in silence there in the darkness of the deep shadows of the cross.

Horrible decline of soul always follows disloyalty and treachery! Not strange then the name of Judas blackens history. Such disloyalty reaps its own dire harvest. Disloyalty to a friend severs the tenderest ties to end most sacred human relations; disloyaty to the marriage bond destroys the sanctity of family life; disloyalty to country means national collapse; disloyalty to God spells the doom of mankind. Only a God can endure in silence treachery and disloyalty as did the Man of Sorrows.

People and Things

Grace, Greensboro, on an asking of $75, paid $116 on Campassion Day.—J. Elwod Carroll, Pastor.

Central church, Asheville, paid $420 on "Day of Compassion," which was $40 more than apportioned to that congregation.

Dr. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district, reports that his district is over the top in contributions "Compassion Day." This is the first district to submit a report on this offering.

On page 19 of this paper is an ad of The Flower Container Company that should be of great interest to our readers. Their product has proved to be a great success. Look it up.

Our people responded in a fine way on the Day of Compassion with an offering of $114 from the Whitakers charge, Rocky Mount district. This almost doubles our assigned quota.—A. M. Williams.

Says E. Stanley Jones: "For the first three centuries of the Christian church no Christian went to war, and no soldier stayed in the army after he became a Christian. The soul of Christianity was unified at the place of the use of armed force—it was judged incompatible in the Christian way of life. Then, with the conversion of Constantine, no one except a Christian could go in the army."

Requests for parlor games that "people have grown tired of" are being sent to Methodist friends by Rev. Domingo Marrero, who is in charge of student work at the University of Puerto Rico. Young people and people in his churches can use Chinese and regular checkers, ping-pong sets, dominoes, monopoly, chess, contact, pick-up sticks, parchesi, and others. Games should be sent prepaid parcel post to the Rev. Domingo Marrero, Box 267, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

The membership of Basnight Memorial church at Ahoskie seems to have caught the spirit of victory. The board of stewards and the finance committee, at the beginning of the year determined to take care of the business of the church in a systematic way. At the end of the first quarter they found that the plan had worked, that one-fourth of all items in the budget had been paid and that the local expenses had also been taken care of. A fine offering was received on Sunday for the Methodist Day of Compassion fund.—A. L. Thompson, Pastor.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Sharon church on the Grifton charge met in the parsonage last week for an all day study of "Methodism's World Mission" with the pastor as the teacher. An enjoyable luncheon was arranged by the visiting members. The same text will be presented in a series of meetings in the Grifton society soon. A goodly sum was realized from the Day of Compassion offerings taken in each of our churches. The Grifton young people will be host to the Epworth Leaguers of the Neuse River Union this week.—E. M. Hall, Pastor.

You will be interested to know that our church has raised to date the sum of $963, and we expect this figure to reach at least $1000 or more by the end of the week. The amount asked of our church was $675, so we have raised about 43 per cent more than our quota. Several of our substantial givers were not present last Sunday or we would have raised more than this. You will also be interested to know that since Dr. Jordan came into our church we have taken into the church by way of profession of faith and transfer of church membership 145 new members. We hope that this inflow of new members to our church will continue throughout the year. Dr. Jordan is preaching fine sermons every Sunday, and our attendance is very encouraging.—H. B. Simpson, Treasurer First Church, Charlotte.

Dr. Charles J. Stauffacher, superintendent of the Methodist hospital in Inhambane, Portuguese East Africa, and Mrs. Alice Ekstromer Longworth, missionary nurse in Inhambane, were united in marriage on December 12, according to announcement just received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

The Junior Order Children's Home in Lexington, N. C., has a new superintendent in place of W. M. Shuford, resigned, to enter the insurance business. Robert Bruton, for the past ten years director of music and athletics at Children's Home of the Junior Order, and during the present term principal of the school also, was March 3 elected superintendent of the institution, effective with March 31, to succeed Supt. W. M. Shuford, who submitted his resignation to the trustees to enter the insurance business at Concord.

Mrs. E. H. Ould, well known among the young of our church as a teacher and lecturer in the field of personality and family relationships, was the speaker at four chapel exercises at Brevard College last week. Her main emphasis during the series of lectures was placed on the numerous choices which students and young people must make as they actually face realistic situations. In addition to the chapel talks Mrs. Ould spent a number of hours each morning talking with students about personal ideas, problems, and situations pertinent to a college group.

Tabernacle Woman's Society of Christian Service observed World Day of Prayer Friday in the church hut. Mrs. E. T. Coble, president, was in charge. A special worship program was directed by the pastor, Rev. O. C. Loy. At noon a covered dish luncheon was served. In the afternoon Mrs. T. F. Higgins of Pleasant Garden reviewed the study book "Uprooted Americans." Special music was furnished by Mrs. C. M. Fields and Mrs. John Kirkman. Others taking part in the day's activities were Mrs. E. A. Lamb, Mrs. O. C. Loy, Mrs. P. L. Monnett, Mrs. Arvel Reynolds, and Mrs. Worth Trogdon.—Mrs. Worth Trogdon.

Rev. J. H. Lanning at Hamlet has tried out for a year a new order of service in his church. Morning worship begins at 10 a. m. with the usual service and sermon. At 10:55 the church school takes up its work. This has proved most satisfactory. The church bulletin of March 2 says: "This is the anniversary Sunday of our new Sunday morning program. It has been a good year. Our children and young people have worshipped with us. Over 80 new members have been added to our church. We have opened the way and God has blessed. The spirit of the workers and the response of the membership in our present loyalty program indicate that this spiritual quickening moves on with power."

Mrs. Henry Ruark entertained at an informal tea Friday afternoon, honoring the Methodist members of the student body and faculty at Flora Macdonald College. Mrs. H. G. Bedringer poured tea and Mrs. Wilgus Eberly and Misses Hazel May Jones, Mary Stringer, Virginia McDaniel, and Flora Smith served cakes, nuts, grapes, cheese biscuits and English scones. Special guests included Misses Virginia Bogue, Jane Tomerlin and Edith Bugg. Mrs. Ruark also held open house recently for the Methodist women of the Red Springs church. Mrs. R. L. Jones, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and Mrs. John T. McNeil, Jr., president of the Wesleyan Guild, poured tea. Mrs. Clements Stevenson, Waverly Barham, Knox Lewis, David Hall and Miss Ruth Covington assisted in serving cookies, sandwiches and cheese dates. Those receiving were Misses Eunice Pearsall, Alice Hall, Mrs. Tom Parlor and Bascomb Ashley.

Dr. Wm. F. Quillian, secretary of promotion in the division of education and cultivation of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, has received most favorable reports from all sections of the church concerning the missionary institutes now being held. These institutes are largely attended and the local church board of missions and church extension is being organized widely in local congregations. Approximately 90,000 mission study books, "Methodism's World Mission," by Henry P. Van Dusen have been sold. It is expected that the sale of this book will reach 200,000 copies.

Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Farrar of Carthage have just returned from a trip through Florida. They went by the way of the East coast and returned by the West. During their trip they visited many places of interest. While passing through Savannah, Ga., they visited the place where John Wesley preached his first sermon on the American continent, using as his text 1 Cor. 13. Another spiritual privilege was a sermon by Bishop Ainsworth, preached in Ocala, Florida, February 23. Bishop Ainsworth seemed to have nearly recovered and was at his best. The sunshine and warm air was a great help in overcoming the flu which had a week before visited the Farrar household. The trip was a gift from Mr. George W. Farrar of Apex, brother of Rev. W. G. Farrar.

I held a revival in Enfield last week where two churches have recently united. During the whole revival period it did not become apparent to me which were the members of the former Methodist Protestant group and which were the former Methodist Episcopal. In fact there were no "formers." They had all become "latter day saints." They all ate alike,talked alike, looked alike, and while I was preaching—slept alike. Shakespeare spoke of two people swapping eyes. He was doubtless talking about those Enfield Methodists. I knew a preacher who stuck so close to his district superintendent that the two made only one shadow. It is that way with those two congregations. The only evidence that they were not really married was that there was no quarrel going on.—Ed Earnhardt.

George Zorn and George Curry, students in the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, are the subjects in an experiment which may mean the beginning of a new phase of theological training. As assistants to the chaplain of the Atlanta federal penitentiary, they are working on a project which may lead to the establishment of student work in crime treatment as a regular feature of the theology school curriculum. Acting with the approval of local prison authorities and prominent religious groups, Zorn and Curry are studying at first hand the causes and cure of crime and the rehabilitation of the criminal. The students spend the entire day interviewing prisoners, trying to learn what effect religion has had on their lives, classifying the men, and employing this classification to determine methods of treatment.

Sunday, March 2, was observed as Compassion Sunday at Shiloh church, Shiloh charge, as well as all Methodist churches. Our pastor brought a wonderful interpretation of the story of the Good Samaritan, which indeed went home to the hearts of our people. At the close of the service the offering was taken, amounting to $63.05. We appreciate the co-operation of our people to make it possible. On Sunday, March 16, at 11 o'clock, our district lay leader, Mr. McEwen, will be at Shiloh and speak to our people. Mr. A. J. Koonts will also be present. Next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 we will begin a series of studies of "The Methodist Church" by Dr. Scofield. We feel that this study will be a great help to us in familiarizing ourselves with the general program of our Methodist Church. The official members and organization leaders should feel obliged to take the study course which will cost nothing unless one may desire one of the books for personal use at the cost of 25 cents. Saturday was quarterly conference for Shiloh charge, held at Friendship. We are sorry that Dr. Taylor, our district superintendent, was unable to finish due to illness, and was taken by ambulance to a High Point hospital. We sincerely hope for him a speedy recovery. Pray for our success.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

The good members of Albemarle circuit have received us gladly. The Union Chapel church pounded us soon after moving to the work in November. Again February 22 they came and sawed up a large pile of wood for us free. The Bethany members gave us a real pounding the evening of February 22. Many thanks for the gifts and the spirit that prompted them. But they did not know that February 22 was my birthday. A number of others have given us fresh meat, etc. We are expecting Dr. C. N. Clark to hold our second quarterly conference and preach at Bethany March 9 at 11 o'clock. We are planning to start revival services at Union Chapel church March 23. The Good Samaritan offering on Albemarle circuit was $43.10.—E. A. Bingham, Pastor.

Dr. Curtis B. Haley, statistician and editor of General Minutes and Yearbook of the Southeastern and South Central jurisdictions of the Methodist Church, has compiled statistics covering this territory. This information will be included in the 1941 edition of the Yearbook of American Churches; and also in the Yearbook to be issued by the Methodist Publishing House at Nashville in March giving information about Methodist causes. Number of members officially reported from the two jurisdictions according to Mr. Haley is 3,315,058. Number of ministers 9,904. Number of local congregations 19,310. (Those represent 8,275 pastoral charges, since one minister sometimes serves more than one congregation. These local congregations represent 35 annual conference divisions whose work is supervised by 13 effective bishops and 275 district superintendents.

TO THE PRESIDENTS OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE OF THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE

It is urgent and necessary that the names of persons elected as delegates to the conference to be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, on March 26, 27, 28, be sent to your district corresponding secretary on or before March 10, so that she can immediately place the list with Mrs. Charles W. Phillips, president of West Market Street society. Your prompt co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Roger Jennings,
Chm. Housing Committee.

TO OCCUPY THE NEW CHURCH

The Main Street congregation, High Point, will occupy their attractive new church Sunday, March 16. Dr. N. C. Williams, the pastor, and his big congregation have been looking with expectancy to this approaching event.

The formal opening of the church will be observed some weeks later with interesting ceremonial. The pastor and people are justly proud of their handsome new church, a picture of which will appear in the Advocate.

MINISTERS' WIVES' TO MEET IN GREENSBORO

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina conference will have their annual spring luncheon in Greensboro on Friday, March 28, at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Kenneth Goodson of 221 South Tremont street has charge of the reservations. All who are planning to attend will please notify her. An attractive program is being arranged and an enjoyable occasion is anticipated.

Mrs. Walter B. West, President.
Mrs. D. M. Litaker, Rec. Sec.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in the chapel of the Board of Church Extension Building, 1115 Fourth Ave., Louisville, Ky., beginning Thursday, April 24, 1941, 9 a. m. All applications to be considered by the board at its annual meeting must be in the hands of the secretary on or before March 31. T. D. Ellis, Secretary.

A FALSE DILEMMA

By Henry B. Lewis

In the February 13 issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate appeared an article "Is War the Greatest Evil?" written by James C. Stokes.

A false dilemma is raised. The longer one looks at the dilemma of choosing between two evil forces, "war and the tyrannical rule of the totalitarian state," the clearer does he see the two horns of the dilemma change into the dreaded Scylla and Charybdis, causing the traveler to be destroyed on the rock or in the whirlpool.

If I were not motivated by the divine urge to carry out in my life as nearly as possible what I believe God's character and real self to be, then I would look at the whole world situation in a very different way. I am sure that I would view war in the present crisis as the best way to preserve the existing civilization for England and the United States.

Power politics has been the dominating theme in European intrigues for generations. The present struggle is the same. It may well be on an enlarged basis—beyond the boundaries of Europe—embracing the world. None the less, it is power politics, and is not a holy war.

One cannot read **Mein Kampf** and remember the bloody history of Germany since Hitler's rise to power without realizing that Hitler dominated Germany will stoop to any trick and employ any method to win her goal. Brutality, ruthlessness, tyranny, suppression, persecution, and murder will not stop her, but will be embraced if the occasion arises.

There is a greater force of evil than war abroad in the world today; war is only part of that evil. It comes under the head of "extreme Nazism, Communism, Facism, and a rule-by-force militarism." One or two more could have been added; extreme Britainism and extreme Americanism. It is to this greater force of evil at home and abroad that the Christian's attention must be turned, and the triumph over this greater evil must be the solemn and sacred objective of Christians at home and abroad.

No one doubts for a moment the advantages to personal liberty in the democracies over that in the totalitarian countries. No one doubts that our religious, cultural, and political values are insured more. No one wants to depreciate the good of our countries. But it is my thesis that there is a distinctly Christian view of life which cannot be shelved every time "particular circumstances" arise that apparently make this view of life untenable for the moment. The distinctly Christian view of life will hold good in any and all circumstances. It is the only realism there is. It will grow stronger and deeper when "particular circumstances" arise and dictate to the wisdom of men that the Christian view of life must be overthrown for the time being.

When one decides that war is the only way left, and decides to support it, the next step is to embrace all the worst elements of war, and, finally, end by demanding vengeance —for every bomb dropped on us we will drop one hundred on them. Look at the current change in attitude of the English towards the Germans. At first, no one was to blame except Hitler, now in the opinion of a large section of England the German people are to blame.

What is the Christian view of life? "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3::16). In the Gospel of John one of Jesus' prayers is recorded, and this revealing verse is included: "I have revealed your **real self** to the men you gave me from the world." (Black face mine, Goodspeed translation, John 17:6). Christians must become in character like God's real self—that is, love. In this same prayer Jesus prayed: "I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil." (John 17: 15): Christians are to reveal to man the way of life which fulfills the moral and spiritual laws of the world—the way of love. They are to remain in the world, but not a part of the world. They may be persecuted, reviled, cursed, deprived of friends, home, loved ones, but so long as they hold on to the ethic of love, and their motives and actions are permeated by an active good will toward their fellowmen, regardless of the latter's actions, ultimately and finally they must win, because they are obeying the very laws of the universe. The Christian view of life is not arrived at from a cold, reasoning way, but from faith in the way of life revealed by the Son of God. One cannot sanction war on the one hand, involving destruction, starvation, and ruin of other people, and at the same time hold on to the ethic of love. Just as Jesus was killed by the Jews and Romans, so may the Christian be killed. If one believes that Jesus was actually destroyed and defeated, then there is no alternative left. He is forced to take up destructive force in order to put down destructive forces. He believes he must save his life—thereby losing it. If on the other hand the Christian believes that Jesus triumphed, and that good overcame evil, then he has a very strong foundation for his position. He may lose his life—but at the same time he will find it. This is no "quiescent surrender to totalitarianism," but rather a very definite resistance to it. It is resisted at home and abroad. And it is being resisted abroad by Christians now. The Christian resists and overcomes with good other forces of evil in his immediate community and nation. The Christian is not concerned with the war issue alone. It happens to be in clearest focus at this time. He is concerned with the evil of racial discrimination at home, the evil of shiftlessness among his people, the evil of alcohol, the evil of indifference, the evil of immorality, gambling, etc. The Christian wages war on many fronts, but with the weapons of the spirit. This view of the Christian life which I have presented does make one realize that he is a sinner. The Christian does realize his involvement in the present situation. He realizes his inconsistency in many ways. He realizes he makes mistakes and will continue to make mistakes. But with the grace of God he will remain humble and wholehearted in the prosecution of his task. He is saved by God's grace, and knows there is no other salvation.

I take my stand, with the help of God, unalterably opposed to these two evil forces—"war and the tyrannical rule of the totalitarian state." Even as Jesus, the one clear-sighted realist of all time, "steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem," fully aware of what awaited him, so I too, with his help, am determined to actively resist these two evil forces with all my strength. I am a realist. I am sure I do not see the situation as an entire whole nor clearly. but through a glass darkly. God's spirit, however, bears witness with my spirit that I am on solid ground.

ASSESSMENT ACCORDING TO ABILITY

More than 100 preachers and 300 country churches are much interested in the scale of "assessments according to ability to pay" that was handed to the honorable Committee on World Service and Finance at our late annual conference, and is recorded on page 33 of the conference jourlows. A bit simpler scale of assessment, as follows, is respectfully submitted to the committee:

Charges paying $1200 or less, 6 per cent.
Charges paying $3000 and over $1200, 9 per cent.
Charges paying over $3000, 12 per cent.

This plan raises just what is needed to pay total salaries of our district superintendents. If the committee has some better plan that gives the needed relief asked for, these churches and preachers will be satisfied to accept it.

A true-hearted, clear-minded minister of high standing in our conference said: "No man can challenge the principle of justice involved in this petition; the only question is its practical application, are its calculations correct?"

The state recognizes the justice of the principle involved, and its system of taxation respects this principle. The Christian church will not want to violate a principle of justice recognized and respected by civil government.

The principle of brotherhood involved also will be violated if justice is not done.

"Let justice roll down as rain from heaven,
And righteousness as a mighty river."

Another issue involved is the principle of the cross, a spiritual principle that calls for the crucifixion of the carnal mind. If the love of money is a root of all evil, then what of the minister who lets that sin rule in his heart? To classify ministers according to the high place and pay they get is a subtle sin that makes for snobbier ministers who look strictly after their own economic security, and look down upon their brethren in the lower level of life and leave them in economic insecurity, certainly have not the spirit of Christ.

But, thank heaven, there are others. A good minister of Christ tells this story: "I went to visit a poor family. I found mother sick in bed, with not a sheet on her bed, only old quilts to give comfort. Little children in squalor stood around. The family had paid $10 to church budget. Now, what must I do for that dying woman and distressed, hungry children? This I would do, certain—that $10 should go back to give relief as far as it would go."

That preacher was more interested in a clean sheet on that sick bed than he was in having a "clean sheet" at conference. That is the spirit of Christ.

"I entered once a home of care,
For age and penury were there,
Yet joy withal.
I asked the lonely widow whence
Her helpless widowhood's defense;
She told me, Christ is all!"

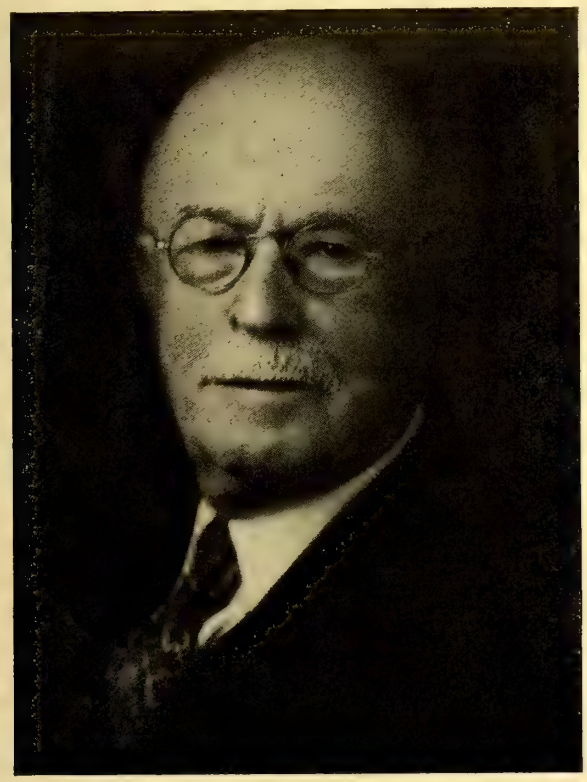
Brethren of the ministry, we face here an issue in which "Justice, Fraternity, and Equality" are involved; a principle in which the Cross is involved. O. P. Ader.

A TRIBUTE TO REV. JOHN B. HURLEY

(Written on his eighty-second birthday)

The beautiful solemn strains of "How Firm a Foundation" rang out in the Methodist church in Lexington, N. C., on a beautiful November afternoon; the words of the old hymn telling once more of the faith and strength that has come to many a heart in times of sorrow.

The voice of the minister rose and fell in deep cadences, as he read from the Scriptures the old, old message of comfort. Again came the steadying thought, in a



Rev. John B. Hurley

world of change and brevity, of the immortality of the soul and of the eternal home in the heavens, that fadeth not away.

A soldier of the Cross, a minister of the gospel had gone home. It was his crowning day and even as the tears came as the scenes of childhood days brought sweet memories to the loved ones gathered there, the deepest most real feeling was a sense of thankfulness for a life well lived, a joy in the realization of what a faith in a heavenly Father can mean in such an hour.

Rev. John Bolivar Hurley was born in Montgomery county in 1859. He lived through the Reconstruction days after the Civil War and came to young manhood determined to give his life in the service of the Christian ministry. Just fifty-seven years before that autumn day on which his funeral service was held, he had gone up to Statesville to join the conference. At that time he was a recent graduate of old Trinity in Randolph county. For a half century he was connected with this institution (now Duke University), having served as trustee for many years, and it was dear to his heart.

Ten years before, in 1930, he had laid his armor down as an active itinerant minister of the North Carolina conference ,and had taken the superannuate relation. He went back to Lexington with his wife to live a quiet, happy life among relatives and friends. Here he continued his ministry by faithful attendance at church services, teaching the men's class in the church school and enjoying the fellowship of the people of the town, whom he greatly loved and by whom he in turn was beloved.

His was a happy, busy life. He married Miss Lena Leonard in 1889. Their home was a happy one, where Christ was honored and joy reigned supreme. The children who came to them has blessed memories of the early parsonage homes and the churches in which they worshipped. There was ever before them the example of a godly father and mother.

Although he lived to be nearly eighty-two years old, his spirit remained young and he grew old beautifully. He loved people simply and sincerely and drew them to him by his sunny and happy nature. His interest in community and world affairs was keen.

The closing words of the service that day were the beautiful words of Tennyson:

"Sunset and Evening Star,
And one clear call for me."

How appropriate. It was near sunset when he passed from earth to his eternal home. Over there he has seen his Pilot "face to face." He awaits us there. We shall see him again. Maude Hurley Chadwick.

MICHIGAN METHODISTS AND THEIR PAPER

Since unification, and the necessary shuffle of Methodism's multitudinous organizations, institutions and the like, there has been some question in the minds of Michigan Christian Advocate readers as to just how our own sixty-seven year publication might be affected by the changes.

To help crystalize our thinking and to seek a wider area of counsel and advice than is represented by the Advocate trustees, Bishop Raymond J. Wade called together the district superintendents of the two conferences, and the boards of education of both conferences. This meeting was held last week at Lansing. The editor read a statement of the situation as he saw it and a lengthy discussion followed, at which time utter frankness prevailed.

The result was that the group, numbering about 30, went on record requesting that the ministers give primary responsibility to our own Michigan Christian Advocate, that the finance commissions of both conferences provide the necessary apportionment to yield $5,000 a year to the Advocate if needed.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING AT EDENTON STREET

Concurring with plans for the national observance of Compassion Day throughout Methodism, Edenton Street church made an offering exceeding that amount.

The School of Christian Living and Laymen's Week began at Edenton Street on March 2 with large attendance and high enthusiasm. Each evening during the week the following courses are being offered: "The Gospel in Action," a course for young people taught by Rev. James H. Overton, Jr.; "The Book of the Radiant Heart," a Bible course taught by Rev. Norman Price of Meredith College; "Christ's Challenge to Christian Living," an inspirational study of the life of Christ, the instructor of which is Miss Lucy Steele of Peace College; "The Layman and Our New Church," led by Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, Duke University; Rev. H. I. Glass, Raleigh district superintendent; Dr. Paul N. Garber, Duke University, and Dr. B. G. Childs, Duke University. Dr. Fred T. Barnett, an outstanding lay evangelist of Lakeland, Fla., is platform speaker for the week. Dr. Barnette is bringing messages on "The Parables of Jesus" at the morning meditations, 8:20-8:45, and "Christianity and the Man Today" at the evening services which follow the class sessions. Mary Gardner.

We Need a Revival of Intense and Impassioned Evangelism

Dr. Henry Bett on a Fire That Is Burning Dimly

Any revival of religion, I say, must mean a deeper penitence, a stronger and simpler faith, a more complete dedication of ourselves to God and his service, more intense importunate prayer, more impassioned evangelism, more real fellowship, and a more eager pursuit of that holiness of heart and life without which none shall see God.

Now these are the characteristics of all real religion, and especially of all evangelical religion, and, most especially, of Methodism at its best.

But there is a lack of many of these attributes today, for there has been a decay in the spiritual life of our people during the past generation. I do not want to be **laudator temporis acti,** but I am sure of that.

One of the changes witnessed in my lifetime which I most lament is the decay of the spiritual culture that used to be so characteristic of Methodism. Of old, the best type of Methodist was spiritually nourished by three things. He knew his Bible very thoroughly. He had most of the hymns of Methodism by heart. He attended his society class week by week. All this produced a religious culture which, as I think, has never been surpassed.

A farm laborer who did not possess half a dozen books all told, and who had possibly never seen a score of books in his life, was a man of some intellectual as well as spiritual culture, for in the Scriptures he knew a great and varied and ancient literature, and in the hymns of the Wesleys he knew the greatest devotional poetry in the English language. No man was really uneducated who had that intimate knowledge of the Scriptures and of our great hymns.

It seems to me a very striking fact that every great type of piety has been nourished first on the Bible and then on some religious literature or other that was full of Scriptural content. With the Catholic that was the Breviary,and only a careful student of the Breviary realizes how it is indebted to the Bible on every page. It was the Book of Common Prayer with the Anglican, and the greatness of that book is due to the use of Scripture. It was the Shorter Catechism and the Paraphrases with the Presbyterian, and again how much Scriptural substance there is in these! It was the hymns of the Wesleys with the Methodist, and those hymns are full of Biblical thought and language.

The spiritual culture that was nourished upon the constant reading of the Bible and the daily devotional use of the hymns of Methodism was a very splendid product; there has been nothing finer in Christendom. In one of the books of that delightful writer, Mr. E. E. Kellett, there is a sketch of the Methodist cobbler of a past generation, with his Bible and his Wesley's Hymns open before him as he worked and read or sang to himself:

> "Eager for Thee I ask and pant;
> So strong, the principle divine
> Carries me out, with sweet constraint,
> Till all my hallowed soul is Thine;
> Plunged in the Godhead's deepest sea,
> And lost in Thine immensity."

What else but a daily use of the Bible and the hymns of Methodism could have created a piety so mystical and profound ,and at the same time so experimental and practical? And now, alas! many of our people seem to have only a very superficial knowldege of the Bible, and many of them prefer American doggerel to our great Methodist hymns.

Then the religious culture that came from the constant study of the Bible and the hymns was grandly supplemented by the fellowship of the society class, which involved a continuous insight into the life of other devout souls. Think what it meant, for example, to a lad in his 'teens, who had only recently joined the church, to listen week by week to the testimony of men and women, young and old, rich and poor, wise and simple, as they spoke intimately of the life of their own souls and their intercourse with God. All this meant the nurture of a real religious experience.

I am quite sure that what we need in Methodism today is a great revival of intense and impassioned evangelism, and that can only come from a revival of religious experience. We ought to be always seeking those who are living without God and without hope in the world, and seeking them that we may lead them to Christ—always preaching, witnessing, working, to bring men to know the great salvation of God. We want a spirit of advance and aggression everywhere, and what our fathers called a passion for the souls of men.

It is no use making an excuse for ourselves out of the present conditions. There cannot be a moratorium for the gospel in time of war, or a suspension of the work of God. The darkest days of Napoleonic wars, when England was in daily danger of invasion, and the poverty and suffering of the people were at least as great as now, saw Methodism winning thousands of converts year by year. What our fathers did we can do, we have the same faith and the same zeal and the same spirit of prayer.

For the secret is there. We shall never see a new evangelistic passion until we see a revival of experimental religion—a deepened sense of the miracle of redemption realized in our own souls. It is only this that makes men evangelists. We shall never bear an eager witness to anything that is only a commonplace and conventional fact in our own lives. It is only when we discover for ourselves the glory of the gospel by a living faith, that we are ready to go out into the world with a flaming message of salvation.

I am quite certain that the core of Methodism is sound. There is, as far as I can judge, more reality of religious experience among us as a people than is to be found anywhere. But it is somehow subdued in tone and reduced in vigor. It is like a fire that has by no means gone out, but is not burning brightly. There is some warmth and some flame, but it is not really ablaze.

Again and again I have felt, in preaching and speaking to recent gatherings up and down the country, that if only the real faith and the real devotion that is in the hearts of these people could be kindled into a blaze, then we should see the work of the Lord prosper in our hands! I am sure that this is a correct reading of the situation.

We sing the wonderful hymns of Methodism; but we often sing them languidly, as if we hardly felt what the words mean. We preach the gospel; but how little impassioned preaching there is! We pray for our work; but how little importunate prayer there seems to be! In all our religious life and work we want a new sense of reality and of urgency, a faith and a devotion that is ablaze.

"Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart!"

—Methodist Recorder (London).

THE MEANING OF THE CROSS

By Ebenezer Myers

I think there is a general lack of understanding of the meaning of the Cross. Most preachers hold to the idea of bearing crosses all through life, and they have so many kinds of crosses, all irksome duties and all the burdens of life are crosses.

That is not the meaning of the cross at all. The cross in the New Testament takes the place of the altar in the Old Testament; both stand for death. The altar stands for a slain animal, a bleeding sacrifice; the cross was originally the instrument on which all Roman criminals except Roman citizens were executed by crucifixion, always meaning death. It meant death to Jesus and it meant death to every one who really and truly follows Jesus; only with his followers it means death to the "old man," the carnal nature. Romans 6:6-7, "Knowing this that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin." And Paul in Galations 2:20 said: "I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me." Paul had found that the cross did not mean some irksome duty or burden of life but a crucifixion, the crucifixion of the carnal nature.

How long and how far did Jesus bear his cross? Only a little while and only a short distance to the place of crucifixion, and Simon helping; but he is soon on the cross instead of the cross being on him. He is nailed to it and it is bearing him. So with us we should bear the cross only to the place of crucifixion, which should be soon after we have taken it up. The place of execution is the place of a whole consecration. Rom. 12:1, "I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God which is your reasonable service." The whole consecration is the nails by which the old man is nailed to the cross; then the new man Christ Jesus comes in and dwells in us and the cross bears and sustains us.

Another figure which Jesus uses for the same thing is the yoke: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your souls; for my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

When the sinner is saved from his sins the burden of guilt is removed; he is thus taking up his cross which he is to bear to his place of crucifixion, and taking the yoke of Jesus which he finds easy and the burden light.

A yoke is made for two; two oxen go under one yoke, the yoke on the neck and a bow under the neck and up through the yoke to hold it secure, a big ring in the middle for the wagon tongue, the chain for the plow. The oxen walk with their weight and strength against the yoke, taking the burden along easily. Just so these irksome duties and burdens of life are borne easily with Jesus under his end of the yoke and we under ours. Isn't it wonderful for us to be yoked up with Jesus for the bearing of our own load? So we go bearing these loads with joy. See St. Paul glorying in them, singing and shouting at midnight in the Philippian jail, his feet in the stocks and his back covered with blood; he never once called these things crosses—the cross question was settled with him forever. He continued to glory in the cross of Christ, as that is the symbol of salvation to the world for all time, but his own cross was in the past.

But someone may say the Bible says, "Take up thy cross daily." I answer, I have studied this very carefully. There are six of these passages in Matthew, Mark and Luke, and this is the only one that adds daily. Dr. Adam Clarke says that the best manuscripts do not have daily in this one, which is Luke 9:23. It seems to have been an interpretation by some scribe in transcribing the copy; and the fact and meaning of the cross excludes the idea of daily. Jesus did not take up his cross daily, and no one else does, for one crucifixion was enough for him and one is enough for us.

The crucifying act is on God's part; it is the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which is God's answer to our whole consecration. And you preachers who preach that we are baptized with the Holy Spirit at conversion had better study your Bibles and Methodist theology; and, too, look around you and see if it works—see if your congregations show any signs of this crucifixion.

I don't have much money, but I will send any preacher a ten dollar bill if he will show a single case of the baptism of the Holy Spirit at conversion in the New Testament. And every case of entire sanctification is of those who were already saved people—always it is the church to be sanctified.

It is distressing to see the shallow manner in which many of us preachers are studying the Bible and its great doctrines. I will give an example of such study. Heb. 6:1, "Let us go on unto perfection." Many of our preachers make this passage say "go on toward perfection"; that is, have it out in the future, something to look to but never reach, a sort of ignis fatuus, sort of growing in grace as you go in that direction.

What is the truth taught in this passage? In chapter 5:11-14 the apostle tells them of their babyhood, when they should be adults; and in 6:1 he tells them how this is to be accomplished. Pentecost was the time and manner of the one hundred and twenty passing from babyhood into the adult stage. Growth is important but never brings people into this important stage. So the apostle tells them here, we are to leave the rudimental stages and doctrines and go on unto perfection. St. Paul, like Wesley, used the term perfection for entire sanctification. As no other perfection is meant or could be meant, for no other is possible for us, we are forced to this interpretation or application. Both John Wesley and Adam Clarke teach this truth. I quote a brief from Dr. Clarke: "Let us never rest till we are adult Christians, till we are saved from all sin, and are filled with the spirit and power of Christ." The original is very emphatic (here he gives the original which I omit). "Let us be carried on to this perfection. God is ever ready by the power of the spirit to carry us forward to every degree of light, life, and love, necessary to prepare us for an eternal weight of glory. . . . Surely the scriptures promise the thing, and the power of God can carry us on to the possession of it." You see the meaning is not a going on but to be borne on into it by the power of God just as our justification is by the power of God.

On this scripture and on this interpretation of it is founded the questions for the vows of reception of preachers into full connection into our conferences. There are four questions, as follows: Have you faith in Christ? Are you going on to perfection? Do you expect to be made perfect in love in this life? Are you groaning after it?

These questions imply an experience, not a going on, or a growth in grace, but something that can be received or reached here and now. Mr. Wesley put this at the door of the conference to keep any preacher from getting into the conference who would not get the experience and preach the doctrine of Christian perfection, sanctification or holiness, as Mr. Wesley called it.

How any sincere, honest man who knows our doctrine can fail to see and acknowledge this I cannot understand. Every preacher coming into our conference takes or assumes these vows, and no matter what construction the bishop puts on these questions the facts remain. They say they are GOING ON TO IT, they are expecting it in this life, not that they got it in conversion; it is ahead. They are groaning after it; we do not groan to grow.

What should we think of men who take these solemn vows and then proceed to treat them as a passing wind, and make light of those who claim to have what they said they were going to have?

Mr. Wesley wrote to Dr. Adam Clarke in the year 1790, the year before his death, that a local preacher or a local elder who would speak against this doctrine should be a local preacher no longer, and added, "I doubt whether he should be in our society, because he that would speak thus in our society cannot be an honest man."

Why and how do Methodist preachers get into such errors as I have pointed out—errors that are fatal to Methodism? First by throwing the writings of Wesley and Clarke overboard; and second, by following the modernist teaching.

In His name and to His glory this is written. May it bless every reader and help all of us to be all that He would have us be.

RELIGIOUS HITCH-HIKERS

A little more than half the members in the average parish do the brunt of the work and pay the bills. In the average organization, Rotary, Grange, Masons, Eastern Star, and Odd Fellows, the way to keep yourself in good standing is to send in your annual dues at least. Where these are neglected, usually something is done about it. You do not go on year after year ignoring such obligations—the officers and members see to that. The amount members in these organizations have to pay from year to year is not large, yet when a few do not do their share, it thrusts additional burdens upon others.

Isn't this true of the church? Those who give to benevolences have to carry the load for those who have not been known to give a cent in years. In religious circles, however, these hitch-hikers who want others to do the attending and the praying and the paying are allowed to go their own sweet way unmolested, even by the thought that they are not playing the game. The time has come when they should be called on the carpet. For far too long have thousands of our church people been thumbing their way to the celestial city. All such hitch-hiking ought to be put out of bounds by the proper ecclesiastical authorities. In Methodism I suppose it would have to be the General Conference.

To get to the bottom of this whole situation, insists Phil Paul, you have to begin with those who are seeking admittance to the church. We are doing better than we once did; nowadays we do hold classes for our young people and others, and a good beginning has been made, but I agree with Phil Paul that it is only a beginning. We both spoke of the beneficial results of the use of the catechism, especially where young people are concerned. The right type of catechism, we thought, one that did not dispute youth's intelligence but asked and answered questions dealing with the duties and obligations of church membership, might do a great deal of good. Certainly, something of the sort would be a step in the right direction.—A Ritchie Low, in Zions Herald.

A CREED FOR AN AMERICAN

I believe in America—an America which stands for the equal rights of all to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; which stands for duties as well as rights; which puts people first and things second; which rejects hatred and intolerance, the bulwarks of slavery, and cherishes good will and understanding, the bulwarks of freedom.

I believe in America—an America fashioned from the fibre of many races and peoples, where none shall know discrimination and all shall have respect; an America where the decencies of brotherhood can be practiced under a common Fatherhood; where the sacredness of the individual is not lost under the domination of the state, and where the church of God speaks not with the voice of a dictator but with the Voice of God.

I believe in America—an America strong through the high warrants of the Bill of Rights—the rights of freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of assembly and freedom of religion; an America which stands not for selfish isolation but for courageous co-operation with all men and nations of good will; which dares to dream of a Kingdom of God on earth, when wars shall have ceased throughout the world and the principles of the Prince of Peace, of Love and Brotherhood, shall rule in the hearts of all men everywhere.

I believe in America—an America which shall be the consummation of all the Utopian dreams of all the dreamers of the world—A Commonwealth of Good Will.

I believe in America!—The Churchman.

EVERYTHING OF VALUE IS TO BE PAID FOR

Everything of value costs. Pass a beautiful flower garden, with just the right combination of colors, no weeds to be seen and the plants properly arranged. You know that someone spent hours of thought and labor making that possible.

View a lovely spread on a bed, with thousands of dainty stitches and a design accurately carried out. Again you know that someone gave weeks, maybe months of work. The same is true of all objects of value.

One of Tolstoi's books was revised more than 100 times. Weeds will grow without effort; the useless and the futile always just "happens," but not the valuable.

A life which can be admired is the result of much effort. The same is true of a home, a family. A church which is what it should be comes only as its members are willing to put out the effort required.

If this is a world law it is equally true in the spiritual realm, too.

God will not give "a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness" until there are people who want it bad enough to help him make it a reality. If we want a better world we will live for it and work for it and sacrifice for it.

Everything of value costs. People will have just the kind of world they want. Wishful livers will have a world filled with selfishness and chaos. Those who want a better world will contribute the effort needed to make it possible.—Watchman-Examiner.

THE STIR ALL ABROAD

That nameless something in the air will soon greet us as spring approaches. Expenctancy is then all abroad. A new day for the country church comes with April. All abroad in the state among the Methodists is the resolve to do still more for the Advocate in its efforts to promote the work of the church. Every Woman's Society of Christian Service girds itself afresh to get on the honor roll.

Surely no one in our churches will be ready to play the part of the sluggard: A little more sleep and a little more folding of the hands.

CHURCH BURNED IN ASHEVILLE

Sixty-three children marched out of the Elk Mountain Methodist church, near the Martel mills, last Sunday morning while the entire roof of the buildnig was in flames.

Within a few minutes after the church had been vacated, the roof collapsed and the church was completely destroyed. The fire that is believed to have started from a defective flue, had been burning for some time when it was discovered by a passerby.

Nothing was saved but the piano. The church was valued at $3,000. Rev. Marshall B. Shives is the pastor. Services for the Elk Mountain church will probably be continued in the nearby school building. McMurry S. Richey.

N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Rev. F. M. Shamburger we are issuing Brotherhood call number 79. Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treas., 1908 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C.

MINISTERS' RETREAT FOR MARION DISTRICT

"It was a time of heart-searching, of studying of techniques, of making of plans," that, in a few words, is how one of the brethren described, and incidentally characterized ,the retreat of the ministers of the Marion district held last Thursday at First church, Marion.

With perhaps three exceptions every minister was there—and on time. There wasn't any gathering of small groups, discussing this and that, prior to the opening of the meeting. Everywhere there was evidence of reverence, earnestness, seeking. With some very appropriate remarks that gave tone, character and depth, the district superintendent opened the meeting. The very first discussion, opened by Young of Glen Alpine, dealt inspiringly and profitably with the minister's devoional life. There followed a number of discussions, entered into freely and reverently, and led by various of the ministers, dealing with the evangelistic mission as it relates to the total program of the church. It remained for the one and only Tom Wolfe to high light and climax the retreat with a discussion of "personal evangelism"—done as only he can do it: contagious, inspiring, haunting, and withal sending one out determined.

It was a great day in every respect and its lofty moments will linger with us through the days ahead. At the dinner hour the ministers were the guests of Brother Cornett at the James Hotel—an hour of fellowship wherein the fellows just got close to one another.

H. M. Wellman.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE ORCHESTRA CONCERT

The Greensboro College orchestra concert presented Sunday afternoon, February 23, in Odell auditorium was unusually well received. Under the direction of Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music, and with Miss Celeste Horne, a senior from Birmingham, Ala., as solo pianist, and Austin Scott, Guilford College, as solo flutist, the orchestra presented the following program: Overture, "Cosi Fan Tutte" and Concerto in G for Flute, Allegro (Mozart); Variations Symphoniques (Cesar Franck; Symphony No. V, Allegro con brio, Andante con moto, Allegro; Presto (Beethoven).

The Greensboro College glee club presented its initial concert of the season in Charlotte at Myers Park church on the 23rd. The organization under the direction of Walter Vassar of the school of music, and with Miss Helen Owenby, Greensboro, as business manager, will leave Sunday for the annual spring tour to various points in North Carolina, Virginia, and to Washington D. C.

"The Royal Family," an exciting comedy presented last Friday evening by the Greensboro College Players, received favorable comment from the large audience in attendance. Based on the story of the members of a family who have for several generations contributed their life to the theatre, the play proved interesting from beginning to end. The authors, Edna Ferber and George Kaufman, based the characterizations on the temperamental Barrymore family, important in the modern theatre.

Greensboro College students have chosen the following girls to serve as their leaders for the coming school year: Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy, president of the students' association; Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst, president of the athletic association; and Lorene Weaver, Asheville, president of the Y. W. C. A.

Greensboro College Methodist students voted pacific in a student poll vote Tuesday, February 25. The poll was conducted by Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religious education, in co-operation with the editorial board of "Motive," new Methodist youth magazine, to ascertain college students' opinion on war. Although in favor of the draft, the students were not in favor of entering the war against Germany and Italy, in spite of the fact that they regarded helping England even at the risk of war more important than keeping out.

G. C. was represented at the recent Southeastern International Relations Conference at Tallahassee, Florida, by Mr. Elliott O. Watson, head of the history department, and Misses Carolyn Smith, Goldsboro; Mary Lily Watlington, Ruffin; Majelle Morris, Salisbury; and Cameron Taylor, Fairmont.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE ELECTS MAY QUEEN AND COURT

Miss Margaret White Byrum, Edenton, was elected May Queen of Louisburg College to reign over the annual May Day Fesctival which will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 3. Miss Byrum has chosen as her escort and king, Mr. James Fetherston, Roxboro. The queen selected as the maid of honor Miss Gloria Simpson, Vanceboro, who chose as her escort Mr. Charles Williamson, Weldon.

The 12 members of the queen's court also selected with their escorts are: Sarah Davis, Louisburg, with William Fagan, Dardens; Dorothy Edge, Fayetteville, with Howard Mitchiner, Wilson's Mills; Genevieve Ellis, Clayton, with Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va.; Rachel Fox, Roxboro, with Willis Marshall, Raleigh; Catherine Gillis, Raleigh, with Borden McClees, Columbia; Margaret Holmes, Louisburg, with George Lumpkin, Raleigh; Ella Lewis, Faison, with Roy Bailey, Fayetteville; Ruby Grey Massenburg, Louisburg, with William King, Wilmington; Mary McArtan, Dunn, with James Durham, Durham; Edith Pittman, Wilmington, with Edwin Robinson, Vanceboro; Ruth Stallings, Hobbsville, with Don Bell, Snowden; and Frences Terrell, Beuna Vista, Va., with Rodman Lancaster, Vanceboro.

The theme of the May Day program will be "An English Country Fair," and it will consist of stunts, dances, and special characters all woven around the queen and her court.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT DOINGS

The new district superintendent, Rev. A. S. Parker, has made a fine start in the year's work. During the first quarter he visited practically every pastoral charge twice, holding the business session on his first visit and returning later for a preaching appointment. He is happily combining work and vision in his superintendency.

The summary report for the district for the first quarter is good. There were ten received on profession of faith and 138 by certificate; $1048 was paid on World Service and $1192 for the orphanage. There were 24 new subscriptions to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and 64 to the Chicago Christian Advocate; 28 schools of missions were held and 68 more are planned for the spring. Practically all the charges observed Laymen's Day and are planning for pre-Easter evangelistic services.

The district acceptance for World Service on a percentage basis is slightly higher than last year, even though under the new financial plan some of the items are transferred to the ministerial support column. The following charges accepted all the askings for World Service and conference work: Fairmont; Grace and Trinity, Wilmington; Warsaw-Magnolia; and Pembroke Parish.

The district conference will be held at Bethlehem church on the Bladen charge April 18, with Rev. R. L. Vickery, pastor-host.

C. D. Barclift, Reporter.

THE BIBLE STILL AMERICA'S BEST SELLER

Latest Census Bureau book publishing figures, covering 1939, show the annual output of Bibles, Testaments, and parts of the Bible published in separate covers, to be 7,927,848 volumes, compared with 5,579,317 in 1937. Both 1937 and 1939 recorded tremendous increases in total number of Bibles printed. For earlier census years Bibles published were: 1935—521,173; 1933—666,448; and 1931—1,376,680.

The number of complete Bibles published in 1939 was 2,348,069. Testaments published separately numbered 1,268,614. Parts of the Bible (not whole Testaments) numbered 3,361,234 volumes, while an additional 969,931 Biblical volumes were not classified by text.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

INTERESTING FEATURES FOR OUR ANNUAL MEETING

From Mrs. C. C. Weaver, chairman of program for our annual meeting to to be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28, we have the announcement of some of the interesting features for this meeting. Mrs. Weaver says: "We are planning to have some of our missionaries from Africa, Korea and Brazil with us, and they will bring messages from these fields. Miss Lorena Kelly will bring moving pictures of some of our work in Africa, and show them on Wednesday evening. Also we are to have the privilege of having Bishop Purcell bring us a message during the meeting.

On Thursday evening at six o'clock there is to be a Greensboro College alumnae dinner at the Student Activities building on the campus, for not only the alumnae but for all who have ever attended Greensboro College or Davenport College for any period of time. The tickets will be 60 cents. If you can attend please send reservation to Miss Mary Brock, Alumnae Secretary, Greensboro College, Greensboro.

Following the alumnae dinner, our Thursday evening's program will be held in Odell auditorium at Greensboro College, at which time Mrs. V. F. DeVinny of New York will speak, and a pageant will be given by some of the Greensbroo College girls, assisted by the college glee club. Every one is invited to come and enjoy this program with us. I hope you will plan to be there. Please do not forget to send in your money for reservation (60 cents) if you can attend the alumnae dinner."

INTERESTING MEETING AT BELMONT PARK CHURCH

Mrs. T. A. House writes of interesting meeting of Woman's Society of Christian Service at Belmont Park church hut, February 10. Circle three of the society was in charge of the program, which had for its theme "Stewardship and Brotherhood." The meeting opened with prayer followed by Scripture lesson from John 16:6-7, with meditation: "Who is my neighbor?" given by Mrs. Rae. Talk on brotherhood by one of the members was followed by song, "There Is No East or West." Other subjects discussed were The Jews; Orientals in America; The Negro. All of which proved most interesting.

Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district corresponding secretary, closed the devotional service with prayer, after which the business session was held with Mrs. J. B. Davis presiding. Mrs. Wakefield gave an interesting talk and presented two life membership certificates and pins to two faithful members of the society, Mrs. Torrence and Mrs. Carter. The Million Member Movement and the World Outlook were discussed. Delegates to the annual meeting in Greensboro, March 26-28, were elected. During the social hour which followed a singing bee was led by Mrs. Crabtree.

SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION DAYS

Three days of great importance in our Western North Carolina conference that are scheduled for March are the spiritual mobilization days to be held in Asheville March 11, Winston-Salem the 12th and Charlotte the 13th, with each of these meetings led by some of Methodism's greatest men.

The first of these meetings to be held in Central church, Asheville, Tuesday, March 11, will have as speakers Dr. John R. Mott, Methodist layman and world statesman of Christianity, who will speak on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock to a great gathering in the municipal auditorium. Tuesday morning and afternoon Bishop Clare Purcell and Dr. L. D. Patterson of Birmingham, Ala., will speak to group meetings in Central church. At 6 p. m. Mr. Edgar T. Welch, leading layman of united Methodism, will address 300 laymen and preachers at a banquet in the dining hall of Central church. Methodists from the three districts, Asheville, Marion and Waynesville, are expected to be present at this meeting and it is hoped that a record breaking crowd will be in attendance.—Central Church Bulletin.

LETTER FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Dear District Secretary of Literature and Publications:

It is our earnest desire to see the literature and publications of our society widely distributed and read. You realize the wisdom in this when you stop to think that we are never deeply interested in anything about which we know little or nothing.

During the week May 4-11, 1941, there will be an intensive campaign for the securing of subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook. In the meantime will you be doing all that you can to cultivate the field in your district in preparation for this campaign? At a little later date I plan to send out a letter and folder to each local society secretary of literature and publications. However, before that time you may have opportunities of contact with them through zone or district meetings or otherwise. Let no opportunity of stressing this phase of our work pass you by. It is not necessary to wait for the special campaign to secure subscriptions.

Please keep in mind also that we have pledged ourselves to secure subscriptions to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. You are, no doubt, realizing the benefits from having a full page for the presentation of our work in the Advocate each week. Let us show our appreciation by sending in subscriptions.

Spread the information around that at our annual meeting in Greensboro, March 26-28, we will have on display and for sale literature and supplies from our Literature Headquarters at Cincinnati. Also we will have there a representative from the Methodist Publishing House at Richmond with a display of books for sale.

I hope to have the opportunity of meeting each of you personally. In the meantime I am looking forward to a splendid year's work together.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy,
Sec'y Literature and Publications,
W. N. C. Conference.

A DAILY PRAYER FOR 1941

(From World Day of Prayer Program)

Father of all mankind, throughout this day and every day, help me to remember that a very real portion of thy kingdom has been placed in my keeping. Therefore teach me to love thee:

WITH ALL MY MIND—that I may think thy thoughts after thee, from dawn to dark, making beautiful and significant each decision of my daily living; help me to remove all prejudice and small-mindedness, O Lord:

WITH ALL MY HEART—that I may love those whom thou lovest, feeling for even the most unlovable and difficult of thy children thine own everlasting mercy:

WITH ALL MY SOUL—that I may seek fresh ways in which we can all be one in Jesus Christ and Lord, praying for thy divine power to surge through my commonplace routine from morning till night:

WITH ALL MY STRENGTH—that I may work the works of Him who sent me while it is day, seeking to channel through every act thy devotions to the needs of my neighbor and myself. Remind me from moment to moment that this is not optional, but the last command of Jesus Christ our Lord. Quicken me and use me this day, for thy name's sake. Amen.

CHEERFULNESS

Perennial Sunshine of the heart,
Which keeps our life in flower
Through some mysterious, native art,
So marvelous in power.

The swift adjustment to the best
Amid the outward gloom,
No lack of sunshine in the breast,
For darkness there no room.

Repose in God's good providence,
Which in both smile and frown
Displays his grand beneficence,
And infinite renown.

The calmness of a hidden life
Of unproclaimed delight,
With blessedness of duty rife,
And God to keep it bright.

The sweet contagious radiance
Which does a work divine,
In lighting others with its glance,
Till they begin to shine.

—Selected.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

CHRIST'S MISSION AND OURS

Jesus said: "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" The two versions of that message are: "My Father's house"; "My Father's business in his house." Jesus recognized early in his life his divine Sonship and his mission in life. Every one has a mission and every one is a divine son of God and should recognize that mission and submit to the Father's service and will. Do we have to be asked if we are Christians or do we so live that men are able to see that we are following Christ?

ONE DELEGATE AND ONE DOLLAR

Because of the many and varied preparations which the hostess society finds necessary for the ensuing annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at Rocky Mount on March 25-27, it is most important that name of delegate from each society and one dollar for luncheons for each delegate be sent at a very early date to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount. Only one delegate from each society and one from each Wesleyan Service Guild is allowed entertainment. Young women's circles do not send delegates, since they are a part of the W. S. C. S., neither do secretaries of children's work or any other officer in the local society receive entertainment by virtue of their office. The opening session will begin at 2 p. m. on March 25 and all delegates should have registered and be in the church auditorium by that time.

NAMES FOR MEMORIAL ROLL

Names of members of the W. S. C. S. and the former woman's missionary society of N. C. conference who have been deceased during 1940 should be sent to Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, without delay. This is necessary if the memorial roll is to be printed on the conference programs and if no name is omitted from the roll.

INFORMATION FOR MRS. GARY

Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, has been handicapped in the promotion of the work by lack of information concerning the guilds in this conference. It is very necessary that she receive without further postponement a list of guilds, names of officers and number of members of the guild. This request is urgent and compliance with it will be deeply appreciated. Mrs. Gary's address is Henderson, N. C.

ZONE MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Announcement from Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, states that Carteret county zone, Mrs. Joel H. Davis, leader, will meet Tuesday, March 11, at Oak Grove church. Central zone, Mrs. W. P. Moore, leader, will meet Thursday, March 13, at Hookerton. Both meetings will begin at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Floyd Johnson announces Lumberton zone meeting at St. Pauls March 12, 10 a. m.

NEW SOCIETY

The women of Holly Springs Methodist church have recently organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service, according to announcement by Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary. Mrs. M. E. Mims was elected president. Women throughout the conference will rejoice that these women at Holly Springs have come into fellowship with the greatest organization, the mission of which represents the loftiest purposes of God's work.

EULINE SMITH GRATEFUL

As rapidly as possible the Methodist missionaries who have returned from the foreign fields because of dreadfully uncertain war conditions, are being given employment in religious fields in America. Miss Euline Smith, a native of Hamlet, who has been serving in Korea, writes Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, that she is now serving at the Bethlehem Center which the board of missions has recently opened in Charlotte. Miss Smith was most regretful that she was forced to leave Korea and is hopeful that she will be able to return later. "However," she writes, "for the present I'll put my whole heart into this. I am grateful for this opportunity to serve. I love the people in our district and conference. All of you have been good to me. It is a privilege to be the representative of such people."

CENTRAL ZONE MEETS

Several subjects of major interest and import were included in the program of the Central zone Raleigh district meeting which was held on February 27 at Hayes Barton Methodist church in Raleigh. Mrs. A. C. Jones brought concrete suggestions for program building and the use of World Outlook and Methodist Woman; Mrs. H. T. Sawyer stressed the importance of making plans and a budget early in the year for the work of the department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Mrs. B. F. Boone gave helps on the program of study and missionary cultivation; Miss Mary Gardner listed some needs in the department of supplies. The problem of increasing delinquency and dependency as results of the evils of alcohol were discussed by Rev. H. I. Glass and followed by a discussion of how church women can help overcome this evil by Mrs. H. I. Glass. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood stressed the various departments of work of the W. S. C. S. and aims for attaining more effective work in the Raleigh district. Mrs. R. C. Gary explained Wesleyan Service Guild. An open forum for problem questions was held. Following noon day worship, led by Mrs. J. L. Midgette, the women were guests of the Hayes Barton society at a fellowship luncheon.

MRS. HILLMAN HONORED

Honoring Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, Mrs. B. F. Boone of Zebulon entertained recently at a delightful coffee hour. Mrs. G. S. Barbee, Zebulon ,greeted the guests. Mrs. J. J. Whitlock, Wendell, heard goodbyes. Mrs. W. C. Campen introduced the receiving line, which was composed of Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. W. J. Whitehurst, Rocky Mount; Mrs. H. I. Glass, Mrs. A. S. Barnes, Mrs. D. M. Sharpe, Raleigh; Mrs. Paul Garber, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. J. M. Ormond, Mrs. George Perry, Durham. Mrs. Foster Finch received in the dining room; Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, and Mrs. P. H. Whitley, assisted by Mrs. Caswell Riddle, Raleigh, and Miss Jocelyn House, poured coffee. Serving coffee, sandwiches, cakes and nuts were Mrs. E. R. Clegg, Nashville, Mrs. J. F. Coletrane, Mrs. S. G. Flowers, Mrs. A. R. House, Zebulon; Mrs. Mary Allred, Mrs. Clinness Beddingfield, Raleigh. Out-of-town guests included many from Wendell and Mrs. A. J. Hobbs, Durham, Mrs. H. B. Baum, Cary, Mrs. John C. Glenn, Mrs. Earl Brian, Miss Mary Gardner, Miss Flora Thompson, Raleigh. Approximately 100 or more called.

A MERITED COMMENDATION

The editors of World Outlook have received a notable letter from the Wilmington (Delaware) district expressing appreciation for those women who carried on as an "ad interim" editorial board, working for the future of World Outlook and Methodist Woman, also for the first program material for women in the new society. The letter states: "The following resolution was unanimously passed on December 5, 1940, at the Wilmington district meeting, held in Peninsula church, Wilmington, Delaware: The Wilmington district of the Woman's Society of Christian Service goes on record as complimenting the group who, while shocked by the sudden passing of Miss Haskin, carried on so beautifully and prepared our outstanding publications, World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. We extend to them sincere appreciation and commendation."

NONSENSE TALKED

"So much utter nonsense is talked about missions! I defy anyone with open eyes and a modicum of concern for his fellowmen to confront life as it actually is for vast masses of that humanity of primitive culture and religion, than witness a center of Christian faith and life among them, and still question the reality an incomparable importance of the Christian movement. It stands among these people absolutely alone—the only agency with a comprehensive strategy for the liberation, illumination, advancement of every aspect of their life.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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A HEAP OF LIVING

It really does take a heap of living to make a home. We have had a heap of it here at our Home during the winter. There has been a heap of health, all too much sickness, a lot of joy and more anxiety than we would have expected. One of our workers died, the relatives of several others passed away and an unusually large number of our workers have had hospital experiences, several being away from their work a month or more. Even so, a much larger number have been continually on the job, ready and willing to assume additional responsibilities. The prolonged influenza epidemic worked on our children, there being ninety sick at one time. We are still living, have much to be thankful for and propose to carry on as becomes those who have a reasonable amount of faith and willing to do a great deal of work.

A HEAP OF WORK

During a good part of the winter we found ourselves busy holding things together. We could not do much more than the absolutely essential things. Now that we are getting well and winter is passing our entire family is delivering itself to the spring planting, the seasonal cleaning and the spring wearing apparel. Much of our spring clothing, contracted for six months ahead, is now being fitted on the children ready for marking and for allotment later on.

A HEAP OF LEARNING

We have a lot of children to go to school. Most of them are doing well with their learning processes. Our school here on the Home grounds is well directed and wisely provided for. Our teachers are assuredly good. The 140 boys and girls who have been attending the Richard J. Reynolds high school, located nearby, have done reasonably well. They seem to be doing better as the school year progresses. We have much learning, some of it through the trial and error method, but a lot of it through the real honest-to-goodness effort method.

A HEAP OF PLAYING

We have a heap of playing, a lot of it supervised and plenty more that the boys and girls direct themselves. Our seasonal program of play is regarded as absolutely essential to the well-being of our youngsters. Following the football season the boys and girls have played many basket ball games. The girls' varsity team won out in the orphanage tournament and came out on top in the South Piedmont Conference schedule, thereby winning two much coveted trophies. The boys' varsity team has done reasonably well, considering its inexperience. The junior boys have lost only two games and the midgets haven't lost any. The junior girls have won all their games with one exception. The youngsters have learned quite as much from their defeats as they have from their victories. Now comes baseball. Marbles are already here.

A HEAP OF HEALTH

We are more prone to call attention to exceptional cases of sickness than to recount the long line of health that prevails among our children. Health is more common than sickness and therefore more apt to be taken for granted. Our report to the Duke Endowment shows that during the past year the average increase of weight for our boys amounted to 11½ pounds and the average increase for girls is recorded at 9 pounds. This means that the weight of our family has increased over two tons. Our children are growing—more than that, they are developing.



Help her keep this smile

A HEAP OF WILLIAMSES

The picture this week is that of Evelyn Williams, nine years old and in the second grade. Evelyn is one of seven Williamses who came to us last summer from the High Point Children's Home, five in one family and two in the other. We already had seven Williamses, representing three families. So Evelyn is one of the 14 very desirable Williamses we have. This lovable child is sponsored by the Young Woman's Class of First Street, Albemarle.

A HEAP OF ITEMS

There seems to be a world of detailed items connected with the raising of boys and girls and the running of a plant such as ours. We are connected with about everything that has to do with the growing of lives. This winter we have had additional details to look after in the construction of two new buildings here on the grounds. Contracts, sub-contracts and detailed specifications have had to be kept up with. There has been no such thing as getting away from calls having to do with some important matter. When we get all our buildings done and all our children in good shape we will be willing to rest. That is what heaven is for.

A HEAP OF EXPENSE

We can't think of a heap of anything without reminding ourselves that we have a heap of expense. It would be mighty fine if we could forget the anxiety connected with the financing of our Home. If we could just go along with the responsibilities, joys and opportunities of living with our family without worrying about the financing of our living we would have a much better time. But the expense anxiety is not limited to our own selves. Everybody has some of it. Let's help one another meet it.

A HEAP OF HOPING

Some people believe in praying for money. This scribe confesses to a sort of feeling that more money is to be gained by working for it. But we do have a lot of prayerful hope. There comes to our better selves a sort of a feeling that our good Christian Methodists will not let their orphan children unduly suffer. In the midst of our present challenging experiences we have the hope, seasoned with a good deal of assurance, that we will get along some way.

A HEAP OF LOVING

There is a heap of love tied up in the hearts of the Methodist people of Western North Carolina conference. A lot of it is turned loose. Some of it comes to the Children's Home. It comes in various ways, the most acceptable of which comes through loving financial contributions. Since last report the following congregations have paid their children's Home apportionment in full. Join with us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors, herewith listed:

Bethany, Randolph - Gray's Chapel circuit, Rev. H. L. Isley.

Beulah, Cherryville circuit, Rev. J. E. B. Houser.

McKendree, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt.

Rehobeth, Coleridge circuit, Rev. J. T. Huggins.

New Hope and Long Pine, Bethel-New Hope circuit, Rev. T. G. Highfill.

A HEAP OF CALLS

One can give himself to complaint about the financial calls of his church if he is not much interested in them. If he loves his church and the causes it promotes he finds joy in contributing to these causes as they come along. Yesterday as this scribe listened to Bishop Hughes make his Day of Compassion appeal he joined other givers in joyfully contributing to those who have lost about all they ever had. We here in our own good land have much to give. We can share with all the causes, the regular as well as the exceptional, and still have plenty left. We will doubtless do that very thing.

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I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

SQUIRRELS—We have dozens of squirrels on our campus. The children have made friends with them, and they seem to be very much at home in our midst. It is a beautiful sight to see the friendship existing between the children and the squirrels.

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BIRDS—Our campus has become a haven for a large variety of birds. No one on the campus molests them. The fact that they are undisturbed speaks volumes for our boys and girls. We do not need an Audubon Society here to protect the birds and squirrels.

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KITES—When I came back to the campus, after an absence of several days, the first thing I observed was the large number of boys out on the campus flying kites. Every normal boy wants to experience the thrill of indulging in "kiting." Some of the boys come to grief when their kites lodge in trees on the campus but, like most children, their grief is of short duration.

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SNOWBALLING—Our young people were hilarious over the recent snow. One of the smaller boys returning from our dairy farm said to one of the boys on the campus that the snow was a foot deep at the farm. Youth has an exaggerated imagination. Since this was the first snow of the winter, our boys and girls reveled in snowballing each other. So far, I have not heard that any window lights have been broken out in a friendly pitched battle between the youngsters. There is something about snow that thrills youth and age alike.

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GRATEFUL—Our boys and girls are deeply grateful to the good women of our conference for the nice clothes they send them each spring and fall. Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, is sending out the lists for the spring clothes. Within a few weeks nice boxes of clothes will be arriving at Mrs. Allred's office. Such tangible expressions of love mean much to the happiness of our youngsters. I wish to express my deep appreciation for the sacrifices that our women's organizations are making in behalf of our children.

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MRS. NELLIE RIVES—Several days ago Mrs. Rives underwent a serious operation in a Richmond, Va., hospital. Since her illness last August she has not been at all well. The singing class has not filled any engagements since last August, due to the physical condition of Mrs. Rives. It is sincerely hoped that within a month or two Mrs. Rives will be well and strong again, and able to take up her duties at the Orphanage. For more than 20 years Mrs. Rives has been one of our most efficient and devoted workers, and is known and loved all over the North Carolina conference.

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BURLINGTON CIRCUIT—The last Sunday in February was Laymen's Day on the Burlington circuit. Brother M. C. Ellerbe, in co-operation with his laymen, had arranged a very helpful program. I was delighted to be present and represent the Methodist Orphanage. I was heard gladly for the cause which I had the honor to represent. A funeral engagement in the afternoon at Smithfield necessitated my having to leave before the noon hour. Brother Ellerbe is a live, wide-awake pastor and makes an honest effort to put over the whole program of the church. I regret that I could not linger longer and enjoy fellowship with him and members of his charge.

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CHICAGO—The National Association of Hospitals and Orphanages met in Chicago the later part of February. It was a great conference, as leading hospital and orphanage executives gathered there from all quarters of the United States. United Methodism is a mighty force throughout the United States and around the world. The magnitude of the conference impressed me profoundly. That great organization elected Mr. O. V. Woosley, superintendent of the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, president for the ensuing year. This is a distinct honor worthily bestowed upon an outstanding orphanage executive. We in the South are happy over Brother Woosley's elevation to this responsible position. The next meeting of the National Association of Hospitals and Homes will be held in Dallas, Texas.

THINGS IN SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Poise is the way a Dutchman says boys.

Equinox is a wild animal that lives in the Arctic.

Rabbi is plural for rabbit.

"King Arthur's Round Table" was written by the author of Ten Knights in a Bar Room.

Copernicus invented the cornucopia.

Etiquette teaches us how to be polite without trying to remember to be.

In the stone age all the men were ossified.

The climax of a story is where it says it is to be continued.

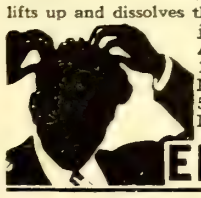
Prohibition means a very dry state to be in.

A gulf is a dent in a continent.

Buttress is a butler's wife.

Conservation means doing without things we need.

If Ponce de Leon hadn't died before he found the fountain of youth, he wouldn't have died.

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PLAN FOR TRAINING CLASSES

Time has come for more intensive planning for training classes during the spring and summer on circuits. Last year less than 20 per cent of the officers and teachers in the 879 churches on three to nine point charges were enrolled in any training enterprise. In these churches where pastoral supervision must be scattered, the need for better trained lay leadership is intensified. The need for training is greatest where training work has been the least. Here is a challenge for every pastor and church school superintendent to take advantage of an opportunity to provide training for his workers.

What we called Short Courses in the former southern church are now known as FIRST SERIES COURSES. Such courses are approved training opportunities for all officers, teachers and interested persons, 15 years of age and over, in small or medium churches. They are sponsored jointly by the local charge or church and the conference board of education. Accredited instructors are provided by the board, and a minimum of 300 minutes teaching time is necessary. They are usually held for four nights, two class periods of 40 minutes each evening.

Recently a sheet, TRAINED WORKERS ARE BETTER WORKERS, explaining how to get a First Series training class started, was sent to all pastors of three to nine point charges. The sheet lists available courses and instructors. If you want a copy of it or if you are interested in making this training available for your church, write E. D. C. Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury.

YOUNG ADULT PLANNING CONFERENCE

Recently at Sunny Acres 43 selected young adults from every district in the conference met to discuss plans for a new emphasis on this phase of work.

Plans were made for a conference-wide annual Young Adult Fellowship Camp, the one this year to be held at Camp Carlyle, near Hendersonville, June 21-25, 1941 Key leaders of Young Adult Fellowships or classes in local churches should attend. Further information will be available later.

Topics discussed at the planning conference were: Who is a young adult? What are the needs of young adults in today's world? led by Rev. Earl Brewer; What plans should we make in local churches to meet young adult needs? led by Miss Irene Abernethy, First church, Charlotte; What plans should we make in the district to meet young adult needs? led by Miss Blanche, Ardmore, Winston-Salem; and What plans should we make in the conference to meet young adult needs? led by Rev. Carl H. King.

Enthusiasm and interest characterized the meeting. Young adults were happy over the prospect of our church making more adequate provision for them. It is expected that a conference Young Adult Fellowship will be launched at the camp in June. This phase of our work offers great promise in terms of building a stronger church.

NEW FREE LEAFLETS ON ADULT WORK

Our General Board of Education is publishing new leaflets in the field of adult work. Several of these are already available:

400-B Adults in the Small Church.
401-B The Adult Division of the Local Church.
404-B The Adult Home Department.
415-B Reaching Adults.
418-B A Ten-Point Program of Evangelism for Adults.
429-B Learning for Life School.
430-B List of Elective Units for Adults.

If you desire copies of these leaflets please send a card to Box 828, Salisbury, indicating the number needed. We feel that these new leaflets should be used widely in our church.

Evangelism in the Adult Division

Three of the above leaflets have just been sent to all superintendents of adult divisions in the conference. These all deal with evangelism among adults. They are: Reaching Adults, A Ten-Point Program of Evangelism for Adults, and The Adult Home Department. These leaflets should be used extensively in a pre-Easter emphasis on Evangelism and Church Loyalty. Additional free copies are available from our office upon request.

Adult Home Department

Last year only 35 per cent of our charges (and a much smaller percentage of churches) reported home departments. What is happening to those adults who are crippled, sick, aged, lonesome, or who because of home responsibility or occupation cannot attend church or church school? It is a vital part of evangelism to take the church to those who cannot come to the church. Get a copy of this leaflet and make plans now to take care of this needy group of adults.

EVANGELISM IN THE CHILDREN'S DIVISION

A Messages to Pastors

Children's Workers Need You:

1. To help them become "teacher evangelists."
2. To help them learn how to discuss infant baptism effectively.
3. To help them make their teaching of junior boys and girls a real challenge to intelligent church membership, and to effective participation in the work of the church.

Parents Need You:

1. To help them understand the significance of child baptism both for babies and for parents.
2. To help them learn how to interpret church membership for their boys and girls.

All Junior Boys and Girls Need You:

1. To help them and their teachers appreciate more fully the meaning of what it means to be a Christian, of church membership, and related emphasis.

Some Activities That Will Help:

1. A series of meetings with classes of juniors to discuss the meaning of church membership, interpretation of ritual and sacraments, and other emphases.
2. Working with nursery department workers to secure names of parents of infant candidates for baptism.
3. Meeting with parents of babies to be baptized, to discuss the significance of infant baptism.
4. Meeting with parents and teachers of juniors, to discuss church membership for juniors.
5. Planing definitely with parents, teachers and children for a special service on Palm Sunday to receive juniors into the church.
6. Planing definitely with parents and nursery workers for a special service for infant baptism.

Some Materials That Will Help:

Each pastor has reecived within the past week from this office describing envelopes containing definite materials on evangelism. One of these is free to each church on request. The other is assembled at a cost of 50 cents. This second envelope contains three very important booklets for the use of pastor and teacher and parents of children who are joining the church. This material will be decidedly helpful as they plan to make church membership meaningful for the boys and girls in their care.

YOUTH BANQUETS

February and March seem to be "banquet" months for the young people of the Western North Carolina conference. Members of our conference staff have not been able to accept many of the invitations that have come to us to attend these banquets, but we have appreciated them very much, and have enjoyed the reports which have come.

The latest report received is that of the Asheville Union banquet held at West Asheville church, with 222 present. Other union banquets we have heard about are: The Young Methodist Union in the Statesville district, and one of the unions in the Waynesville district. We understand that the Goodfellowship Union in the Statesville district and the Forsyth Union in the Winston-Salem district have also had banquets recently.

District-wide banquets have been held in the Gastonia, High Point, and Greensboro districts; and Marion and Salisbury districts are planning theirs in the near future. In many cases it is difficult to find a place large enough to take care of those who want to attend. The young people enjoy the evening of fun and fellowship and the opportunity to widen their friendship.

In Memoriam

MONTSINGER—Many will regret to learn of the passing of W. J. Montsinger, the oldest member of the First Methodist church of High Point, on January 31, 1941. Brother Montsinger would soon have passed his 90th birthday. He had lived a long and useful life and was always active in his church as long as he was able to attend its services. His death came like the reward of a much needed rest at the close of day. Those who knew Mr. Montsinger will share with his wife and six living children not so much in sorrow but in pleasant memories of a patient, humble and saintly soul.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. George R. Brown and the pastor.

J. C. Madison.

POINDEXTER—Mrs. Allie Speas Poindexter, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. Speas, was born near Old Town, N. C., on November 19, 1895. On August 18, 1926, she was married to William Doub Poindexter.

Mrs. Poindexter was a loyal member of New Hope Methodist church and spent herself unreservedly in the work of the church, having served as S. S. teacher, pianist and choir leader. She possessed a beautiful Christian character which pervaded her home life, her church, and her community. Truly "to know her was to love her," and her loss will be deeply felt.

Her death occurred on February 5, following a week's illness with pneumonia. Her mother preceded her in death by only one week.

Besides her husband she is survived by a 13-year-old daughter, Aedlia, and a 10-year-old son, William Doub, Jr.; also by the following brothers and sisters: Benjamin Speas of Lynchburg, Va., Worth Speas, Woodleaf, N. C., Mrs. Bruce Anderson, Lynchburg, Va., Mrs. John A. Kent, Winter Park, Fla., and Miss Mamie Speas of Raleigh.

Funeral services at New Hope Methodist church were conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. C. Kennedy, assisted by Bishop J. K. Pfohl.

A. C. Kennedy, P. C.

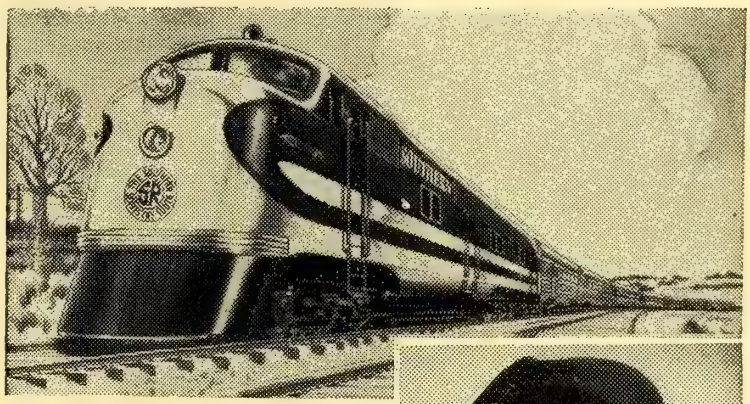
LILES—Mrs. John Liles was born in Halifax county 64 years ago; died November 29, 1940, after an illness of several months. She was married January 13, 1897, to Mr. John Liles, a well known merchant. To this union were born seven children, two of whom died in early life—Misses Margaret and Sarah Liles. Those surviving are: Mrs. W. W. Warren, Mrs. P. F. Harris, John Liles, Jr., and Joseph Liles, all of Littleton, N. C., and Willis Liles of Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Liles was a faithful, loving wife, a thoughtful, patient mother, who never grew tired of serving and doing the hidden chores of domestic life. She is to be commended for the splendid way in which she raised her children.

Mrs. Liles joined the Tabor Methodist church early in life and remained a faithful, devoted member until death. She loved her church and supported it and was a constant attendant upon all its services just as long as her health would permit. Her home was always the preacher's home. Her faith in Christ was beautiful. Her pastor conducted the funeral service, assisted by Rev. Mr. Towe of Rocky Mount, a former pastor.

"Servant of God, well done,
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

Dewey D. Broome, Pastor.

"Streamlined" Hostesses Selected for Southern's New All-Coach Trains



Washington, D. C.—The newest and most modern all-coach streamlined train in the country—"The Southerner"—is being groomed for its inaugural trip from New Orleans to New York, for exhibition to the public at intermediate points, about the middle of March, Frank L. Jenkins, passenger traffic manager of Southern Railway System, announced yesterday. "The new Southern streamliners will go into regular daily service between Gotham and the Crescent City via Atlanta and Birmingham on or about March 20th," Mr. Jenkins said.

A corps of attractive Southern beauties, selected from the several States through which "The Southerner" will run, have been employed as hostesses on the three streamliners required for the New York-New Orleans run, and these young ladies will report to headquarters on March 1st to receive a course of training under Miss Wanda L. Myers, newly appointed director of hostess service for the Southern Railway. The duties of these hostesses will be to make each passenger on the train feel at home. The girls are between five feet six inches and five feet nine inches in height, between the ages of 25 and 33, unmarried and were selected on the basis of personal charm, engaging personality, education and temperament. They will wear blue-green gabardine uniforms with matching sailor berets.

Each of the three trains for the New York-New Orleans run will consist of seven coaches, including a club - observation - tavern car, beautiful diner and four chair-car coaches, powered by a 2,000-horsepower Diesel - electric locomotive. All seats will be reserved at no extra cost above the 1½ cents per mile regular coach fare.



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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 9

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christ Rejected

The parable of the Vineyard is Jesus' outline of Jewish history. The planting and preparing of the vineyard symbolizes the great favors God had bestowed upon Israel. The servants who from time to time were sent to receive the fruits of the vineyard are the prophets who came challenging the nation to respond to God's goodness by loyalty, justice and mercy. The treatment accorded to the servants corresponds to the abuse heaped with sad uniformity upon these prophets beginning with Moses and continuing all down the line. The sending of the son as a last resort Jesus compares to his own unique and special commission from the Father. He makes sharp distinction between his own place and function in the kingdom and that of the marvelous preachers who had preceded him.

In view of the fact that within a week Jesus foresaw his own death, with what emotion he must have spoken this parable with its description of how the tenants said, This is the heir, come, let us kill him. But while our Lord's view of Jewish history made it a tragedy ending with the supreme tragedy of the murder of the Messiah, nevertheless he had no doubt that in him the Scripture would be fulfilled: The stone which the builders rejected is made the head of the corner. This certainty of his approaching terrible death combined with perfect faith in his ultimate and complete triumph, is one of the wonders of his insight.

And not only that, but he was sure that the fate of men and nations depended on the attitude they took toward him. He that falleth on this stone shall be broken. And if a man learns nothing from discipline inflicted on him for disobedience, then the stone will fall on him, and will scatter him as dust.

The parable is a paradox. In the strongest possible way it portrays the love and patience of God. After three servants had been beaten and cast out, in succession, no earthly owner of a vineyard would have sent his son. But in the parable the owner takes a great risk to challenge the farmers to do right. And yet, on the other hand, how can human language more strongly express the terrible fate of those who obstinately hold out against Christ? They will be pulverized, says he. But the truth of this view of God as infinitely merciful, and yet very severe to those who finally despise his mercy, has been demonstrated all through history. And it was supremely demonstrated in the case of Israel which after the rejection and crucifixion of Christ was ere long scattered as dust to the four winds.

The application to America is obvious. As a nation we were entrusted with a wonderful vineyard. Our broad and fertile country and the exalted political ideals of our founders started us out under the most favorable auspices. Have we rendered the fruit of the vineyard? Have we built up a social order that gives justice to all? A great many seem wholly unaware of the fact that history warns us of the tragic posibility of losing our liberties if we do not fear God and stand for righteousness and peace both among ourselves and with all nations.

But the parable shows plainly that, although man may defeat the plans of God and tragically delay the coming of the kingdom, he will not be able permanently to checkmate the Most High. God's resources are limitless, and no matter what men do to Christ, nevertheless by the eternal laws of the universe he will in the end be the head of the corner. God will not fail, nor be discouraged, until he has set righteousness in the earth, and the isles shall wait for his law.

This is the fundamental conviction of the New Testament. But we cannot get from it a knowledge of the times or the seasons. Jesus himself said that the future is not mechanically fixed to tick off its inevitable course like clock work. Pray ye, he said to his disciples, that your flight may not be in the winter.

One of the reasons why our Lord himself said that he knew not the day nor the hour was that no one could possibly know the mighty influence that the mountain-moving prayers of some obscure saint would have upon the course of history. Jesus also suggests that the darkest hour may be just before dawn. When men have sunk themselves into hell by defying God, they may suddenly realize that the Christ way is the only way, or, as the New Testament puts it in its lofty poetry, they shall see the sign of the Son of man coming in the clouds with power and great glory (Luke 21:25-28).

HEART'S DESIRE

By Elisabeth F. Whisner

Heart's Desire—Is it some distant place
Where gleaming cities are?
Or is it some small garden spot
Beneath the evening star?

Heart's Desire—Is it a shining world
With fame its only goal?
Or is it just a lowly hearth
That warms and cheers the soul?

Heart's Desire—Is it pleasure-land,
Where gay crowds whirl and dance?
Or is it at the trysting place
Where love speaks in a glance?

Heart's Desire—Is it in crowded streets
Where pass the sad and gay?
Or is it by some quiet stream
Where bird song fills the day?

Heart's Desire—Is it a song of mirth
That passes, soon to die?
Or the rapture song of a soul new-born
That fills all earth and sky?

O soul, so filled with yearnings deep,
Where is thine altar fire?
Look unto God, and thou shalt find
Thy Land of Heart's Desire.

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Children's Storyland



MARY ANN

By Ethel Harrison Grice

"What are they doing?" asked Mary Ann coming into the primary room. The children were looking at something on the walls.

"They are looking at pictures," explained Miss Jennie. "Here are Miss Frances and your class at this end." Mary Ann hurried over to look too.

Miss Frances said, "Good morning, Mary Ann. We're looking at the pictures I took at the orphanage party."

"Oh," cried Bob, "there's the boy with the harp I sent." Bob pointed to a smiling little boy with a harp.

"These children have no parents," reminded Miss Frances. "Who buys their clothes and food?"

"You said we helped with the money we bring to church," answered Mary Ann.

Miss Frances smiled, "I'm glad you remembered, Mary Ann." Then the class moved on to see other pictures.

"That's a hospital," said Miss Frances.

"And there are the sick folks," said Jane, looking at the picture of people lying in beds.

"Yes," answered Miss Frances. "There are some people that go to this hospital who do not have any money to pay the doctors or nurses."

Mary Ann looked puzzled and kept saying, "Poor little baby, poor little baby," as she looked at a baby in the picture.

"I'll give my money for the baby," said Mary Ann taking a dime from her little red rose.

"That's kind, Mary Ann," said Miss Frances. "Your money will help the baby. But you keep it until we take up the offering in a little while."

The next picture was of an old white-headed man. John said, "He looks like my grandfather." Miss Frances told them that he was a minister who was too old to preach, and that someone should help to care for him.

The next picture was of a kindergarten of little Chinese children. They were smiling, and Mary Ann, Bob, John, and Jane all smiled right back at them.

"A Christian woman went to China to teach them about the heavenly Father," said Miss Frances. "Who do you think paid her way over there? Who pays her expenses while she gives all her time to help these children learn about God?"

Mary Ann said, "I don't know," and the other children said that, too.

"There are many teachers and preachers who go to tell about Jesus in our country, and in other countries," said Miss Frances. "Who cares for them while they are teaching others?" It was all puzzling.

Then soft music was played, and the children went to their seats. Miss Jennie said: "You have seen many pictures this morning. Were the people in the pictures doing kind things or bad things?"

"Kind things," answered the children.

"Would you like to help do all those kind things?" she asked.

"Yes," the children said.

"I'd love to help the Chinese children in the kindergarten," said Mary Ann, "but mother won't let me go to China."

"Mary Ann," said Miss Jennie, "while you are too small to leave home you can send your money to help."

"I'm going to give my dime for the little sick baby," said Mary Ann. "I'll bring another one next Sunday for the little Chinese children."

Then Miss Jennie explained that when people brought their money to God's house it did much good. She said: "When all of it is put together it makes enough to help many people. It helps to take care of orphans, and sick people, and carries the message of God's love to people in many lands.

"So Mary Ann's dime will help the sick baby, and the Chinese children, and others, too. And the money she brings next Sunday will keep on helping them. How many of you are glad your money does so much good?"

"Glad!" cried all the children. So they dropped their offerings in the basket. They were truly glad that they could do much good with their money. —Storytime.

SAILING DOWN TO RIO

By Evelyn Winn

You may think I'm in my big arm-chair,
Right here in the firelight's glow;
But I'm not, I'm in my magic ship
A-sailing down to Rio.

Oh, now, I shall be a sailor lad,
Yo-ho, my hearties, yo-ho!
Tonight I'll sail to the harbor fair
Of Rio Janeiro!

To the land where the rubber trees grow,
Where coffee hangs on a tree,
Where it's very hot at Christmas-time,
And many strange sights to see.

And there in beautiful Rio town
I'll go walking the street,
For there are hundreds of boys and girls
Whom I'd like so much to meet.

—Southern Christian Advocate.

THE HORNED TOAD OF TEXAS

By Gertrude E. Forth

One of the homeliest and humblest citizens of the southwestern states is the horned toad. This queer fellow is really not a toad at all, but a lizard. However, he is most commonly known as the horned toad of Texas, and, as such, he is regarded almost affectionately by the people of his native state. He is three or four inches in length. He cannot hop or run fast, but he manages to cover the ground at his own rate of speed, asking only to be allowed to live his life as nature intended.

Perhaps his chief attraction for us is his homeliness. This lack of good looks is indeed a blessing in disguise, for his suit of armor edged with saw-like teeth, does not invite the acquaintance of animals that roam the desert in search of high adventure, or a meal for the taking. Even the head is hooded with sharp spikes or horns, which further serve to persuade the most venturesome animals to leave him alone.

When Mrs. Horned Toad goes walking with her toadlets on a fine sunny afternoon over the arid plains of the south, she has no fears for the safety of her family. Even though the desert swarms with death-dealing monsters of the animal world, she knows that the unattractiveness of her brood is their insurance policy against accident or disaster. She is certain that her babies will never be killed, kidnaped or stolen, so she goes about contentedly catching a few bugs for them and showing them how to catch their own. They are soon left to depend entirely upon themselves with the wide desert as their playground, and an even chance to procure the occasional insect for food.

So gentle and harmless is the horned toad, that he makes the most delightful of pets. Children find him so campanionable that they like to carry him around in their arms.

The next time your friends visit the southwestern states ask them to bring you one of these peaceful, dust-covered little creatures for a pet.

Rose Bampton, American soprano, visited her little niece the other afternoon and admired greatly a large Teddy bear whose button-like eyes conveyed the impression of a decided squint.

"What do you call your bear?" asked Miss Bampton.

"His name is Gladly," returned the child gravely, "same as the one in the hymn."

"What hymn?" asked the singer, baffled.

"You know, Aunty," insisted the niece. "The one that says, 'Gladly, my cross-eyed bear.' "—Boston Globe.

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April

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Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
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Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

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W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

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Rockingham, 7:30 30
Sanford, 7:30 31

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Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
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Troy, 8 27

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April

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Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Beaufort, 11 9
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 9
Morehead Ct., 7:30 9
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 16
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 7:30 16
Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
Ayden, 7:30 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Greenville, 7:30 4
Mt. Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 11
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 11
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 9
City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16
Tar River, Trinity, 11 23
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 23
Louisburg, 7:30 26
Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Rosemary, 11 9
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 9
Spring Church-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 7:30 9
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 11 9
Carvers Creek, Trinity, 3:30 9
Elizabeth, Wesleys, 7:30 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 16
Garland, Salem, 3:30 16
Wesley Memorial, Bethany, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Shallotte, Village, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

March

Tryon, 11 9
Saluda, 3 9

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Morven, McFarland, 11 9
Wesley Heights, 7:30 9
Belmont Park, 7:30 10
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homesetead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 9
Dobson, Siloam, 11 16
Bryant Memorial, Ararat, 3 16
Jonesville, night 16
Sparta, Sparta, 11 23
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 3 23
Jefferson, Bethany, night 23

April

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, 11 6
Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel, 3 6
North Wilkesboro, night 6
Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Missionary Institute, Elkin, March 30.

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11; Oak Grove, 2 9
Lafayette Stret, night 9
Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13
Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.
District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.
Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Mt. Pleasant, Union, 10 9
Stokesdale, Tabor, 3 9
Reidsville, Main St., 5 9
West End, 7:30 9
Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11 23
Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 7 23
Leaksville, 11 30
Reidsville (Laymen's and Missions District Meeting) 2:30 30

April

Pleasant Garden, 11 6
Muir's Chapel, 11 13
Centenary, 7:30 13
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27

May

Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
District Conference, Greensboro College 21

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, 3 9
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Morganton, First, 11 9
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 9
Forest City, 11 16
Spindale, 3 16
Rutherfordton, Spindale, 3 16
Pleasant Grove, Spindale, 3 16
Burnsville, 11 23
Bald Creek, Burnsville, 3 23
Micaville, Burnsville, 3 23
Rutherfordton, 11 30

April

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 6
Broad River, Tanner's Grove, 3 6
Mill Spring, Gray's, 11 13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 11 20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Stony Point, 11 9
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 2:30 9
Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 9
Fines Creek, Baldwin's, 2:30 9
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 7:15 9
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

March

Forsyth, Pine Grove, 11 9
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 9
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
North Davidson, Bethesda, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

IN MEMORIAM

HUGHS—On the 3rd day of December, 1940, our beloved brother, L. R. Hughs was called from labor to his reward. He was for many years a faithful and loyal member of the Mt. Lebanon Methodist church in Randleman, N. C. He was born in Randleman on January 8, 1868, son of Marshall and Martha Woods Hughs. In his 51 years of membership in the Mt. Lebanon church he served in every office of the church. He was secretary of the quarterly conference and teacher of the Bible class at the time of his death. He was always faithful to every duty imposed upon him, and was always present at every service in the church when it was possible for him to attend.

He was deeply spiritual, a safe counselor and loved the fellowship of his brethren. Just a few nights before his death he stood up to speak in a midweek prayer meeting, and with deep emotion expressed his love for the church and his pastor. We will miss his presence and timely counsel and earnest prayers. But he is not dead—just gone home—and his influence yet lives in the minds of those he helped to train to be good citizens and useful Christian men and women.

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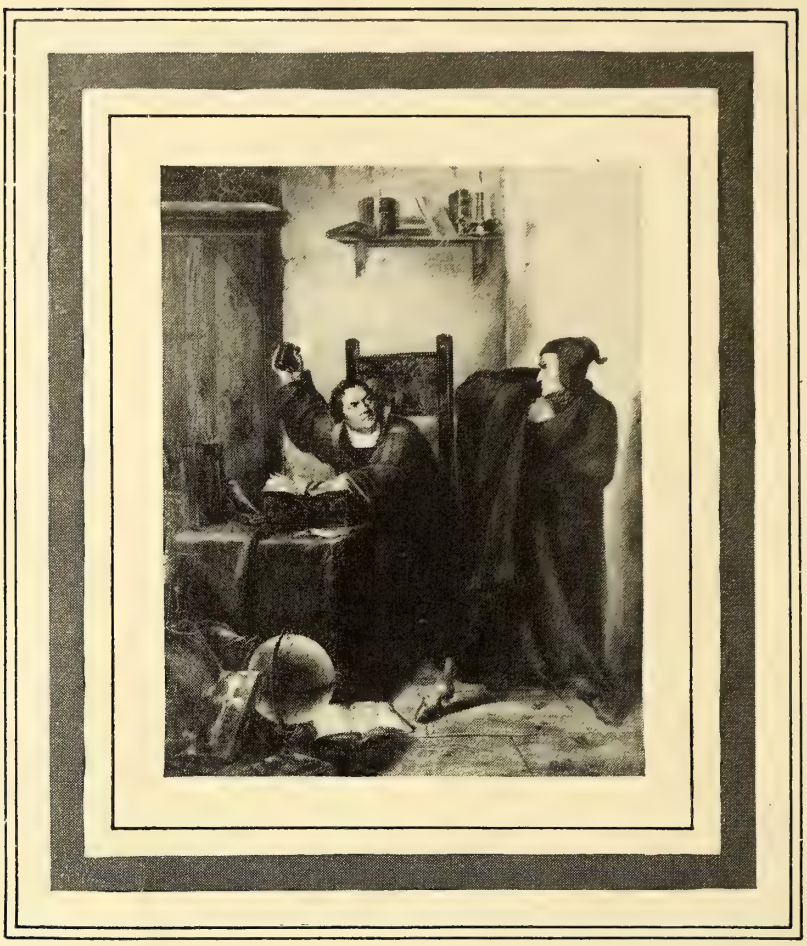
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Football Trophies Won by Raleigh Methodist Orphanage

Marvin Tilley, Methodist Orphanage boy, was named the most outstanding player in the conference. Story on page 17.

Are We Willing to Trust the People?

Our present reliance in America is force in all its forms, most especially the force of military might. Whenever we would add to this the President calls on Congress for more money—no longer for millions but for billions. This is the measure of our might. Our enemies need not try to make a stand against this. This is our chief word of cheer for all the struggling democracies of earth, especially for old England.

But what about keeping safe and secure our own boasted American democracy? True, the past has not been perfect, but with all our failures we have won the admiration of many peoples. What is to be the fate of our own future? Every thoughtful citizen knows that the hidden and most serious perils that threaten are within. The Catilines are often in our assemblies with no Cicero to cry out against them. Along with the conspirators are the traitors such as Judas who ever prove false. Certainly these enemies of our democracy are not all the minions of Hitler.

As a matter of fact, the worse enemies of our democracies are those who will not trust the people and allow them to bear rule. Oligarchies seek to dictate and direct. A few set themselves to govern, unwilling to trust the processes of democracy. The refusal of the present General Assembly in North Carolina to allow a referendum of the people on the liquor issue is a case in point. The more reprehensible does this become when 34 members of the General Assembly refuse to even allow the liquor issue to be passed upon by the 120 members of the legislature, to say nothing of a referendum being granted to all the people of the state. This gives us something new in North Carolina. For by a secret vote of 34 to 10 the House finance committee sent to the unfavorable calendar the McGowan bill to provide for a state-wide referendum Says the News and Observer:

"The committee voted three times in connection with the bill, but no member went on record, even by a standing vote, on any of the three occasions."

Following the secret ballot the tellers were instructed to burn the ballots.

What respect can the people have for their representatives who are not willing to stand up and be counted on public issues and measures before a legislative body? The more startling does this become since we are going such lengths to save democracy overseas in order that we may preserve the rights of the people at home. How can democracy survive such treachery as this displayed in dealing with the people of North Carolina? A breach of faith always cuts deep into the honest American. Betrayal of our democracy at home is certainly more dangerous than any force the enemy can send against us. The action at Raleigh this week smacks of Russia and Nazism in its refusal to trust the people of North Carolina.

SENATOR SHEPPARD'S CONSISTENCY

Senator Morris Sheppard, author of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution, is a man who has consistently stuck to his ideals whether those ideals were popular or not. It has been Senator Sheppard's custom to deliver an address against the liquor traffic each year on the anniversary of the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment. In his speech last month he said, "I condemn beverage alcohol as a threat to the health, happiness and prosperity of our citizenship. I condemn it as a contributing factor in the premature death of hundreds of thousands of our people. I condemn it as a charge upon the public, intolerable in an arc of strenuous effort toward national security and defense. I condemn it because an alcohol-drinking democracy cannot develop the maximum strength of national defense." Sheppard is one political leader whose attitude toward vital questions does not change with the changing winds of public sentiment. And liquor is certainly a vital question before the American people. It will never be settled until it is settled right. And the right way to treat all poisons in the blood stream of humanity is to abolish them.

LIQUOR IS A MONEY ISSUE

Action in the legislature in referring to the finance committee the house bill providing a state-wide referendum on the liquor question openly classifies the liquor question as a money issue rather than a moral issue.

Money, said to be the root of evil, enters pro and con into every attempt to do anything about controlling the sale of liquor. In a local election, the bootleggers will line up with the drys because they want to make money. Others who do not actually brew the bootleg stuff will vote with the drys because they sell merchandise that goes into the alcoholic beverage. Still others who neither make the liquor nor sell the ingredients will vote to dry up the liquor stores because a large part of the ABC money goes out of the community and they have less chance to benefit from its circulation than if the local bootleggers circulated it. Then there are those who are out and out for the liquor stores because it brings money into the tax treasury, and they think their own taxes may be less.

Money was the reason for the referendum bill going to the finance committee and money will be the reason for its becoming buried there. The wets, when heard by the committee, predicted that if the referendum were taken, the state would vote dry, and the financiers will be in no hurry to give an opportunity for the liquor revenue to be turned down.

It is money that sags the scales every time, though human misery and poverty and degradation resulting from liquor are on the other side of the balance.—Smithfield Herald.

SOLDIERS WAR'S FIRST CASUALTY

"Unless the churches and other civic-minded groups rise up to do something, and do it soon, it is not at all unlikley that the morals of America's new soldiers will be this country's first war casualty," states Clarence W. Hall, magazine editor of The Christian Advocate, official weekly of the Methodist Church, in the first of a series of articles on vice conditions surrounding our army camps in South, East and Midwest, now appearing in that publication. "The coalition of liquor, gambling and prostitution is strong in almost every community adjoining the camps. All three are readily available for the soldier who looks for them. In many cases the arrangements between such forces of corruption and local politics appear to be based on an amiable reciprocity."

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Most refreshing to us is the interest manifest in the North Carolina Christian Advocate. We have much to encourage. Grateful are we for friends.

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There are many receipts for happiness. Not much is said about the opposite. The best receipt for unhappiness—a sure guarantee of misery—is a self-centered life.

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The many gatherings being held during the Lenten season should lift our Methodism to a high and heroic level. Our greatest need is a revival of the crusading spirit of the men on horseback in the pioneer days of America.

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The Baptist missionary women, a thousand strong, have been in session this week in the First Baptist church. Greensboro gave glad welcome to this noble band. We may be sure that these women stand for the highest and best, and believe fully in the processes of democracy. Heart and soul they are democrats without any of the pretense that goes with many politicians who claim to be great democrats. God bless them every one.

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"Force, force without stint" were the words of Woodrow Wilson in the world war. Such is the present reliance at this hour. We do not put it in the words of Wilson, but our reliance is the same as we go against the Huns. How sore was the disappointment that followed. The same will be our fate following the present conflict. The world is not going to be saved by more war. Democracy at home may survive if it can be saved from the political hypocrites who prove themselves untrustworthy. They fail to take a stand for the people, resolute and unyielding. The political deceptions of the past contribute to the present fear of our being led into the war, though the candidates on both sides gave assurance no boy would be ordered out of America. Democracy cannot survive treachery.

Men said that the Uniting Conference did not meet one day too soon with the work that has fallen upon the church of Jesus Christ. Much is expected of united Methodism. Are we going to move on such a high level and make such a spiritual contribution to the world as to be a saving factor? This is no ordinary demand. We were united for conquest.

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Some are saying that the upheaval among the nations of such world-wide proportions is the end of missions. Surely they do not know the record and the inner spirit of the Christian conquest. They are forgetful of the world situation during the first three centuries in which the enthusiastic followers of the Nazarene overran the Roman Empire. They went forth turning the world upside down, not counting their lives dear unto themselves. Why should the missionaries quit the field at this hour? They certainly know little of what the Christians endured when they took to the Catacombs in Rome. Could the church in America throw aside its defeatist attitude and hold fast to the conquest, with the cross going on before, it would be different in the regions beyond.

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"Holding the backlines is not all. Without the backlines of agriculture, industry, commerce, education, and the professions, without the support of those who do the work of the world, there will not long be any front lines. The front lines are the projection of the total resources, health, work, efficiency, idealism, and morale of the people who occupy all the lines of total defense. Indispensable to national defense are physical fitness, character, moral courage, insight, and capacity to bring the total powers of a trained mind to instant affairs on the part of statesmen, captains of industry and finance, chiefs of labor, professional and technical experts, commanders of armies and navies, interpreters of ideas and opinions, and all leaders of the people."—President Frank Graham.

The Obscure and Hidden Toiler

ALL the pictorial agencies and news sheets of every kind are enlisted in portraying those in public life from the heads of the vast set-up in the defense effort to the many workers scattered all around in every line of human endeavor. No one else seems to count for much. But this is only in the seeming. To one portrayed in Life, Time, Look and the thousands of less spectacular publications there are thousands in homes, industrial enterprises and training agencies who toil on in obscure places and unheralded occupations that enable the nation to continue its normal and vigorous existence. These in fact and in truth are effective "in the service" of the nation.

The kingdom of heaven itself is not more truly within the souls of the faithful and devout followers of the Nazarine than is the future welfare of this Republic wrapped up in the fidelity and devotion of these unknown toilers. Yes, the life of the Republic is primarily within and not along the far flung battle lines of earth, sea and sky. Just as the kingdom of heaven is within, so is the kingdom of Great Britain lodged within the heroic Britishers. Every kingdom primarily is within. Especially true is this of the kingdom of democracy. Not half so dangerous to world democracy, yea, to American democracy, is Hitler as are the dictators under the guise of democracy at home. These threaten a breakdown of our democracy at home.

The real and abiding defense of our land, this sweet land of liberty, is an undying devotion to the American way cherished in the souls of the obscure and hidden toilers. These hold the front lines of defense.

Prayer As Propaganda

READERS of the daily papers are aware that the pickets have been active about Washington in recent weeks in an effort to show the United States senators the error of their ways in supporting the British aid bill. Some of these people got into court for the supposed violation of local statutes of the Capitol grounds. There was evidence that one of these pickets, among other things, had bowed down before a senator's door as if in prayer and in the act blocked entrance to his office. The court asked a policeman who was on the witness stand if the woman was praying. The Irish witness promptly replied, "I do not know whether she was praying or having her picture took." Everybody knew that her attitude of prayer in this public place was primarily for purposes of propaganda.

Jesus met these propaganda fellows in his day and he did not employ sugar-coated words in denouncing those pious looking Pharisees who stood on the street corners and for a pretense made long prayers to be seen of men.

Jesus advised those prayer propagandists of his day to get off the street corners and get into their closets, if they expected to be heard of God. The great Teacher has spoken the authoritative and last word upon this all important subject of prayer for propaganda.

The Churches of Norfolk

SATURDAY evening of last week on the Virginia border we heard over the air the announcement of a two weeks' series of services in the churches of Norfolk in which leading ministers are to aid the pastors in revival services. It was the declaration of a serious co-operative effort to win men to God in that city so full of people from the regions round about, crashing into this industrial center these days of national defense. We heard but one refrain from all that border section of Virginia and Carolina: "Every man is after a big paying job in Norfolk."

Obviously the churches of Norfolk would be a vital and vigorous spiritual force with the influx of the multitudes. Norfolk is setting a fine example to every other city and town in this day of shifting populations. The churches have a fearful responsibility thrust upon them in this stress on national defense efforts all across the land. What will all this military equipment amount to with the ponderous debt incurred if in it all and through it all America loses her soul? The boys gathered in the camps will not return to their homes the same as they left them. They are hearing much of material force but little of spiritual vigor. Only the church and spiritual leaders have the one message needed above all others.

Not much can be done by the churches at their best, when wars and rumors of war are abroad. Even at the best the road is rough, but it is worth while to make an honest effort as the churches of Norfolk are doing.

Our hope is that the spiritual message will ring out from all our pulpits and that our churches will not be diverted from their divine

mission. Do the best we may, we are destined to suffer the spiritual decline and the material collapse that followed the world war from which we have not yet recovered. Some said then we would not get over it for fifty years to come.

Efforts are now being made in Congress to take up the slack that is sure to follow the present orgy of spending in this defense program with its reckless waste of billions. But how about the fate of the spiritual slack now in the making in every nook and corner of the land? Efforts similar to those in Norfolk should be multiplied a thousand fold everywhere.

Words of Appreciation from Headquarters

DR. WILLIAM W. REID, secretary, the department of publicity of Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York City, writes us as follows:

"May I express to you my own very deep appreciation and that of my colleages for the very fine way in which your paper played up the various needs culminating in the giving of the 'Day of Compassion'—March 2.

"We will not, of course, know for some weeks just how large the offering was, but every indication is that the day was very generally observed and that the givers made generous response.

"Again thanking you for your co-operation in this matter, I am . . ."

We mention this with an expectation that it will serve to stimulate our pastors and other friends of this Advocate to extend the circulation of the paper.

Two Kinds of People

BOTH classes are active in every community. They are not newcomers. They have been with us a long, long time, and will likely continue indefinitely. Somebody described them as follows:

"The two kinds of people on earth, I ween,
Are the people who lift and the people who lean.
Wherever you go you will find the world's masses
Are always divided in just these two classes,
And oddly enough, you will find, too, I ween,
There is only one lifter to twenty who lean.
In which class are you? Are you easing the load
Of overtaxed lifters who toil down the road?
Or are you a leaner, who lets others bear
Your portion of labor and worry and care?"

Our Imminent Peril

TWENTY-FIVE years ago some cried, "On to Berlin," and end it once for all. Others insisted such advance would be too costly—it would mean the slaughter of a million men. Well, the Armistice came and that treaty of peace which followed. Men tell us now the present war is linked up with that first world war—a consequence.

Now it is left for us once more to help make democracy safe. Then it was to make the world safe; now it is to make America safe for democracy. With the vast expenditures of money for the army and navy and the heavy drafts on our man power in national defense on land and sea and in the air—much of which is recklessly done—the American people need to be reminded again and again that our truly effective defense is more than armies, navies and bombing planes. The continuous effort in Washington and all across the land to exalt the necessity for a vast military machine is liable to lead the people to forget the real essentials of national security in such a time as this.

Farms and factories and banks and all other peace time necessities are now far more essential in every section of the nation. So the big job before the nation is to prepare our citizenship for peace and its victories. The victories won on the fields of blood are always most disappointing. Then we conclude that our troubles are over and the victory is won. Really, the real work is just begun. The process of destruction is to give place to an effort at reconstruction. With the wreck and ruin all about us and the heavy burdens of a crushing debt followed by its usual depression remain to add to the desolation. The end of the first world war doubtless will not begin to compare to the deep damnation that threatens the end of this present orgy forced upon the American people.

Are we going to be able to meet it? The moral and spiritual forces of a people able to stand the strain of a material collapse are always of first importance. The rents and breaks ending in suicide and every sort of collapse during the past decade tell us something of what to expect when the sins and transgressions of this present age come to the harvest. For sin when it is finished brings forth death. Are the Christian churches, especially the Christian ministry—going to bow to the war lords rather than to exalt the Prince of Peace? The spiritual forces are truly our only hope of ultimate victory.

People and Things

Centenary church, Greensboro, raised $200 on the Compassion Day offering.

Dr. M. T. Smathers says that the Asheville district quota for the Compassion fund was $1819; paid $1881, which is an overplus of $62.

Mt. Pleasant circuit, Greensboro district, was asked for $55 for Compassion Day. We contributed $105.51.—Rollin Gibbs, Pastor.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central church, Asheville, is looking young and happy since he got the worries of a big district off his hands and heart.

Statesville district meeting on evangelism will be held at First church, Hickory, Tuesday, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock, with Dr. M. B. Stokes, leader.

Will some one inform us why the eager desire of men to be made members of the University board of trustees? We do not quite understand. It may be our mental obtuseness.

Mrs. Rebecca Bishop of Bethany church, Wesley Memorial, Wilmington, has been very sick since December 13. She returned from the hospital Saturday, March 1.—W. A. Tew.

Mrs. W. H. Neese, wife of Rev. W. H. Neese, pastor of Crabtree charge, Clyde, is a patient in the Haywood county hospital in Waynesvlile. Prayers are requested for her recovery.

The young people of Statesville and upper Iredell county have just completed a training school with Rev. Earl Brewer teaching the course on Recreational Leadership. Pastors and youth co-operated in a good school.

Edenton Street church, Raleigh, assumed a quota of $500 for Compassion Day. The offering exceeded that amount. In the announcement last week inadventently no figures were given.

Mrs. E. O. Peeler, who entered Biltmore Hospital, Biltmore, two weeks ago, returned home, 48 Oakley Road, Biltmore, this past Sunday. There is promise of her early recovery.

Received 25 members last Sunday by baptism and profession of faith. Twenty-three for Fairview and two for New Salem on the Burlington circuit. Mrs. C. L. Steidley is great help in revival work. So Brother M. C. Ellerbe reports.

Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist church of Asheboro, is in a two weeks series of preaching services, radio talks and civic appearances in Norfolk, Va. A special series of services is being held in the First Methodist church of Norfolk in connection with simultaneous series of services held in other churches of Norfolk and vicinity.

The Max Brandons were hosts to the Caldwell-Watauga ministers March 4. Their hospitality was generous and the dinner delicious. After the dinner the pastors in co-operation with Joe Hiatt made their plans for the spring season. The Brandons have installed a modern water system and all plumbing conveniences in the new Grace-Rhodhiss parsonage.—R. W.

Methodism has the only Protestant work among the Blackfeet Indians of Montana—a field twice the size of Rhode Island. Many problems face the church in its ministry among the 4500 Indians who live on the 2300 square miles of the reservation. The land is not fertile enough to allow the Indians to be economically independent. As a result the tribe as a whole is not self-supporting and between 85 and 90 per cent of the workers are on some relief agency.

Miss Virginia Peters of Petersburg, Va., and graduate of Berea College, Berea, Ky., has accepted the position as dietitian of Louisburg College, who comes to take the place of Mrs. Grady Hardin who resigned.

The Day of Compassion offering at Duke Memorial church, Durham, is now $530, which is exactly 200 per cent of the asking. We accepted $350 over the asking for World Service, and have raised $500 as a special for the orphanage since conference.—H. C. S.

The Salisbury district over paid its Compassion Day offering quota 35 per cent. Particularly noteworthy were the offerings from the Woodlief circuit, G. W. Williams, minister, and from the Mt. Olivet charge, led by F. W. Kiker. Three county meetings (Carbarrus, Rowan, Stanly) have been held by the district superintendent recently in planning definite objectives for the spring and summer.—A. C. Waggoner, Rep.

A missionary zone meeting was conducted at the Manteo Methodist parsonage February 24 by Rev. John R. Poe, Elizabeth City district missionary secretary. Pastors and lay leaders from Kitty Hawk, Wanchese, Stumpy Point and Manteo participated in the discussion of the missionary program in the local church and organization of a school of missions.—M. W. Maness.

Rev. E. H. Davis, retired Methodist minister of Louisburg, March 7 spoke to the Louisburg College students in the college auditorium at 10:30 o'clock. Mr. Davis in his talk on "The End of All Perfection" presented examples of men of the past who have given to the world advantages which we are today enjoying. And the advantages and perfection of today are small compared with what man will enjoy in future years.

Recently Rev. E. O. Cole attended a regional meeting in Atlanta, Ga., of conference treasurers and board representatives. This meeting was called by Dr. O. W. Auman, Treasurer, General Board of Finance and World Service. Brother Cole was on the program for an address and also as a leader in a period of discussion. His work and knowledge of our new financial system is widely recognized.—John H. Carper.

The churches of the Statesville district went well over the top with their Day of Compassion offering. Many pastors report worship services of high spiritual inspiration during which the people brought their offerings to the altar. Seventeen charges exceeded their quota. Notable were Central, Mooresville, with $130 surplus and First, Lenoir, with $100 over the quota. Many others wrote stirring chapters of liberality.—R. W.

This morning I received from Rev. E. O. Cole a copy of the material and letter he sent you about World Service contributions. In the letter he mentions that about 300 schools are observing the fourth Sunday with a World Service offering. He asked me to check this and let you know if there was much difference in the actual number. I did, and found that 419 are sending in their fourth Sunday offerings amounting to $6,716.30.—Mrs. John F. Kirk.

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Raeford Methodist church with the assistance of their pastor, Rev. E. C. Crawford, have recently worked out a very interesting project. A room in the city hall, which was built for the American Legion, has been furnished as a lodging place for worthy transients who find themselves stranded on the highway. This furniture consists of one double bed, one single bed, a table, a chair, and a stove. The furnishing of this room grew out of the study course on the transient problem.—Irene Downer.

District Superintendent S. W. Taylor has been ill for the past two weeks; was in hospital for one week, but is at home now. Due to this illness he has not been able to make a complete check up of the district, but reports that High Point has more than raised its apportionment for Day of Compassion offering.

You will be interested to know that since writing you last week we have boosted our World Day of Compassion offering from $963 to $1089 at First church. I told you in my letter that we hoped to make our offering at least $1000. Now I believe we will go over $1100 by next Sunday. Dr. Bond informed me that our Charlotte district had paid out the quota assigned us for this offering, but I suppose that you have the amounts raised in the districts by this time. —H. B. B. Simpson.

Brother W. B. Davis and his fine laymen at Wesley Heights has recently completed a most worthy project. They have built and furnished a hut which is used for their Boy Scout troop, suppers and other social gatherings necessitated by the program of the church. This was done for an outlay of approximately $1000 in cash with some materials and labor donated. Brother Davis is beginning his first year with these good people. He is proving a very valuable and capable man. The members of the congregation are encouraged through his pulpit and pastoral abilities.—John H. Carper.

The new organ in West Market Street church, Greensboro, was in service last Sunday morning. This organ was built by M. P. Moller, Inc., Hagertown, Md., at a cost of something more than $10,000. The action is electro-pneumatic after the latest design, which was developed in the Moller plant and is noted for its simplicity, but at the same time ruggedness of construction, easy playing, prompt response, and contains every known refinement in organ mechanics, including pure silver electrical contacts, a new type of electric magnet, and many other refinements which are exclusive with the builder.

Every Sunday morning at 5 o'clock radio station KEIG at Treasure Island, San Francisco, broadcasts the "Missionary Mailbag" by short wave that has regularly been well heard throughout Asia and in Latin America. This broadcast has been conducted for over a year and is growing in popularity, especially because of the present difficulties in speed in the use of regular mails from America. Friends and relatives of missionaries and members of supporting churches are urged to send occasional messages and "news from home" to Methodist missionaries via this KEIG service. There is no charge for the broadcasting of messages, and they should be sent direct to the station managers.

Our Advocate is growing both in interest and circulation. The editorials are fine and contain many comments of real interest and concern. The issue of March 6 gives us many splendid excerpts as to what a Christian needs—revivals, to read their Bible more, and what the cross means, and many others. How we do need revivals of religious faith to enrich our spiritual lives, and to read constantly the Bible—for it is a lamp unto our feet and a light to our pathway. Paul tells us when we become a new creature in Christ Jesus it is then when the cross bears us up and sustains. Then we can say with him, "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

We held our opening service yesterday in the newly built Jacksonville church. We have a nice brick building and our people are proud of the accomplishment. For several months while the church was being constructed we worshipped in the Presbyterian church. We are hoping to have Bishop Purcell to dedicate this church when he comes to dedicate the Verona church on the fifth Sunday in June. Our new Richlands church will be opened within a few weeks. The building is practically completed, but we are awaiting for pews from Southern Desk Company. Our people have shown a fine spirit of loyalty and sacrifice in building these churches, and the buildings erected would be a credit to communities much larger.—Ivey T. Poole.

MEMORIAL ORGAN INSTALLED AT CHINA GROVE

A memorial organ was installed last week in the First Methodist church in China Grove in memory of the late W. J. Swink, prominent China Grove manufacturer.

The children of Mr. Swink have contributed generously. Others in and out of the church have had a part in raising the fund. We are happy to have this organ placed in the church as a memorial to Mr. Swink. He loved the Methodist church of China Grove. It was he who was the donor of the land on which the first church was built. He served as a teacher in its church school for 25 years and supported its program throughout his life.

The instrument is a new Hammond electric organ of the latest model, with built-in tone chambers and reception units which blend with the church architecture.

Dedication services will be held at a later date. Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, will be in charge of the services.

Members of the organ committee who have directed its installation are: K. A. Shinn, chairman, Gilbert Cress, treasurer, Mesdames Everette Cushman, Ralph Whitney and Harold Bassinger. Mrs. W. V. Bright has been elected organist and Mrs. Howard Hinshaw assistant by the board of stewards.

We appreciate the generosity of every one who has made this organ possible. Mrs. K. A. Shinn.

CHANGES IN PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

On account of the recent death of Rev. J. L. Reynolds, late pastor of the Acton charge in the Asheville district of the Methodist Church, Bishop Purcell has authorized the following changes in pastoral appointments:

Rev. H. E. Bolick is transferred from the Fletcher charge to the Acton charge to succeed Mr. Reynolds.

Rev. N. G. Bethea of the Merrimon Avenue charge is transferred to the Fletcher charge to succeed Mr. Bolick.

Merrimon Avenue is merged with Hillside Street, the two churches forming one pastoral charge under the pastorate of Rev. H. S. Willliams, the present pastor of the Hillside Street charge.

All of the above changes are effective as of March 15.

M. T. Smathers, Sec. to the Cabinet.

BISHOP PURCELL IN HIGH POINT SUNDAY

Bishop Clare Purcell is visiting the former Methodist Protestant churches of High Point and surrounding area next Sunday, March 16. At 11 o'clock he will speak at First church. At 7:30 in the evening he is speaking at Pleasant Grove.

Being unable to visit the other churches in this area Bishop Purcell is calling a meeting at First church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Members from Welch Memorial, Lebanon and Rankin Memorial are especially urged to attend this meeting, for Bishop Purcell is anxious to get acquainted with as many of the members of the former M. P. Church as possible. The afternoon meeting will be more or less in the form of an informal conference.

J. C. Madison.

YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ELKIN DISTRICT

The Surry-Wilkes-Yadkin League Union, composed of young people from the following charges: Elkin, Jonesville, Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, and Miller's Creek, met at the North Wilkesboro Methodist church on March 3 for their regular monthly meeting. Rev. M. B. Stokes made the address, which was deeply appreciated. Miss Peggy Royall as president of the union presided at the business session. The preachers present were A. C. Gibbs, J. C. Stokes, H. F. Duncan, and A. L. Aycock. The union meeting of the young people is indeed stimulating, and its constant growth indicates that the young people find these meetings interesting and helpful. Dwight B. Mullis, Rep.

MINISTERS' WIVES TO MEET

There will be a luncheon meeting of the Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina conference on Wednesday, March 26, at Rocky Mount, during the first annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. All wives are urged to attend. If you plan to do so, please notify Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, as soon as possible.

Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Secretary.

Democracy and the Future

What of the future? It is a grim prospect which confronts democracy. Drastic is the purging democracy will get. Demagogues are within its ramparts. Fanatical idealogues are without. Indians once again storm the stockades while there is a Judas or two inside ready to betray. The democratic ship of state is in a hurricane. The bodeful future is dark indeed. The possible danger the future contains cannot be over estimated. Democracy faces a tomorrow that virtually says to it: "You are an impossible probability." If democracy is to make good it must put aside ease, comfort, material success, egotistic ambitions, and buckle on the full armor of manhood. It must give itself to aspiration, discovery, inquiry, invention, become more and more creative, put its house in more secure order for human existence. It must be strong and skillful in developing conscience and character. Its church must be strong to hold variety of expression of the religious attitude, even if that attitude takes the shape of mutually divergent forms such as sacramental cults, Bible-idolizing groups, naturalistic piety of a John Dewey and George Santayana. It must be strong to hold in solution fateful acquiescence in animal happiness, the romantic idealization of the world, moral striving to bring conditions into harmony with what is discoverable. It must be skillful to back up men. Men like Professor Hocking, who advocates "A World Religion" not on a radical displacement of all religions by one authoritative religion, but by a synthesis, not a concretion, of all religions and by reconception of religion, using as a basis the intimations of the synthesis as a preparation.

Democracy cannot afford to minimize its enemies. The future bodes ill sure enough. Its enemies are mighty. They are suicidally vengeful. Democracy may well consider that it is too late to remedy its past failure. Democracy may have been sold down the river by the children of the pioneers. It may not have the ability to continue its progress (Dean Inge says it has not) from feudalism, through capitalism, through communism to its own stage of self-control. It may have called in the man on horseback. Hitler may be the fateful outcome of its past misdeeds. It may be that the ordinary citizen is tired, wants peace at any price. He has known insecurity and slavery so long. The flesh-pots are inviting. Has democracy the vitality to stick it out? Can it clarify, organize and understand the collective will? Has it the health to stand up under the opinions and events that obscure and delay its triumphs? Can it prevail against the pressures of fanatical groups and the uninformed beliefs of majorities though they be tens of millions? Can it ask penetrating, Socratic questions or unsound propositions? Can it build up an ordered body of philosophy different from current mental concepts and away from ancient fundamental errors? Has democracy scope and precision of research and not that of schools and systems? The days ahead are bleak because we have so many sick souls. They yearn for many fountained utopias, rose-scented commonwealths, the holy jingle of transcendental metaphysics, an existence with a countenance wreathed in perpetual smiles. Smile, damn you, smile, stuff. Have you not met the citizen who is like the deaf young woman who could not hear her lover's proposal of marriage until he showed her a diamond ring? Have you not known that the hard-hearted farmer father of a little bootblack discontinues making hay while the son shines?

Demand for Education

To outwit the forbidding future of democracy we have one stalwart—education. Democratic education is not a conditioning, a training for a set task. It is a course of sprouts in all that has made men weep and rejoice. It is free from that habit of throwing a labeling net, such as realism, romanticism, pragmatism, etc., over our existence, thereby presuming that the universe has been neatly trapped once for all. Education in a democracy is indoctrination, not dogmatization, in heroism. It differs poles apart from rigorism on the one hand and recklessness on the other. It differs from brash conservatism and sleazy liberalism. Democratic education banishes lethargy, complacency, and puts on strain, goads, but yields the grace and peace that come of functioning as perfectly as circumstances permit. It is therefore much more of a moreness than a finishing or governess school fixating process. It assumes that man wants a firm purpose, clear mind, clean heart, and proposes to give them to him. It assumes that man, through the spiritual philosophy of Jesus, is a sacred vessel of the Eternal and can be freed from triviality.

There are cells of folk in the body politic which are spreading this democratic education. Van Wyck Brooks in his "Flowering of New England" writes: "Bostonians are willing to learn if one acknowledges how much they know already." There are Bostonian cells throughout the land which are for democratic education. Professor Einstein is an educator. When asked when he made advance in knowledge after being subjected to the inanities of formal schooling, he replied: "I challenge an axiom." Someone has it that America (it may have been H. G. Wells) is committed to Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Japanese beetles. True democratic education bears with liberal Protestants, Unitarians, Roman Catholic modernism, liberal Judaism, ethical culture, humanism, that it may extract from them all true Christian catholicity, leaving aside as rubbish the hellridden, persecuting, Christianities of past ages.

It is a drear future for democracy. Still it can be met valiantly if citizens are made to come alive through education which releases them from hostility to religion, from lack of cultural memory, indifference to general ideas, absence of articulation of reason in a profound general study, which gives them standards clear and deep, a sense of dedication, acceptance of sacrifice as the beginning of creativity. Let democracy go on presenting its faith in the irreducible something, a sense of connection with the universe. Let it hold fast that progress through history has been made, that man has in him a consciousness which stands up under responsibilities, strains, challenge. Let democracy retain its confidence that man's dignity consists in his still unfledged soul, tragically, heroically, struggling onward.—The Christian Leader.

Democracy is threatened in America, so we are told. How about its future in N. C., the most democratic state?

SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION WEEK BEGAN IN ASHEVILLE LAST TUESDAY

Spiritual Mobilization Week for the Western North Carolina conference began at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, March 11, with the first of three great days in Asheville, the second followed in Winston-Salem, March 12, and the third was in Charlotte, Thursday, March 13. Four meetings were held each day, one at 11 a. m., one at 3 p. m., a banquet at 6 o'clock, followed by a great mass meeting at 8 o'clock when Dr. John R. Mott was the speaker.



Bishop Clare Purcell

Bishop Purcell, who was the presiding officer of all these meetings, explained that the leaders of the conference boards of Christian service and church extension and the board of evangelism had arranged for these meetings at Asheville, Winston-Salem and Charlotte, expecting that they would be a helpful beginning for the pre-Easter services that will through the approaching weeks concern the pastors and other church leaders.

First Services in Asheville

These services began promptly at 11 o'clock Tuesday, March 11, in Central Methodist church, Asheville. Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of the Asheville district, was in charge of the devotional half hour. Dr. E. K. McLarty of Concord, chairman of the conference board of evangelism, led the opening prayer, and in the pulpit were Bishop Clare Purcell, Dr. L. D. Patterson of Birmingham, Alabama, Drs. M. T. Smathers and E. K. McLarty, who took part in the opening services.

In the big congregation that had gathered from the Asheville, Waynesville and Morganton districts were Dr. John R. Mott who had arrived on a morning train from his Florida home, and Mr. Edgar T. Welch, who had arrived on another morning train from his home in western New York. The day was as fine as ever comes to this Land of the Sky, famous for its sunshine when the weather is on its good behavior as it was last Tuesday when it showed marked kindness to the men and women as they gathered from all sections of the mountains of western Carolina.

Dr. L. D. Patterson of Birmingham delivered the first address, which was a discussion of evangelism. The address was well received by the big congregation and many words of appreciation were heard at the noon hour. Dr. Patterson spoke again at 3 o'clock to an equally large congregation.

At 6 o'clock in the church dining room 250 guests sat down to a turkey dinner. Mr. Edgar T. Welch, a leading Methodist layman, and a son of that great Methodist layman of grape juice fame, was the speaker. His address was directed particularly to the laymen.

At 8 o'clock in the city auditorium Dr. John R. Mott, the best known Methodist layman in all the world and a member of one of our churches in Orlando, Florida, addressed a great congregation that heard him with obvious delight and profit.

The foregoing is a brief account of the first day of these gatherings of the Western North Carolina conference. The story of the Winston-Salem meeting Wednesday and of the Charlotte gathering Thursday will go over till next week.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

In a service impressive in its simplicity the newly elected officers of the Y. W. C. A. at Greensboro College were installed at the regular vesper service on Sunday evening. Following an organ processional by Margaret Wrenn Koontz, Greensboro, Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, retiring president of the "Y," gave the call to worship, after which the Lord's Prayer was prayed in unison. The scripture was read by Sara Hill, Kinston, and Velda Mecum, Walkertown, followed by the charge to the new officers by the retiring president. Lorene Weaver, Asheville, newly elected president, gave the response and a closing prayer.

Dr. E. G. Conklin of Princeton University gave the fourth in a series of William Keith Brooks lectures on Monday evening in Odell auditorium. Dr. Conklin was brought to the college through the efforts of the William Keith Brooks Biology Club with Ruth Slocumb Goldsboro, president. The subject for Dr. Conklin's lecture was "The Geography of the Egg."

Miss Carolyn Jannssen, Winter Haven, Fla., has been recently elected editor of the college yearbook, The Echo, for the year 1941-42. Elected to serve with her as business manager is Miss Josephine Pepper, Thomasville.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON WORLD PEACE

The North Carolina Conference Commission on World Peace was organized at the annual conference in 1940. The duties of this commission are to carry out within our conference the policies of our church with regard to peace and war. One of those policies, as declared by the General Conference, is to befriend and support those Methodists who may be conscientious objectors to war. If any of our pastors or laymen learn of a young man who takes the position of conscientious objector when called for military service, I shall appreciate it if he will communicate with the commission. Information may be sent to T. G. Vickers, Chairman, Morehead City, or to the writer.

Henry G. Ruark, Sec.
Red Springs, N. C.

THE ELKIN TRAINING SCHOOL

The Elkin Methodist church sponsored a training school for church workers during February (16-19). Seven charges were represented in the school: Elkin, Jonesville, Yadkinville, East Bend, Dobson, Wilkeboro, and North Wilkesboro. Over 200 persons attended the school and 41 took credit. Miss Ellizabeth Oliver acted as dean and taught the course dealing with the teaching of children, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick taught the course on The Methodist Church, and Rev. Courtney Ross taught a course on The Life of Christ. One of the special features of the school was a music program on which there appeared a quartet from Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro, an organist, Mrs. Franklin Folger from Elkin, and a violinist from Jonesville. Rev. A. C. Gibbs, D.S., was one of Kirkpatrick's honor students. The school was a success, and many thanks are due Rev. Herman Duncan and his church. Dwight B. Mullis,, Rep.

No Other Foundation

By F. HAROLD BUSS

A new order in Europe! A new order in Asia! So runs the decree of the dictators. But should they succeed in imposing their will on these continents their schemes carry no guarantee of permanence. A new order based on naked force, denying all claims of liberty and justice, maintained by ruthless tyranny and terror, with no fear of God or regard for man, is an order which is doomed to perish by its inherent iniquity and corruption.

Any order, social or political, which is not founded on "the eternal laws of truth and right" is built on sand. A nation, a state, a world without God has the sentence of death within itself. "On the plane of the absence of God," says Aldous Huxley, "men can do nothing else except destroy what they have built—destroy even while they build—build with the elements of destruction."

Christ's story of the two house-builders is one of the most significant of his parables. He uses it to make a claim for himself which arrests and startles by its audacity. Uncompromisingly he declares that only in obedience to his words, only in following his way, can men find the ground of enduring happiness and blessing. To build on any other foundation is to court certain and utter ruin.

No other man has dared to speak like this Man. "I am the Way—follow Me: I am the Truth—believe on Me: I am the Life—abide in Me." The choice is plain. Whoso hears his words and acts on them "builds on the rock that naught can move." Whoso hears and does not obey is building for a fall. "Other foundations can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Christ Jesus." He is our Redeemer and our Rock. On faith in him must the lives and societies of men be founded, or they will be buried at last beneath the wreckage of their shattered systems—

"These things shall vanish all;
The city of God remaineth."

How blind is mankind to the things that belong to its peace and security! How slow to learn of Him who is the only founder of the new order for which the world is waiting, longing! In The Fate of Homo Sapiens, a depressing and exasperating book, with specks of good sense glittering like gold-dust in a heap of sand, Mr. H. G. Wells asserts: "The man of the new world order, if ever it is to be attained, must learn to go right on without God." That is said by an intelligent man, who sincerely desires to light the path of his fellowmen to better things! What has Mr. Wells to offer as the foundation of his modern Utopia, his World State? Nothing more than the "organization of knowledge, systematically assembled" by a World Brain. Just as if all history does not show that brain without soul can never make a new world!

Men have brains enough, in all conscience. The explorations, discoveries and inventions of the human mind have been prodigious. Science has put power beyond his wildest dreams into man's hands, but it could not illuminate his soul, or give him a clean heart and a right spirit. So civilization totters and reels to the edge of the abyss. The consequence of building on any other foundation than the wisdom of God in Christ is an unstable and unsafe world. **Circumspice!**

"Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" It was hard upon that question that Jesus told his moral fable of the wise and foolish builders. He left no loophole of doubt about his meaning. The number of "adherents" was growing, but keeping company with his disciples was not enough. To be "members of the congregation," in modern parlance, meant little or nothing. Camp-followers are no strength to an army. To call him Lord, and not to do what he would have them do, nor to be what he would have them be, was the veriest play-acting. A profession of faith and allegiance, unaccompanied by a life of service and loyal obedience, was hypocritical folly, a thing of no substance and worth, and could end only in shame and disaster.

Christ's probe goes very deep. It opens up our soul to the searchlight of reality, and discovers all our shams and pretences. "The foundation of God standeth sure, and this is its inscription: "The Lord knows those who really belong to him." Those who are his, "they that love God, whose hearts have Christ confest," are they who not only call him Lord, but who keep his commandments, and walk in the light of his word—

"Not he that repeateth the name,
But he that doeth the will."

More than eighty years ago the Professor at the Breakfast Table wrote: "Can any man look around and see what Christian countries are now doing, and how they are governed, and what is the general condition of society, without seeing that Christianity is the flag under which the world sails, and not the rudder that steers its course?" The whole world has never sailed under the flag of Christ, but there is too much truth in the genial professor's rebuke to the self-styled Christian peoples. The colors at the masthead signify nothing if the ship keeps not the course set by the captain's orders. It is just because there has been only a show of religion, a nominal loyalty to the Lord af all, an outward profession answered by no inward and spiritual devotion, that things have come to so perilous a pass.

To say "I believe" is not enough, whether it be the humanist's belief in the ultimate triumph of civilization or the Christian's belief in the victory of God and righteousness. Mr. Wells is right when he says: "Without personal and organized devotion it means less than nothing. It is desertion under cover of a declaration of faith." Men must so believe in Christ as to obey him utterly, to build on him, or their social structures will collapse, and their lives will have no secure foundation when the tempests blow and the floods descend. Days of testing are sure to come. Such a day is upon us now, a day that shall declare what manner of builders we have been and on what foundation we have built.

A new order! A new world! How can they be created except by new men and women? Only those who have felt the quickening, regenerating power of the divine Master builder who said, "See, I make all things new," can be fellow laborers with him in his redeeming work. Military might, economic reform, even Mr. Wells' specific of "the scientific vision of life," can furnish no foundation

for a new order which will withstand the storms and stresses of time. The only way to that desired consummation is the way of Christ: "Ye must be born anew." It is an inescapable word, the divine "open sesame" to the new heaven and the new earth. The work must begin in the heart and mind and soul of man—

"On God and godlike men we build our trust."

Godlike men, men born from above, men in whom, as in Paul, Christ lives, these are the only begetters and builders of a firm and fair new order. "There is a new creation whenever a man comes to be in Christ; what is old is gone, the new has come." Of the world we long for, the foundation and creator is Jesus Christ who, in John Wesley's words, "in his person and offices is the firm, immovable Rock of Ages." Only as we learn of him, and live in him, can we hope to see and enter the kingdom of God, and begin to build the world anew according to the divine pattern and purpose.—The Methodist Recorder (London).

DEMOCRACY AND CHRISTIANITY

By T. T. Brumbaugh

If Christianity means anything it means just this and democracy has no value apart from it. Revolt against democracy symptomizes the failure of both our democracy and our Christianity at some vital point. In ancient Greece the democratic idea existed alongside slavery; but with the advent of Jesus Christ a new concept of human brotherhood and of democracy came into men's minds and hearts. Thus the true and only cure for too little democracy is more of it and of the Christ spirit in all the world.

This may be the sentimental drivel of a missionary who has lost some of his patriotism in sixteen years of life in Japan; or it may be the rather objective judgment of a World War veteran who went out to fight one foreign war, as he thought for democracy, and in the disillusionment that experience resolved to give his life in creating Christian understanding and friendship between his own beloved land and the nation with which it seemed most likely to come next into conflict.

I do not yet despair of avoiding such conflict, but I am convinced it can be done only by men and women with greater vision and more love than those now directing the destinies of the world. The time to make the voice of youthful, Christian, Methodist America felt in the conduct of American foreign policy is now.

Do the youth to whom I am addressing this letter possess this greater love and vision? Or must we fight it out to an ever vaster disillusionment and chaos?

Tokyo, Japan.

FOR PREACHERS

By Rev. Edgar Warren

Now it came to pass in those days that a church called a certain man to be its minister; and the church agreed to pay him two thousand shekles in silver, a house, and a leave of absence each year.

And, lo! the man was glad to accept the call.

Now the minister prided himself upon being very much up to date; and after a while he said to himself: This church is behind the times, and it needeth the Social Gospel.

So instead of preaching Christ and Him crucified, he preached Old Age Insurance, Unemployment Relief, the Abolition of the Profit Motive, and Reduction of Armaments.

Moreover, he seemed more interested in Socialism than in Salvation.

And the hearts of the people were heavy, for they longed for the Old Fashioned Gospel.—The Uplift.

BROKEN!

It is an arresting thought that the highest sacrament of the Christian faith turns on the axis of something broken. "This is my body, broken," said Jesus. The body of Christ, not as the world would have it, fair and virile and whole—but broken! The Master might have said more. He might have added: "Friends, this is my dream, broken." He might have said, "Beloved, this is my heart, broken." According to the New Testament scholar, Dr. Ernest F. Scott, Jesus' death on the cross came more quickly than usual; the medical conjecture is that he suffered a ruptured heart.

Broken! That is the condition which many of the children of men, in their own way and time ,have had to meet. Here is a father, his life broken by misfortune. Here is a mother, her life broken by disappointment. Here is a girl, her life broken by willfulness. Here is a great English preacher, Arthur John Gossip, offering his sermon, "When Life Tumbles In, What Then?" with heart sore and bleeding over the loss of his wife.

Broken! Is that not precisely the adjective which describes our world? Do you recall the tears in the voice of Neville Chamberlain when he announced that his country had again plunged into war? All that he had worked for, all that he had hoped for had fallen that day into ruin. Less familiar is the story of Professor Willard Huntington Wright of Harvard. A war-torn, broken world had made him a broken man. His sensitive nature could not stand the strain of the horrible events taking place; and at a time when he should have been at the peak of his usefulness he had to retire, with the doctor's counsel that he read mystery stories to get his mind off tragic affairs.

This our dream, our plan, our way of life, our design for living—all broken! Tennyson's word is too poignantly true:

> Our little systems have their day;
> They have their day and cease to be:
> They are but broken lights of thee,
> And thou, O Lord, art more than they.

The lights in which we have put so much trust, the lights of science and reason and education, now broken, O so badly broken!

Yes, we mark well the fact that the Service of Communion is rooted in the hard soil of something broken. It begins there. But add this significant word: It does not end there. The Service of Communion does not leave us with a broken body or with a broken heart. It leaves us with a Cross. And the Cross is a symbol of victory. Jesus had a genius for taking things broken and making them yield a blessing. The supreme example is Calvary. He turned its vinegar into wine. He turned its death into life. He turned its frustration into fulfillment.

What Jesus was able to do with things broken is a heartening precedent for us who follow in the faith. We too can do it. Friends about us have done it.—Advance.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Statement of receipts and disbursements to and including February 28, 1941:

Recepts

General and Conference Benevolences (World Service)— Regular ..16,037.35; fourth Sunday $6,716.30..	$22,753.65
General administration fund	374.27
Episcopal fund	2,733.65
Conference claimants	10,630.89
District superintendents	12,943.86
Accumulated for conference expense	2,065.90
Miscellaneous accounts	4,164.61
Total	55,666.83

Disbursements

General benevolences		12,059.42
Episcopal fund		2,294.11
District superintendents		12,943.81
Conference expense		2,902.37
Certificates of deposit purchased		5,000.00
Miscellaneous accounts		4,164.61
Total disbursements		39,738.59
Balance Wachovia Bank & Trust Co..	$14,690.46	
Checks on hand	1,237.78	15,928.24
Total		55,666.83

Report of district superintendents' fund, Feb. 28, 1941:

Brought forward from 1939-1940		$ 2,009.27
Asheville district		1,066.65
Charlotte		931.57
Elkin		341.40
Gastonia		1,165.72
Greensboro		1,004.23
High Point		1,117.10
Marion		819.72
Salisbury		1,429.44
Statesville		1,069.86
Waynesville		530.38
Winston-Salem		1,458.52
Total		12,943.86
Total paid out to date	$12,943.81	
Balance on hand	.05	
..Total	12,943.86	
Total paid each district superintendent		1,176.71

Respectfully submitted, E. O. Cole, Treas.

Brother Cole adds the following summary:

We received $18,980.48 for general and conference benevolences up to February 28 last year. The enclosed statement shows an increase of $3,773.17.

If the first four items in receipts are combined (these were included in benevolences last year) the total is $36,492.46—an increase of $17,511.98, not far from double the amount received for these causes at this date last year.

The amount paid by about 300 church schools through the fourth Sunday World Service observance deserves special consideration. There are great possibilities here.

A LAYMAN PREACHES TO THE PREACHERS

The Advocate of March 16th has a paragraph reading:

"When a minister of the gospel advocates the sale of liquor it becomes news. This explains why every report of the liquor hearing before the committee last Tuesday mentioned the fact that the rector at Pinehurst spoke against the liquor referendum. Preachers in North Carolina who favor the sale of liquor are as scarce as hen's teeth."

Preachers who will openly advocate liquor as this particular one did, are scarce as hen's teeth, but preachers who fail to do much on the other side are not so scarce in North Carolina. Anyone who knows me also knows my position on liquor and knows that I at least make a very big effort to do something towards fighting the liquor business, working with the unorganized or organized dry forces whenever the opportunity presents itself. They know also that while I try in whatever way I can to influence those who disagree with me on this liquor situation to become converts to my way of thinking, that I do not put on my blacklist those who honestly disagree. There is no point to refusing to have friendly relations with a man just because he disagrees with you. It is only by remaining on such terms with him that you can continue to present your arguments that you have any chance at changing him.

However, I am sometimes tempted to feel that the best friends that the liquor folks have are not those who violently oppose prohibition, but the preachers who refuse themselves to take a very decided stand against liquor and who will use their pulpits to let people know that they feel that way. Some of the younger element are liable to think the old man is an old fogy—he is the only one they ever hear rave against liquor; even the preacher doesn't mention it. If the preacher, whose business it is to stand against and preach against all manner of evil, is derelict in his duty—then why should the youngster pay any attention to onyone else.?

We have thousands of preachers in this state. When those preachers begin making an honest effort to fight liquor; when they begin taking to heart the resolutions they pass in their annual conferences and really begin doing something other than voting "aye" and shouting "amen" at such meetings, then we will really be getting somewhere. Until then, I am frank to say that I feel more kindly toward the Pinehurst preacher who openly takes sides, even though it may be on the opposing side, than I do toward those who refuse to do anything at all. And it seems to me your paper should preach a little to the preachers. Eugene A. Hood.

MRS. JOHN D. GRIMES DIES IN GREENSBORO

Mrs. John D. Grimes, 84, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leonard B. Hurley, in Greensboro, Wednesday, March 27, after failing health for several months. The funeral services were held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard B. Hurley Thursday afternoon, March 28. These services were conducted by Dr. A. W. Plyler, a long time friend of the family, and interment was in the cemetery of Lexington, where Mrs. Grimes spent the greater part of her long life.

Mrs. Grimes was the daughter of Eli Penry of Lexington and Katharine Headen Penry of Chatham county, and was born Susan Elizabeth Penry in Lexington. She was educated at Lexington and Pittsboro, and married John D. Grimes of Lexington in 1879. He died in 1918.

Mrs. Grimes came to Greensboro to live with her daughter about 16 years ago. She was a member of Lexington Methodist church. Surviving are four children, J. Percival Grimes of Salisbury, Dr. William Lawrence Grimes of Winston-Salem, Lloyd Malcolmn Grimes of Lexington, and Mrs. Maud Grimes Hurley of Greensboro; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Grimes gave her eminently useful life primarily to her family and to the community in which she lived. She enjoyed a great circle of devoted friends and in scriptural phrase, "her children arise up and call her blessed."

These children have all done well, much to their mother's delight. J. Percy Grimes is a leading business man of Salisbury; Dr. W. Lawrence Grimes, outstanding surgeon of Winston-Salem, and L. Malcolmn Grimes, a prominent business man of Lexington; one daughter, Mrs. L. B. Hurley, Greensboro, whose husband is prominent in the English department of Woman's College.

CHOIR AND FORENSIC CLUB AT BREVARD COLLEGE BUSY

The Brevard College choir made its first short trip of the year last week end. They traveled first to Crossnore, where they sang Saturday night at the Crossnore school and Sunday morning at the Crossnore Presbyterian church for the worship service.

At the evening service the choir gave a full concert at the First Methodist church in Marion, of which Rev. W. A. Jenkins is the pastor.

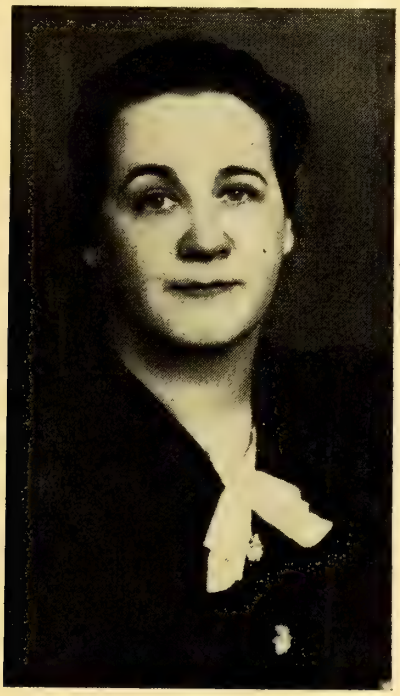
Before making their annual spring tour some time in April, the singers will give several concerts in neighboring churches, which will include the one Sunday night at the Methodist church in Brevard. Mr. John W. Hawkins is again director of the choir this year.

Dr. John Nebben Sayre, executive secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, was the speaker at the chapel hour Monday morning. Dr. Sayre lectured to the students and faculty in the interest of the World Peace Movement and the ways in which the organization is working.

Members of the Brevard College Forensic Club carried away top honors last week at the junior college debating tourney by Wingate College at Monroe. Donald Funderburk, Brevard student from Matthews, was named best debater in the men's division. Other students who made the trip were Marvin Wing, Lincoln, Ala.; Ray Swink, Lexington; Charles Owens, West's Mill.

ANOTHER DISTRICT SECRETARY REPORTS

Mrs. F. E. Branson, district secretary of the Waynesville district, has in this office her list of workers for the N. C. Advocate. This list has "the names of a representative from each society to assist the pastors in securing subscribers for the paper. We feel sure these ladies will do a splendid work for the Advocate,' 'to quote the committee composed of Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz and Mrs. J. B. Tabor.



Mrs. F. E. Branson

It gives us much pleasure to allow the Methodists of North Carolina to look into the face of Mrs. Branson. Gradually these lists are being built up in each district and we hope yet to present a picture of each secretary. A number of these agents have begun to make reports of new subscribers secured, but all this will come out in later reports.

CONTRIBUTORS HONORED AT BELMONT DINNER

The board of trustees and members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Ebenezer Methodist church were hosts at a dinner meeting March 7 in the new dining room of the recreational building in honor of liberal contributors to the new addition to the church.

The board of trustees is composed of G. W. Barnes, J. O. Thrower, J. P. VanPelt, W. T. Rhyme, R. L. Carson, and W. E. Nichols. The invocation was offered by W. S. Haynie, principal of the North Belmont school. The pastor, Rev. E. E. Snow, was acting toastmaster. Chairman of the board of trustees, G. W. Barnes, spoke briefly, praising the fine spirit which prompted a number of individuals who are not members of Ebenezer church to donate liberally toward the building fund.

The new building, erected at a cost of $1625, was begun in October and is now a finished part of the 177-year-old Ebenezer Methodist church.

Floyd C. Todd of Gastonia, district lay leader, stressed the subject of tithing, saying, "It is a privilege to be a church member; life without religion is a ship without a compass." He pointed out that in 1937 he began giving one-tenth to the Lord's work; he has increased by one-tenth each succeeding year and now gives 40 per cent of his salary, and expects to increase it to 50 per cent next year.

Others who spoke briefly were the pastor, Rev. E. E. Snow, D. P. Stowe, W. S. Haynie, and W. R. Stowe.

Covers were laid for Rev. E. E. Snow, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Thrower, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. VanPelt, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rhyne, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carson; and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Nichols, and the following guests: F. C. Todd and Z. G. Holtzclaw of Gastonia, W. B. Puett, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Haynie, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Stowe, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stowe, Miss Inez Little, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClain, C. P. Roper, Rev. C. O. Kennedy of Winston-Salem, a former pastor of the Ebenezer church, and Mrs. Kennedy were unable to be present, as also were a few other honor guests, including Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stowe, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gaston, Mr. adn Mrs. J. L. Roper, and Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Thrower.

During the dinner Mrs. J. P. VanPelt played piano selections, and a group of Wesleyan Service Guild members served the dinner.

JOSEPH LETCHER REYNOLDS
1879–1941

Brother Reynolds was born in the Sandy Mush section of Buncombe county, North Carolina, January 26, 1879, and passed to his reward in an Asheville hospital February 20, 1941.

For several years after his graduation from Peabody College he taught in the public schools of Buncombe county. Twenty years ago he became a member of the Western North Carolina conference and served well and faithfully to the end.

On December 29, 1910, he was happily married to Miss Sue Mackey of Buncombe county. To this union were born six children—four daughters and two sons, all of whom, with the widow, survive.

Funeral services were held from West Asheville Methodist church, conducted by Revs. M. T. Smathers, T. A. Groce, and C. V. Hall. Interment was made in Riverside cemetery in the city of Asheville.

Rev. H. E. Bolick will prepare a memoir for the annual conference. M. T. Smathers.

REV. J. C. REICHARD AND HIS YOUNG PEOPLE

A check for $24 all for new subscribers from J. C. Reichard has this note: "These were gathered by my young people." What a fine use to make of the young people! Such work goes on and on by developing workers and at the same time putting the church paper into many new homes. Brother Reichard has pointed the way for many other fine and energetic preachers such as he.

Were the pastors to use their young people in such work an to encourage the women in every church we would soon work a revolution in our Methodism of both conferences.

Mrs. J. D. Rankin of Boone forwarded a check for $22.00. This was for renewal subscribers. The new interest among the women of the societies of Christian Service means a great advance for the Advocate.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY INSTITUTE, CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

Central Methodist Church, Monroe, March 17, 7:45 p. m.

Order of worship:
Prelude.
Call to worship. Young People's Choir, Central, Monroe.
Invocation.
Hymn No. 475, "Publish Glad Tidings."
Prayer. Rev. N. A. Huffman, Waxhaw.
Responsive reading: Page 593, Second Reading. Miss Bettie Moore, Polkton, leader.
Offering.
Object of meeting: Dr. G. T. Bond, D. S.
Talk: "The Place of Young People in Missionary Organization of the Methodist Church." Rev. C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro.
Introduction of speaker. Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald, Belmont Park.
Address: "Religious Conditions of the World That Challenge Youth Today." Rev. I. L. Shaver, returned missionary from Japan.
Hymn No. 279, "God of Grace and God of Glory."
Benediction.
John Kiker, Charles Ratliffe, Raeford Parker, Bartley Benton, Mecklenburg Union; George I. Moore, Jr., Harry Smith. John H. Carper, Reporter.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

MISS LEILA EPPS VISITOR TO ANNUAL MEETING

We are sure it will be interesting news to our readers that Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil, will be with us at our annual meeting and will conduct the noontide worship services, using as her theme, "Direct Messages from Jesus to Women." We are glad to add the name of Miss Epps to our visiting missonaries and shall look forward to having her with us at that time. Miss Epps has visited our conference a number of times and always brings messages that are inspiring and helpful to those who hear her. Miss Epps asks that the women bring their Bibles to her services.

GIRLS' MISSIONARY GROUP AT BREVARD COLLEGE

Miss Miriam Callis, President

"Some time ago I noticed an article on the woman's page of the North Carolina Christian Advocate about the Girls' Society of Christian Service. I thought you might like to know of the society we girls have at Brevard College.

Our number is small, possibly because we must meet in the afternoon while classes are going on, but still we enjoy the meetings. Our leader is Mrs. C. H. Trowbridge. We have been using the study outlined on China, and are now beginning the study of American missions. For a change in our programs we have used our own local talent—Mrs. A. C. Bradley, the wife of one of our faculty members, who lived in Japan as the daughter of a Presbyterian missionary, and Miss Mabel Cherry, one of our own returned missionaries, who is now a member of our faculty.

The society we have here is just a continuance of the society that the girls leave at home. Therefore we are not entering anything new but are greatly enjoying the meetings of our group, and are always open for new ideas and suggestions."

(We congratulate these young people on their missionary work, their efficient leader, and the local talent available in the faculty contributing to the interest and success of their programs. —Editor).

ZONE MEETING OF CHURCH GROUP

By Mrs. Walter Kimmons

Statesville district zone number four of the Woman's Missionary Society of Christian Service held its spring meeting at Central Methodist church in Mooresville, Tuesday, February 25. The meeting opened with devotional service conducted by Rev. John W. Moore. Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" was sung and was followed by welcome address by Mrs. M. C. Stiles, with response by Mrs. Florence Brown of Jones Memorial church.

Mrs. Fred Clark presided over the meeting and Mrs. Walter Kimmons read the minutes of preceding and called the roll, to which 13 societies responded with 107 representatives present. The theme of the meeting was "Fellowship." A solo, "A Prayer," was sung by Mr. Seth Gabriel, with Forest Murdock at the organ. Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, gave an interesting outline of the past year's work and stressed the study of home and foreign work. An interesting play on China was presented by three high school girls, Joyce Alexander, Ruby Pless and Frances Joy Brantley.

Mrs. Roy Lazenby closed the morning program with a talk on supplies.

At noon lunch was served in the church dining room and at one o'clock the group returned to the church for the afternoon program. The high school glee club sang three selections under the direction of Miss Marie Scott.

The following talks contribute to the interest of the afternoon program: "Love," by Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle of Hickory; Christian Social Relations, Mrs. Joe Hiatt of Statesville; Christian Fellowship, Mrs. G. F. Massey of Cool Springs church; and Mrs. H. A. Poston of Shepherd spoke on literature and publications, and the two missionary publications, The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. The meeting closed with benediction.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER OBSERVED IN ASHEVILLE

Ashevile church women joined Friday in the observance of the World Day of Prayer at Central church, Asheville, with approximately 250 women participating in a program based on the theme, "Thy Kingdom Come." The observance was sponsored by the Woman's Interdenominational Missionary Union, and Mrs. Basil Howell, president of the union, presided.

Rev. W. A. Lambeth, psator of Central church, opened the meeting with prayer. Those taking part on the program were: Mrs. David Lyon, Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Mrs. H. W. Bausom, Mrs. Ralph Lee, Mrs. Frank Foster, Mrs. E. B. Roberts, Mrs. Melvin Tilson and Mrs. F. A. Plummer. Young women from five foreign countries took the collection. One of the women, a Chinese, was dressed in native costume. The money will be used for home and foreign missions, including help for eight colleges for women in the Orient, the purchase of Christian literature for distribution in foreign lands, and assistance for United States migrants and Indian women in government universities. The closing prayer was offered by Col. S. R. McKee.

Friday morning Mrs. Carl Sawyer spoke over Station WWNC in the interest of the day's observance and Friday afternoon Mrs. Howell spoke on the same subject. Practically every church in the city was represented at the meeting, which was devoted largely to Scripture reading, prayer and meditation, using the World Day of Prayer program prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Shanghai, China.

YOUNG WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' DEPARTMENT, W. S. C. S.

Dear Leaders:

Very little information has been released for this field of work as yet, but here is some which will help us get started. I am so anxious that we make haste in getting our plans laid and under way in the local churches, for the year is passing and we do not want to lose any time in getting this very important department of work functioning.

For the present we are using the name "Girls' Missionary Group," meaning an organized group. If you prefer it is quite permissible to use "Girls' Missionary Organization." It is understood, of course, that all names used now are subject to change when the harmonized plans are developed. And where you already have organizations I would suggest that you continue to carry on as heretofore until plans are more definite.

THE PLAN BOOK for young women's and Girls' work contains valuable information for leaders of these groups. It is included in the package of young people's material or can be purchased for 10 cents. Please secure one at once. A Plan Book given to a prospective leader may mean a new organization.

FINANCES. On page 8 of the Plan Book are detailed instructions in regard to the funds from girls' missionary groups.

SUPPLY WORK. Some have already done something by sending Christmas boxes. If you are wondering what to do I would suggest that you confer with your conference secretary of supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Shelby. We hope that each group will be able to report something having been done in supply work by the close of the year.

MATERIALS. The package of material for this group is $1.75. This contains program book called "En Route," two textbooks, "Stand by for China" and "Move On, Youth!"; a Plan Book; two pamphlets, one on the work of the Methodist Church in China, and one on Methodist work with Shifting Populations in America, and the map. These materials may be purchased separately if desired. And please, leaders, do not overlook our own magazine, The Methodist Woman, 50 cents a year. It carries each month such fine suggestions for our department.

LENTEN OFFERING. A special sacrificial gift should be made during the Lenten season. The girls may decide to give a certain amount each day of Lent to be brought in after Easter. Or a special Lenten offering may be received at the Easter-tide meeting.

The girls do not have responsibility in Christian social relations and local church activities, theirs is now a missionary organization. They should take some service projects in the local church. For example, the responsibil-

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you are a delegate to the annual conference at Rocky Mount, please inform Mrs. T. W. Smithson at once whether you expect to drive your own car or whether you will have use of a car while in Rocky Mount. This information will aid greatly in assigning homes. Also, be sure to state name, society, church, address and district.

NAME IN THE POT

The expression "Put my name in the pot" is perhaps a bit droll and lacking in dignity, and yet is it not expressive of the truth of the grave importance of sending without further delay name of delegate to the ensuing annual meeting and one dollar for lunncheon to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount? Names MUST be in not later than five days before March 25, otherwise one cannot expect entertainment. One delegate only from each Woman's Society of Christian Service and one from each Wesleyan Service Guild and one dollar for each delegate, each delegate striving to arrive in Rocky Mount on March 25 in time to register and be in the church auditorium by 2 p. m.

A SERIOUS CHALLENGE

On Thursday afternoon, February 27, a public hearing on the liquor referendum bill pending in the legislature was held. On that same day at the meeting of Central zone Woman's Society of Christian Service at Hayes-Barton Methodist church in Raleigh the two principal addresses, given by Rev. and Mrs. H. I. Glass, were upon the themes, "The Evils of Alcohol" and "What Women Can Do to Overcome This Evil." Said Mr. Glass: "When the 18th amendment was passed that was perhaps the greatest moral victory ever made. Yet, we have made the mistake of not remembering that another generation was growing up. We have to start at the beginning and teach and teach and teach—never stop teaching the evils of alcohol." Referring to the responsibility of women in the matter Mrs. Glass said: "We should recognize the fact that we have an invasion in our own country which is as harmful as any invasion in any other country. We cannot be neutral on the subject of alcohol. All through the years the drinking groups have been wide awake to their opportunities for their cause and the non-drinking groups have been asleep. As church women we have to convert ourselves to the cause of prohibition. As missionary women we must not serve or drink alcohol. Then we have to convert others with personal preaching. The time has come when we must take a more forceful stand than we have been doing. We can demand that children be taught the dangers of alcohol and have more programs on alcohol in our missionary work." Following adjournment of the meeting and the fellowship luncheon, many women who were present found their way to the hall of the House of Representatives where, by their presence and their attentive listening, they manifested their stand for the cause of prohibition. Perhaps by the time this item is published the bill to give the people of N. C. a right to vote their convictions upon the matter will have been passed. If so, we should sing praises to God for it. If it has not been settled, we should be much in prayer—as indeed we should have been all these months and weeks.

SEND THEM IN

With so many feet trodding a bare floor, it is not possible to keep it thoroughly clean and sanitary. That is the situation in the large dining room at the Methodist Orphanage, and that situation brings to the women of the N. C. conference another opportunity for sharing which will cost naught save a bit of effort. All coupons from Octagon products, Luzianne coffee, Luzianne tea, Ballard's Obelisk flour and post cards from Rumford baking powder are valuable to the Methodist Orphanage in that they may be exchanged for money with which to purchase battleship linoleum for the dining floor. By individual and collective effort this need should be met soon. Send coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.

ZONE LEADERS MEET

The zone leaders of Elizabeth City district held their executive meeting at the home of Mrs. B. B. Slaughter on Saturday, February 8. Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, presided. Plans for the year's work were discussed and dates for spring zone meetings were set. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Pendleton invited the ladies to "The Sugar Bowl," where they were served a delightful luncheon. Mrs. Pendleton announces that Gates county zone meeting will be held at Parker's church Wednesday, March 19, and Pascurcam zone will meet at City Road church, Elizabeth City, Thursday, March 20. Both meetings will begin at 10:30 a. m. and Miss Elizabeth Lamb, guest speaker, will conduct a spiritual life retreat at the afternoon sessions.

NEGRO GIRLS AIDED

The Mary Stevens circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Smithfield Methodist church has arranged special vocational service for the benefit of six negro girls, seniors at Johnson County Training School. The project grew out of a report given by W. R. Collins, superintendent of the school, at the last meeting of the circle, when the theme was inter-racial relations. The girls will be assigned to Mrs. Walter H. Jenkins, a member of the circle, in shifts of three for the remainder of the school term, the aim being to prepare them for immediate placement in domestic service after graduation. Mrs. Jenkins devotes each afternoon to training them in housework. The circle has also assisted the school in procuring cod liver oil for its campaign in flu prevention, and expects to obtain other supplies of oil. As a result of the gifts, five more needy patients will be added to the list of people receiving treatment.

WARREN COUNTY ZONE MEETS

The Warren county zone met for an officers' training day at Calvary church February 24, Mrs. J. C. Burwell, zone leader, presiding. The guest speaker was Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities. Mrs. Cutchin led the devotional, bringing a message on the urgency of the spiritual in our lives today. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson reported on the achievements of the Rocky Mount district during 1940. Warren zone had the greatest number of mission and Bible classes; largest number of spiritual life groups; overpaid the pledge; four baby life memberships were given to the following babies: Howard and Harriet Daniel (twins), Gwendolyn Allen, John Cole Burwell. Three societies in Warren zone achieved the efficiency aim, namely, Providence, Serepta and zion. The zone raised $40 for a Brazilian Scholarship and $15 for expenses of Viola Nethery at Scarritt College. Another feature of the meeting was a forum, led by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Mrs. J. A. Dameron and Miss Amma Graham, on the work of the officers and committees. Littleton, Providence and Warrenton societies received subscriptions to The Methodist Woman for having the largest number of officers present. A luncheon was served in the Sunday school rooms by the women of the Calvary society. At the close of the day a pledge service was held with each president taking part. —Mrs. James Mustain.

THOSE LONDON KIDS

Saturday afternoon is children's hour at the Hollywood cinema, and the Germans chose that moment to drop a bomb on it, with serious results—several killed and many injured.

Two children who had gone to this performance "failed to return" home at the usual time. Their mother, hearing of the tragedy, rushed to the scene, but could find no trace of them. Eventually returning home distracted, she found the children safe and sound.

"Goodness, what happened to you two—didn't you go to the Hollywood?"

"Oh, yes, mother, we went there, but the Germans dropped a bomb on it, so we came out and went to another one."—News from the Outpost, London.

SCHEDULED ZONE MEETINGS

Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Wilmington district secretary, announced that Union-Duplin zones will meet at Warsaw on Wednesday, March 19, beginning at 10 a. m.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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TO OUR FRIENDS

Dear Friends: We had a big white frost this morning, but it is all gone now. We had a big cold rain last week. Some of it froze to the trees. They looked mighty pretty. The rain is all gone now. The sun is shining brightly and everybody likes it. We think the sunshine is going to make our sick children well. We do not have nearly as many sick children as we used to have. Most of the flu has gone, but somebody let some mumps in. It seems that as fast as one disease goes another comes along. But we are getting along pretty well. There are some of the older members of our family who get mighty scared about money matters but we children don't. We know our friends are going to take care of us. We try to be good children. We love everybody and we know everybody loves us.

LEARNING TO PLAY

A lot of our boys went out for the first time to play football last week. We call it spring practice. There were over 100 boys dressed up in football clothes. Some of the boys had on so many clothes they could not run fast. The big boys are not playing football. They are playing baseball. The larger girls are still playing basket ball. They won the orphanage championship and the South Piedmont Conference championship. We think they are champions. They will play their first game in the Journal - Sentinel tournament this week. We have heard said that there are 132 teams playing in this tournament.

VYING WITH ONE ANOTHER

Pop said at Sunday school yesterday that the boys looked better than the girls. He said they were fixed up more carefully than the girls had fixed themselves up. There wasn't but one boy who had his collar wrinkled. The girls said they behaved better in church than the boys did. Sometimes we think the smaller boys and girls do better in church than the older boys and girls who sit over in the other balcony opposite us. Anyway, we watch to see how they do.

GOING AND COMING

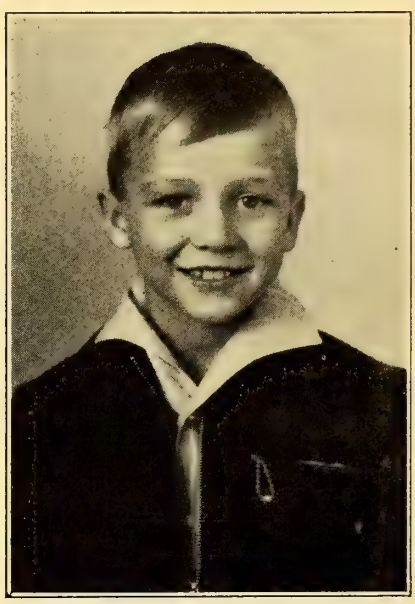
Pop said that the boys knew how to get in the bus to go to church better than did the girls. He said that the boys could crowd in better. Not to be out done, the girls up and decided they would show Pop that they could get in the bus well too. The girls told him that there were so many of them to get in the bus and that they had to watch to keep their hats on, whereas the boys don't wear hats. Anyway, there was not a single girl who went to sleep in church. We saw one boy chewing gum in church. The girls ride home from church. The boys walk home. The big boys walk both ways.

THE MARBLE TOURNAMENT

We are going to have the biggest tournament the Children's Home has ever had. All the boys in the grammar grades have their names on a big cardboard showing who is to play who. As fast as one boy wins he has to play another boy who has won. At last there will come out a champion who will play in the Journal-Sentinel marble tournament. We hope the Children's Home marble boy will be some marble player. We want him to win.

CECIL CAME BACK

Cecil Cobb is twelve years old and in the sixth grade. He works for Mrs. Hartman in the John Neal kitchen. She and Mrs. Tanner, the home mother, say that Cecil is about the best kitchen boy they have ever had. When Cecil got sick and went to the infirmary he got exposed to the mumps before they knew it was over there. Then they made him stay in the play room after he got well. They isolated him and Harry McConnell, who also got exposed. One night Cecil climbed out the window and ran away. He slept under his bed at Tise II during the night and next morning went off somewhere. Nobody went after him. Late that afternon he came back. He was very hungry. He said the Children's Home was a mighty good place to come back to. He had to go back to isolation. But everybody loves Cecil.



Everybody loves Fred

SEE THE KITES

The March winds have been blowing to beat the band. Many of the boys have been making kites and flying them sky high. One time we saw so many kites in the air upon the playing field that we couldn't see anything but paper things, cords and rag tails. Sometimes a kite gets away and it does not know where to land. The bad kites land in the tallest trees and there they stay and look ugly.

WORK DAYS ARE HERE

Most everybody at the Children's Home likes to work. There is a lot to do. The girls work indoors and the boys work outdoors. The girls do not have to depend on the weather to tell them what kind of work to do. During the bad weather the boys have been cutting wood and piling it up in the dry. In the good weather they have been planting spring crops. About all the early garden vegetables have been planted. Mr. Booze said that the first time the weather was fit again he was going to plant his Irish potatoes. He thought it would be a good idea to plant in the light of the moon but, moon or no moon, he would have to plant when the weather was good. The big farm boys are unloading a car of lime today. They hauled out a lot of manure last week. They say they had rather haul lime.

WALKING IN THE MUD

Last summer they built good roads on the Children's Home grounds. They paved a walk-way to the school house along where it used to be muddy. Yesterday morning a lot of the girls did not walk on the walk-way but went out across the playing field and got mud on their shoes just after they had polished them to go to church. They tell us children that the shoe mending bill is not nearly so big since we have good walk-ways. The gravel used to wear out our shoes mighty fast. A lot of them wear out now. But there's no use walking in the mud.

HE'S BEEN SICK

We are showing Fred Walton to our friends this week. His picture is right on this page. Fred is eight years old and in the second grade. He has some sponsors. They live at Shelby. His sponsors are the boys' class in the intermediate department of Central Methodist church. Fred has been sick with the flu and is taking a long time to get well. But he just keeps on smiling about it. We want Fred to get well.

DOING WELL

We have some big boys and girls off at college. Pop says they are all doing well, though some of them are doing better than others. We heard tell that Dot Griffith, who is away up in the mountains at a school they call Apalachian, has been voted the most popular girl in school. She goes with the captain of the basket ball team. He also said that Mr. Coltrane had written that Virginia Daniel was one of the best girls they have at Brevard College. He said that Mr. Coltrane bragged on her a big lot. There's more going off to college than the football boys.

HE'S THE MASCOT

Jake Norris is a little boy at the baby cottage. He is just two and a half years old. Some of our older girls took him over to the high school and put him up for all of them to look at. Right away he got elected to be the mascot of the Reynolds high school graduating class in June. There will be about 400 to graduate. We hope Jake will know how to do.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....
..... (here designate the bequest) .....

APPRECIATION — Nearly every day I receive checks from our pastors and churches for our operating expenses. I wish I had words at my command that would adequately express my sincere appreciation to the pastors and churches for their generous remembrance of us. It gives me a feeling of satisfaction to realize that all the pastors and churches are 100 per cent loyal and generous supporters of our school. Our boys and girls join me in expressing our debt of gratitude for such kindly consideration.

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GARDENING—There is much activity on our truck farm. During the winter months we had an abundance of collards, turnip salad and carrots. Many of our spring vegetables have been planted. As the spring advances we shall plant other vegetables that will come on later in the summer. A plenty of fresh vegetables and sweet milk mean much to our growing boys and girls.

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TREES—A large part of the campus at the Methodist Orphanage is covered with native trees. There is quite a variety of these trees, which add attractiveness to the grounds. Walking over the campus I have noticed the following variety of trees: White oak, post oak, red oak, Spanish oak, sweet gum, black gum, sycamore, pine, hickory and poplar. Among the transplanted trees we have dogwood, maple, crepe myrtle, cedar, willows and pecans.

"I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.
Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree."

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FLOWERS—Realizing that flowers make a place look more homelike, we are striving to have a variety of flowers to beautify the yards of the different cottages. Since we have so many trees, it is rather difficult to grow flowers successfully. We are hoping to have more success with our flowers this year than formerly. We have a long stretch of wire fence along St. Mary's street. Two years ago we transplanted Dorothy Perkins and American Pillar roses, and last year the fence presented, from one end to the the other, a scene of beauty. Cottages are surrounded by beautiful shrubbery. Practically the whole campus is covered with grass. Many people in and out of Raleigh do not hesitate to say that our campus is one of the most beautiful places in the state. Beautiful surroundings develop in our boys and girls love for the aesthetic.

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COUPONS—There is a movement on foot to secure tens of thousands of Octagon soap coupons. The money from coupons will be spent for the purchasing of battleship linoleum for our large dining room. Friends throughout the conference are beginning to send us coupons from their communities, which is equivalent to money. Last year there was a campaign on to secure enough coupons with which to buy a large electric range, oven and toaster for our big kitchen. Under the leadership of Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, and with the hearty co-operation of the women's organizations, we were able to secure the kitchen equipment without costing the Methodist Orphanage a single dollar. I am deeply grateful to Mrs. Hood, the women's organizations and friends throughout the conference for co-operating with the Orphanage in securing better equipment for our kitchen. I feel confident that the present campaign will go over in a big way.

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ATHLETICS—The picture on the front page of the Advocate is Marvin Tilley, one of our oldest boys. He was unanimously named the most outstanding football player in the Wake county football conference. He played fullback on the Orphanage team, and started in every one of the ten games that our team played. Because of his prowess and achievements, he was awarded an individual trophy. The smaller trophy in the picture is the one that was awarded him. The largest trophy shown was awarded our team for defeating the Catholic Orphanage on Thanksgiving afternoon, and the other trophy in the picture was given by the Wake county conference as an award for winning the conference championship. In addition to these three trophies, each player on the team was awarded a gold football charm. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our regular teachers, coached the team, and a large share of the credit is due Mr. Smith. Our boys experienced the most successful football season in the history of the Orphanage. They played ten games, had two scoreless ties and won eight. Only 19 points were scored against our squad, while our team scored 166 points against their opponents. I think these figures speak for themselves.

THOUGHTS OF THE NEW YEAR

By Lillian Gray

Let us walk softly, friend:
For strange paths lie before us, all untrod;
A new year spotless from the hand of God,
Is thine and mine, O friend.

Let us walk quickly, friend:
Work with our might while lasts our little stay
And help some halting comrade on the way;
And may God guide us, friend.

Pull the Trigger on Lazy Bowels, and Comfort Stomach, too

When constipation brings on acid indigestion, stomach upset, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, sour taste and bad breath, your stomach is probably "crying the blues" because your bowels don't move. It calls for Laxative-Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels, combined with Syrup Pepsin to save your touchy stomach from further distress. For years, many Doctors have used pepsin compounds as vehicles, or carriers to make other medicines agreeable to your stomach. So be sure your laxative contains Syrup Pepsin. Insist on Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna combined with Syrup Pepsin. See how wonderfully the Laxative Senna wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your intestines to bring welcome relief from constipation. And the good old Syrup Pepsin makes this laxative so comfortable and easy on your stomach. Even finicky children love the taste of this pleasant family laxative. Buy Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna at your druggist today. Try one laxative that comforts your stomach, too.

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WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY ENVELOPES

A number of persons have requested information concerning an evelope to be used in the church schools for the World Service offerings on the fourth Sunday. We are glad to anounce that our Publishing House has prepared two types of envelopes to be used in our church schools for this purpose. One envelope is a rather small one printed in black that costs $1.50 per thousand. The other is a larger envelope, printed with colored ink, that sells for $2 per thousand up to 5000, $1.50 per thousand for more than 5000.

We believe these envelopes will stimulate giving in the church schools on the fourth Sunday. We shall be glad to furnish samples of these envelopes to any persons desiring them. Send the request to the Board of Education, Box 647 College Station, Durham, N. C. Those desiring to purchase these envelopes will send their order to the Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT STAFF MEETING

The Elizabeth City District Council of Christian Education met in Hertford on January 7 with the district superintendent, Rev. B. B. Slaughter. The following members of the council were present: Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, director of children's work; Mrs. M. L. Sheep, director of Golden Cross; Rev. O. L. Hardwick, director of young people's wor; Rev. A. L. Thompson, director of adult work; Rev. J. R. Poe, missionary secretary; Rev. D. A. Clarke, director of evangelism and secretary to the staff. A program dealing with every interest of the district was discussed and outlined as follows:

I. Leadership Training.

It was recommended:

1. That Long Courses be given at First church, Elizabeth City and First church, Washington.

2. That Short Courses be given on the rural charges or that some course be given either as class work or correspondence.

3. That taining classes be made a permanent part of the church school program where the proper leadership is available and that this course be taught at the regular church school hour.

II. It was recommended:

1. That a survey be made under the direction of the pastor of each church community in the district and that this information be used to enroll every one in some department of the church school.

2. That the church school enrollment for the district be increased 15 per cent this year.

3. That all irregular members be contacted personally until they become regular in attendance.

4. That we lose no one in the church school by reason of our own negligence.

III. Special Days.

It was recommended:

1. That a missionary cultivation program be given in each department of the church on the fourth Sunday morning of each month, and that this program be given its greatest magnitude in the young people's department.

2. That race relations Sunday be observed on February 9 or a Sunday near that date.

3. That all churches observe Church School Rally Day on April 20 and not later than May.

4. That Student Day be observed at an appropriate time.

5. That Childhood and Youth Week be observed on each charge.

IV. Youth Work and Youth Week.

It was recommended:

1. That program material and the names of district leaders be secured from Rev. Robert Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

2. That the following centers hold youth weeks: Bath at Asbury and Bethany; Ahoskie-Belhaven at Trinity; Chowan at Anderson; Columbia at Gum Neck; Kennekeet at Avon; Hatteras-Manteo-Mattamuskeet at Englehard and Watson's; Pasquotank at Newbegun and Union; Perquimans at New Hope and Woodland; Plymouth-South Camden at Sign Pine and Wesleys; Stumpy Point and Mann's Harbor; Wanchese; Willimston.

3. That each charge become affiliated with a union.

4. That each charge send delegates to one or both assemblies for seniors and intermediates.

V. The Adult Division.

It was recommended:

1. That each church organize and promote the interest of an adult division.

2. That we attend at least one teacher's training class during the year.

3. That a program of evangelism be promoted in this division this year.

VI. The Children's Division.

It was recommended:

1. That we make use of the Year Book, The Elementary Teacher, Boys and Girls, and the lesson materials of our church.

2. That we work with the secretary of children's work in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in promoting the missionary education of children through the World Friendship Units and World Service Sunday observance.

3. That we have training schools at least for the children's workers in every church.

4 That we have a vacation Bible school for every church where leadership is available. Duke students are very desirable in this work.

5. That workers with children be urged to assist pastors in securing names of babies for baptism and in preparing children for church membership.

6. That we properly organize the entire children's division and see that it functions efficiently including nursery children and home members above the nursery age.

VIII. Evangelism.

It was recommended:

1. That we promote a program of educational evangelism in the church school, beginning the first Sunday in March and climaxing with Easter Sunday, April 13.

2. That, during this period of evangelism, we place in the hands of each teacher literature concerning a decision for Christ.

3. That we place our major emphasis for the year on living for Christ and winning others to him.

CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH

As we plan and work in helping children to have satisfactory experiences in churchmanship and to guide us in sessions in which we will be leading them toward church membership, the following resources will be helpful:

Available from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

When You Join the Church, Battle, (for children) 5c.

My Child Joins the Church, Bowen (for parents) 5c.

Church Membership for Boys and Girls, Vernon (for pastors, also helpful to teachers) 10c.

How to Conduct a Church Membership Class for Boys and Girls, Quimby (primarily for pastors, also helpful to teachers) 25c.

What It Means for Juniors to Decide for Jesus, Robinson (a union of study containing valuable source material) 25c.

Thoughts of God for Boys and Girls, Connecticut Council of Churches. (A Lenten devotional booklet), 10c.

Available from the N. C. Conference Board of Education, 647 College Sta., Durham, N. C.

Evangelism with Boys and Girls, by Skinner. Free in reasonable quantities.

In the 1941 Periodicals

Excellent articles dealing helpfully with this subject may be found in the spring issues of the periodicals of our church schools such as The Elementary Teacher, The Church School Magazine, The Christian Home.

THE ONE THING NEEDFUL

There is a revealing story concerning a young artist who, when the master under whom he had studied died, came to the door of the studio and begged a gift of the master's brush. The request was granted. With high heart the young man went away, but later returned saying that he could not paint any better than with his own. Then she who had given him the brush replied, "It is not the master's brush you need but the master's spirit."—Watchman-Examiner.

IN MEMORIAM

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Lee's Chapel Methodist church wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. Lee Herbin Lucas, wife of S. V. Lucas, who passed away January 14, 1941. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society, having served as treasurer since December, 1925—until her death.

She was indeed a Christian woman; loyal to her church and always ready and willing to serve the God she loved through unselfish service to others.

She possessed those qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she was associated; and we shall always cherish her memory.

We thank God for her life, and extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessing to rest upon them.

Mrs. O. D. Apple,
Mrs. Carl Gregory,
Mrs. G. E. Chappell.

BROWN — William Henry Brown, known as Brother Will Brown, was born June 28, 1868, a son of the late Jeremiah and Catherine Copeland Brown of Lasker, N. C. All of his long and useful life was lived in the Lasker-New Hope community of Northampton county, where he was greatly loved and held in high esteem by all Brother Brown had been in declining health for several years and was seriously ill as a result of paralysis three weeks prior to his death. In spite of all that was done for him by doctors, nurses, loved ones and friends, he passed peacefully and triumphantly into his long looked for and well earned rest January 25, 1941.

Brother Brown and Miss Etta Draper of Lasker were happily married March 11, 1896, and to them one son and one daughter were born: Herald Worth of Durham and Mrs. Blannie Bobbitt, at home. Theirs was truly a Christian home and known in the community as "the preachers' home." There was always room in his heart and in his home for his pastors. He loved them affectionately and devotedly and was always happy to be in their fellowship. He frequently remarked that "when I get to heaven I will have a good time with my preacher friends." All the pastors of New Hope church loved him and could count on him for full co-operation in the work of the church.

Brother Brown loved the church. In early adolescence he became a Christian and joined New Hope Methodist church, remaining a faithful and loyal member till death. He was a member of the board of stewards 45 years, chairman for many years.

Brother Brown is survived by his faithful and beloved wife and children; a sister, Mrs. Elva Parker, Lasker; two brothers, Joseph of Conway and Lewis of Jackson.

The funeral was conducted from New Hope church by his pastor, assisted by former pastors, Rev. E. H. Davis, Rev. B. P. Robinson, Rev. Daniel Lane and Rev. Rev. I. T. Poole. A special choir sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "The Sweet By and By." The funeral was one of the largest and most impressive ever held at New Hope. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. A multitude of loved ones and friends stood with eyes dimmed with tears as we committed the body of Brother Brown into the keeping of New Hope cemetery. We sorrowed, not as those without hope, for we know that he liveth with Him who reigneth forevermore, eternal, and in the heavens. W. L. Maness, Pastor.

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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 16

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Lord's Supper

Luke 22:1-38

A little three-year-old was introduced into the big library of a college professor. He told her that some day when she got big she would be able to read these books. At once she asked, "Are there any pictures in them?" That is what the child world and the primitive man are always asking, and what even the most sophisticated of us desire if we are only honest enough to confess it. We are all eager for pictures and, thank God! in the Last Supper, instead of a heavy volume on the atonement, we have a moving picture of the deepest revelation of the gospel.

What does this picture of Jesus breaking the bread and passing the cup to his disciples mean? It certainly symbolizes the fact that he loved his disciples to the last limit. And it also means that the Father who inspired him to lay down his life for them likewise loves them to the last limit, for we cannot imagine the infinite God laying upon the Saviour the burden of loving more than he does.

And with this, of course, is implied his willingness to forgive our sins. The true Christian not only avails himself of the sacrament when the rite is celebrated in the church, but in spirit he partakes of it continually. He does this after every sense of failure, and whenever he feels his weakness. Continually he heartens himself with the thought that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin. The sacrament is God's powerfu antitoxin for sin and discouragement.

This matter of taking the sacrament in the spirit needs to be stressed. All along there has been a tendency to ascribe to the bread and the wine a magic efficacy. This tendency was already manifest when the Fourth Gospel was being written. Perhaps for this reason John omits all account of the passing of the bread and the wine, and yet is very careful perfectly to interpret the meaning of the sacrament in his account of the teaching of Jesus at the Last Supper (chapters 13-17) and in the discourse on the Bread of Life in John 6.

But the sacrament is not merely a symbol of Christ's love for us and for all mankind, but it is a symbol of the way it is possible for us also to love our fellow men. Savages drink the blood of lions and tigers expecting that the courage and ferocity of these beasts may be imparted to them. And we partake of the body and blood of Christ in faith that his heroism and his power to love may be infused into our souls.

There is a distinct limit to the ability of any one of us to be great as an artist, a musician or an orator, or to attain masterdom in any other line of self-expression, for that is always conditioned on heredity and opportunity for training. But there is absolutely no limit to the possibility of our becoming lovers of mankind, for Jesus said, This is my commandment, that ye love one another even as I have loved you. And all Christ's commands are enablings. He never tantalizes us by holding before us an unattainable ideal. We say this, realizing that we are in a head-on collision with a prevalent theological fad.

What marvelous blessings have come to men through the ages as they have met together in love and charity to celebrate the Lord's death till he come! What courage and peace has been imparted to disciples beset with anxiety and befogged with perplexity!

Around this table where men of various social stations and different races gather to remember that the Lord Jesus Christ died for them, we see the solution of the world's tragedy. Through faith in his love for us and all men we can get power to overcome national arrogance and racial prejudice, and to take the same attitude toward our fellow men that Jesus took when he poured out his life for the salvation of the world.

It has been fashionable to speak lightly of the church, but it is becoming increasingly evident that the building up of this super-national and super-racial brotherhood is the only hope of the world. And it is equally evident that the only dynamic for the creation of such a brotherhood is the revelation of God's love through Christ on the cross, for when he is lifted up he draws all men unto him, and when they are gathered around the cross they find that they are very close to one another.

NEW STREAMLINED TRAINS ON THE SOUTHERN

Deluxe units for "The Southerner," new streamlined train of the Southern Railway, are being completed in the Chicago shops of the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company, according to advice from Frank L. Jenkins, passenger traffic manager, Southern Railway System. The new modern cars will be ready to inaugurate a new phase of luxury travel between New Orleans and New York next month, the exhibition date having been tentatively announced as March 17 for New Orleans.

"The Southerner" cars are part of an order for 47 ultra-modern units placed with Pullman-Standard by the Southern Railway. The entire order comprises 18 straight chair cars; six partition chair cars; five dining cars; three lounge-tavern observation cars with square ends; three lounge-tavern-observation cars with round ends; six passenger and baggage cars; two mail-baggage cars with 60 foot mail apartments; two mail-baggage cars with 30 foot mail apartments, and two mail storage cars.

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Children's Storyland



A WELCOME FOR FATHER

"Is it six o'clock yet?" asked little Nora, running into the kitchen.

"Not quite," said her aunt who had come to take mother's place for a few days and was now busy preparing the dinner. "Why are you so eager for it to be six o'clock, Nora? You have asked me that several times."

"Because daddy comes home at half past six," explained the child, "and mother and David and I always begin to get ready for him at six o'clock. We put away our toys and help to make the house look nice, and then we wash our hands and faces. Mother says everything must be spick and span to welcome daddy. David puts daddy's newspaper in his big chair, and I get his slippers. When he comes in, David takes his coat, and I put his hat away, and he rests while we help get dinner. After dinner we all have fun together."

"That is a lovely idea," said her aunt, "and now it is six o'clock, so you may begin your welcome. I shall go and cut some flowers for the table and that will be my part."

When father arrives home after a day's work or a business trip, the atmosphere which greets him will somewhat influence his attitude toward his family. A welcome atmosphere quickly warms the heart of a man, and if he steps into a house especially made ready to receive him, he can hardly help responding graciously.

"Oh, hurry and change your face! It's time to smile,' 'cried a little boy to his baby brother who was crying. "Don't you know daddy will feel sorry if he can't find some smiles in the house?"

Father's standing in the home depends largely on the mother, for the children will more or less respond to her example and imitate her attitude. If the day's cares and difficulties are re-lived before father, who already has encountered the hardships attendant on the responsibility of maintaining and protecting the home, he is not likely to feel that his home is the place of rest and refreshment that it might be. Not but what it is his privilege to share all real problems and to give them the benefit of efficient and considerate attention, but without doubt there is a better time and place for the discussion of such things than when a man first enters the home at night. After he is cheered and rested by the loving home atmosphere, he will be far more willing and better able to co-operate in the home affairs, and this will lighten mother's task.

Children can easily learn to remember the pleasant things to tell their father when he first comes home. They can be taught to look their best for him, to be busy but not noisy in their play, so that he may relax, to show their affection in quiet ways that will not annoy. They can be interested to help welcome their father in such a way that they may lighten his cares. If they show consideration for his tastes and preferences, evince appreciation of his good qualities and co-operate in his plans, it will mean much to him. Such a procedure is wise; it creates a home atmosphere of thoughtfulness and graciousness that is wholesome and beneficial to all the family. —Lydia Lion Roberts, National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York, N. Y.

WELCOME TO BIRDS

By Rena Stateburgh Travais

Welcome back to lawn and park,
Robin, blackbird, meadow lark,
Let my garden be your goal,
Warbler, sparrow, oriole,
Seek your trellis nest again.
Titmouse, pipit, chat and wren,
Sing your song at break of day,
Yellowhammer, bunting, jay,
Swing where cherry blossoms drift.
Catbird, grosbeak, flicker, swift,
Send your song across the dale,
Linnet, woodthrush, nightingale.

Welcome back, the sun is bright,
Skylark, skimmer, swallow, kite,
You were not by miles deterred,
Sora, skua, hummingbird.
At no visitor, I balk,
Jaeger, wryneck, wheatear, hawk,
Now the time for song is ripe,
Stonechat, woodpecker and snipe,
Come to houses I have built,
Flycatcher and finch and stilt.

—Our Dumb Animals.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A teacher was instructing a class in English, and called on a small boy named Jimmy Brown.

"James," she said, "write on the board: 'Richard can ride the mule if he wants to.' "

"Now," continued the teacher when Jimmy had finished writing, "can you find a better form for that sentence?"

"Yes, ma'am, I think I can," was the prompt answer. " 'Richard can ride the mule if the mule wants him to.' " Gladstone Age Press.

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Johnnie was reading aloud to his class when he came to a word he did not know.

"Barque," prompted the teacher.

Johnnie looked confused.

"Barque, Johnnie," the teacher repeated impatiently.

Johnnie glanced nervously at his classmates, and then cried out, "Bow-wow!"

BEES IN WINTER

By Lois Boyd

Bumblebees, yellow jackets, hornets and wasps die at the first frosts, leaving only the young mated queens who merge in the spring to lay their eggs and hatch new broods.

Among honey bees it is only the drones who die in the fall. Bees will die from the effects of cold before the temperature reaches freezing; in fact, they seldom fly when the thermometer is below 45 degrees. Activities within the hive cease early in the fall; the queen lays no more eggs, the rearing of the brood is ended.

Food for the winter has been stored during the spring and summer. Adult bees live on honey which is made from the nectar gathered from the flowers. Because the nectar contains a great deal of water when it is collected which would cause fermentation if it were stored in this condition, this excess moisture is removed by a well organized system of fanning. Nectar is often redused one-fourth in volume before the bees add the enzymes which change the raw nectar into simple sugar. An average bee colony will consume from 30 to 50 pounds of honey during their dormant season. When you consider that a bee travels 43,770 miles to gather enough nectar to make one pound of honey, you will see the "little busy bee" has not been misnamed.

During the summer the bees use the whole hive for their various activities, but in the winter they gather in a spherical, compact cluster with the queen in the center. Those on the outside are crowded so closely together as to make an insulating shell and thus prevent the loss of heat. Those on the inside of the ball are not so crowded and maintain enough muscular activity to keep the entire group comfortably warm. The bees on the outside of the clustre are constantly changing places with those on the inside. At no time do the bees allow the temperature on the outside of the cluster to fall below 57 degrees.

Because of the warmth of their hives and the presence of food, mice often enter the hives and make themselves at home, eating the wax and honey and making their nests on the floor. The bees pay no attention to them until warm weather comes and then they promptly sting them to death. The bees are not strong enough to carry away their dead enemies, so they cover them with a sticky secretion which hardens like cement, thus forming an air tight coffin.—Our Dumb Animals.

Mother—Johnny, how is it you have lower marks in January than December?

Johnny—Oh, everything is marked down after the holidays."—Exchange.

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A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Lakewood, 7:30 13
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 16
Eno, 7:30 16
Long Memorial, 7:30 19
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April

Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

South Mills, McBrides, 2 14
Roper, Mackeys, 11 16
Aulander, Roxobel, 3 16
Edenton, night 16
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1 19
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Aberdeen, Vass, 11 16
Pine Bluff, Beaver Dam, 3 16
Hay Street, 7:30 16
Parkton, 11 23
Laurel Hill, Tabernacle, 3 23
Gibson, 7:30 23
Hamlet, 10 30
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 30
Rockingham, 7:30 30
Sanford, 7:30 31

April

Raeford, Parkers, 11 6
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
Jonesboro, 8 6
Caledonia, Johns, 11 13
West End, Marcus, 3 13
Laurinburg, 8 13
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Newport, Oak Grove, 11 16
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 7:30 16
Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
Ayden, 7:30 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Greenville, 7:30 4
Mt. Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 11
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 11
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 11 16
Henderson, First Church, 5 16
Tar River, Trinity, 11 23
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 23
Louisburg, 7:30 26
Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Robersonville, Stokes, 11 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Enfield, 7:30 19
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Wilmington, Trinity, 11 16
Garland, Salem, 3:30 16
Wesley Memorial, Bethany, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Shallotte, Village, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Barnardsville, 11 6
Asbury Memorial, 8 6
Central, 8 7
Biltmore, 8 8
Acton-Candler-Pisgah, Montmorenci, 8 9
French Broad Avenue, 8 10
Haywood Street, 8 11
East Flat Rock, 11 13
Emma, 8 13
Brevard, 8 14
Hendersonville, 8 15
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 16
Fairview, 8 17
Fletcher, 8 18
Rosman, 11 20
Etowah, 3 20
Oakley, 8 21
Marshall, 8 22
Black Mountain, 8 23
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3 27
Weaverville, 8 28
West Asheville, 8 29
Tryon, 8 30

May

Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

March

Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 16
Zoar, 3 16
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 16
Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homesetead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Dobson, Siloam, 11 16
Bryant Memorial, Ararat, 3 16
Jonesville, night 16
Sparta, Sparta, 11 23
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 3 23
Jefferson, Bethany, night 23

April

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, 11 6
Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel, 3 6
North Wilkesboro, night 6

Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Missionary Institute, Elkin, March 30.

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

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These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

March

Boger City, 11 16
Crouse, Crouse, 2:30 16
King's Mountain, night 16
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13
Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

Ministers' and wives' meeting, Kings Mountain, 10 March 10.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Ruffin, Pelham, 11 16
Stoneville, Matthews, 3 16
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 7:30 16
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11 23
Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 7 23
Leaksville, 11 30
Reidsville (Laymen's and Missions District Meeting) 2:30 30

April

Pleasant Garden, 11 6
Muir's Chapel, 11 13
Centenary, 7:30 13
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27

May

Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
District Conference, Greensboro College 21

No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

South Davidson, Aleghany, 2 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 3 16
Liberty First, 7:30 16
Asheboro First, 7:30 19
Seagrove, Love Joy, 2 19
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Forest City, 11 16
Spindale, 3 16
Rutherfordton, Spindale, 3 16
Pleasant Grove, Spindale, 3 16
Burnsville, 11 23
Bald Creek, Burnsville, 3 23
Micaville, Burnsville, 3 23
Rutherfordton, 11 30

April

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 6
Broad River, Tanner's Grove, 3 6
Mill Spring, Gray's, 11 13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 11 20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Granite Falls, 11 16
Hudson, Ebenezer, 2:30 16
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Crabtree, Finchers, 11 16
Junaluska (Institute), 2:30 16
Bethel, 7:30 16
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

March

Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 16
North Davidson, Bethesda, 3 16
Kernersville, 7:30 16
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30 30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Osburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

W. N. C. WOMEN
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ity for care of small children during the worship service, the responsibility for flowers for the pulpit occasionally, and many others.

I want to call your attention to the prayer that Mrs. Grace Noll Crowell has written especially for the girls of the woman's division. May we quote from Mrs. Crowell's letter: "I wrote, asking that I might say the right things in the prayer that possibly may be used by many." And in this spirit we would use these beautiful lines. Copies may be had from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio; three dozen for 5 cents.

Let us pray and let us work for a most fruitful year with our young women and girls. I shall be happy to hear from any of you and hope you will have much joy and success in your work in this department.

Sallie Bett Lamb,
Sec'y Y. W. G. Dept.

(The paryer to which Mrs. Lambe refers is found on woman's page of Advocate for February 27).

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HEALTH

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The lesson is this:—"Keep your system **pure** and you may have health and strength to gain and enjoy happiness, success and length of years." But you may ask:—

How Can I Keep My System Pure?

That is not a hard question to answer, for Science plainly teaches you that your **liver**, which is larger than all of the other glands of the body combined, has the special work of purifying your blood and thereby your entire system and of keeping it pure.

How Does the Liver Purify?

Physicians tell us that the liver destroys, or renders harmless, poisons such as uric acid and other toxic waste matter that is normally formed in the tissues, and also prevents the formation of poisons in the bowels by manufacturing a greenish-yellow, bitter fluid called **bile**, which, between meals, is stored up in the gall-bladder, but after each meal is poured out into the intestines. The bile is **purgative** and indirectly **antiseptic** or prophylactic. In health it is your bile that makes your bowels act regularly and freely every day,—it is **Nature's Purgative.** It is your bile that keeps your bowels pure, clean and free from excessive fermentation (gas) and putrefaction. Remember that putrefactive germs do not thrive where there is fresh bile and there can therefore be no fermentation to cause gas, nor putrefaction to produce poisons, or toxines. Also, as bile is Nature's purgative, there can be no constipation if the bile is flowing naturally and freely from the gall-bladder into the bowels after each meal.

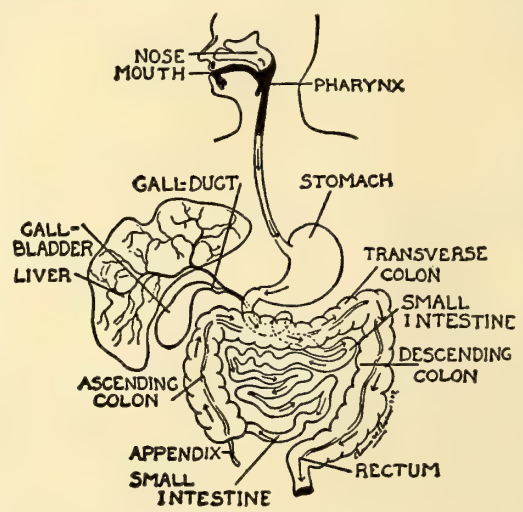
But when the bile becomes stagnant your bowels stop acting regularly and the contents become a breeding bed for the germs of fermentation (gas) and putrefaction. These poisons (called toxines), are gradually absorbed into your blood and if the quantity be more than the liver can destroy, may circulate all over your body, poisoning, irritating or inflaming your brain and nerves, your muscles and joints, your heart, skin, kidneys, and every vital organ of your body. Your doctor calls this "intestinal toxaemia," and tells you that your system is "toxic," or, if mild, "bilious."

Functions of Gall-Bladder

In 24 hours your liver manufactures about 3 to 4 teacupsful of bile, which flows through millions of minute canals, or ducts, uniting to make a large tube which empties into the gall-bladder, as creeks and rivulets unite to form a river that flows into a lake. Your gall-bladder is a hollow muscle that serves the double purpose of a reservoir and a pump. Its functions are similar to those of the urinary bladder. About three hours after cating, when the food is passing from the stomach into the intestines, your gall-bladder should begin its contractions, thus pumping the bile into the small intestine where it is mixed with your food. Bile is also an essential digestive fluid, aiding in the digestion and absorption of fats and oils. Its absence inevitably causes bilious indigestion, so common in hot climates.

Nature's Danger Signals

When the bile becomes stagnant in your gall-bladder and is dammed back into your liver instead of flowing freely into your bowels, you, sooner or later, begin to feel some of the following symptoms:—Your breath may become unpleasant (halitosis), your tongue coated, a bad taste in your mouth, your coffee (and tobacco) lose their natural flavor, your food does not agree with you; you may have heart burn, gas, or fluttering around the heart, dizziness or blind spell; you may be troubled with belching or frequent passages of gas from the bowels; the gas



Study the above drawing for a few minutes. Notice particularly how the bile flows from the liver into and out of the gall-bladder and thence into the small intestine which it enters at a point just below the stomach. A cut-off valve prevents the return of the bile from the intestine into the gall-bladder. The gall-bladder is the pump for the bile, acting like the bulb of an atomizer.

"balloons" your bowels and presses so hard on the kidneys that it gives you pain in the small of your back over your kidneys, making you think you have kidney trouble; at night the gas in your bowels presses upon your bladder making you get up frequently, thus breaking into your sleep.

In the morning you are tired instead of refreshed. Gradually your health is injured. Your complexion becomes sallow or bilious; dark rings may appear under your eyes, you may feel lazy, dull and irritable or blue and melancholic. You may have frequent colds (catarrh) or dull headache; your bowels stop their free, full and natural action; you have constipation, gas, putrefaction and self-poisoning or "intestinal toxaemia," as the doctors call it. This group of symptoms is referred to, in the South, as "Torpid Liver," but apparently a better expression might be Torpid Bile Flow.

NOTE:—If the above symptoms are very mild, they are called bilious; if severe, "toxic." Some may be of nervous reflex origin.

How to Make the Bile Flow

But when the bile stops flowing freely, how can we help Nature start it again? The answer is: **Take Calotabs at bedtime and drink water freely the next day.*** This formula is designed to increase the force and frequency of contraction of the gall-bladder and the upper intestine (duodenum), thus promoting the expulsion of bile from the gall-bladder and bile ducts into the small intestine and thence through and out of the bowels. When you take Calotabs you know that you have taken what the doctors call a **cholagogue** or bile expelling medicine. It cleans you out thoroughly. Every inch of your twenty-five foot canal, including your stomach, small intestine and large intestine or colon is thoroughly cleared and washed clean and pure, and you can see and feel the bile in the stools. (Bile causes a slight burning sensation and a bright yellow or greenish yellow color.) Next morning your system feels purified and refreshed and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you wish and go about your work or pleasure.

***NOTE**—If the stagnation of bile is caused by the pressure of a tumor upon the gall duct, or by a permanently impacted gallstone, only a surgical operation can remove the cause. But the common cause of stagnation of bile is the accumulation of catarrhal mucus in the gall-bladder or gall-duct. This mucus may be expelled by Calotabs. The mucus is caused by engorgement of the liver, usually the result of over-indulgence in highly seasoned foods, or stimulating drinks. Calotabs help to relieve this engorgement.

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When You Need Calotabs

Unwholesome foods and drinks, or over-indulgence in good foods and beverages, especially meats, alcohol, coffee, tea and tobacco, cause engorgement of the liver with stagnation of bile, and intestinal toxaemia. Colds with their toxines, bring about a similar toxic condition. Hot summer weather, overwork, mental strain, irregular habits, and lack of sleep tend to make the system toxic.

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Left—Coach Wallace Wade, physical director and football coach at Duke University. Right—Clarence (Ace) Parker, chosen by the officials of the professional football leagues as the most valuable player of last year. He has been "visiting coach" at Duke, his alma mater, during winter practice which closed last Saturday.

THE THREE BIG MEETINGS OF SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION WEEK IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

An account of the Asheville gathering, March 11, appeared in last week's Advocate. The meeting the following day in Winston-Salem repeated the program of the Asheville assembly. Dr. L. D. Patterson of Birmingham, Ala., delivered addresses at 11 o'clock and at three in the afternoon. At 6 o'clock in the evening Mr. Edgar T. Welch, president of the board of lay activities of the Methodist Church, whose home is in Westfield, N. Y., was the speaker at the dinner attended by 600 persons. Mr. Welch's address was sensible, practical, fresh and refreshing, and admirable in all particulars. Dr. John R. Mott spoke to an audience that filled the big Centenary church at 8 o'clock in the evening.

The Winston-Salem meeting was largely attended by church leaders mainly from the Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Statesville, High Point and Elkin districts. There appeared to be a deep interest in the program and in the work that the assembly was expected to promote.

At Charlotte

The program at Charlotte differed in that Bishop Edwin H. Hughes took the place of Dr. Patterson on the program at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. The big First church was well filled by interested audiences to hear Bishop Hughes at both the morning and afternoon hours. It is wonderful how this prince of preachers can grip and inspire audiences with his presence and messages. In the afternoon he delivered his celebrated sermon on the "Layman" and it proved as thrilling as when he delivered it last May in Asheville at the Jurisdictional conference.

Mr. Welch at 6 o'clock repeated his Winston-Salem experience of the evening before. He spoke on the "Retooling of Methodism" and had about the dinner tables 600 delighted auditors.

It goes without saying that Dr. Mott had a full house at 8 o'clock in the evening. For an entire half century Dr. Mott has been an outstanding figure in Y. M. C. A. work in the churches and upon the mission fields of the world. The most widely known name in all the churches and among the church people is John R. Mott.

WHEN THE GREEKS SAW JESUS

"When our Lord was told of the Greeks who said to Philip, 'Sir, we would see Jesus,' he said, 'Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.' It was in Greek that the Creeds were drawn up; they embody the verities of the Faith in the forms of Greek thought. Orthodoxy, 'straight-thinking,' is the gift of the Holy Ghost working through the minds of the Christian thinkers of Greece. . . .

"Many of us had come to think of the Greeks as a people who lived a long time ago, whose language we learned at school and had forgotten since. We fancied that the Greeks were a nation who, exhausted in the race, had handed on the torch to younger peoples. Hellas was an extinct volcano, the fiery lava of whose thought had fertilized the thought of other lands.

"Suddenly Greece sprang into the news. The first great victory for freedom was won when Xerxes, sitting on the lofty brow which looks o'er sea-born Salamis, saw his mighty armada broken by the fathers of those who are fighting now for their liberties and ours. Today the Greeks have great allies; we do not mean simply the British Commonwealth of Nations, we mean those eternal laws which forbid the final triumph of evil and injustice in God's world.—Ripon Diocesan Gazette (January, 1941.)

SPRING ADVANCE FOR NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

The pastors have their plans before them. It is time for all to get busy. The plan adopted last year for advancing the circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate was approved by both conferences of the state and it is being followed by the pastors this year. All they need to do is to get busy.

The co-operative effort with the women of the Societies of Christian Service is already a going concern. All the district secretaries of the North Carolina conference except the Wilmington have sent in their lists. Of the Western North Carolina conference the Asheville, the Waynesville, and the Salisbury districts have reported. Before long our lists from both conferences will be complete.

Some of the agents have already been sending in remittances for new subscribers and renewals. With the coming of spring we fully expect all to get busy.

Mrs. Glenn W. Pendelton of Elizabeth City sent her list this week, but she overlooked forwarding that favorite photograph of herself. Would that all these devoted women could know how grateful we are for their co-operation.

CONTRIBUTION FROM MRS. ELLEN J. PREYER OF GREENSBORO

Cannot you answer "A preacher does not need to turn his pulpit into a political platform" when he preaches a temperance sermon? If trying to correct and avert the terrible consequences of the liquor habit is not in keeping with the gospel of Jesus Christ and the "pursuit of the kingdom of heaven" I do not know what is.

Mr. Eugene Hood's sermon to the preachers in a recent issue of the Advocate is good and to the point. I have often wondered why our preachers are so reluctant to give us a temperance sermon from the pulpit. Can you tell why? All power to you and your good paper.

Ellen J. Y. Preyer.

BISHOP PURCELL REPORTS DAY OF COMPASSION OFFERING

The reports coming to this office indicate that the Day of Compassion offerings amount to $25,438.15 on a goal of $23,998 for the Western North Carolina conference, and $12,401.77 on a goal of $17,002 for the North Carolina conference. Reports are still coming in, and we expect the totals to approximate the asking. However, we are requesting all of our ministers to bring the campaign to a close immediately since the special effort for World Service and conference benevolences will be before us for the mid-year check-up on May 31.

I wish to assure you of my appreciation for the special support you have given to this noble cause.

I shall appreciate your using the enclosed brief statement as soon as it is convenient. Clare Purcell.

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North Carolina's death toll on the highway for the first two months of 1941 was up 30 per cent from the toll for the same period of last year, the Highway Safety Division reported today.

Phillips Brooks' advice to young ministers, "Attach yourself to the center of your ministry, and not to some point on its circumference," is a good rule for all people. Stay near the center; work at the things really worth while; do not take up with the extremes; learn that the "golden mean" is really golden; address one's self to the big things; do not piddle.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes is to be at Grace church, Wilmington, from March 24-30, and at Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, from March 31 to April 6 for a week's revival services at each place. Go to hear this great preacher and princely gentleman. The people for miles around Wilmington and Thomasville should flock to these services and hear Bishop Hughes.

Big salaries and big churches are not the rich rewards of the Christian ministry. If so St. Paul would never have been counted a success. He could not boast of these, but he could point with joy to the "marks of the Lord Jesus Christ" that he bore in his body. "To know the fellowship of his suffering" was the knowledge that this greatest Christian of all time sought for himself.

Dear Brother Pastor, why not send in a nice list of new subscribers from your church or churches? It will be an advantage to both you and your people and it will help the Advocate. We ask no help to secure renewals. This takes care of itself. But assistance is needed to secure new subscribers. Will you give this a bit of your time and effort? Thank you for your good work.

Somebody has said that no two people are exactly alike and both of them are glad of it. St. Paul may have had this fact in mind when he insisted that a man should not think of himself more highly than he ought to. But with most people the apostolic admonition goes unheeded and they do not regret what they do.

This week's Biblical Recorder has an editorial entitled, "They Shall Not Vote," that every citizen of the state should read and re-read so as not to forget. Here is a sample sentence or two: "Thus by the cowardly use of the secret ballot thirty-four men told the entire electorate of this state, 'You shall not vote on the liquor issue.' That is the heart of the whole matter—the privilege of citizens of a free, democratic state to exercise their inalienable right to vote on an issue which concerns, not this section or that, but the state as a whole." Read the Biblical Recorder of March 19, 1941.

We have been remarkably free from "cock and bull" stories during the present war. But they are beginning to edge into the headlines. The latest is that German submarines are near the north Atlantic shores of America, while the claim in the body of this story was that these have been operating in mid-Atlantic. These tales are for ulterior purposes. Let the American people continue to keep their poise and go about their work in a manner to secure the best results. In the first world war there were two favorite stories used to scare people. One was the presence of U-boats in and about New York and Boston harbors, and the other was that German spies were prowling everywhere. After these twenty-five years that sort of talk seems absurd to people who can remember that far back. To those who cannot remember the first war we advise the use of a grain of salt and the older people will not be deceived by such stories if they can profit by past experiences.

Wallace Wade's Code of Athletics

COACH WALLACE WADE in speaking to the athletes at the banquet given the basket ball tournament at Duke last week told those boys that the trouble with the world today is that there are not enough people living the code of athletes. He also urged the boys to apply what they learned in athletics to their daily living, and he also urged them to be disappointed when they are beaten—not discouraged.

The athlete's code of clean, temperate living, with the determination to do one's best, makes fine appeal to ambitious youth. Athletics make demands much needed in this day. Athletes cannot take alcoholic poison into the blood-stream and continue to win. One or the other must be given up. The athletic code makes a far finer appeal to those exposed to the sins of youth than do ponderous tomes of theology. Theological discussions and ethical dissertations certainly do not make appeal to red-blooded youth as does the vigor, strength and attractiveness of physical prowess. Hence the value of the code of athletes. Truly the glory of young men is their strength and the charm of young women is their beauty. So men and women of character who direct the athletics of youth render a valuable service to the nation as they contribute to the health and strength of youth—they make a contribution to the welfare of humanity.

Coach Wade naturally and normally becomes about the most influential person on the Duke campus. Fortunately, his influence is not confined to this campus. All who are acquainted with college athletics know that his influence is as nation-wide as was the influence of the late President Few among the educators of America. So far as the coaches of our schools and colleges can lead the boys and girls of the country to adopt the code of athletes they render a real service to the nation.

This Advocate Is Consistent

ANY one who will examine the files of this paper will find that for eighty-six years this Advocate has stood with unwavering fidelity to all the fundamental tenets of Methodism. It has been gloriously free, unfettered by conventions and independent of political and religious constraints. It has always rung clear as to the proclamations of Methodism. John Wesley in his day cried out against liquor, war, gambling and all the other enemies of our humanity. We have done the same, though the outcry against us at times has been severe and bitter.

The politicians do not—they cannot—claim consistency on this liquor question. How numerous the somersaults among them in this state since the Al Smith campaign. Not a few of these anti-liquor men are unwilling now to stand by their former professions; but not so this paper. We have been consistently against the making, the selling and the drinking of liquor—and we are not done yet. In the words of Mr. Francis O. Clarkson of Charlotte last week, "We are not through; the fight for temperance we will continue."

Let all who know that alcoholic poison taken into the blood-stream means the ruin of a people join us in preaching temperance and in crusading against the liquor trade here in North Carolina. Only those blinded by greed and constrained by a sordid love of money will claim any good for this curse, or for the other similar to it—the curse of war—both of which suffer the condemnation of the Prince of Peace.

Exalt Our Methodist Women

WE are rejoiced to join the women in their great work of Christian service. Our special plea just now is that they stress their work for social betterment. This must be done by stopping the ravages of alcohol—the one enemy of all social improvement. The outstanding inconsistency of the government in its effort to improve the conditions of the masses is the present enthronement of the liquor trade by the government at Washington. Billions of dollars spent for liquor must result in the ultimate degradation of the American people.

Everything we can do to teach temperance and to dethrone the liquor traffic makes for the betterment of the people. Increasing billions spent for war and for liquor means the ultimate doom of America. Only by dealing with these perils of America at the source can we hope for the much desired better day. The women can do more in this respect than all others. Not much other than physical force can be hoped for from Washington. This present effort at defense has a place; but it is of minor consequence in the long run. Truth and righteousness wrought into the fiber of a people are the stability of the times as it was in the days

of Isaiah. The use of these forces belong to the women rather than to the politicians.

Our devoted women here in North Carolina can do a work that will tell mightily for every good cause. They are potential in the homes, in the schools and in the churches of the state. To stress the work at the sources belongs especially to womanhood.

Afraid to Stand and Be Counted

WE have no admiration and little respect for a man who is unwilling to stand up and be counted. It has in it an element of cowardice and no man who is really a man can have much respect for a coward.

These observations have been called forth by an adoption of the secret ballot by the recent General Assembly when the people of North Carolina had a right to know how they voted upon questions of public policy.

The people of North Carolina may be such chumps as to send men to the legislature who refuse to let their constituents know how they vote on public questions, but we refuse to believe they will join in any such travesty upon our boasted democracy.

Will any true North Carolinian dare to boast that he had any part in such a legislative body? This a time when he should secrete himself till he repented in sackcloth and ashes.

Great Conference in Greensboro Next Week

THE first annual session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference will be held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28. The program in full appears on Mrs. W. R. Harris' page of this week's Advocate and is well worthy of one's attention.

Preparations are complete for the entertainment of 600 delegates. And the special items of interest attached to this first conference will unquestionably bring together many visitors to the conference which is of easy access for the great majority of people who are directly interested in the work of this great body of Christian women. The indications now are for more than 1,000 delegates and visitors. Unless we are much mistaken this noble company will assemble in a church which through all the years has led in missionary work among the women.

Too Much Trickery and Secrecy

"IN the present session of the General Assembly there was too much trickery and too much secrecy in connection with the bill providing for a referendum on the liquor question in North Carolina." The above statement is a declaration of the Raleigh News and Observer in a discussion of the way this bill was treated in the legislature. The secret ballot in committee and the evasive efforts to keep from going to the record on this issue by these representatives of the people were little short of disgraceful. Why shout so loud for world democracy and then prove disloyal to our own democracy at home? The people of North Carolina had every right to expect that their representatives would grant them fair and open dealings on so important an issue. Alas for a people when adroit parliamentary maneuvers determine their legislative procedure. Secrecy and trickery do not belong to representatives of American democracy—these are of the Hitler code. The people of each one of the hundred counties in the state should demand of their representatives to come out in clear white light of open day and tell how they stood. Such conduct as this leads to the ultimate loss of a people's liberties. We have as little respect for the man who writes an anonymous letter as we have for a representative of the people who will not stand up and be counted when a public issue is to be passed upon.

Oh! Those Superlatives!

DR. RALPH McDONALD told a company of county educators that Governor J. Melville Broughton is "the greatest educational governor of all time in North Carolina." Now Governor Broughton comes along at the close of the General Assembly and uses words to about the same effect as to the work of this expiring session of the legislature.

These superlatives follow the recent statement of Winston Churchill's that the Loan-Lease bill of Congress is another Magna Charta.

Unless our knowledge of the history of North Carolina is fearfully faulty and our conception of Britain's historic charter is at fault all these gentlemen are guilty of a reckless use of superlatives. Even great men do well to use sparingly this form of utterance. Such ensnares many.

People and Things

Rev. S. J. Starnes of Durham, who has been confined to his home for the past two weeks, is up and out again.

We have paid off the parsonage debt of nearly $500 at Warsaw. Sixteen members have been received by certificate. Fifty dollars has been raised for Compassion Day. Warsaw-Magnolia accepted all the benevolences apportioned to this charge. Laymen's Day was observed in each church.—C. T. Thrift.

The Louisburg College A Capella choir under the direction of Professor James E. Byerly gave a sacred concert in the Benson Methodist church on Sunday morning, March 16, at 11 o'clock, and in the Sanford Methodist church on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. On Sunday, March 9, the choir gave a concert in Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the home economics department, members of the Home Economics Club of Louisburg College held a St. Patrick party. Attractive decorations and appropriate colors carried out the theme of the occasion. Under the direction of the social committee, Ruth Stallings, Hobbsville; Irene Vaughan, Rich Square; and Rosella White, Norlina, interesting games were played. Refreshments were served in buffet style.

We are in need of twenty 12-foot pews for our church and thought you might know where we can find them. We want good comfortable used pews. If you know of a church that has been consolidated and have the pews left on their hands, we will appreciate it if you will let us know about them. If you do not know of any, will you please insert an ad in the Advocate for us and let us know how much the advertising charge and we will send the money.—R. L. Vickery, P. C.

"Work is going at high speed," writes Miss Marie Adams, Methodist missionary in Peking, China. "Each year of this conflict finds China stronger and stretching herself up to God as never before. The Bible Society cannot provide enough Bibles; the schools cannot find enough Bible class teachers; the Chrstian movement cannot keep up with the growing revival among the Chinese. Every week I see girls come into the kingdom from my classes. I feel as if I am living in a little heaven on earth, even if war is going on all around us."

Please say in the Advocate that I am improving in health and strength, thanks to God and Dr. Howard and the good treatment in the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital. I am now leading my Sunday school class(older ladies in First church, Lenoir,) and have preached three times at 11 a. m. for the brethren around and in Lenoir. I want to hold three revivals this summer, one in June, one in July, and one in August. The one in July is already arranged for at Bethel church on the Franklin circuit, where 52 years ago I held my first revival. I have had a longing to go back there and have an old time Holy Ghost revival. I taught school in the day and preached at night for four weeks.—E. Myers.

The Charlotte district young people held their district missionary institute March 17 at Central church, Monroe. There were over 300 young people from the Anson, Union and Mecklenburg county unions. Rev. C. P. Bowles and Rev. I. L. Shaver brought real challenges to the young people. Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald was moved to give the young people an opportuniyt to make their response to the challenge and more than a third of that great body of young people an opportunity to make their response to the chaling and challenging service I have been in recently. I believe the young people of the Charlotte district are ready to be of sacrificial service in the church and the kingdom.—John H. Carper.

Reuben Grant, 83, died Sunday night at the home of his son, Rev. T. McM. Grant, pastor of Jarvis Memorial Methodist church, Greenville, after a lengthy illness. Funeral was conducted Tuesday morning, March 18, at the residence in Greenville by Rev. J. A. Russell, superintendent of the New Bern district, assisted by Rev. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount. Burial was in Oakdale cemetery, Wilmington. Surviving are two sons, Rev. T. McM. Grant of Greenville and Dr. H. C. Grant of Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. F. C. Reynolds of Baltimore, Maryland, of the Woman's Division of Christian Service will give the Easter week address at Bennett College, Greensboro, this year. This annual visitation to Bennett by one of the outstanding women of the church is a highly prized event in the life of Bennett College. In former years Mrs. Dan B. Brummitt of Evanston, Mrs. Mabel DeVinny of New York City, Mrs. Daniel Stecker of Wilmette, Illinois, Mrs. L. E. Hoover of Lincoln, Nebraska, and other leaders in the work of women of the Methodist Church have been the speakers.

Dr. Guy H. Black of New York City, outstanding churchman in the field of evangelism, has been added to the staff of the Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church, it is announced by Dr. Harry Denman, executive secretary. Dr. Black until the present time, field representative of the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Church of Christ in America, will assume his new duties about April 1. He will be associated officially with Dr. Denman and Dr. Grover C. Emmons, executive secretaries of the Commission on Evangelism, with offices in the American Trust Building in Nashville, Tenn.

One hundred new hymnals have been put in the Lindsey Street Methodist church, Reidsville, recently, being donated by members and friends of the church in memory or in honor of former pastors, relatives or friends. These books add much to the worship service. At present the church is co-operating in a city-wide church attendance movement and are encouraged to observe increased attendance, particularly in the evening services. The young people's society has been showing much interest in attending the Rockingham County Union meetings, having won the attendance banner for the past two months.—Margaret McCollum.



Dr. Albert C. Outler, outstanding member of faculty of Duke School of Religion, closed the two-day young men's conference of the Carolinas at High Point last Sunday. Dr. Outler's topic was "Religion in Society."

Consisting of nine studies, an elective unit entitled "The Great Command" on Christian stewardship will appear in the May and June issues of the Adult Student and the Adult Bbile Class Monthly. Old and New Testament teachings of stewardship, Christian stewardship in the home, church, community and social order, and the financing of the Christian program will be discussed in the course. Miss Doris P. Dennison, staff member of the department of adult work, Board of Education, is writer of the unit. Helps for teachers using this course will appear at the same time in the Church School Magazine and the Church School Journal. Copies of these periodicals may be obtained by writing to the Editorial Division, Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Speaking the other day to a group of drivers, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, paraphrased the song title, "It's Not What You Do, But the Way That You Do It." "In driving a motor vehicle," Hocutt said, "it's not what you know but the way that you show it that counts." Elaborating on this statement, the safety director pointed out that around 90 per cent of the drivers involved in reported accidents on North Carlonia streets and highways last year had more than one year of driving experience. According to the division's records, 5653 drivers involved in accidents in the state last year had been driving for 11 years or longer, another 3625 had been driving from six to ten years, and 2396 had been driving from two to five yeas.

Dr. Lewis O. Hartman of Boston, editor of Methodism's oldest periodical, Zions Herald, was chosen president of the Associated Church Press at its annual session held in conjunction with Boston University's Founders' Day celebration. He succeeds Dr. Guy Emery Shipler, editor of The Churchman. Nearly 200 editors of religious periodicals compose the Associated Church Press. Other Methodists taking a prominent part in the proceedings were President Daniel L. Marsh in the Founders' Day address: "Freedom of Discussion Indispenable to Democracy"; Miss Dorothy McConnell, woman's editor of The World Outlook, "New Methods in Church Publications"; and Dr. T. Otto Nall, managing editor of The Christian Advocate, "Launching a New Paper."

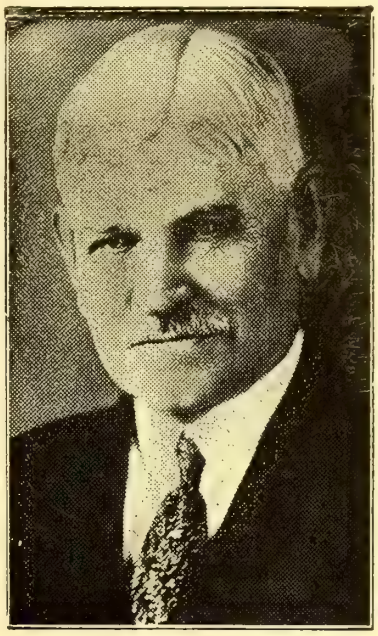
High Point College bestowed its highest honor on three seniors and three juniors recently when the college honor society, the Order of the Lighted Lamp, inducted new members. Those honored were, seniors: Horace Giles, Lucile Craven, and Marse Grant, all of High Point; juniors: Irene Parker of High Point, Frank Harris of Carollton, Ga., and Geraldine Rash of Union Grove. All of the students named have been campus leaders since their enrollment here. Qualities considered in the election of a student are character, leadership, service, and scholarship. The new initiates were nominated by the present members of the honor group, and they were elected by the faculty of the college. To be elected into the society a student must have maintained at least "B" average for five semesters in college.

On behalf of the people of Hamlet Methodist church, as well as for myself, I would like to give expression to appreciation of a splendid gift by Hon. M. W. Nash and family of High Point to our church. They have recently presented a splendid electric lighted, smoked bronze, outside bulletin board to the church in memory of their daughter, Louise Nash, who so tragically lost her life in a railroad crossing accident here some years ago. In accepting the gift a special dedication service was held on Sunday, February 9, at the 10 o'clock service. The theme for the service was "The Immortality of Living." The family was present for the service. At the close of the service the entire congregation went outside and assembled around the board for the dedication. Mr. Allen Powers, chairman of the board of stewards, accepted the board on behalf of the church. Miss Unity Nash, sister of Louise, pulled the cord unveiling it. It was then dedicated "to the memory of Louise Nash and to the service of the people and to the glory of God."—Jesse H. Lanning.

BISHOP EDWIN HOLT HUGHES AT GRACE CHURCH MARCH 24-30

Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace church, Wilmington, has announced the series of special evangelistic services to begin on March 16 and to continue through March 30.

The first week of these services will welcome several of the ministers of Wilmington into the Grace pulpit. The last week of the series, Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of



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Washington, D. C., will be the preacher. The minister invites the prayers of the brethren over the state in behalf of these services, and extends a hearty invitation to them all to come down to Wilmington and hear the bishop. He needs no introduction, and his fame as a preacher is spread abroad. The following is the full schedule of services and preachers:

Sunday, March 16, 11 a.m.—Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor Grace church; 8 p. m., Rev. J. T. Lawson, Disciples church.
Monday, March 17, 8 p.m.—Rev. Walter Freed, St. Paul's Lutheran.
Tuesday, March 18, 8 p.m.—Rev. Albea Parker, district superintendent.
Wednesday, March 19, 8 p.m.—Rev. C. D. Barclift, Fifth Avenue Methodist.
Thursday, March 20, 8 p.m.—Rev. Sankey Blanton, First Baptist.
Friday, March 21, 8 p.m.—Rev. C. H. Storey, St. Andrews Presbyterian.
Sunday, March 23, 11 a.m.—Rev. R. L. Jerome, Trinity Methodist; 8 p.m., Rev. Mortimer Glover, St. James Episcopal.
Monday, March 24, 8 p.m.—Bishop Hughes.
Tuesday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.—Bishop Hughes.
Sunday, March 30, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.—Bishop Hughes.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT THOMASVILLE

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes will hold evangelistic services in Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, March 31-April 6. Services 7:30 daily with a broadcast over WMFR. Until 8:05 p. m. Monday through Friday, seats will be reserved for ministers outside of Thomasville if they drop a card to Lee F. Tuttle naming the service they expect to attend. Bishop Purcell will also be in the service Sunday evening, April 1.

Bishop Hughes will be with Rev. J. F. Herbert at Grace church, Wilmington, the week prior to his evangelistic services in Thomasville, coming direct from Wilmington to Thomasville.

The Heresy of Pacifism

By LYNN HAROLD HOUGH

The heretic is always an attractive person. He is attractive because he has gotten hold of a truth. But the heretic is always a dangerous person. For he has so isolated this truth from other truths that it has become confusing and betraying. He is not like the apostate whose fundamental position is evil. And he is not like the Catholic thinker who sees truths in their true proportions and in their right relations, and is therefore never led into error by making a single truth an absolute. Only the cluster of truths in their right relations has the power of an absolute demand upon our loyalty. When freedom is made an absolute, it becomes anarchy. When authority is made an absolute, it becomes tyranny. When sympathy is made an absolute, it becomes sentimentality. When a stern law is made an absolute, it becomes the vehicle of cruelty. Only the cluster of the virtues checking and upholding, cross-fertilizing and interpreting each other can give us satisfying guidance. There is always an element of paradox in the full Christian (Catholic) position. The very principles which in their extreme form, each claiming to be an absolute, would meet in sharp antagonism find an harmonious meeting in living experience at the very point where each makes its own contribution and only the whole group acting together claim absolute allegiance.

The Christian religion is a many-faced jewel. It comes to men with all the tender appeal of an attempt to secure willing allegiance. It is an adventure in friendliness. It seeks from every man an uncoerced response. Its corporate life is a society of those gladly and willingly responsive to the invitation of Jesus. But the moment this winsome approach is made an absolute, its own nature is betrayed and it becomes an ignoble thing. For it is a willing allegiance to truths which must be maintained eternally, whether or not men happily accept them, which Jesus sought to secure. He himself was constantly conscious of the dilemma involved. And in no end of ways he asserted that he must be man's judge as well as his friend. If a man could not accept him as a friend, he would have imposed upon him the sentence which Jesus would declare as judge. The unwilling man could be bent to the purposes of God in spite of his unwillingness. The unwilling society would feel the hard force of the divine judgment when it repudiated the outreach of the divine love.

The Puritan was inclined to make the divine judgment the one aspect of the Christian religion upon which he focused his thought, and so he fell into a heresy directly the opposite of that of the pacifist. He asserted judgment and forgot love, just as the pacifist asserts love and forgets judgment.

There is something inviting about the heresy of the pacifist. The words of tenderness easily fall from his lips. The wideness of God's mercy is forever in his heart. But he never sees that tenderness itself becomes a tragedy if recalcitrant evil remains triumphant, and heresy itself is an evil thing if it allows ugly bad will to usurp the throne. It is only a triumphant righteousness which dares to be tender. It is only an enthroned justice which can offer mercy without corrupting the very moral life of the world.

The love which is not shot through with ethical passion is always a dangerous thing. Because on principle it cannot resist evil, it is always tempted to make terms with evil. And all too often it succumbs to the temptation. The tendency of contemporary pacifists to apologize for Hitler's Germany and to blacken the record of Britain is a natural by-product of a view which makes its holders so uncomfortable when confronted by ethical thinking that they begin to water down uncomfortable facts, go on to confuse these same facts, and at last actually misinterpret them. In all moral battles which might call for the use of force, the pacifist is required by his own absolute to declare each side very evil so that in the sea of contending blacknesses it will not be necessary for him to make a choice. And at last his own ethical life is so affected by the softening tendencies of his absolute as a pacifist that he is tempted to distort his interpretation of every situation which might make necessary a clear and sharp moral discrimination.

The relation of the pacifist to the New Testament and to the Gospels would be diverting if it were not so tragic. All the powerful utterances about judgment are passed casually by, and all the utterances expressing the invitation of love are lifted into the utmost prominence. But the very point of the message of the New Testament is that the God who must be judge in Jesus Christ is the very God who in Jesus Christ offers men forgiveness and peace and a life of inner and outer goodness. The perpetual position of the New Testament is that those who will not accept the forgiveness must confront the judgment.

Whatever else may be said of the Gospels and of the whole New Testament, it is clear that they are built upon an emphasis on love on the cross and judgment on the throne. It is not a question of one or the other. Both are asserted. And this is the paradox of the New Testament and of the Christian religion.

The importance of all this lies in the fact that clearly the use of force against recalcitrant evil is involved in the very structure of the thought patterns represented by the New Testament.—Zions Herald.

FELLOWSHIP

Rendering all into God's sure hands, let us make intercession for the victory of the Divine Light of Love in all British hearts, and in the hearts of all our allies in the struggle.

Let us pray for God's victory in the hearts of the Italian people; of the German people; of the subjugated peoples.

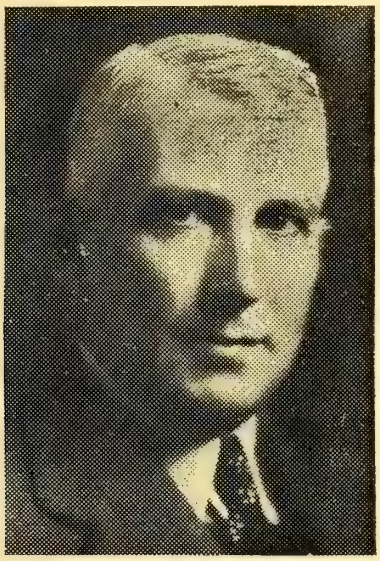
Pray for those wounded in battle in North Africa, and for those who tend them; for crippled airmen; for wrecked seamen; for widows and orphans of the war.

Pray for those who maintain our home services in peril: railway, transport and postal servants; B.B.C. staff and broadcasters; electricians and gas workers.—Dr. J. H. Oldham, in Methodist Recorder (London).

LARGE GATHERING OF MEN AT WESLEY MEMORIAL, HIGH POINT

Dr. W. K. Greene, dean of curriculum and professor of English at Duke University, spoke to a large group of men at a supper at Wesley Memorial church Monday evening. His subject was "Building a Christian Philosophy of Life."

In attendance at the meeting were the associate and senior boards of stewards, members of the Peacock Memorial Bible class, pastors of the local Methodist churches, and Dr. M. T. Plyler, one of the editors of the N. C. Christian Advocate. J. Gurney Briggs led the group in singing familiar songs. The male quartet of the church also rendered several selections. The invocation was spoken by Dr. Plyler. W. C. Idol was master of ceremonies.



Walter Kirkland Green, lay leader of the North Carolina conference and widely related to the laymen of American Methodism to whom he is ready to give his energies without stint. He is also a leader in the field of higher education as well as a noble teacher of youth in Duke University.

For the most part talking was taboo. These men were assembled for good fellowship and the enjoyment of the appetizing food so well served by the alert and courteous young women. But they soon forgot their restraint on talk after Dr. Green got going.

Dr. Green assembled what he had to say under three heads:

"First, we live in a spiritual universe. If there is something of the mystic in you, it is possible for you to respond to those things which are powerful and real, yet unseen, such as faith, love, hope and generosity.

"Second, there is personal immortality. Assuming that there is a God, we can conceive of no loftier thought than life goes on. In Africa, in the isles of the sea and throughout civilization there is the belief in personal immortality. The scientists have emphasized the indestructibility of matter. Millikan says that there is something in matter beyond electrons. Sir James Jeans says that the stream of knowledge is toward a non-mechanistic universe. Sir Arthur Balfour declared we know too much to be materialists. Power and reality are found in invisible things.

"Third, in this last thought I wish to say that all I am, all I know and all I do are trusts from God. Each one of us can be a blessing to his fellowmen, and do all for the glory of God and the advancement of his cause in the world."

This excellent teacher and devoted churchman won golden opinions for himself as he lifted his hearers into a larger and loftier conception of life.

SUPPORTING EUGENE HOOD'S SERMON

I am writing to thank a fine layman, Mr. Eugene A. Hood, for his good lay sermon to the preachers of the state. This time the preachers had an opportunity to do something that no doubt would have caused a different result from our legislature. Brother Cale K. Burgess had the plan arranged by hard work and expense on his part, and most of the preachers of the state have not co-operated with him. If all the preachers had taken these cards, each two or three hundred of them. had them signed and returned to Brother Burgess, it would have backed up what he had to say. But, brethren, you tied his hands. He wanted two hundred thousand, and I doubt if he got one hundred thousand. Preachers should be leaders in every moral and religious fight. I, a retired preacher, commenced early. I sent in 50 signed cards, got fifty more, but took sick and for two months was shut in, but got the other 50 into other hands to get signed.

Then how many preachers preach on the subject? There are too many cowards in the pulpit, and a coward can't preach the gospel and won't fight evil. "Ye that love the Lord hate evil" is a divine command. If you hate it you will do something about it.

A cowardly bunch of preachers and the aggressive, well organized liquor representatives and a bunch of little two by four lawyers, many of them demijohns with their eyes only on money or popularity, caring not for democracy, honor or any other noble principle, defeated the referendum.

Of course we do have a few high-toned Christian gentlemen in the profession of law, and some of them were in the legislature but greatly in the minority, and these are men that big booze money does not affect. Our hope is in turning away from lawyers for our representatives.

E. Myers.

FOREST CITY'S NEW EDUCATIONAL BUILDING TO BEGIN WITHIN THIRTY DAYS

The Forest City Methodist church has under way a program to construct a 16-room Sunday school building. This construction is expected to begin within the next 30 days. This addition has been needed for some time, as the church has been using the old parsonage for class rooms and these have become inadequate. The old parsonage will be removed and the new class rooms will be situated on the same site. The cost of this project will be approximately $7,000. The building committee has been doing some fine work on this project and has on hand, and pledges, approximately $2,500. The members have responded splendidly and it is hoped that by spring we will have a modern Sunday school building.

Our pastor, Rev. Harold Groce, is doing some fine work at our church. At our last conference he was returned to us and the members are well pleased to have him back. Mr. Grove plans to hold a series of services around Easter ,with a visiting minister to assist him. He has had an attack of influenza and was unable to fill his pulpit on January 12. Rev. Mr. Ingram of the Spindale Methodist church filled in for our pastor at the morning service and Rev. Clifford Peace of Pleasant Grove Methodist church filled the pulpit at our five o'clock vesper service.

The men's Bible class in our church is the largest in the county in the Methodist Church and the president and teachers are doing good work with this group of men. We are planning to balance our budget each quarter this year, and the prospects of doing this the first quarter looks good.

E. L. Walker.

DRAFTED MEN WHO ARE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS WILL TAKE NOTE

My attention has been called to the fact that young men who are drafted into the army and who may be conscientious objectors to war may be in need of guidance as to the steps they should take.

The annual conference Commissions on World Peace in each of the two conferences of this area will be glad to be of assistance to any such young men. The chairman and secretary of the North Carolina conference commission are Rev. T. G. Vickers, Morehead City, and Rev. Henry G. Ruark, Red Springs. For the Western North Carolina conference the chairman and secretary are Mr. T. W. Sprinkle, High Point, and Rev. E. M. Avett, Mocksville.

Clare Purcell.

Truth and Freedom

By HENRY H. SCHOOLEY

Thomas Jefferson, who by his intellectual genius and facility of expression was responsible more than any other one person for incorporating the lofty ideals of democracy in our Declaration of Independence, was also the author of the statute in his native state of Virginia which granted religious freedom to all. Accordingly, at the founding of the University of Virginia, Jefferson had these words inscribed over the gateway of that institution: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." Those, you will recall, were the words of Jesus to his people who refused to accept him or his teachings. And those are the words of our text on this day which we observe as International Sunday. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

Little do we today realize the courage which it must have taken for Jesus to make that statement. Was Jesus right? If we know the truth will it make us free? And what is the truth?

In the first place, I believe that if we are to know the truth that will set us free we shall have to create a great integrity of mind. We naturally think of truth as being a product of the mind, don't we? But it goes without saying that all that comes from the mind is not truth. Indeed, many there are who are attributing this world-wide upheaval to the unbalance of truth in the mind of man. And untruth, as Dean Clarence Skinner used to keep reminding his students, can be just as potent as the power of truth. So today we are hearing over the radio more and more sketches, that is if we care to listen to them, wherein men with remarkable intellects use their mental powers for corrupt ends. They lack integrity of mind which can know the truth which will set themselves and others free.

John Huss, one of the pioneers of Protestantism, was burned at the stake because he refused to recant what he believed to be the truth. And so moved was Benito Mussolini by the courage of Huss in dying for the quest of truth that he wrote a biography of him before the beginning of the World War, in the preface of which were these words: "As I prepare this little volume for printing. I cherish the hope that it may arouse in the minds of its readers a hatred of every form of spiritual and secular tyranny." Yes, that was written by Mussolini, who, as the dictator of Italy today, has created the greatest of "spiritual and secular tyranny." How can we account for such a radical change? There can be only one explanation, it seems to me. The diabolical thirst for power has made him so drunk mentally that he has denied to others the truth and freedom in which he himself once gloried.

I believe it was Herbert Hoover who significantly enough reminded us: "Every dictator has climbed to power on the ladder of free speech. And then immediately on attaining that power, each dictator has suppressed all freedom of speech except his own." What's the reason? Ask Jesus! Ask yourself! They lack that integrity of mind which would enable them to set themselves and others free. For, as Boake Carter says, "in time of war, the first casualty is truth."

What is true in the political realm is also true in the scientific sphere of life. Has the vaunted knowledge of mankind brought us greater freedom? Yes, indeed! Wonderful mechanical inventions have freed us from much of the tyranny of toil and given us an abundance of leisure time. We have made remarkable medical discoveries which have freed us from many destructive diseases. But note this and mark it well: much of the so-called progress about which we rant has not made mankind free from but free for—free to create greater injustice and strife.

We know so much about chemistry, for instance, that we can let forth a poisonous gas which could annihilate the population of a whole city. We know so much about machines that we can make submarines and battleships, bombers and cannon, all of which are strangling the nations of Europe today. We know so much about agriculture that we can raise on a given piece of ground almost three times as much as our forefathers could, and yet multitudes of people throughout the world are in want of the necessities of life. That, I believe, is what led Henry Thoreau to say in derision of our so-called progress—"improved means to unimproved ends." Is it any wonder then that Aldous Huxley should say in grim parody of our text, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you mad"?

The need of mankind today, as I see it, is something which William Ellery Channing said in a sermon written more than a hundred years ago, entitled "The Free Mind." Said he: "I call that mind free which, through confidence in God and in the power of virtue, has cast off all fear but that of wrongdoing, which no menace or peril can enthrall." In short, we must create a greater integrity of mind if we are to be free from false pride, distrust, and hatred—the most formidable enemies of international good will in the world today.

And now in the second place, if we are to know the truth that can set us free we shall have to create a deeper fidelity of soul. For truth is a virtue which belongs to the soul no less than to the mind. Indeed, it may be said that the soul is the indispensable partner of the mind. For my part I like to compare the soul and the mind to the North Pole and a compass. The soul is to the mind what the North Pole is to the compass. It guides it in the right channels of thinking and living. Some scientists and psychologists even are asserting that one of the great underlying cause of this world-wide turmoil is that man's mind has divorced itself from his soul. The two form a vital balance, and one cannot quite get along without the other. "'Tis the heart and not the brain that to the highest doth attain."

The artist, Henry Brown Fuller, once painted a marvelous picture which won the Carnegie Prize at the San Francisco Exposition some years ago, and which has ever since been an unforgettable inspiration to all who have seen it. It is called "Triumph of Truth over Error." It depicts the strong, white figure of Truth with its silvery wings outstretched as if ready to soar, coming to the foreground on a precipice of time and forcing back the dark, foreboding figure of Error. It is truly significant that in

the picture Error deliberately shields its eyes with its claw-like hand, refusing to see the light which radiates from the glorious figure of Truth.

Years ago, I spent a summer on a lake in Pennsylvania. One day, while out rowing, I saw an eagle soaring majestically overhead. It did not take me long ot discover that the place over which the eagle soared the highest and stayed the longest was an island, and on that island was a tree, and in that tree was the eagle's nest. How I thrilled at watching that bird fly about in its glorious freedom overhead! It was evident that it was made for the life which it was living. But how different is an eagle in a cage! Like man when he closes his mind and soul to truth! Said the prophet Isaiah: "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint." And Jesus, like the other Hebrew prophets of old, believed that man was made for flight, and he challenged us to use our wings—"Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."—The Christian Leader.

LAYMAN ADVISES PREACHERS

Make no apologies. If you have the Lord's message, declare it! if not, hold your peace. Have short prefaces and introductions. Say your best things first, and stop before you get prosy. Do not spoil the appetite by too much thin soup. Leave yourself out of the pulpit, and take Jesus in. Defend the gospel and let the Lord defend you and your character.

Do not get excited too soon. Do not run away from your remarks. Engine-driving wheels whirl fast on an icy track, but when loaded go slower. It takes a cold hammer to bend a hot iron. Heat up the people, but keep the hammer wet and cool. Do not brawl and scream. Too much water stops mill-wheels and too much noise drowns sense. Empty vessels ring the loudest. Powder is not shot. Thunder is harmless, lightning kills. If you have lightning, you can afford to thunder.

Do not scold the people. Do not abuse the faithful souls who come to meeting on rainy days, because others are too lazy to attend. Preach the best to the smallest assemblies; Jesus preached to one woman at the well, and she got all Samaria out to hear him the next time.—Author Unknown.

WILL DONORS APPROVE?

A three-column picture in the San Francisco News accompanies a story about a newly opened "Cocktail Room" in the Powell Street Y. W. C. A. of that city. "We don't serve liquor in the main dining room, nor in the living room. We have a private dining room where girls may entertain, and serve liquor if they wish, as they do in their own homes. When that room was occupied, however, there was no place where other girls might serve cocktails or sherry to their friends," was the explanation given by one of the boards of directors. The cocktail room is called the "monkey lounge" because of the white ring-tailed monkeys that hang from the ceiling and sit on the window sills. The "bar" is in powder blue, is just a cabinet of glasses and red lacquer trays. The floor is red, and small iron-topped tables are painted white. Just what the women who have worked to provide the funds for the Y. W. C. A. are going to say about the innovation remains to be seen.—The Union Signal.

"WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?"

The Road to Hell Is Paved with "Wisecracks"

By Philip L. Frick

Flippancy is difficult to define. But there is no mistaking its significance when we see it obnoxiously manifested in a person or a nation. To be frivolous, superficial, oblivious to the highest values, cynical about obligations, lacking in seriousness and earnestness, indifferent to moral consequences, scornful of ethical restraints—who does not know what these qulities are during this chaotic period of our national life?

It is not strange that, in accordance with an American custom, this frame of mind has crystalized itself into the popular "wisecrack"—"What's the difference?" Regarding this attitude, a newspaper reporter of wide experience recently remarked to me, "America's present-day attitude!"

Nor is it difficult to recognize what is wrong with this view of life. All too frequently it questions the moral traditions. It sneers at goodness. It jokes about ideals. It ridicules convictions, restraints, disciplines. It refuses to accept responsibilities, and rejects duty, and evades sacrifice. It jeers at the sanctions of religion as old fashioned or obsolete. It puts a platant question-mark after the belief of God. It pities Christ as outgrown. Like the pagan Roman walking before an altar without feeling any sense of reverence, it is "profane." It disbelieves in anything holy!

A tragic defect in this attitude is that it sees no difference between things. It argues that it does not matter what you think, or believe, or do, or say. But how preposterous such a life-attitude is! No difference between black and white, between good and bad, between diamond and paste, between marble and plaster, between sickness and health, between treachery and honor, between generosity and greed! No difference between Jesus Christ and Pontius Pilate?

Let us honestly endeaver to discover how this flippant, profane attitude works in many departments of life. It brazenly declares: "Why worry about morals? Ethics are out of date. The Ten Commandments are obsolete. Self-control is bunk. Follow your impulses. Get your fun wherever you can find it. Don't be foolish about religion. Think about yourself first, second, and all the time." But even a little thought and a little perusal of history will demonstrate how pitifully wrong this life-attitude is. It defies all the worth while codes of conduct based upon God's laws which, across the tragic centuries, the races of men have been learning. It contradicts all human experience.

Nor dare we believe, as some so-called "liberal" worldlings would argue, that one religion is as good as another, and that if the people of India, or China, or Africa prefer their own religions, there is no cause for us to disturb them. But what reasonable person does not recognize the incalculable difference to the total life of any individual or to any nation when Christ is loyally accepted as spiritual leader? It makes some difference whether we worship God or a cow! The hopeful and creative forces today throughout mankind are those which find their origin in the character and principles of Christ.—Zions Herald.

To be content with little is difficult; to be content with much, impossible.—Proverb.

DR. RAY C. PETRY SPEAKS FOR THE WOMEN AT ROCKY MOUNT

The noon meditations at the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at Rocky Mount, March 25-27, will be given by Dr. Ray C. Petry. This is sufficient assurance that each morning session will close on a high intellectual and spiritual level under the guidance of this devoted spirit.



Dr. Ray C. Petry

Dr. Ray C. Petry, professor in the school of religion at Duke University since 1937, is a native of Indiana, having been born in Lincoln in 1906. He received his A. B. degree from Manchester College in 1926, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago in 1927 and 1932.

In his graduate work at the University of Chicago, Dr. Petry specialized in early and medieval church history, under the supervision of Prof. J. T. McNeill. His doctoral dissertation, "The Ideal of Poverty in Francis of Assasi," has received high praise as has his recent article in church history on "Calvin's Conception of the Communio Sanctorum." Dr. Petry is one of the best trained of the younger men in the field of early and medieval history.

Dr. Petry is a member of the American Society of Church History and the Society of Biblical Literature in Exegesis. In 1932 and 1933 he was a member of the social service staff in Chicago. For the next four years he was a professor at McPherson College. He came to Duke University in 1937.

GRAHAM IS ON THE MARCH

Unification is an accomplished fact and a working reality with the Methodists of Graham. Under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. John R. Edwards, the Methodist forces of this splendid town are giving a good account of themselves. Early in the conference year the stewards gave the pastor a pleasant surprise by increasing his salary to $2500. They also adopted the policy of balancing the budget at the end of each quarter. Having succeeded so well in these efforts, they decided to pay off a $1200 debt on the parsonage, and now they have appointed a building committee to formulate plans for the erection of a new church building. Last Friday evening, March 14, around 100 of the adults of the church were present for a supper meeting in the church hut. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, was also present and held the second quarterly conference. The members of the district board of church location were present, together with Dr. J. M. Ormond, chairman of the board, and Dr. B. G. Childs, both of whom made addresses, and Mr. H. N. Haines, church architect. At this meeting the work of the building committee was endorsed and the committee continued. Mr. C. D. Brittain was elected treasurer of the church building fund, and it was decided to make a concerted effort to raise the necessary funds for a new church building. It was a great occasion for Graham Methodism. Under the fine leadership of John Edwards and the loyal support of the good Methodist people Graham is headed for a bright future. S. J. Starnes, Reporter.

ALL MORGANTON CHURCHES IN A CHURCH LOYALTY CAMPAIGN

With all the Morganton churches co-operating, a church loyalty campaign was launched on Sunday, March 2, to run for ten weeks. The response has exceeded the expectation of the most enthusiastic—over one-third of the entire population of Morganton was in church on last Sunday. Since the beginning the campaign began the streets of Morganton are deserted on Sunday mornings, parking space adjacent to the churches has been at a premium, and the churches have had to resort to chairs in every available space to care for the crowds.

A month of intensive preparation preceded the campaign. The ministers, under the leadership of Rev. Fletcher Nelson and John D. McCready, made careful and detailed plans. Then the laymen were enlisted at a banquet meeting some three weeks before the campaign began. Eagerly taking hold the laymen set up "To Church" committees in every plant in the city, among the business men, and in all the trades and crafts. Enlistment cards are made available and an attempt was made to contact every individual either at his church or at the place of his business. Placards were placed all over the city. A "Go to Church" streamer waves over every main street, and on the court house lawn there is a thermometer which registers church attendance each Sunday. The local paper carries a "Go to Church" page each week together with other information about the loyalty campaign. Morganton is church conscious.

And the results are not limited to capacity crowds on Sunday mornings. Attendance at prayer services and at the evening services on Sunday is decidedly on the increase. People who have not been in church for years are attending regularly, and on every Sunday thus far members have been received into the churches. On last Sunday, for instance, two young men and a young lady stood at the altar of the First Methodist church, were baptized and received into the church. People have been heard to say that the campaign thus far has been worth more to the city than a revival. God has moved in a wonderful way along the channels opened to him through the efforts of consecrated laymen.

Fletcher Nelson.

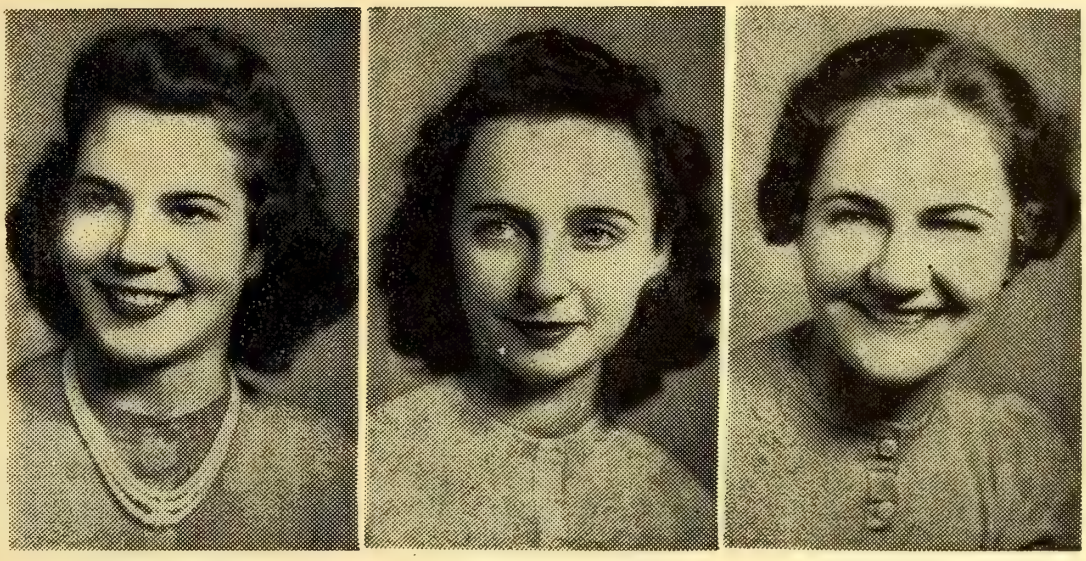
WIVES OF GASTONIA DISTRICT

The ministers' wives of the Gastonia district met in Central church, King's Mountain, Monday morning, March 10, at ten o'clock. After a devotional period together, Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., invited the wives to the parsonage, where a separate meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. C. E. Rozelle. Twenty-one members were present.

An informal discussion followed, during which time sicknesses were reported and other things of interest were talked over. Improvements have been made in a number of parsonages such as installation of a water system and a new furnace, redecorating and many other new furnishings.

With a very gracious hostess, the wives spent an enjoyable morning together. A delicious dinner, served in the church, made a most fitting end to a meeting of congeniality and friendly association. Mrs. E. W. Needham, Sec.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE



SADIE WOLFE
President of Student Government

NANCY RICHARDSON
President of Athletic Association

LORENE WEAVER
President of Young Women's Christian Association

GREENSBORO COLLEGE DAY CELEBRATION MARCH 25

Miss Willie Mae Cooper, Statesville, has been elected Greensboro College May Queen in a recent vote of the senior class. Miss Cooper is a transfer student from Mitchell College, Statesville, coming to G. C. her sophomore year. Miss Susannah Wimbish, Greensboro, has been elected by the junior class to be her maid of honor.

Tuesday, March 25, has been set aside in the school calendar as Greensboro College Day. The purpose of the observance is, as President Gobbel said in a recent speech, three fold: "To acquaint each generation of students with the history of our institution, to stimulate a deeper sense of appreciation for the founders, and to inspire an abiding loyalty to a greater Greensboro College." The special chapel program for the day will be presided over by Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy, president of the students' association, and will include speeches by various alumnae of the college. On Tuesday night the four classes will have their celebration in the dining room, with the traditional songs and keen competition in decorations that characterize the occasion.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel and Dr. Raymond Smith, head of the department of religious education, left Monday for the Methodist regional conference on higher education in Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. The conference sponsored by the division of educational institutions of the Methodist church board of education will be divided into group meetings for officials and faculty members of educational institutions, student workers, conference board presidents and exeuctive secrearies. Dr. Gobbel took part in a panel discussion at the Tuesday afternoon session on "Functions and Relationships of Church Colleges." Among well known Methodist leaders of the conference are Dr. Raymond R. Paty, Dr. Harvey C. B. Brown, Boyd M. McKeown, Dr. Harry W. McPherson, and Bishop Francis J. McConnell.

The Greensboro College Players will present Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland" for the final production of the year on April 25, 8:15 p. m., and April 26, 2:30 p. m., the matinee performance will be a special performance for children.

FROM THE TREASURER'S OFFICE

During the first week in March a meeting of bishops and secretarial staff members was held in Chicago. The rather alarming decrease in general benevolent collections was carefully studied. It seems that the decrease is due to more radical changes of financial systems in the North. I think there has been no falling off in the South. A goal was fixed for each conference to reach by May 31. I feel sure that Bishop Purcell's area will go beyond the goal fixed.

I have before me a statement of the amounts paid for general benevolences from June 1 to February 28. Only six—Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Rock River, Ohio, Northeast Ohio ,and Southern Carlifornia-Arizona—have paid more than the Western North Carolina. We should be aware that ours is one among the strongest in resources, and therefore in responsibility.

As a very minor matter in this connection I feel that it should be known that the work of my office has very greatly increased during last year and this. The cost has likewise increased. I note that one of the above named conferences, having only five districts, pays its treasurer $4500 per year.

E. O. Cole, Conf. Treas.

22,000 IN ENGLAND FORGET WAR FOR A TIME TO SEE BRITISH FOOTBALL STARS PLAY

Twenty-two thousand persons turned out to see Britain's biggest football game of the year Saturday, March 15, and never turned an eye toward the sky when as often as not comes death.

The air raid siren had finished wailing only an hour before the kick-off, but you'd never have known a war was on had it not been for a tiny corner of the program which read:

"In the event of an air raid warning the ground exits will be opened so that those who wish to leave can do so. Play will continue unless spotters report enemy activity in the vicinity."

A band was playing on the bright green turf thirty minutes before the game such tunes as the "Woodpecker Song," "Arm in Arm." Three-quarters of the spectators chose the open stands.

One team was from the British Army and it included many of England's finest professional and amateur players. Their opponents were Allies—some of the finest footballers from the Netherlands, Poland, Belgium, France and Czecho-Slovakia.

Little children flocked around the refreshment stands with their parents and bought tea and rolls.

The highlight of the game came when the Allies' goalie, Brinkman of the Netherlands, leaped beautifully and butted away a sure shot. From the shout which went up you'd have thought Britain had won the war.—N. Y. Times.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PROGRAM

First Annual Session Woman's Society Christian Service, Western North Carolina Conference, West Market Street Methodist Church, Greensboro, March 26-28, 1941.

Wednesday, March 26

11 a.m. Meeting of executive committee (King Cotton Hotel).

1:00 p.m. Luncheon.

3:00 p.m. Opening of meeting (West Market Street Methodist church).

Hymn No. 381, "The Church's One Foundation."

Worship. Mrs. W. C. Hammer.

3:15. Organization.

Reports:

Recording Secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr.

Jurisdictional Conference, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.

Appointment of committees.

Announcements.

4:00. Committee meetings.

Wednesday Evening, March 26

8:00. Hymn No. 421.

Worship. Dr. J. B. Craven.

Special music.

Address, "United for the Task." Bishop Clare Purcell.

Special music.

Moving Pictures of Africa. Miss Lorena Kelly.

Announcements.

Benediction. Bishop Clare Purcell.

Thursday Morning, March 27

8:50. Meditation.

9:00. Hymn No. 419, "Jesus United by Thy Grace."

Worship. Mrs. D. M. Davidson.

Conference hymn, No. 421.

9:20. Reports of officers:

Vice President, Mrs. C. N. Clark.

Secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr.

Secretary Student Work, Mrs. Walter Lanier.

Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock.

Pledge service.

10:45. Message of President, Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

Message from Korea, Miss Ruth Diggs.

Message from Africa, Miss Lorena Kelly.

Announcements.

Special music.

12:00. Worship and meditation: "Direct Messages from Jesus to Woman," Miss Leila Epps.

Thursday Afternoon, March 27

2:00. Hymn No. 279, "God of Grace and God of Glory."

Scripture and Prayer. Mrs. John Austin, Jr.

Conference hymn, No. 421.

2:15. Open Forum. Mrs. V. F. DeVinny.

2:45. Reports:

Secretary Young Women and Girls' Groups, Mrs. E. A. Lamb.

Conference Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.

District corresponding secretaries:

Asheville—Miss Amy Hackney.
Charlotte—Mrs. C. E. Wakefield.
Elkin—Mrs. Mason Lillard.
Gastonia—Mrs. Wilbur Baber.
Greensboro—Mrs. R. G. Rives.
High Point—Mrs. W. T. Powell.
Marion—Miss Claudia Harbison.
Salisbury—Mrs. Z. V. Moss.
Statesville—Mrs. T. V. Goode.
Waynesvlle—Mrs. F. E. Branson.
Winston-Salem—Mrs. J. G. Sterling.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

4:15. Visit to Bennett College.

Thursday Evening, March 27

6:00. Alumnae Dinner. Y. M. C. A. Hut, Greensboro College.

8:00. Odell Memorial Auditorium:

Worship. Dr. R. M. Andrews.

Address. Mrs. V. F. DeVinny.

Pageant, "The Light of the World." Greensboro College students.

Benediction.

Friday Morning, March 28

8:50. Meditation.

9:00. Memorial Service. Mrs. J. E. Faulkner.

Conference hymn, No. 421.

Reports:

Secretary Children's Work, Mrs. George Hoyle.

Secretary Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. J. W. Payne.

Secretary Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. R. M. Andrews.

Secretary Literature and Publications, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy.

Editor Woman's Page, North Carolina Christian Advocate, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

Secretary Supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison.

11:00. Message from Brazil, Rev. Charles Clay.

Message from Korea, Miss Mabel Cherry.

Greetings from Southeastern Jurisdiction, Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

Announcements.

Special music.

12:00. Worship and Meditation. "Direct Messages from Jesus to Woman," Miss Leila Epps.

Friday Afternoon, March 28

2:00. Hymn No. 372, "Love Divine."

Scripture and Prayer. Mrs. L. F. Tuttle.

Reports of standing committees:

Spiritual Life, Mrs. C. N. Clark.

Status of Women, Mrs. C. O. Newell.

Missionary Personnel, Mrs. F. E. Branson.

Unfinished business.

Hymn No. 408.

Communion Service. Rev. L. B. Hayes.

"I asked the roses as they grew
Richer and lovelier in their hue,
What made their tints so rich and bright.
They answered, 'Looking toward the light.'" —Anonymous.

A BASKET OF PERSIMMONS AND PEANUTS REHABILITATES TWO REFUGEES

By Arthur Rugh.

Mr. Lee had been a scholar and a writer in a town ten miles south of Peking. War brought hard times but he and his son peddled fruit and were getting along. One day while they were out peddling a bomb demolished their home, killing all the other members of the family. They sold what was left of their house to pay funeral expenses and then came to the city to find work.

Miss Tsai, our social worker, discovered them in a beggar's camp, and gave them fifty cents to buy cotton padded garments (they were still wearing summer clothes though it was midwinter), and asked them to report on the following Friday for further plans. The father bought two garments for his son but none for himself, saying, "Never mind. I'm not cold."

We talked with Mr. Lee and decided to give him thirty cents more to buy a warm garment for himself. Then he said that if he had a basket of persimmons and peanuts as stock in trade, that would be all they would need. They could sell enough each day to support themselves and replenish their stock. But that would cost all of thirty cents including the basket and he was sorry to ask for so much. We gave him the thirty cents and he was happy beyond words.

In about an hour he came back wearing a long padded garment over his summer clothes and carrying a large basket heaped full of persimmons and peanuts. I offered him my old overcoat, but he bowed low and said, "No, no. I have everything I need. You must help someone else. We can get along very well now." He evidently did get along for he never asked us for more help. For the cost of a necktie he was re-established in business and given new courage and hope.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY CHILDREN'S WORK

Mrs. George A. Hoyle

No blanks have been sent out for reports on our study of China in January. Taking the place of the usual second report of the year, a questionnaire pertaining to the co-operative plan, was mailed to each secretary early in December and these in turn were sent to Nashville to be studied by the Inter. Board committee which has the responsibility of developing plans for future work with our children.

Progress is being made and we hope the new plan will be released soon. Meantime the present plans will continue until new plans have been developed. Be therefore planning to use May as missionary month for spring emphasis for children in all our church schools. The fall Bulletin and the pamphlet "What Is My Job?" contains clear suggestions and methods of procedure during these current months. If you did not get yours last fall, please let me know.

Home is the seminary of all other institutions.—Chapin.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MRS. E. L. HILLMAN

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, will preside at the first annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service which convenes in the First Methodist



church of that city on March 25-27. Mrs. Hillman was elected president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. at the organization meeting of that body in Richmond, Va., on December 5-6, 1940.

A MODERN PARABLE

A certain woman went up to conference. By chance she arrived at the place of meeting shortly before time for convention—as did many others of her fellow delegates. Weary from the tasks of many weeks' preparation for the meeting, those at the registration desk vainly searched for her name. "No," the certain woman replied to an inquiry, "my name has not been sent in." Harassed by such negligence and embarrassed by the necessity of refusing her entertainment, the hostess committee added that experience to the other difficult ones which they were having. Moral :Don't let that happen at Rocky Mount. Name of delegate—one only from each society, one from each Wesleyan Service Guild, and one dollar for each MUST be sent to Mrs. T. W. Smithson, Rocky Mount, not later than March 20. The meeting will convene at 2 p. m. on March 25. Delegates should be in their places in the church by that time.

SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

The spiritual life committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the local church will find many opportunities to be of assistance to the pastor and his commission on evangelism as they approach the Lenten season. This committee may render valuable assistance in conducting special prayer groups, doing church visitation and personal evangelism, helping to sponsor the use of "The Upper Room" and "The Fellowship of Prayer." The former may be ordered from 307 American Trust Building, Nashville, Tenn., and the latter from the Department of Evangelism, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, 297 Fourth Ave., New York City, or from our Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.—The Methodist Woman.

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, announces that speakers at the annual meeting in Rocky Mount will include: Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, secretary of Organization Woman's Division of Christian Service; Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa; Miss Ida Hankins and Miss Euline Smith, missionaries to Korea; Rev. Charles Clay, missionary to Brazil. Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, will lead the morning worship and Rev. Ray C. Petry, Duke University, the noon meditations. What a feast of enriching messages await those who attend.

SOUTHERN ZONE MEETS

Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, leader, convened the meeting of the Southern zone, Raleigh district, at Horne Memorial Methodist church, Clayton, on March 6. The morning worship was led by Rev. P. O. Lee. Following words of welcome and response by Mrs. W. A. Davis and Mrs. R. D. Weeks, respectively, "What It Means to Cultivate Baby Specials" was discussed by Miss Mary Gardner; work in the Raleigh district, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. H. T. Sawyer; study, Mrs. B. F. Boone. The junior choir of Horne Memorial church rendered two lovely anthems. Mrs. G. M. Holland, a social case worker, related some specific instances of the evils of alcohol as she sees it in her work. This was followed by pertinent and timely suggestions on what missionary women can do to help solve the problem of alcohol by Mrs. H. I. Glass. Mrs. H. J. Faison led the noon day meditations, talking on the subject, "Two Kinds of Fishing." At the afternon session Mrs. W. A. Davis spoke on spiritual life; Mrs. H. C. Turlington, World Outlook and The Methodist Woman; Mrs. Hugh Austin, the Efficiency Aim. An invitation to hold the fall meeting at Angier was accepted. During the luncheon hour the ladies of the hostess church served a delicious luncheon.

BABY LIFE MEMBER

When the Southern zone, Raleigh district, met at Clayton, Bettie Bain, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bain, was recipient of a life membership certificate in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, gift from her mother. Baby life memberships cost only $5 each; they serve to honor the one to whom the gift is made and the money thus spent helps support kindergartens, baby clinics, etc., in our own and other lands. This should prove a stimulus to many to thus honor their beloved babies.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT NOTES

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, writes that all zone meetings on the Rocky Mount district have been held. Every program was enriched by the aid of Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. W. A. Thorne and Mrs. S. A. Dunn—all conference officers. There was the largest group of officers ever present at one time in that district, and since the major portion of each zone meeting was devoted to officers' training, Mrs. Johnson is encouraged to believe that 1941 will find her district doing more fruitful work than ever before. She reports that the women are patient and are eager to know what and how to do. A goodly number of ministers have attended the zone meetings and listened attentively, thus gaining information and ascertaining ways in which they may support the woman's work. Mrs. Johnson also reports that Mrs. J. M. Gray of Rocky Mount, one of the district officers, is suffering as a result of a broken leg. Friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Gray will wish to remember her in prayer.

YOU CAN THANK THE MIGRANTS

Migrant contribution envelopes for Lent are available. Bearing the legend, "Have You Thanked the Migrants?" these envelopes, made to stand on desk or dinner table, will serve as a reminder throughout Lent of those who "starve that we may eat." On the back of the envelopes will be found a list telling what gifts ranging from 50 cents to $15 will do to provide the migrants with the necessities of life. Write to the Home Missions Council of North America, 297 Fourth Ave., New York City, for a supply of these envelopes, enclosing postage at the rate of one and one-half cents for every eight envelopes. They will be sent free of charge in quantities up to 25. Quantities over 25 may be obtained at 2 cents each or $1.25 per hundred.

ZONE MEETING REPORTS

Twice each year—spring and fall—your editor receives reports of zone meetings in such quantities that she is forced to ask for patience on the part of those awaiting their publication. You are urged to continue to send these accounts of your zone meetings. They make interesting and important news for the woman's page. However, for the sake of publishing a variety of other items, your editor is following the policy of not crowding the woman's page with any one type of item, but rather having the zone meeting stories published in the order in which they are received. This explanation should serve to eliminate any discouragement which might arise from seemingly delayed zone meeting reports on the woman's page.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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That there are now twenty-one substantial brick buildings on our grounds?

That all but three of these buildings bear the names of their donors?

That there are 436 children to live in these buildings?

That our maintenance problem is yet to be solved?

That the Methodists in the Western North Carolina conference give less than forty cents per member per year to their Children's Home project?

WHO IS TO COME

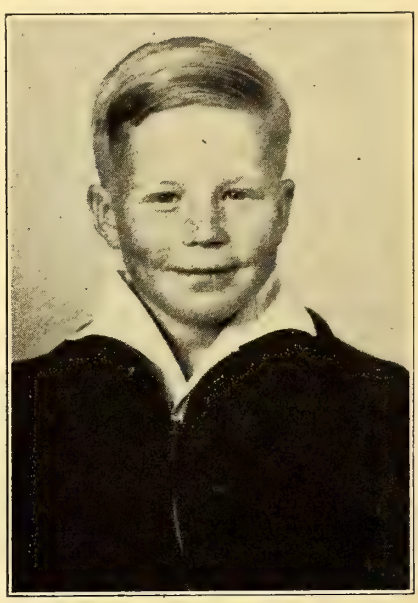
Right now we are being urged from various sources to admit children. Some of these urgent requests are not only attended with insistence but also with some impatience. We are trying to investigate every case carefully with a view to placing the matter before our people. We steadfastly refuse to be stampeded into any hasty action. Our Home is now completely filled and it is not difficult for us to understand that no additional children can come to live in our Home until some go away from our Home. Investigation reveals that quite a number can be placed back with relatives after school has closed in late spring. Only those who have a claim on the Methodist Church and whose plight is such as not to be relieved in any other way can join our family during the summer. We do not yet see where we can place the 55 children now in our High Point Home when they come to the Winston-Salem institution during the approaching summer.

WHO IS TO STAY

The admittance of children is only an event with some of those who urge their coming. After they are received into our Home they are here, in most instances for long time care. Their stay here becomes a process, sometimes long drawn out. Patients admitted into a hospital either get well or die, thus causing their stay to have a reasonably near termination point. Those received in an orphanage come to grow a life. Therefore much care and thought must be used in determining who is to come to stay in our Home.

WHO IS TO PAY

The Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference were rather slow to start a child caring institution. The Methodists all around us had started their orphanages quite awhile before we got in the good business. When we did get started we went places, thanks more largely to individuals than to congregations, though both steadfastly refused to become discouraged at setbacks or to stop paying when emergencies arose. The Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference will continue to pay when assured that their money is wisely used. We are coming to another crisis in the service activities of the Children's Home. We confidently look to our Methodist people to cheerfully meet this crisis on the pay-as-you-go plan.



Red headed, freckled faced and dependable

WHO IS TO JOIN

The picture this week is that of James Smith, nearly eleven years old and in the fourth grade. He is one of the forty boys and girls who are in the church membership training group now being conducted each Sunday afternoon by our assistant pastor, Rev. H. Grady Hardin. James, with an older sister and a younger brother, came to the Children's Home from Cherry Lane congregation, a former Northern Methodist organization. Look at the freckles on the lad's nose and think of his light red hair and remember that there is a promising lad here by the name of Smith. No one yet sponsors this Cherry Lane lad.

WHO IS WHO

In our Children's Home "Who's Who" column we would certainly place Rev. Joe S. Hiatt. Just as we ran out of something to say while dictating these notes in came the following note from Brother Joe: "In one way, a boys is like a mosquito: when he stops making a noise you may know he is into something. It is time for the boys at the Home to get into the game. So I am giving them a slogan, 'To your knees! To your knees! Boys, marble days are here again.' I am sending today 2,000 marbles across the Yadkin river so that the lads at the Home may get an early start. Join them in a game and it will cause you to think of the days of long ago when each day was too short to finish the play."

WHAT IS WHAT

It is just as certain as daylight that our 486 children get hungry at least three times a day. It is as certain that they get satisfying food three times a day. It is assuredly certain that our children need clothing, plenty of clothing. Half of the washable clothing is in the laundry and mending departments while the other half is being worn. We must have a lot of clothing. It is also certain that we must do more than feed and clothe our children. They have minds and souls to cultivate. They must know what is right and what is wrong and learn to accept the one and leave off the other. They must know how to work and how to accept responsibility. High ideals and practical application of them come not through wishful hoping, but rather through encouraging doing.

WHEN IS WHEN

Our good supporters are keeping in mind that Sunday, March 30, is a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. It is one of the four Sundays in the year when the church schools are encouraged to give liberally to the needs of their orphan boys and girls. It is hoped that a large number of our schools will have a warm heart and a liberal disposition when the Children's Home appeal is presented. The last fifth Sunday came in December. It was mighty cold then. Some of our friends did not take time to look beyond their own convenience to see the need of their foster children. They will doubtless do better by them in March.

WHERE IS WHERE

It is a matter of a good deal of concern to us these days to know where our youngsters are when they are out of school. There is so much to be done as to cause us to want to ask our dependable boys and girls to be busy at assigned tasks. This is planting time for the boys and there are many fields to be worked on and many seeds to be properly placed in them. It is spring cleaning time for the girls. Many curtains are to be made for the new buildings and a general refitting is needed for the older buildings. The fact that we will have in June the annual meeting of the Methodist orphanage workers of the South with us calls for the clearing out of a number of ugly distractions and the replacing of materials which have too long been deferred. Sometimes company has to come to make a way for house cleaning and furniture polishing. We know where we are and have an idea what we want to do. Our youngsters will materially help us.

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ANOTHER FIFTH SUNDAY—The Sunday schools of the North Carolina conference have a great opportunity to render a much needed service on the fifth Sunday in this month by presenting the needs of the Methodist Orphanage to all of their classes. It is earnestly desired on the part of the management of the Orphanage that superintendents and teachers inform their Sunday schools and classes of the work that is being done for the orphan children of our conference. Unless this is done, it will be just another fifth Sunday collection.

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GIRLS' BASKET BALL TEAM — The picture appearing on this page is our girls' basket ball team. Since most of our girls were inexperienced, the team did not enjoy a very successful season. Team work, sportsmanship and discipline are far more than victories. Our new gymnasium, a gift of Mr. Graham Woodard, has been in constant use since our school opened last September. It would be difficult to over estimate how much the gymnasium has meant to our youngsters. It has met a long felt need, and all of our children are deeply grateful to Mr. Woodward for his magnificent gift.

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BELIEVE IT OR NOT—The Methodist Orphanage has a fine opportunity to get $1500 without costing anybody more than a few cents for postage. There is a gold mine within our reach. The Baptist Orphanage in Alabama realized this past year $4000 from coupons from Octagon soap products. During the past ten years the above named institution has received $40,000 from that one source. Last year we received something like $1500 from our Octagon soap coupons campiagn. The women's organizations in our conference have gladly and enthusiastically agreed to undertake the securing of hundreds of thousands of coupons from Octagon soap products, which will net us something like $1500 again this year. The purpose of the campaign is to raise a sufficient amount of money to cover our large dining room floor with battleship linoleum. We can reach this objective without any outlay of funds, provided our many friends will cooperate with the women composing the societies of Christian service. I want to express my sincere appreciation to our consecrated women for their altruistic service in behalf of our large family. The Methodist Orphanage can realize a large amount of money from coupons on the following products:

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LET'S KEEP UP WITH THE STUDENTS

"The Mediterranean and the Red Sea are joined together by the Sewage Canal."

"Virgil is the man who cleans up churches."

"A vacuum is where the Pope of Rome lives."

"A spectre is a man who cheers a football team."

"The Royal Mint is what the King puts on his roast lamb."

"A man who lives to be a hundred is called a centipede."

"Sub Judice is the bench on which judges sit."

" 'Dour' means a sort of help, as in the hymn 'O God, dour help in ages past.' "

"In 1620 the Pilgrim Fathers crossed the ocean. This is known as the 'Pilgrim's Progress.' "—Selected.



Girls' Basket Ball Team, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.

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WORLD SERVICE IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our emphasis on World Service in the church school is bringing larger returns each month. While only 419 of the more than 1100 schools have contributed to this fund since conference, progress has been encouraging. From February 8 to March 8 the contribution was $2150.57. This total was reported by the 11 districts as follows:

Asheville	$149.41
Charlotte	461.26
Elkin	33.73
Gastonia	173.24
Greensboro	194.98
High Point	195.51
Marion	74.11
Salisbury	379.34
Statesville	73.51
Waynesville	118.88
Winston-Salem	296.54

The above reports from the Charlotte and Salisbury districts show an excellent response to this fourth Sunday offering. Other strong districts might well follow the example set by Charlotte and Salisbury. An increasing number of pastors and district superintendents are taking advantage of this monthly program and offering for the World Service program of our church. Promotional materials are available from the conference office, Box 828, Salisbury. A letter goes to each contributing church every month and to every church every quarter.

TRAINING SCHOOLS MARCH 23-28

Requests for training schools are being received constantly. Five schools will be held the week of March 23. The Rutherford county school at Spindale, the Anson county school in Wadesboro, the Davie county in Mocksville, and classes at Newton and Spray. It is a most encouraging observation to have both pastors and leading laymen request schools, come to meetings to make plans, and attend the classes. Our training program is definitely on the upward trend—thanks to aggressive pastors and church school workers.

Union and Lincoln County Schools

Schools have been in progress in Monroe and Lincolnton during the past week. Dr. James Cannon of Duke and E. H. Nease of Charlotte taught in Lincolnton. Mrs. O. D. Nelson, Greensboro, Wilson O. Weldon and Charles P. Bowles taught in Monroe. Our conference is fortunate in having a large number of efficient instructors available for service of this type. We are grateful to the fine people of Lincoln and Union for their response and hospitality.

Mecklenburg County School

Methodism is well established in Mecklenburg and has long been responsive to the opportunities of the annual training schools. With over 400 people enrolled and with 357 receiving certificates of recognition on the closing night, the school this year set an all time record. The excellent way in which the church school superintendents plan for and finance this school is always an inspiration. Brother G. T. Bond and his fellow ministers are fortunate in their lay leadership.

The Cabarrus County School

The Concord school is unique among the many schools of the conference. It has been a custom for many years for each class to remember the instructor with a personal token of appreciation at the close of the school. This response by those in attendance, the fine hospitality of the pastor and officials of Forest Hill church, and the tea given by Mrs. C. C. Herbert made the school an occasion to be remembered happily.

The Thomasville School

For the first time in more than a decade the Methodist churches of Thomasville and the vicinity sponsored a most successful training school. With more than a hundred people in attendance and with 72 receiving certificates of recognition, both pastors and laymen were happy over the results. Mr. Charles T. Lambeth, superintendent of the host church school, spared no effort in making the school a happy experience for all who attended.

The Elkin School

Charles S. Ashby, superintendent of the host church and a personal friend from college days, writes that "we had a great time and everyone enjoyed the school. I hope that we may continue the practice of having this training school each year." Thank you, Charles, and we will be back.

Epworth Training Conferences

Even though the young people have at least one class in nearly every school held, they also conduct many Epworth training conferences for young people only. Twenty-six young people and their leaders spent four nights recently in a class on Recreation and Personal Development led by Mr. Brewer in an Epworth training conference sponsored by the Young Fellowship Union of the Statesville district.

Spruce Pine

M. Teague Hipps continues to give leadership to the youth of his church and of the conference. All reports are to the effect that Spruce Pine is sprucing up and that Mr. Hipps and his family have been well received by the entire church and community. The county paper carried the following report of a youth meeting:

"The Toe River Union held the regular meeting at the Spruce Pine Methodist church Monday night with an attendance of about 65 representatives from the following Methodist charges: Bald Creek, Micaville, Bakersville, Spruce Pine. The following ministers were present: R. C. Nimon of Bakersville, Jasper Snow of Bald Creek, M. Teague Hipps of Spruce Pine.

"The program consisted of a showing of films of Methodist actvities in the institutes held in High Point College, three camps at Carlyle near Hendersonville, two assemblies at Lake Junaluska. Rev. Mr. Hipps, who will retain the films until March 21, will be glad to show them for any groups interested.

"The young people of the Spruce Pine Methodist churh served refreshments during the social hour which followed the program."

Youth Meeting in Nashville

Approximately 75 presidents of conference youth organizations and a few adult leaders of youth met in Nashville February 28 to March 2 to take a look at youth work in The Methodist Church. The persons in attendance came from all sections of the country. With this cross section of leadership, the three-day conference marked a real milestone of progress in youth activities for the summer and for the years ahead.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

April 20 has been designated at Church School Rally Day in the Western North Carolina conference. Requests for programs have been received from the following churches:

Asheville district—

Montmorenci, Byron Shankle.
Haywood Street, H. A. Dunham.
Blk. Mountain, Mrs. Rodger Viverette.
Dana, O. M. Blackwell.

Charlotte district—

First, Charlotte, E. R. Bucher.
Hawthorne Lane, W. H. Halliburton.
Moore's, J. H. Carper.
Spencer Memorial, W. J. McClelland.
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius.
Matthews, G. G. Adams.
Wadesboro, Mrs. L. G. Atkinson.

Elkin district—

Boone, J. B. McLarty.
East Bend, Mrs. Nora Ward.

Gastonia district—

Main, Belmont, Mrs. C. R. McAdams.
McKendree, Mrs. John B. Shrum.
Palm Tree, R. F. Brackett.
Concord (Bessemer City), Miss Modecia Eaker.
First, Cherryville, Dr. E. S. Wehunt.
Dallas, C. Fred Stowe.
Ebenezer (Lowell), G. W. Barnes.
Maylo, W. H. Cope.
Denver, J. E. Ramsey.
Stanley, Russell Handsel.

Greensboro district—

Tabernacle, Purvis Neece.
Newlyn Street, Stephen R. Vaughn.
Glenwood, Mrs. R. M. Hardee.
Centenary, G. H. Roach.
Spray, Roy T. Houts.

High Point district—

First, High Point, J. C. Madison.
Seagrove, S. G. Richardson.

Marion district—

Mt. Hebron, McKendree Wells.
Glen Alpine, R. L. Young.
Caroleen, Lawrence Wall.
Central, Caroleen, R. R. Morgan.
Henrietta, Vernon Wall.
Forest City, W. H. Groce.

Valdese, O. B. Mitchell.
Avondale, T. R. Wolfe.
Cliffside, T. R. Wolfe.
Rutherfordton, Mrs. John Reid.
Oak Grove, Mrs. J. P. Randall.
Red Hill, Mrs. U. D. Hensley.

Salisbury district—

Jackson Park, Wm. J. Clayton.
First, Salisbury, J. H. Knox.
Bethany (Albemarle Ct.), Mrs. R. G. Holt.
Tabernacle and Palestine, Sherrill Biggers.
Salem, Lee R. Spencer.
First, China Grove, Mrs. F. A. Sides.
St. Paul, Miss Beulah Biggers.
Pine Bluff, Joe E. Jenkins.
Mill Grove, Mrs. Cecil L. Heckard.
Center Grove, T. Frank Shinn.
Love's Chapel, John R. Hamilton.
Love's Grove, John R. Hamilton.
Oakboro, John R. Hamilton.
North Newton, Fred Clark.

Statesville district—

Chapel Hill, Joseph Taylor, Jr.
Providence, Thomas N. Crawford.
First, Lenoir, D. T. Smith.
Stony Point, Mrs. W. J. Nesbitt.
Bethel, Hickory, E. H. Lowman.
West View, Paul Icard.
Centenary (Mooresville Ct.), Mrs. Bruce McLaughlin.
Broad St., Statesville, V. R. Masters.

Waynesville district—

Long's Chapel, R. H. Terrell.
Andrews, W. A. Reece.
Franklin, Mrs. Zeb Conley.
Central, Canton, Miss Elizabeth Thompson.
Rockford Charge, V. A. Morton.

Winston-Salem district—

Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles.
Shoals, Mrs. O. F. Hauser.
Mt. Pleasant (No. Davidson), Mrs. Paul Green.
Prospect, M. G. Maner.
Bethel (Hanes-Clemmons), Clyde W. Snyder.
Main Ct., Kernersville, H. G. Ingram.
Grace, R. L. Forbis.
Rural Hall, Mrs. Ed. J. Kiger.
Center (Welcome), Miss Vivian Bates.
Bethesda N. Davidson), Miss Hilda Lanier.

PLANNING TO PRESERVE INDIAN CRAFTS

"Basketry is a characteristic Indian art," writes D'Arcy McNickle in Indians at Work. "It is perhaps the oldest of the arts practiced in the new world, and certainly it is the most widely dispersed. Baskets made by the Indians were of two general kinds, coiled and woven. Each of these was infinitely varied, and the fullest possibilities of each were explored.

"Coiled basketry extended from the Mexican border all the way to northernmost Alaska and across to Eastern Asia, and from the western edge of the Great Plains to the Pacific Coast. Coiled basketry was not exclusive within this area, and in fact it appears to have overlain a larger area in which woven (or twined) basketry was practiced. It reached its highest artistic development in California, where the Pomo Indians, in Clark Wissler's opinion, produced what are probably the finest baskets in the world.

"The introduction of machine-made containers and utensils has to some extent destroyed the art of basket-making, and it is doubtful if the older skill will ever be recaptured. In recent years the United States government has made determined efforts to overcome the drift to extinction of Indian crafts generally. By seeking to develop markets, by acquainting the public with the range and variety and richness of Indian arts and crafts, and by encouraging the Indians to hold fast to their skills and their old designs, the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, created by Congress in 1935, has already succeeded to a considerable extent in reversing the drift."

METHODISM IN ASIA'S THEATRE OF TENSION

The "theatre of tension" in the Far East—if not the theatre of war itself—has moved with sudden swiftness from the heart of China to the island world that separate the Pacific Ocean from the Indian Ocean—the vast island world "southward from Japan."

Here are British possessions larger than the British Isles; Netherlands colonies many times the size of Holland; the Commonwealth of the Philippines, still under the care of the United States of America; and vast and rich independent countries and colonies—such as Burma, French Indo China, Korea and Siam. Drawn into a single continent, the area would have a population greater than that of North America.

Not only are these Pacific isles populous—they are rich in valuable mineral resources and in agricultural possibilities—and it is there that land-starved and raw-material nations of Europe and Asia crave. Sumatra is rich in oil, the Malay Peninsula in tin and in rubber and in precious metals, Java produces tea and rice; and the whole area is well adapted for the growing of tropic fruits, of rice, and for vast rubber plantations. Not only that, but coolie labor is cheap, and as the peoples grow in civilization, there is a potential market for the output of thousans of factories. . . .

The Methodist Church, through its missionaries, has been serving in the Pacific isles, as well as on the continent of Asia, for more than half a century. Bishop James M. Thoburn pushed out into this area from India; Bishop Oldham followed him in Malaya, Bishop Stuntz in the Philippines. Still earlier, Methodist missionaries had been established in the island empire of Japan. Outstanding services of Methodism are its schools and churches "in every town up and down the Malay Peninsula," its evangelistic and medical work in Korea; its churches, schools and social services to Chinese immigrants in Borneo; its ministry to a growing church in the Philippines; and its ministry to primitive peoples: Bataks, Dyaks, and Sakais.

On February 20, 1941, as a temporary measure, and because of the tension in the Far East, the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church withdrew its missionaries from Japan, Chosen, and the Japan-occupied areas of China. But, under capable national leadership, churches and chapels, colleges and schools, hosptials and clinics still carry on.



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By Rollin H. Walker

Jesus Condemned and Crucified

Luke 22:39 to 23:56

If there is a scene in all history that should make respectable religionists search their hearts, it is the crucifixion of Jesus. For it was not criminals, not the men who were reckoned as depraved lawbreakers, who were responsible for his death. It was men who were prominent in religion, and who were met with respectful obeisances wherever they went.

Why did these men unite to crucify Jesus? The scribes were anxious to get him out of the way because they knew that in proportion as the people listened to his glowing words they would turn away from their own lifeless hair-splitting casuistry. The chief priests knew that if he came to dominant influence the people, disgusted by their godless grafting, would clamor for their removal from office. And Pilate reluctantly sentenced Jesus to crucifixion because he was afraid that the chief priests would complain of him to the emperor. and he would lose his job. All three, the scribes, the chief priests and the Roman governor, committed the supreme crime of history in order to hold their position and office in society. But this act which was aimed to keep them in places of honor has pilloried them in supreme disgrace through all the ages.

Jesus had always been peculiarly reticent about making claims for himself. Indeed he had never done so under circumstances tending to raise popular enthusiasm, but only under circumstances that roused hostility (John 8:58-59). A claim to be the Messiah would have kindled in every Jew's mind the vain hope of a violent revolution against the Roman power. But now when he was brought before the high court of the Jews with his hands tied, there was no danger of exciting a mob of hot-headed adherents. So in answer to the high priest's question, Art thou the Christ, the Son of God, he answered, Thou hast said it; nevertheless henceforth ye shall see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven (Matthew 26:62-64). Jesus perfectly well knew that this answer would sign his death warrant, but he also knew that it was needful for him to proclaim his exalted function and destiny before the world.

The Jewish court condemned Jesus for blasphemy, but when they took him to Pilate they changed the charge and accused him of disloyalty to Rome. But, inconsistently enough, they asked in his place Barabbas who had raised a mob against the Roman authorities and committed murder. Barabbas was a Red, and when they demanded his release it is likely that the Reds in the crowd began to howl in harmony with the theological mob. So Pilate the Fascist released Barabbas the Red, and delivered Jesus to death, just as today Fascists and Communists make common cause against Christianity and democracy.

There never was a spectacle in human history that seemed so absolutely to deny that a good God reigned in heaven, as Jesus left there to die on the cross. If there was a God why did he not reach down and deliver him? And yet, strangely enough, no other spectacle in history has worked so strongly to make men sure of God.

When they were nailing him to the cross Jesus said, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. He could say this in the midst of his unspeakable agony because it had been his life habit to pray for all who opposed him. This prayer sounds down the ages for the men who today crucify the Son of God afresh, and, thank God! it avails for all of us who so often know not what we do.

So Jesus was crucified. God's supreme effort to bless and save mankind is apparently a complete failure. Jesus who never made a blunder was nailed to the wood. When our well-meant efforts fail, let us take courage. God failed!

But right on the cross, and out of his absolute failure, Jesus began to conquer. One of the bandits said, Jesus, remember me when thou comest in thy kingdom. He realized somehow that this man who seemed to be utterly a goner was a comer, and more than that, a coming king. And the centurion in charge of his execution, when he saw him die, said, Certainly this was a righteous man. And the multitudes, realizing the horror of the deed, returned smiting their breasts. The Galilean had already begun to conquer!

A DAILY PRAYER

Father of all mankind, throughout this day, help me to remember that a very real portion of thy kingdom has been placed in my keeping. Therefore, teach me to love thee: WITH ALL MY MIND that I may think thy thoughst after thee, from dawn to dark, makbeautiful and significant each decision of my daily living; help me to remove all prejudice and small-mindedness, O Lord. WITH ALL MY HEART—that I may love those whom thou lovest, feeling for even the most unlovable and difficult of thy children thine own everlasting mercy. WITH ALL MY SOUL—that I may seek fresh ways in which we can all be one in Jesus Christ our Lord, praying for thy divine power to surge through my commonplace routine from roning till night. WITH ALL MY STRENGTH—that I may work the work of Him who sent me while it is day, seeking to channel through every act thy devotion to the needs of both my neighbor and myself. Remind me from moment to moment that this is not optional, but the last command of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Quicken me and use me this day, for thy name's sake. Amen.

It may be possible for a man to have more money than brains, but in most cases it doesn't last very long.

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Children's Storyland



MODERN MAGIC

By Helen Mitchell

He lay on the floor with his hands behind his head and stared dreamily up at the ceiling. By his side a copy of "The Arabian Nights" lay open at the last page of "The Story of Aladdin, or the Wonder Lamp."

He was talking to himself. "Boy, if I had a magic lamp I'd rub it, and when the genie came, I'd wish—I'd wish—" His voice trailed into silence.

His father lowered the paper he was reading. "Well, son, just what would you wish?" he asked teasingly.

"Oh, I don't know, dad. But imagine having a genie come to do whatever you ask, by just rubbing a lamp. Just imagine. Oh, boy—magic—"

"Do you believe in magic?"

"Of course not. That's silly." Bill's tone implied more than he said.

"You don't?" his father sounded surprised. "Well, I do."

Bill sat up abruptly and stared at his father. "You believe in magic?"

"Sure. Why not?"

"But did you ever see any?"

"Well, some folks might not call it magic—but to me it's pretty mysterious." He reached over and picked up a piece of copper from his table and turned it around in his hands.

"See this copper, son? Where did it come from?"

"Why, it's a piece of copper cable from the Bolder Dam power line." Bill was standing curiously by his father's side. "But what does that have to do with magic?" he puzzled.

"A bit of copper," mused his father. "Someone dreamed a dream, saw a vision. Boulder Dam, electricity, dynamos. Electric motors — factories, light, heat, water for irrigation. Things growing where they never grew before. A force, harnessed. A genie—magic, son, magic." He placed the bit of copper again on the table.

"But dad—" began Bill, when his father interrupted to ask a question.

"Tell me, do you know much about the Colorado River and Boulder Dam?"

"Oh, I know a lot about that. We talked about it in school," Bill began enthusiastically. "I have a lot of stuff about it. Wait till I get it," and he rushed to his room, returning in a few minutes with his hands full of pictures, maps and drawings.

"You see, dad, this is where they built the dam," and he pointed to a spot on the map. "And behind the dam is this great big lake. Here is a picture of the lake I cut out of a magazine. And here is a picture of the dam." He stood looking admiringly down at the picture. "My, isn't it big! It tells here how long it took to build it and how much material was used and how many men worked on it and how many were killed. Boy, I'd like to be an engineer!" and he stopped for breath.

"And what do you know about the Colorado River?"

"Oh, it's just a great big river that has lots of floods."

"And what happens when it gets out of its banks and goes on a rampage?"

"Well, I guess plenty happens all right. A flood does an awful lot of damage. I didn't know that till we had that one last year. That sure destroyed a lot of property and drowned people, too, and I guess it wasn't near as bad as some."

"That's right, Bill," agreed his father. "There is a lot of force to a thing like that. And when it cuts loose and is not directed in any channel it causes a lot of destruction. But what has been done about it now?"

"Well, you see, dad, the way it is now, they hold the water in the lake and use it for making electricity, and then use the water for irrigation. And they send a lot of it to Los Angeles and other places. That's wonderful, isn't it?"

"In other words, Bill, they use its force to build instead of to destroy. Is that right?"

"Sure," said Bill. "I never thought of it like that, though. And it is kind of like magic all right."

"That's what I meant when I spoke about magic. And listen, son, there is something else we can learn from studying constructive direction of a force."

"There is?" Bill was surprised.

"Sure," Bill's father hesitated, and then continued. "You remember this morning how angry you got because you didn't have twenty-five cents to buy a new notebook?"

Bill flushed. "I guess I did get kind of mad, all rgiht."

"Now, just suppose, Bill, that instead of wasting all that energy in getting 'mad' as you call it, you had used it to earn the money. You might have cut Mrs. Baker's lawn. I saw John cutting it this afternoon. As it is, you used up the energy, caused your mother unhappiness, and you still don't have the notebook." His father's eyes crinkled a little at the corners and he smiled to see the look on Bill's face.

Then he yawned and looked at the clock. "Time for bed, Bill. So you would like to be an engineer. Why not try it? I'll bet you would make a good one."

Bill looked puzzled as he gathered up his books and papers. "How, dad?"

"Why, that temper of yours. Do a bit of engineering with it. It's a force, isn't it? Harness it, son, like they did the Colorado, and put it to work for you instead of against you. Now run along to bed and dream over it."

Bill stood in the door. "Good night, dad. I-I'll try it. I'll be an engineer—a sort of a—" He couldn't find the word.

"A human engineer, Bill?"

"That's it, dad. A human engineer." —Juniors.

GOLDEN KEYS

A bunch of golden keys is mine,
To make each day with gladness shine.
"Good morning!" that's the golden key
That unlocks every day for me.

When evening comes, "Good night!" I say,
And close the door of each glad day.
When at the table, "If you please"
I take from off my bunch of keys.

When friends give anything to me,
I'll use the little "Thank you" key.
"Excuse me"; "Beg your pardon," too,
When by mistake some harm I do.

Or if unkind harm we've given,
With "Forgive me" key I'll be forgiven.
I'll often use each golden key,
And then a child polite I'll be.

—Selected.

FREDDY HELPS THE BIRDS

By Fred Cornelius

For a long time Freddy watched the finches flying into the cellar with straws and grass clippings in their beaks. He knew they were building a nest, and it was fun to watch them. On every trip the father bird went along with the mother. Sometimes he brought back a straw, but more often he would sit on a branch several yards away and sing while the mother worked at the nest. This, Freddy had been told, was to attract any enemies away from the nest-site. The mother finch seemed to be having a hard time finding enough building material. Freddy could help her here, he thought. So he went into the house and found several pieces of string. They were of all sizes and colors. Freddy sat down and cut the string into short lengths so the little mother would not become entangled in them. Then he went out and scattered them all over the yard in bushes and on the lawn and sat down to watch.

Soon the mother bird found them, and how happy she seemed! Trip after trip she made to the nest with the strings. Freddy was quite as happy as the bird. "Sure saved her a lot of work," he smiled, as he sat and watched her.—Our Dumb Animals.

Church school teacher (to small boy): "Can you tell me something about the Israelites?"

Joel (aged four): "I don't know anything about them. We have electric lights at home."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 22
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont, 11 23
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3 23
Mebane, Central, 7:30 26
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April

Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Perquimans, Woodland, 11 and 1 22
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock, 11 23
Currituck, Ebenezer, night 23
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Parkton, 11 23
Laurel Hill, Tabernacle, 3 23
Gibson, 7:30 23
Hamlet, 10 30
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 30
Rockingham, 7:30 30
Sanford, 7:30 31

April

Raeford, Parkers, 11 6
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
Jonesboro, 8 6
Caledonia, Johns, 11 13
West End, Marcus, 3 13
Laurinburg, 8 13
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Grimesland, Providence, 11 23
Oriental, Arapaho, 3 23
Pamlico, Stonewall, 7:30 23
Mount Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 29
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

Greenville, 7:30 1
Ayden, 9 2
LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Mt Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Tar River, Trinity, 11 23
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 23
Louisburg, 7:30 26
Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13
Fuquay, Kipling, 7:30 16
Princeton, Micro, 11 20
Benson, Benson, 7:30 20
Moncure, Jones Chapel, 11 27
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 7:30 27
Millbrook, Knightdale, 7:30 30

May

Garner, Mt. Zion, 11 4
Mamers, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Bailey, Simms, 7:30 14
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 11 23
Littleton, 7:30 23
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 28
Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Bladen, Deems, 11 23
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Shallotte, Village, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Barnardsville, 11 6
Asbury Memorial, 8 6
Central, 8 7
Biltmore, 8 8
Acton-Candler-Pisgah, Montmorenci, 8 9
French Broad Avenue, 8 10
Haywood Street, 8 11
East Flat Rock, 11 13
Emma, 8 13
Brevard, 8 14
Hendersonville, 8 15
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 16
Fairview, 8 17
Fletcher, 8 18
Rosman, 11 20
Etowah, 3 20
Oakley, 8 21
Marshall, 8 22
Black Mountain, 8 23
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3 ..27
Weaverville, 8 28
West Asheville, 8 29
Tryon, 8 30

May

Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Weddington, Union, 11 23
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 3 23
Calvary, 7:30 23
North Monroe, Benton Heights, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 11 30
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 ..30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Sparta, Sparta, 11 23
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 3 23
Jefferson, Bethany, night 23

April

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, 11 6
Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel, 3 6
North Wilkesboro, night 6
Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
Helton, Baldwin, 11 29
Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11

Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25
District Missionary Institute, Elkin, March 30.
District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

March
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11 and 2 23
King's Mountain, Grace, night 23
Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30
April
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13
Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.
District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11 23
Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 7 23
Leaksville, 11 30
Reidsville (Laymen's and Missions District Meeting) 2:30 30
April
Pleasant Garden, 11 6
Muir's Chapel, 11 13
Centenary, 7:30 13
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27
May
Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
District Conference, Greensboro College 21
No quarterly conferences will be held on the 2nd or 9th of March. Preaching only on these dates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March
Linwood, C. G., 3 23
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 23
Oak Grove, 7:30 26
Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29
April
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Burnsville, 11 23
Bald Creek, Burnsville, 3 23
Micaville, Burnsville, 3 23
Rutherfordton, 11 30
April
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 6
Broad River, Tanner's Grove, 3 6
Mill Spring, Gray's, 11 13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 11 20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Lenoir, First Church, 11 23
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 23
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, night 23
Statesville, Broad St., 11 30
April
Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Franklin, 11 23
Regional Institute, Franklin, 2:30 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30
April
Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27
May
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

March
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 23
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 3 23
Hanes, 7 23
Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30...30
April
Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Pinacle, Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Walkertown, Love's, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27
May
Green Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

IN MEMORIAM

In the passing of Mrs. Nellie Rackley Best, September 18, 1940, after a year of intense suffering, Taylor's Bridge community in Sampson county has suffered an irreparable loss. Trinity church has lost one of its strongest pillars, the Sunday school an able superintendent, the Woman's Society of Christian Service a dependable member.

In her community, as well as her home, she was a great comfort in time of distress to all—rich and poor, young and old, white and colored. She was one to see the silver lining in even the darkest cloud which made for us a brilliant light here and a guiding star in the life to come. We are at a loss for words to express the grief her beloved family has to bear, and can only point them to our Master's great promise, "All that I lay on you I will enable you to carry."

Her grave was banked with flowers as a token of our love and esteem. She passed away with no doubts or fears, just the smile when she heard her Lord and Master say, "Well done, thou good an dfaithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." With the writer of old we say, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Mrs. Best's funeral was conducted at Trinity church by her pastor, Rev. C. J. Andrews, assisted by Rev. S. G. Harness of the Rosehill Presbyterian church.

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In Memoriam

GRAHAM — Mrs. Lessie Graham, widow of John A. Graham, died February 19, 1941. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Margaret Graham and four sons, David, Marvin, Harney and Milton Graham, and two grandsons.

"Mrs. Lessie" was of a sweet and gentle disposition and was loved by all who knew her. May we strive to be like her, ever ready to lend a helping hand, and speak a kindly word to all.

Farewell, sweet friend, until we meet again.

Woman's Society of Christian Service
of Camp Ground Church.

WEBB—Dr. Benjamin G. Webb, pioneer citizen and physician, died February 9, 1941. He was born at Asheboro, N. C., April 12, 1862, but had been in Andrews near a half century. He was a member of the Methodist church, graduate of Louisville Medical College, honorary member of Cherokee County Medical Society, owner of Andrews ice plant and other business interests. He is survived by a son, William G. of Andrews, and a daughter, Mrs. Charles Smathers of Canton. Funeral was held from the Methodist church by the pastor, assisted by Rev. E. F. Baker, February 10, and burial was in Andrews cemetery.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

WALDROOP—Mrs. B. F. Waldroop was born September 2, 1871, and died February 20, 1941. She and Brother Waldroop had been married 51 years. To this union were born five daughters and three sons, all of whom with their father survive. There are 23 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She joined the Methodist church at the age of 13; she was a faithful member of the Andrews Methodist church to the end. She was a good companion, mother, grandmother, neighbor, a good and faithful church member. We shall miss her in her accustomed pew. The funeral was held in the home by her pastor and burial in Andrews cemetery.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

HARWELL—The board of stewards and other officials of the Glenwood Methodist church wish to express our regret in the passing of D. F. Harwell. We always found him to be most loyal to his church, for many years a faithful member of the board of stewards and always ready to respond when his church called on him.

He was a good leader in the church and among the men with whom he daily worked, always considerate of others. He was truly a Christian gentleman and was loved by all who knew him. We shall miss his fellowship from our midst.

W. M. Lippard,
Mrs. W. T. Purgason,
R. M. Hardee.

SPEAS—Loula Blanche Poindexter, daughter of Pleasant and Temperance Poindexter, was born June 17, 1867, and departed this life January 29, 1941.

In early childhood she joined the Methodist church, to which she unceasingly gave of her time, strength and means with untiring devotion. For many years she was a teacher in the Sunday school and active in the missionary society and other organizations of the church. In 1939 she was given a "life membership" in the woman's missionary society, which she treasured very highly.

On May 25, 1887, she was married to Mr. William H. Speas, who preceded her to the grave six years ago. A daughter, Blanche Hazel, also preceded her in 1907. The following children survive her: Mrs. Bruce Anderson and Benjamin Speas of Lynchburg, Va.; Mrs. John A. Kent, Winter Park, Fla.; Mrs. W. D. Poindexter, Winston-Salem; Miss Mamie Speas, Raleigh; and Worth Speas, Woodland.

Her funeral was conducted at New Hope Methodist church, Rt. 1, Winston-Salem, by her pastor, Rev. A. C. Kennedy, assisted by Bishop J. K. Pfohl.

A. C. Kennedy, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Seagrove Methodist church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member, Mrs. Ella Auman, who passed away January 23, 1941. Early in life Mrs. Auman gave her heart to God and until the end she was always striving to do all she could for the advancement of his kingdom.

We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and the sweet smile she had for every one and bow in humble submission to our Father's will.

We extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessing to rest upon them.

She leaves to her family of splendid daughters and son a priceless heritage of good example of godly influence.

The committee request a copy of these words of appreciation and gratitude for her life and service be recorded in the minutes of our society, and that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. J. H. Trolinger,
Mrs. D. J. Johnson,
Mrs. F. C. Richardson.

IN MEMORIAM

Anna Elizabeth Webb, or "Miss Anna" as she was affectionately known to a host of friends, was born in Roxboro on August 19, 1862, and died at the King's Daughters Home in Durham on January 22, 1941. She was the daughter of Rev. W. R. Webb, a local Methodist preacher, and his wife, Elizabeth Oliver Webb.

At an early age Miss Anna joined the Roxboro Methodist church, now Long Memorial, and her long and useful life was spent in service in the church she loved. For many years she was superintendent of the Bright Jewels; at two different times she was president of the woman's missionary society for several years, in addition to which she served in other offices, notably as secretary. In the church school she was teacher of a young men's class for a number of years until failing eyesight caused her to resign. She was a member of the church choir for many years; in fact, to list all her varying interests would be to call the roll of all church activities. Miss Anna enjoyed the unusual distinction of being a charter member of the woman's missionary society which was organized in Roxboro on September 25, 1819, and of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which was organized on September 9, 1940.

For her long years of usefulness and for her continued interest when ill health prevented her active participation in the work, we as individuals and as a society wish to pay tribute today to a life well lived in Christian service, and to honor the memory of her whose influence will live on through the years.

Claire Harris,
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Mother and the Big Family Bible Help in the Preparation of the Sunday School Lesson

* The New Battleground

Passage of the lend-lease bill by Congress has not ended the struggle to keep the United States out of the European war. It has simply transferred that struggle to a new battleground. Congress, by the enactment of this law, has conferred enormous powers on the President. They are powers unparalleled in American history. They are powers greater than have ever been bestowed on any other leader of a modern democratic state. They go far, far beyond the powers held by Mr. Churchill. Potentially, they make it possible for Mr. Roosevelt not only to provide the aid which Americans overwhelmingly want Great Britain to have, but also to disregard any and all laws which he may conceive to interfere with his policies, to involve the armed forces of the United States in situations which would almost certainly lead to conflict, and even to govern by administrative proclamation.

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There is a sense in which passage of the lend-lease bill should aid in the fight against American entrance into the war. For now, at last, the desire of the American people to keep out of war can be brought to focus on one single man. On this new field it is no longer the wills of more than five hundred congressmen or of more than ninety senators for which battle must be waged. The decision between war and peace has now, by act of Congress in enacting this law, been taken out of the hands of Congress. That decision now rests in the hands of one man—the President. From this point on the vital decisions governing the relation of the United States to the war will be made by this one man. His is the power. And his is the responsibility. It is a responsibility which he himself has sought. It is a staggering responsibility—such a responsibility as few men would ever consent to bear. But he has sought it, and now he has it. It is his, all his; his alone. Shall the United States enter the war? The President will answer.

What is needed, therefore, if this nation is to be kept out of the war is very clear. It is nothing less than a truly national uprising of the people to hold the President to his pledges. He has pledged to keep out of the war. The platform on which he ran for re-election was unequivocal in its promise: "We will not participate in foreign wars and we will not send our army, naval or air forces to fight in foreign lands outside of the Americas, except in case of attack." Twice during his campaign for re-election the President announced that he stood on that platform promise without reservation. Speaking at Boston, in words specifically addressed to "American fathers and mothers," Mr. Roosevelt went beyond the formal words of his platform to assure them that "your boys are not going to be sent into any foreign wars."

Those were Mr. Roosevelt's promises, and nothing has happened since he gave them to alter the nature of the war or to release him, as a man of honor, from their binding pledge. Now is the time when the American people must make it clear beyond all possibility of misunderstanding that they remember those pledges, and that they will look to the President to see that they are kept.

Both the President and all his advisers know that it would be folly and worse than folly to take this country into war with a divided citizenry. No war can be successfully fought in the absence of national unity. And on the proposal that the United States should enter the present European war there can be no unity. Today the nation is far closer to unity on staying out than it will ever be on going in. Confronted by the Gallup poll, "If you were asked to vote today on the question of the United states entering the war, how would you vote—to go into the war or to stay out of the war?" 80 per cent of a representative cross-section of the American people (as reported on March 10) were in favor of staying out. There can be nothing approaching national unity for any other policy.

Peace or war? The decision is in the President's hands. He has asked for the power to make that decision; Congress, despite its misgivings, has given him that power. But it is a decision which must take the will of the people of the United States into account. Any decision which ignored that will, any decision which defied that will or challenged it, would bring ruin upon the man who made it. Mr. Roosevelt's place in history is at stake in his decision. His record for honorable dealing with the American people is at stake. He must not be allowed to be deceived, or to deceive himself, as to what the people's will is. All the national will to peace must be brought to focus directly upon him. In the days that lie immediately ahead he must be made to hear the voice of the people, rising from every state in the land, saying respectfully but clearly and insistently, "Mr. President, you have promised that no American boy is to be sent into any foreign war. Mr. President, we expect you to keep that promise."

*Excerpts from an editorial in Christian Century, March 19, 1941.

604 CHAPELS WILL BE BUILT THROUGHOUT ARMY AT COST OF $12,816,880

Religious worship in the army will be taken out of improvised buildings and the open fields in a historic construction program that will provide 604 chapels in posts, camps and stations throughout the nation where soldiers of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths may make their devotions in an appropriate setting.

Never before in the history of the army has there been such an undertaking. The War Department announced today that $12,816,880 has been appropriated to build these chapels within six months. In appearance they will look like the typical small church found in every community in America—the slant-roofed frame building with steeple at the front. Costing $21,220 each, they will have seats for 400 soldiers. Every chapel will have an electric organ.

The magnitude of the project may be understood from the fact that the basic distribution will be one chapel for each regiment. Therefore in the larger cantonments as many as 15 or 20 churches will arise among the tents and the barracks.

The chapels will be used at different hours by the chaplains of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths and there will be office space for all of them. Incorporated in the building will be an ark to hold the Jewish Book of Law. This is an innovation in army chapels. The organs will be placed on balconies.

The new chapels will provide a proper place for worship and meditation and may be used for unit gatherings of an inspirational nature for which the recreation building or theatre is not deemed suitable. It has also been planned as a center where church groups and similar organizations may present welfare programs under the supervision and with the co-operation of chaplains.

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The vestments of religion count, but they are secondary to the vision of the Christ. The externals have their place in life and in religion, but the living spirit is essential. The man is more than the garments.

"Money will buy the husk of many things," said Henrik Ibsen, "but not the kernel. It brings you food but not appetite, medicine but not health, acquaintances but not friends, servants but not faithfulness, days of pay but not peace or happiness."

"Defense" is a big term and glibly spoken these last days. But it is heaping a lot of trouble upon school boys and ignorant dads, as the following story indicates. A small boy arrived home from school an hour late one afternoon. His father said: "Well, you were kept in again, were you?" "Yep, and it was your fault, too," answered the boy. "My fault, how do you make that out?" "Last night I asked you how much is a billion and you said it is a hell of a lot; and that ain't the answer."

Italy last Sunday celebrated the twenty-second birthday of Fascism. The Black Shirts paraded, the flags flew, but Mussolini did not make his accustomed speech. Italy is the birthplace of a totalitarian revolution that threatened to make an end of the democracies of earth. But the plight of Italy must appear deplorable even to Mussolini himself who told the world that war is the normal condition of mankind and any state which expected to survive must organize solely for war. But Italy's present plight appears to annul the Fascists' fundamental doctrine as the so-called decadent democracies of Greece and Britain threaten the overthrow of the Fascist leader and all that he represents. Germany's Hitler is destined to be overtaken sooner or later by the same fate.

The Hebrew prophet was primarily a man of vision. With an awful sense of God and a vision of the needs of his times, the prophet rebuked kings and princes and people. When all else was shaky and uncertain he became a stable element. Such preachers are the need of this day.

Henry Ford thinks well of the Bible. Listen to this industrial genius: "All I know of good, truth, honesty and idealism I have learned from the Bible. In school I listened each morning as a chapter was read before classes started, and it was then that I came to know and respect the Holy Book. I never have lost my regard for the Word of God, and if I had my way about it, a chapter of the Bible would be read every single morning in every school room in this country. I feel at home in the pages of the Bible, for that Book speaks my language."

The News and Observer Bureau, Washington, March 24, reported:

> Grave present and future problems created by the huge migration of workers into defense areas were laid bare today before the House committee investigating conditions among migrant workers by five of the nation's top newspapermen, including Jonathan Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer. Warnings that disease, moral and economic maladjustments were resulting from insufficient consideration of the human side of defense work were sounded by all five of the journalists, who have made extensive, first hand investigations of conditions in defense centers. "Anything you have heard about bad housing from anybody anywhere can be found in some of the defense towns in the United States," Daniels told the committee.

Reports from many other sources are on a par with this. We may be prepared for reports more disconcerting than these. To militarize a nation means far-reaching revolutions in the life of a people. War is always revolutionary. It never settles anything. It means upheaval. It means colossal expense and untold human loss.

Man Glories in His Might

THE big news out of Washington one night last week was the appropriation of four billion dollars to equip four million men as soldiers and to build the biggest battleships ever known and the most powerful bombing planes in the history of man. All this is only a minor part of the American effort to meet might with might in the present world conflict. Soon our boasting of American security by the power of material might will be heard around the world.

All who have heard the voice of the past and have listened to the testimony of history know how false is such security and the end of all who rely on material might. Babylon and Nineveh are the two symbols of pride and might in the ancient world. This is the audacity with which its foundations were laid—"Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may touch heaven, and let us make us a name." Amid the success and wealth of later years, in its pride and its power, Babylon forgets there is a God at all. Its wealth, its power and its strong defenses come to an end with the message of doom that came as the hand writing appeared on the wall the night of Babylon's impious revels. Imperial Babylon became a desolate site, a servile and squalid life, ashes and ruins given over to bats and owls. Nineveh shared a similar fate. Both of these, though located in the rich river valleys of the ancient world, fell into irredeemable decay. Such is the end of the pride and might and power of man.

Babylon becomes as a heap of ashes but the spirit of Babylon never dies. And imperial Caesar lives on in the modern world. Hitler and German might partake of the nature of Rome. So now America is forced to array might against might—and thus imperiled by the fate of the ancient world.

Imperial Caesar is dead and turned to clay and we know what will be the fate of Adolph Hitler and all such who glory in the pride of power. Our fate is sure if we rely on all those things that made Babylon and Nineveh and ancient Rome and depend on which Hitler relies. Big guns, big ships, big airplanes are all temporary and will soon have their day. One greater than Caesar said, "They that take the sword will perish with the sword." England and America are destined to go the way of ancient Babylon unless they are saved by the spirit that has made possible their present greatness. We need to hold firmly to the testimony of history and exalt the God of our fathers.

We are much in the clutch of the modern atheism of force and fear. If the ministers of Jesus Christ and the church of God do not save us we need not count on the war lords and the secular leaders to do it. The future of America is ultimately with those who can make God real to the people—so they will not glory in their might. Never before in all the life of this Republic have there been such axacting demands on the spiritual leaders of the nation. Let Zion arise. All perfunctory effort in the church must be put aside.

*How Long Can Might Triumph?

STANLEY JONES in his latest book, "Is the Kingdom of God Realism?" in the second chapter sets out in vivid fashion some of the questions Jesus raised on the cross and the answers that came on the third day. How far can force go? How far can lies go in this world? How far can a good man's life work fail? Jesus answered these and other such questions at the Resurrection.

Well, the answer must be that force can go a long way. The might of the Roman soldiers at the cross triumphed as they drove the nails through the quivering flesh of his hands and feet. God is silent. Man is helpless. Big battalions triumph. Today is theirs, so is tomorrow. But on the third day the soldiers "were as dead men." The might of these soldiers failed in the hour of the Resurrection. Just so lies can go a long way, Jesus was crucified on half truths. "Through propaganda," says Hitler, "you can make people believe that hell is heaven and heaven is hell." But this universe is not built for the ultimate success of a lie. Today and tomorrow they can and do triumph. But on the third day Truth rises from its grave resplendent, victorious. A good man's failure becomes the tragic fact today and tomorrow; but the third day gloom gives way to gladness. Today and tomorrow all seems lost, but wait until the third day. One's life work comes out of the gloom stronger and more radiant than ever. "Some one asked Dr. Charles Beard, the great modern historian, what lessons he had learned from history," writes Stanley Jones. "He replied that he had learned four: First, when it gets darkest the stars come out. Sec-

ond, when a bee steals from a flower it also fertilizes that flower. Third, whom the gods would destroy they first make mad. Fourth, the mills of the gods grind slowly but they grind exceeding small." These four lessons from the school room of fact corroborate what we learn from history in the cross and in the resurrection."

*"Is the Kingdom of God Realism?" By Stanley E. Jones. Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, New York, Nashville. $2.00.

Ministerial Heroics Fading Out

OUR observations and knowledge of Methodist history force upon us the conviction that Methodist preachers are losing the crusading spirit. The heroism of the fathers is fading out. Not a few of our men from the schools seem to be wanting in the daring and the determination that belonged to the men on horseback in other days. Wherever these itinerants appeared the forces of evil knew that the fight was on. Something began to happen; and that right soon.

We in all seriousness insist that this hardy tribe is much needed in this present hour. As the nation is now threatened with the two greatest curses of humanity—intemperance and war—the need is for heroic leaders in every church and community to promote the crusade for temperance and for the peace of the world. Had we a few leaders such as were Sam Jones and George Stuart much good cheer would be ours. But a more urgent need everywhere is men with the heroic daring of Jones and Stuart who would lead in every community. Religoius homilies and ethical essays wrought out in theological schools under the direction of men without the daring which is born of the cross will not win in this day when the world is falling to pieces. Men loyal to their convictions, devoted to the Christ and ready to die for a cause will win. The man who hesitates when he should take his stand for a cause is doomed—his decline of soul has begun.

Jesus becomes real and potential in the pulpit when the preacher really knows God in the secret place and has fellowship with the suffering saints in the waste places of life.

Ideals are like the stars—we never reach them, but like the mariners on the sea, we chart our course by them.—Carl Schurz.

Totalitarian Falsehoods

ALL dictators of which we have any knowledge are notorious liars. They seem to think that they can compel men to accept their word as truth even as they compel their subjects to do their bidding. And with their subject people shut off from so many avenues of truth they in a measure succeed. But to free men who have access to the truth their lying seems silly and absurd. But falsehoods are an inseparable part of all dictators. Even men in our democracies who are obsessed with a dictatorial spirit invariably handle the truth carelessly and the saying runs their words cannot be trusted.

But why should we be surprised at the lying proclivities of dictators who will tear up treaties, overrun and oppress foreign countries, bomb and slay peace loving citizens, and seek the extermination of races and nations? A dictator is the chief of liars as well as of all other iniquities.

The Crashes Sicken Us

THE crashes on the highways, in airplanes, school buses and rail crossings increase all over the land. It seems that when war and preparation for war are abroad and liquor flows freely, human life becomes so cheap that little care remains for the protection of life and limb. How could it be otherwise? Training men to kill, and a reckless expenditure of money and treasure beget a spirit of careless abandon that dominates all life.

At one time a feeling of horror followed sudden death, but that is no more. Haste and drinking drivers, statistics disclose, are responsible for most of the casualties. How is this to be remedied with the tendencies to increase both these causes? Some remedy must be found or else our roads will be strewn with the bloody and maimed on our highways. The present situation is appalling.

A Suggestion to After Dinner Speakers

A SPEAKER who had received an introduction that promised more than he felt he was able to deliver, as is often the case, said, I one day passed a small church that displayed a large sign which read: "Annual strawberry Festival," and below in small letters: "On account of the depression prunes will be served tonight."

People and Things

The new address of H. R. Ashmore is 1210 Arsenal Ave., Fayetteville, N. C.—H. R. Ashmore.

Dr. M. B. Stokes, Sr., and wife, former missionaries to Korea, will sail March 26 from Miami, Fla., for the Isle of Pines, Cuba, to engage in missionary work.

Dr. M. B. Stokes, Jr., has been elected assistant professor of Christian doctrine in the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., for the year 1941-1942.

Rev. J. C. Auman of Community church, Thomasville, has been appointed missionary secretary for the Winston-Salem district in place of Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., who has given up the work on account of press of other duties.

The annual meeting of Wilmington District League of Stewards will be in Fifth Avenue Methodist church March 29. W. A. McGirt, district lay leader, will preside. At the fellowship banquet the chief speaker will be Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, Washington, D. C.

Rev. R. E. Brown is assisting Rev. O. W. Dowd in the pre-Easter revival services at Divine Street church, Dunn, this week. Chaplain Leon M. Hall preached for this congregation Sunday night to a large audience on the subject, "Wilt Thou Be Made Whole?" A splendid message.—O. W. Dowd.

The final report of the Winston-Salem district for the offering on the Day of Compassion shows that $3,863.66 was raised. This is about $800 more than the allotment. Many churches reached their goals or exceeded them, and a report was brought from every charge in the district.—H. Grady Hardin.

Sixty men of our Sunday school and church at Farmville met Friday evening. After enjoying a supper they organized the Wesley Brotherhood. It was decided to hold regular meetings on the third Friday night of each month. All men of our church are cordially invited to join in this fellowship.—Church Bulletin.

The people of Norway have been forbidden by Hitler to pray for their king or the royal family. They are getting around this by offering prayers for "all those whom we can never forget, and who will always remain dear to us." Three hundred Norwegian Nazis have been sent to Germany to receive instruction in the new "Germanic Church," which is to replace the State Church.—The United Presbyterian.

Dr. J. Harry Cotton, president of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Chicago, says: "Ministers tend to become too pompous, dignified and self-important, as though they were not human beings as is every sinner who sits before them on Sunday mornings. We need to make clear to ourselves the burdens that our people carry along with the anxieties that disturb them, their unfilled hungers and their restless sense of need."

W. H. Groce, Forest City, secured quota of national Advocates—over 20. M. A. Lewis, Micaville, has made extensive improvements on parsonage. M. T. Hipps, Spruce Pine, secured quota of national Advocates. New pews were used for first time March 23 at Clinchfield church, H. M. Wellman, pastor. Zion church, Morganton circuit, building new; new location; G. R. Stafford, pastor. Loyalty campaign now on in Morganton First church; are having overflow crowds. Henrietta, M. C. Reece, pastor, organized community civic club with 70 men present. Plans are under way to rebuild church there that was recently burned. Mill Company had $7000 insurance on old building; using school building at present.—H. M. Wellman.

Under the management of Willard Matthews and sponsored by Richard Crooks, Robert Nicholson, baritone, was artist for the third Louisburg College concert series which was held on the morning of March 17 at 10:30 o'clock in the college auditorium. Mr. Nicholson came to Louisburg very highly recommended as a singer who displayed a beautiful voice together with perfect diction. He has sung with various organizations throughout the country with great success.

The preachers of the Winston-Salem district were guests of Dr. C. C. Weaver at Sunny Acres on March 20. The morning was devoted to a discussion of the problems of overlapping work among the various charges, and also the unchurched communities of the counties. After lunch plans were completed for the district missionary institute to be held March 30 at Centenary church, Winston-Salem. This institute will begin with a general meeting at 2 o'clock with group meetings for the various sections of church workers at 3:15. After a box lunch together at six there will be an organ recital, and then a youth rally in the evening with Dean P. E. Lindley of High Point College as speaker.—H. Grady Hardin.

Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of High Point district, reports the general conditions of the district encouraging. The district exceeded its allotment for the Day of Compassion offering by more than $150. A district missionary institute is to be held at Central church, Asheboro, Sunday, March 30, beginning at 2 o'clock. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University will be one of the speakers. Plans are already in the making for the district conference to be held at High Point College, Wednesday, April 23. By way of church improvements Sunday school rooms are being added at both West Chapel church, Asheboro circuit, and Pleasant Grove church, West Randolph circuit. The church at Cedar Falls is being relocated on the highway.—J. C. Madison, Dist. Rep.

The summer term at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., offers a variety of opportunities for study not only to regular students, but to others interested in securing additional training, and to volunteer workers wishing to prepare for more effective service in their homes, churches, and communities. The summer quarter opens on June 10 and the first term closes on July 16. The second term is from July 17 to August 22. Two courses, to be offered particularly for teachers of adult groups, will be offered during the first term. They are "The Philosophy of Missions" and "Missionary Education." During the second term a special course in Christian Social Relations will be taught. A special bulletin containing information about the summer quarter can be obtained by addressing the registrar, J. M. Batten, Scarritt College for Christian Workers, Nashville, Tenn.

Not all the men who get elected to the Pennsylvania legislature are Solomons by a thousand miles, to which the following food bills bear ample evidence: "A bill has been introduced into the Pennsylvania legislature which would bar any person who will not salute the American flag from a teacher's position. A second bill requires teachers and pupils to salute the flag. Two other bills would outlaw the doctrines of the 'Witnesses' in public schools, and still another bill would make it a criminal offense for a teacher to refuse to require school children to salute the flag, and would cancel the contracts of all teachers refusing to require this rite. The 'Witnesses' suffered two setbacks in federal court when the Massachusetts circuit court of appeals refused a petition to prevent town officials from banning the sale of literature by members of the cult without permits."

ALL ROADS LEAD TO REIDSVILLE NEXT SUNDAY

The old timer might call it a double-barreled meeting and the new timer might call it a double-feature picture. For all of us it will be a real church rally of the preachers and laymen of the Greensboro district.

It is the second meeting of the District League of Stewards and it is, at the same time, our annual missionary institute. There will be a quick check-up of the charge



Bishop W. W. Peele

lay leaders, brief summary of matters of interest, an address by Brother R. L. Pope of Thomasville (his last talk to a great Bible class in Greensboro was tops). Then comes a free fellowship tea or light supper, which will be only an intermission. Brother Armbrust and his church are preparing for 400. Once the Master was known to his friends "in breaking of bread," and always we become better known to each other in such association. Will you have tea or coffee?

After the supper Brother R. G. Tuttle takes charge for the missionary institute and Bishop W. W. Peele will bring the main address. Dr. Gobbel expects the laymen and ladies, and I expect the preachers. L. B. Hayes.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, MARCH 31

The speakers follow:

Devotional address. Dr. G. Ray Jordan.
Statement of the Aims. Dr. G. T. Bond.
The Missionary Challenge in the Light of World Conditions. Bishop W. W. Peele.
Our new missionary organization:
What It Is. Bishop Clare Purcell.
The Place of the Layman. Guy O. Bagwell.
The Place of the Woman. Mrs. W. M. McLauren.
Missions in the Church School. Carl King.
The Golden Cross. Rev. L. B. Abernethy.
Presentation of the World Outlook and the Methodist Woman. Mrs. J. W. Payne.
Presentation of Mission Study Book. Rev. S. M. Needham.
Our Church in Japan. Rev. I. L. Shaver.

WHELESS SCHOLARSHIP GIVEN TO LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Mr. Thomas W. Wheless and wife, Mary Rosser Wheless, Essex, N. C., have given a sum of money to Louisburg College to establish a Labor Scholarship of sixty dollars to be awarded annually to a student or students attending Louisburg College, preferably from the Aurealian Springs or Warrenton high schools.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

At a recent meeting of the student body in Odell auditorium, Miss Sara West Davis of Weldon was elected editor of the Collegian, the college newspaper, and Miss Rosemary Reed of Greensboro was elected business manager of the publication. Both have served on the staff, Miss Davis as assistant editor and Miss Reed as business manager's assistant.

On Tuesday, March 25, the student faculty and alumnae at Greensboro College observed Greensboro College Day with a special chapel program in Odell auditorium, where Miss Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy, president of the student association, presided. Included on the program were alumnae of the college, including Misses Annie Laurie Felder, Miss Breedlove of Kannapolis, Mrs. Roy Smith of Greensboro, Mrs. H. S. Taylor, Hookerton, and Miss Alia Ross. At a banquet in the college dining room at six o'clock the four classes sang songs and toasts were given.

Beginning Friday, Greensboro College students will be hostess to the North Carolina Federation of Students for their annual meeting, continuing through Sunday.

Greensboro College Alumnae Dinner

On Thursday evening, March 27, the Greensboro College Y. W. C. A. hut will take on a festive air when, amid Easter decorations which give a note of the arrival of spring, the alumnae of Davenport College and Greensboro College attending the first annual session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference being held at West Market Street church will meet for dinner. Conference officers, district presidents, and district secretaries will be special guests for the occasion. Mrs. Karl Bishopric of Spray, president of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association, will preside. The invocation will be given by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of the college. The welcome will be given by Dr. Luther Gobbel president, and the response made by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Musical numbers on the program will be rendered by Mr. Walter Vassar of the school of music.

Receiving in Main building and the "hut" prior to the dinner will be Mrs. Bishopric, Dr. Gobbel, Mrs. Gobbel, Miss Mary Brock, alumnae secretary, Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students, Mrs. Wallace Taylor, Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Mrs. E. L. Sides, Miss Nannie Lee Smith, Mrs. Norman Boren, Mrs. John Atwater, Mrs. Charles Eatman, Miss Betty Walker Turner, and Mrs. Thomas Neese.

The following present students, daughters of alumnae, will serve as hostesses and guides to the alumnae on a tour of the college: Misses Lula Hester Brame, North Wilkesboro; Jean Brunson, Wilson; Elizabeth Collett, Morganton; Margaret Darrough, Asheville; Dorothy Dickinson, Fremont; Katherine Hill, New Bern; Anne Hodges, Raleigh; Betty Jansen, Winter Haven, Fla.; Dorothy Leonard, Hickory; Emma Frances Luther, Asheboro; Eleanor Plyler, Durham; Helen Prince, Dunn; and Mira Riddle, Morganton.

Before the evening program in Odell auditorium the alumnae will be taken to the library, where Miss Annette Shinn, librarian, will display an exhibit in which alumnae will be particularly interested.

Mrs. Wallace Taylor, president of the Greensboro chapter of the Alumnae Association, is serving as chairman of arrangements.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

Central Methodist Church, Asheboro, March 30, 2 p. m.

Program of speakers with principal address by Dr. Rowe.
Devotional. District Superintendent, Dr. S. W. Taylor.
The Challenge of World Service to Young People. Mr. Robert Rankin.
Promotion of World Service Through the Church School. Dr. E. H. Blackard.
World Service from the Viewpoint of Methodist Women. Mrs. W. T. Powell.
The Missionary Program of the Church and Its Relation to World Problems. Dr. G. T. Rowe.
Benediction. Dr. G. T. Rowe.

The Court Upholds Union

By BISHOP JOHN M. MOORE

Immediately following the adoption of union and the Plan of Union of the three Methodist churches by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the decision of the Supreme Judicial Council that the union and plan of union had been legally and constitutionally adopted, it became evident from the pronouncements and actions of the opponents of union that the validity of the union would be tested in the courts. This indication was not overlooked by the members of the Commission on Methodist Union from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The Uniting Conference at Kansas City in May, 1939, upon the motion of certain delegates from the South, provided for the defense of union should any efforts be made to overthrow or restrict it, and it was known that some had already been made.

On April 24, 1939, the Pine Grove church on the Turbeville-Olanta circuit, Kinstree district, South Carolina conference, held a church conference and ordered the sale of the church property by the trustees to three men. Three of the six trustees, claiming to be a majority, did transfer the property as ordered, and the grantees recorded the deed. This same procedure was followed in other churches in South Carolina.

On May 10, 1939, the day upon which the Uniting Conference declared the union in effect, the three individuals, or grantees, claiming to be trustees of the Pine Grove Church, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, served notice on Rev. L. D. B. Willliams, the pastor, that they were assuming control and direction of the said church property and forbade him to use the same, and warned him that any such action would be treated as a trespass on their alleged rights. They notified Mr. Williams that in the near future they and their associates would hold services in said building at such times as best suited their convenience, and that it would be necessary for him and his associates to hold services at other hours.

On May 25, 1939, suit was entered in the circuit court to determine the rights and issues in the case. Upon the recommendations of the Methodist leaders in South Carolina, State Senator Henry R. Sims of Orangeburg, Col. R. T. Jaynes of Walhalla and Col. R. E. Babb of Laurins were engaged to protect the interests and rights of the Methodist Church. At a conference the Council and certain church representatives, including Dr. T. D. Ellis and myself, the two eminent attorneys who had given much advice and aid in drawing the resolutions and official statements presented to the General Conference at Birmingham were present. They are Judge Walter McElreath of Atlanta, an authority on the constitutional law of Georgia, and Judge J. Morgan Stevens of Jackson, Mississippi, a former member of the Supreme Court of Mississippi. Also Judge Orville A. Park of Macon, a member of the Judicial Council that rendered the famous decision and a lawyer of distinction, was invited in. These six able lawyers were retained and have formed the counsel for the church and will continue to do so if circumstances permit until the final decision is reached.

The active bishops of the Southeastern Jurisdiction were made the plaintiffs of the church, along with the actual trustees and other loyal members of the church. Bishop Clare Purcell who was in charge in South Carolina has given much active service.

The defendants have been the grantees and the three men who undertook to transfer the church property, and a group of persons in South Carolina who oppose the union. The distinguished counsel for the defendants are the Hon. Collins Denny, Jr., of Richmond, Va., and Hon. C. T. Graydon of Columbia, South Carolina.

The honorable court instead of hearing the case in person appointed, under the laws of South Carolina, the Hon. Nathan B. Barnwall of Charleston as Referee, or Master in Chancery, to hear the case. To be sure no greater case has been heard in that state, and the labor in hearing the testimony and the pleading and in the consideration of the exhaustive briefs from both sides has been very great indeed. The decision involved really the validity of the union, and the processes by which it was adopted. The decision will in all probability be tested in the Supreme Court of South Carolina, and there is the possibility that the issue may go into the federal court and on up to the United States Supreme Court. It is no surprise that Judge Barnwell has taken eight months to hear the case and to prepare his decision.

Judge McElreath who directed the case has made the following statement as to Judge Barnwell's decision of March 3, 1941, which I take the liberty of publishing:

"Judge Barnwell's report confirms the legality of the union of the three churches in every particular; he holds that The Methodist Church is the legal successor of the three constituent churches; that The Methodist Church is entitled to all the rights, property and franchises of the three churches; that the faction in the Pine Grove church which adheres to The Methodist Church is entitled to the use and control of the property, and that the deed alienating the property should be set aside and cancelled, and the defendant faction enjoined from interfering in any way with the faction which adheres to the new church.

"He denied our application for injunction against the use of the name Methodist Episcopal Church, South, holding that the Unifying Conference was without any legal power in the matter of retaining the exclusive use of the name. With the exception of the use of the name, his report is sweeping and conclusive."

Our attorneys believe that the injunction against the use of the name will yet be granted.

The attorneys for the defendants have filed exceptions which our attorneys have answered. The hearing on these exceptions will probably take three or four months. Should the case go to the Supreme Court another year or eighteen months will be consumed. Of the ultimate outcome I have never had any doubt.

The great cause of social crime is drink; the great cause of poverty is drink; when I hear of a family broken up, I ask the cause—drink. If I go to the gallows and ask the victim the cause, the answer—drink. Then I ask myself in perfect wonderment, why do not men put a stop to this thing.—Archbishop Ireland.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN RALEIGH

Dr. Harrison S. Elliott, head of the department of religious education at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and president of the Religious Education Association, will be principal speaker at a meeting, under the auspices of the association, in Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, Wednesday, April 2, from 10:30 until 4 o'clock.



Dr. Harrison S. Elliott

Dr. Elliott will lead a discussion on "Religious Education and Public Education," a subject which has been given wide attention in publications of the Religious Education Association and by the public press. Dr. Elliott is the author of several books in connection with religious education and has traveled in the Far East, studying especially missionary work in India and China. He has specialized in discussion methods as techniques of democratic procedure and has led numerous local, regional, and national conferences conducted on a discussion basis, including the World Conference of Young Men's Christian Associations in Helsingfors, Finland.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, regional chairman for the association in this state and professor of religion at Greensboro College, states that the meeting will be open to all persons interested in religious and public education, and that a large attendance is expected from all sections of the state.

WAR NEWS

When Mrs. Brown telephoned her weekly order to her grocer she named a tin of golden syrup, which he could not supply, explaining the reason in a little penciled note which said: "Dear Madam—Owing to this affair syrup is scarce, but if any comes in during the week I will send the tin you ordered."

Nothing more typically English than a reference to so colossal a war as the one we are at present waging as "this affair" can be imagined; though the little tale has its peer in a story recently told in the Farmer's Weekly of how, somewhere in the West country, the crew of a Nazi bomber baled out and fell in open country. The first person one of them encountered was a rather ancient cowman on the way to get in the cows for the morning milking. The airman, in excellent English, said: "I am a German officer, and I wish to be taken prisoner." To which the cowman replied, without hesitation: "I can't with 'ee now. Thee come along of I an' get they cows, and then we'll see about 'ee." So the cows were got in, and then the captive was handed over to the village constable!—Methodist Recorder (London).

OUR ADVOCATE COMMENDED BY A GOOD METHODIST

The writer cheerfully concurs in your editorial of last week's Advocate, viz: "This Advocate Is Consistent." I bear this testimony and concurrance as a subscriber of the N. C. Christian Advocate for more than 25 years and close observer of its editorial columns, news items, and contributed articles. I have found the paper to be a consistent and courageous advocate and defender of the policy and doctrine of the Methodist Church, its ministry, and an outstanding foe of any agency or individual that is seemingly a menace to the morals and spiritual happiness of its constituents, especially the legal sale of liquor, whose product is destructive to the mind, sends the body to premature grave, and its soul to an endless hell.

Should its editor fail to condemn liquor in any form, the arch enemy of mankind, I would have little respect for the paper or its editor.

"God give us men. The time demands strong minds,
Great hearts, true faith and willing hands.
Men whom the lust of office does not kill,
Men who possess opinion and a will,
Men who have honor, men who will not lie,
Men who can stand before a demogogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking,
Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking."

T. C. Ethridge.

APPRECIATION

Just a little space to express my appreciation of the kindness shown us during our short stay at Merrimon Avenue Methodist church in Asheville. This was my shortest pastorate, nearly two and one-half years, but while the work was hard, it was very pleasant. The people who carried on the work of the church were uniformly kind. It was hard to part with them because of this. We shall always remember the loyalty and faithfulness of this little band.

We have been kindly received here—an unexpected move, caused by the death of one of our faithful ministers, Brother Reynolds. It was best that the church I left and Hillside church be united. This seemed to be the opportune time. To Brother H. S. Williams this task has been given. We pray God's richest blessings to rest upon him and the merged flock.

We have one of the best parsonages in the district, an increase in salary, and we have it from all who know, that we have some of the finest people in the Western North Carolina conference to serve. Only three churches, in ten miles of Asheville, and the farthest church is only six miles from the parsonage. And we are in this beautiful country between Hendersonville and Asheville, just midway. Beautiful for situation is this section.

Our postoffice is Fletcher, N. C., and an invitation is given to any who are passing to drop in. We still love to have friends visit us. And this word: Will all who read these lines please pray for us that great grace may rest upon us in our work here for Him. N. G. Bethea.

They Shall Not Vote!

(Editorial in Biblical Recorder)

By a secret vote of 34 to 10 the House committee on finance of the 1941 General Assembly last week reported unfavorably on H.B. 410, which provided for a state-wide referendum on the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina. Thus by the cowardly use of the secret ballot 34 men told the entire electorate of this state, "You shall not vote on the liquor issue."

That is the heart of the whole matter—the privilege of the citizens of a free, democratic state to exercise their inalienable right to vote on an issue which concerns, not this section or that, but the state as a whole. Thirty-four men, themselves elected by the processes of democracy, by virtue of their authority and their personal opinions denied the privilege of the ballot to their fellow citizens. Primarily they did not say to the electorate of North Carolina, "It is good for us to have legalized liquor.' They said that, of course, but primarily, and of even more importance, they said, "You, the citizens of North Carolina, shall not vote on the liquor issue."

The committee on finance said more about that. It said to the 1941 General Assembly as a whole, "Even you shall not vote on the referendum bill—not unless you revoke our decision by a two-thirds majority vote of the House." It said so by virtue of a House rule, adopted on March 4, which requires a two-thirds vote to adopt a minority report from a committee. That is to say, a two-thirds vote by the House would have been necessary to adopt a minority report of the ten men who voted for the referendum bill. An obvious improbability so far as the 1941 General Assembly is concerned. And so it was, in a forthright editorial in its issue of March 5, that the News and Observer, Raleigh, rightly called this "an outrageous rule" and characterized it as representing "the gag rule at its worst." Under it, as the editorial points out, a majority vote in either branch of the General Assembly could easily be flouted by a margin of one vote in a committee. Was the rule designed as a special weapon to guarantee the death of the referendum bill? Of course it was.

If, however, there is any doubt that the heart of this entire matter lies in whether the citizens of this state shall have the privilege of exercising their right to say by their vote in a state-wide election whether or not they want legalized liquor, then consider these additional facts. On the introduction of the bill into the House, Speaker O. M. Mull referred it to the committee on propositions and grievances. After two public hearings the bill passed this committee by an 11-10 vote, Chairman C. E. Quinn casting the deciding vote. Then Speaker Mull, on the ground that an important source of state revenue was involved, referred the bill to the committee on finance. Thereupon, realizing that this financial hurdle would be next to impossible to top, friends of the bill proposed an amendment which would have made the provisions of the bill effective, not until July 1, 1943, thus taking the financial problem entirely out of the picture so far as the 1941 General Assembly was concerned. But despite this change the bill died at the hands of its executioners as we have indicated.

All of which means that one does not have to go to Europe to find foes of democracy. They are here in our own so-called democratic America—yes, in our own fair state of North Carolina. They are enemies from within, whose work is no less effective than that of the enemies without, all their flag-waving and self-styled partiotism to the contrary notwithstanding. For the best way to kill democracy is, not to wage war against it (in time the people will rise up against outright opposition), but to fail to exercise it, so to hedge it about as to prevent its natural functioning. That is the best way to kill democracy.

The obvious truth is that the 1941 General Assembly is wet. No doubt some of its members who are dry "personally" are wet "politically"—if such an anomaly can be imagined. At least that is their own explanation. For reasons best known to themselves they have joined their voices with the voices of the liquor forces in saying to the citizens of this state that they shall not vote on the liquor issue. They are saying this because they know that the citizens of this state would vote dry overwhelmingly if only they were given an opportunity. In fact, we have the wets' own word for it. Judge Paul Webb, of Morehead City, said at a public hearing, "I'm not trying to softsoap or mince words when I say that on a referendum North Carolina would vote dry." Indeed, it would vote dry! It did so in 1908 and again in 1933 (by a majority of 184,000 votes), and it would do so again in 1941 were the opportunity given. Moreover, the 1933 vote has never been changed so far as the people of the state are concerned, and it would be effective today had not the fifth-column ABC stores edged their way into certain counties by totally unfair and undemocratic processes—yet processes that were approved by the General Assembly of other years.

And so it boils down to this: First, the people of North Carolina have the right to vote—a right guaranteed them by our state constitution, as veteran crusader John A. Oates of Fayetteville pointed out before the committee on finance last week. Second, by all the laws and principles governing a free people in a democracy, the privilege of exercising that right ought never to be withheld. Third, the people of North Carolina would have the privilege of voting on the liquor issue in November, 1941, had not the General Assembly said last week, "You shall not vote."

Let us not forget, however, that the people came in for their share of the blame. Dr. John Arch McMillan went straight to the point in a devastating paragraph in the March 6 issue of Charity and Children, in part as follows:

> . . . The time to force a vote on the liquor question is past when the legislature meets. The liquor forces were wide awake last fall when the drys were sound asleep. . . . Maybe two years from now the drys will have learned something. And if they do learn something they will not wait for a committee hearing, they will have sent men to Raleigh who will authorize a referendum without dry assistance before any committee.

Then let us, citizens who want to see liquor outlawed in this state, rise up against the wet forces as never be-

fore. By our money, by our influence, by our lives, and by our votes, let us uphold the hands of Cale K. Burgess in his gallant work as president of the United Dry Forces of North Carolina. Let us see to it that the next General Assembly is dry. Then shall we be given the privilege of exercising our suffrage as free men and women in a free and democratic state—then and then only.

YOUR COMMUNITY—FROM BELOW OR ABOVE?

By E. Stanley Jones

There are five kingdoms representing five stages of life: the mineral, the vegetable, and the animal kingdoms; above these the kingdom of man, and above it the kingdom of God.

Man stands between two kingdoms, the kingdom of the animal on one side and the kingdom of God on the other. He can be controlled either from below or from above.

The kingdom of the animal stands for self against the rest; the kingdom of God stands for self for the sake of the rest.

The kingdom of the animal is the survival of the fittest in terms of the sharpest tooth and claw; the kingdom of God stands for the survival of the unfit in terms of redemption.

The kingdom of the animal organizes life around the hunger motive with the love motive subservient; the kingdom of God organizes good around the love motive with the hunger motive subservient.

The kingdom of the animal stands for mutual slaughter, and the kingdom of God for mutual aid.

The kingdom of the animal is a feud, the kingdom of God is a family.

To the degree that any community responds to selfish impulses, it is formed from below. To the degree that it responds to these higher impulses, it is born from above.

Does your community show itself to be born from below or born from above? How it responds to the call to meet human need will answer.

MRS. ADDIE HESTER HUNT

Mrs. Addie Hester Hunt passed from this life unto her eternal reward October 3, 1940, at the crowning age of 78. She was a daughter of the late Rev. William Stephen Hester and Melisa Crews Hester. She was married to Mr. D. N. Hunt, who died two years ago, on December 26, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt celebrated their golden wedding in 1933.

Mrs. Hunt was graduated from the Normal Academy of Music of Norwich, Conn., in 1879 and from Greensboro Female College, Greensboro, in 1882. She was one of Granville county's most accomplished musicians in her younger days and had taught music since her graduation. Since her early childhood Mrs. Hunt had been a faithful member of Salem Methodist church, Oxford circuit. She was an active leader, having been a charter member of the woman's missionary society.

Mrs. Hunt was a devoted wife, an understanding mother, and a friendly, helpful neighbor. She loved her church and in the spirit of Christ gave herself for it. She knew Jesus Christ personally as a Saviour and Lord, and rejoiced daily in his living presence. his saving grace, and his uplifting power. The strength of her body, the purity of her heart, the clearness of her mind, the beauty of her soul—all these were dedicated in one long continued experience of joyous expression in the service of the Lord. Patient in suffering, true in Christian experience, earnest and fervent in prayer, hopeful in outlook, unselfish in helpfulness, childlike in the simplicity of faith, unfailing in trust—this woman of God went about doing good. The wonderful words of Jesus may well be used as a memorial also unto her, "She hath done what she could." Her life was gentle and also the elements so mixed in her that nature might stand up and say to all the world, "This was a woman whose life, lived in the realm of the highest, the truest, and the best, was rich, full and abundant." Truly she has made a lasting contribution of great value to her day and generation.

Mother Hunt has passed "to where beyond these fitful voices there is peace." May God graciously add his blessings of comfort, mercy, strength, peace, and love to the members of the family.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon, October 5, 1940, at 2 o'clock at the Salem Methodist church with Rev. L. C. Brothers, pastor, in charge, assisted by the Revs. F. M. Shamburger, O. W. Dowd and Paul H. Fields. Interment took place in the church cemetery.

Surviving are a brother, Rev. Marvin W. Hester of Los Angeles, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. L. C. Wilkerson; five sons, Joseph P., William G., Kilgo and Earle Hunt of Oxford, and Raymond A. Hunt of Charlottesville, Va.; and 13 grandchildren. Paul H. Fields, a Former Pastor.

REPORTS OF COMPASSION DAY OFFERING TO MARCH 18

Preliminary reports from 18 of the 32 Methodist bishops' areas in the United States show that the Day of Compassion offering taken in the Methodist churches in those areas now totals $525,000, according to an announcement made March 18 by the Chicago office of Methodist information.

The appeal for this Good Samaritan collection was made in 43,194 Methodist churches on Sunday, March 2, but offerings are still being taken in many churches and the bishops state that additional amounts will be turned in from their areas, in addition to the amounts yet to be reported from the other areas.

Five of the areas reporting—Cincinnati, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Richmond (Va.) and St. Paul—went "over the top" in reporting amounts exceeding their quotas by $2000 or more. The quotas and preliminary returns for those areas are:

Areas	Quotas	Returns
Cincinnati	$67,500	$76,200
Detroit	30,000	32,000
Pittsburgh	52,000	73,664
Richmond	32,000	37,890
St. Paul	28,000	30,000

Because many areas have not yet reported their totals and many churches are still receiving contributions, it is not possible at this time to indicate the total that can be expected on the goal of $1,000,000 in the Methodist Emergency Million crusade. If the one million dollars is received from the eight million Methodists in the United States, it will be divided as follows:

$500,000 for overseas relief in Europe and Asia, for feeding, clothing and sheltering non-combatant war victims.

$250,000 for religious and social work among young men in United States army camps and navy yards.

$250,000 for the aid of the British Methodist Church, especially in its missionary work.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, retired, of Washington, D. C., is chairman of the Methodist Emergency Commission, composed of all the bishops and a representative number of prominent Methodist laymen and ministers from each of the six jurisdictions of the church. Dr. Orien W. Fifer is executive secretary and Dr. Elmer T. Clark handled the promotion.

NEWS ITEMS FROM CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

The Charlotte district has made a very creditable showing in its response to the "Day of Compassion" offering. The district was asked to contribute $2741 and has paid to date $3483. It is worthy of note that 27 charges out of the 38 in the district raised more than their quotas.

The Bethlehem church on the Prespect charge is ready for dedication. It is a beautiful rural church. Last May this church was the host to the district conference. Rev. R. F. Huneycutt is the pastor of this charge and has proven himself a capable and valuable man in this district. The dedication will be announced some time later.

Rev. Jesse E. Hipp, pastor of the Peachland charge, doesn't do a great amount of talking but he is constantly getting things done. During last conference year the Hopewell church burned. It seemed that it would be a very difficult task to replace the church. But the pastor and fine laymen began to work and they are now engaged in building a very beautiful brick veneer church. It will in all probability be completed and dedicated this year. Where there is vision the people do not perish, nor is God's house allowed to languish.

One of our newest charges in the Charlotte district, the Indian Trail-Stallings, under the fine leadership of Rev. J. R. Warren, is accomplishing things. The educational building at Indian Trail church is rapidly nearing completion. This educational building was greatly needed and will prove a great benefit to the program of the church. Surely with so much physical and material activity on the part of these charges we can surmise that God is moving in the hearts of our people. Methodism is on the march!

John H. Carper.

DUKE STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO ASSIST RURAL PASTORS

Duke University had as its luncheon guests Monday, March 17, sixty-seven Duke Endowment students in the School of Religion and the rural pastors of the two North Carolina conferences who will direct the work of the students during the approaching summer. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the pastors and students to each other and to make plans for more effective service.

Dr. J. M. Ormond, professor of practical theology in the School of Religion, presided and announced that all of the students have been assigned. He also stated that he had many more requests for assistants which cannot be filled.

Mr. H. R. Dwire, vice president of Duke University, delivered an address indicating the university's keen interest in the students' summer pastoral work. He said, "Speaking as a layman, I endorse the policy that the School of Religion has adopted in its practical experience program. It seems to be thoroughly sound. I think it is the only way we can be sure of developing a trained ministry that will be able to achieve worth while success."

Dr. Paul N. Garber spoke briefly, showing how other theological seminaries have manifested interest in this Duke plan.

Mr. C. Ralph Arthur, president of the Duke Endowment organization, said to the preachers that the students are most highly appreciative of the opportunity which Duke University is offering them and pledged to the pastors thorough co-operation from all Duke Endowment men.

Professor Ormond reminded the group as to how the plan began some decade and a half ago when five students were assigned to circuits for work. Then, it was an experiment. The success of this pioneer educational service plan has turned the experiment into a unique enterprise in practical pastoral theology.

Professor Ormond has been in charge of this program from the beginning. He has counseled the students, made the assignments, and given certain supervision of their work in co-operation with the pastors in charge. Both the pastors and the students make weekly reports during the ten weeks of the summer.

The men are expected to attend the North Carolina Pastors' School, which this year will be June 2-7, and to go immediately to the churches where they are to work until August 16.

The assignments for this year are as follows:

Student	Charge
Andrews, J. R.	Franklin Ct.
Arthur, C. R.	Jacksonville-Richlands
Beard, J. S.	Faison-Kenansville
Bedenbaugh, K. W.	Thrift-Moores
Benson, C. W.	Todd
Blackburn, L. E.	Training Schools
Boddie, W. D.	Friendship
Boone, S. G.	Shelby Ct.
Booth, L. L.	Perquimans and Chowan
Brabham, A. M., Jr.	Pfeiffer
Bridewell, J. A.	Millbrook
Brock, E. L.	Pink Hill
Brown, B. R.	Waxhaw
Caldwell, Joe	Walstonburg
Carter, J. E.	Creswell
Caviness, W. D.	Aberdeen-Vass
Cooke, Jack	Forest Hills, Concord
Cooke, R. A.	Jones
Cooper, J. A.	Cary
Cravens, B. G.	North Gates
Crutchfield, G. W.	Dellwood
Culp, W. B. A.	Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs
Davis, W. D.	Robersonville
Dawson, Dana	Albemarle
Edwards, W. A.	Burgaw and Oriental
Everett, T. D.	Rich Square and Northampton
Francisco, Ross	Caravan Work
Freeman, W. L.	Mt. Olive Ct.
Galloway, B. A.	Acton
Gray, A. D. Leon	Selma and Roanoke Rapids
Heffner, W. Frank	Mattamuskeet, Swan Quarter-Fairfield
Hendrix, T. C.	Four Oaks
Inge, Wesley	Plymouth and Roper
Ingram, O. K.	Trinity, Durham
Jordan, John S.	Fallston
Judy, Carl W.	Manteo
Kesley, R. H.	Waynesville
Lindsay, J. A.	Newton Grove
Major, Jim	Warren
McCoy, L. M.	Hayesville
Medlin, W. T.	Rougemont, Goldsboro Ct.
Mercer, C. H.	St. Paul's
Miller, I. R.	East Flat Rock
Mooney, R. C.	Newport
Moorman, J. P., Jr.	Morganton Ct.
Nesbitt, M. W.	Bradley Memorial, Gastonia
Patten, Brooks	Shooting Creek
Powell, J. J.	Stanfield, Mooresville Ct.
Prentis, E. W.	Moncure
Rainwater, R. W.	Leasburg and Roxboro Ct.
Reed, R. L.	North Monroe
Rice, J. E.	Mount Vernon
Rogers, J. E.	Stantonsburg
Ruckman, L. V., Jr.	Harmony and Union Grove-Zion
Shannon, C. E.	Catawba
Sharpe, C. C.	Rosman
Stamey, R. H.	Lowell
Steele, C. R.	Jonesville
Stone, J. L.	Pleasant Grove and Farmer
Stubbs, D. L.	South Camden and Leland
Teer, H. B.	New Hope-Bethel, Wadesboro
Thumm, M. V.	South Mills and Raeford
Tyte, W. H.	Moriah-Midway, Miller's Creek
Thompson, W. R.	First Church, Henderson
Scott, LeRoy	Stoneville, Homestead-Pleasant Grove
Vaughan, R. A.	Swansboro
Waggoner, B. M.	Troy Ct.
Wellons, A. W.	Bessemer City
Wilkinson, H. C.	Caravan Work

SUMMARY OF SENATOR SHEPPARD'S RECENT ADDRESS

"Today I reaffirm the conviction I often have expressed concerning national prohibition, namely, that national prohibition is the most effective and practical means of protecting the American people, especially American youth, from the losses and the tragedies of one of the principal social enemies of the Republic—beverage alcohol.

"The armies of young men now training to preserve democracy and peace must be physically fit. Their bodies must be strong. Their muscles must be able to respond to the instantaneous call of will and mind and soul. Their brains must not be dulled, their eyes must not be dimmed by alcohol.

"The men who man our ships must be alert to the perils that surround them below the surface of the ocean as well as above. And men of perfect control of body and mind will be needed to pilot our aircraft. To these objectives beverage alcohol is a frightful menace.

"Mr. President, I condemn beverage alcohol as a threat to the health, happiness and prosperity of our citizenship.

"I condemn it as a contributing factor in the premature death of hundreds of thousands of our people.

"I condemn it as a charge upon the public, intolerable in an era of strenuous effort toward national security and defense.

"I condemn it because an alcohol-drinking democracy cannot develop the maximum strength for national defense."

PLEASANT GARDEN'S NEW PARSONAGE

The parsonage of the Pleasant Garden charge was completely destroyed by fire on November 12. A very small part of the furniture was saved.

A called session of the quarterly conference was held on Thanksgiving evening, at which time the parsonage trustees with a committee from Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem and Rehobeth were instructed to make plans for a new home by building or by buying.



The New Parsonage at Pleasant Garden

They purchased a home near the church. They were to get possession of this property on or before February 1. They voted to pay for the property in full by the first of February. The three churches co-operated most beautifully in what seemed a big undertaking. The splendid spirit of co-operation continued and by the first of February the property was paid for in full.

The women of the three churches did a very splendid work in furnishing the home. They furnished throughout with new furniture. These good women did this without a debt.

The pastor and family moved into the parsonage near the first of February. They are delighted with the home which has been provided for them. This parsonage has two living rooms, a dining room, kitchen, breakfast room, pastor's study, four bed rooms and a nice bath. It has a big range stove which furnishes hot water, an electric stove, and an electric refrigerator.

This is an example of what can be done by a group of Methodists when they make up their minds to do it. It is seen and felt that these people are determined to do other things just as they have provided a parsonage.

This is the best parsonage and the best furnished of any that the pastor and his family have occupied.

"SELL THAT THOU HAST"

At the age of forty-nine, William J. Warrington posted, for the last time, the books of his business interests in Georgia and Arkansas, sold out and retired to New Orleans. There, in the French Quarter, he bought and remodeled a big house that his great-grandfather had built. Then W. J. devoted the place to the free housing of homeless men. When he needed more money for his project, he sold the rest of his estates and invested the proceeds at a figure which would provide just the necessary income. That was seventy years ago. The doors have never been locked.

Warrington House—so named in the distant past for the great-grandfather, not for W. J.—has thirty bedrooms. Twenty-nine of them became sleeping quarters for the destitute. On summer nights there were always at least 18 derelicts occupying cots in corners—winter nights, 100. Daily, 100 free meals were served. Nor were there any questions asked of any applicant beyond enough to establish the facts that he was sober and that he was honestly searching for honest work. W. J. ate the same meals that he served his guests, ate at the great table at which they ate. He reserved only one room for his own use. The other day, at ninety-one, he died there.

You will not find Warrington House listed in catalogues or organized charities. The name W. J. Warrington is not in "Who's Who." It is not in the Social Register. But surely it is written in upper-case letters Somewhere Else.—Boston Transcript.

TO MY SON

Dear Tom:

I have lived with you for these twenty years and my life has been greatly enriched by this filial relationship. It has been my single purpose to assist you in building a strong body and to direct you in your mental and moral development. In this endeavor you have made the greater contribution in self-discipline and the splendid attitude with which you have accepted this counsel.

Since you are now entering the defense of your country and thus upon an era of new and greater responsibilities, I deem it wise to counsel you further about your purpose in life. Remember son, you can best defend your country when your life exemplifies the things you are to defend.

You will encounter an evil world and without the ties of home life to protect you. Temptations will come to you in greater numbers and with a stronger emphasis than ever before. You may even be caused to doubt the wisdom of holding to your ideals since you will see so little of them in the lives of those about you. Strong drink, gambling, profanity and loose moral living will be much in evidence. Much of this will be a new world to you. The challenge for personal decision will bring an additional pressure upon you and you will many times wish for some one to help you. Just remember that the same divine wisdom that has guided you at home these years will not fail you where you are. When you feel a pull by some temptation, remember that the foundation of character building never changes.

Let me assure you, Tom, of my faith and your mother's faith, in your ability and purpose to choose the good and live by it. We know that you will continue to observe the physical, mental and spiritual laws of life. The greatest defense that we shall have during your absence from us is our belief in your integrity of purpose and our faith in your willingness to do these things.

Now son, we send you our love and blessings and close this word of counsel with the following statement: When you are in doubt as to the wisest course to take and you do not seem to get the help you need, just sit down in a prayerful attitude and listen—you will probably hear the voice of your mother and dad asking the Father above to guide you in your way. Affectionately, Your Dad.

CHANGE OF PASTORS

Bishop Clare Purcell authorizes the following announcement:

Rev. E. G. Overton, having been appointed chaplain in the United States Army, has been released from the pastorate of Fayetteville circuit, and Rev. H. R. Ashmore of the Biscoe charge has been appointed to succeed him.

In turn Rev. J. W. Page of the Broadway charge succeeds Rev. Mr. Ashmore, leaving Broadway to be supplied.

W. V. McRae, D. S.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE ANNUAL MEETING IN GREENSBORO

For several months the missionary women of the Western North Carolina conference have looked forward to the first annual meeting of the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, now in session in West Market Street church in Greensboro. This meeting is one of unsual interest, bringing together as one body the representatives from the three former missionary organizations of the Methodist Protestant, Methodist Episcopal, and Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to plan together for the advancement of the great work in which they have so great a share. From all parts of the conference the women have come to Greensboro to enjoy the splendid program of the three days, which will be one of interest, uplifting and inspiring.

The opening session on yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, presiding, opened with a hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," followed by an impressive worship service by Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro. Reports from Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., conference recording secretary, and report of the Jurisdictional conference, held in Richmond, Va., by Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, filled the afternoon hour until 4 o'clock when committee meetings were held. The evening service consisted of worship service by Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street church, and address, "United for the Task," by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, and moving pictures of Africa by Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary.

Each day's program is filled with interesting features and the entire meeting promises to be one of exceptional interest and profit. The entertainment committees of Greensboro have left nothing undone for the comfort and pleasure of the visitors and the very air seems to be filled with a hearty welcome to this great North Carolina city.

OFFICERS TRAINING DAY

Mrs. J. E. Mauney, Rec. Sec.

Officers training day for Gastonia district was held at Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, on March 5, with Mrs. C. R. McAdams, district president, presiding. "Jesus Calls Us" was used as the opening hymn and was followed by an impressive worship service by Rev. Mr. Ellis of the Presbyterian church, who had for his theme, "Peace," stressing that the basis for peace is to be found in Christ.

Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle extended cordial greetings and Mrs. W. G. Hamner, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, also gave words of welcome, to which response was made by Mrs. C .R. McAdams.

Special music was furnished by the Gastonia society, after which the group meetings were held for the discussion of the various phases of the work. At 11:15 the congregation was recalled to the auditorium and the findings of the group meetings were reported.

The following conference officers were present and gave instructive and inspirational talks on their work: Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, secretary of literature and publication; Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary of missionary education and service; Mrs. George Hoyle, secretary of children's work, and Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary of supplies.

An invitation was issued by the Mt. Holly delegation to hold the district meeting there and the invitation was unanimously accepted. At the close of the business session Mrs. Plato Miller, secretary of spiritual life for the district, had charge of a most inspiring devotional program, which was followed by the benediction.

Mrs. W. G. Hamner invited the ladies to the dining room, where a most tempting luncheon was served. After luncheon the resolutions committee composed of Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Mrs. Earl Armstrong and Mrs. J. W. Barneau expressed their gratitude for the gracious hospitality extended by the women of the Gastonia church, the presence of the conference officers, music, flowers timely messages and the splendid program which was most helpful and inspiring.

OUTSTANDING ACTIVITIES

That the women of Main Street Methodist church of Gastonia are alive to the interests of their church is evidenced by the splendid contributions made by them, of which we have recently heard. Since 1933 the women have donated $9396 to the church debt and on March 2 contributed $200 to the fund for World Day of Compassion. Mrs. W. G. Hamner, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, says: "Naturally we are very proud of our part in getting our church debt paid and are glad of the interest shown in Compassion Day by our women."

The Woman's Society of Christian Service in Main Street is an active and large society with more than 300 on roll and they are planning for a greater work in all departments in 1941

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD ORGANIZED

Miss Mamie Sockwell

A Wesleyan Service Guild has been organized in the North Wilkesboro Methodist church with ten charter members. The following were chosen as officers: President, Mrs. Otis Keeling; vice president, Miss Margaret Hall; secretary, Miss Beatrice Pearson; treasurer, Miss Juanita Rorie; local treasurer, Miss Pansy Ferguson; pianist, Miss Lucille DuBose; and the membership committee is composed of Misses Loree O'Daniel, Erby Ferguson, Martha Sue Hager, Mrs. Hoyt Hendren. The Guild will meet the second Tuesday evening in each month.

The World Day of Prayer was observed by the North Wilkesboro churches, having a number of union services during the day. At 9:45 a. m. short prayer services were held in 11 homes throughout the city, also one was held on Thursday evening preceding the day.

The service for the church was held at the First Baptist church at 2 p. m. Special mention of the World Day of Prayer was made at the Kiwanian luncheon and at the assembly periods of the different schools during the day.

FINES CREEK SOCIETY

Mrs. Joseph Shackford reports the organization of a Woman's Society of Christian Service on Fines Creek charge, March 9, by Mrs. W. L. Hutchins during the second quarterly conference at Pine Grove church. President, Mrs. J. T. Shackford; vice president, Mrs. F. L. Safford; recording secretary, Miss Bonnie Duckett; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Reeves Noland; treasurer, Mrs. C. B. McCrary; World Outlook agent, Mrs. Curtis Rogers. Mrs. Shackford also says: "Circle No. 1 was organized for the three Haywood county churches—Fines Creek, Laurel Hill and Pine Grove."

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Haywood Street Methodist church, Asheville, has been recently bereaved in the passing of a loyal member, dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. John W. Tate. The following tribute is from a committee composed of Mrs. Alberta Wall, Mrs. W. G. MacFarland and Mrs. J. P. Morgan:

"We submit our will to God's because we believe that he does all things well and that all things work together for good to them that love him; but he surely works in a mysterious way his wonders to perform, and oftentimes his providence leaves us bereft and sorrowing. Anne's passing is a loss grievous to be borne. In our community, our church and in her home she has lived the life of a noble Christian woman. As local treasurer of our auxiliary for many years, she has been a cheerful and tireless worker, giving herself whole-heartedly to this service. Few, if any, among us have shown greater interest than she in the upkeep of the parsonage and the happiness of those who lived there from time to time.

Broken-hearted over the accidental death a year ago of a beloved daughter, she showed herself strong in faith in her comfort for the other sorrowing ones at home, especially the young husband, bereft of wife, infant and mother almost at the same time. Though gone from us she lives in our hearts and her memory is blessed. Her life is free from pain, she is on the upper, silver side of the clouds.

In loving memory of Anne Tate, in appreciation of her beautiful, useful life and in certain hope of the resurrection and eternal life, we ask that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WHERE HONOR IS DUE

When the late Dr. N. H. D. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson were serving the Maxton charge, Mrs. Wilson was leader of the Bright Jewels. Small Sallie Lou McKinnon joined this band of children workers and from that time her interest in missions grew until she volunteered for full time service and was appointed to work in China. Today she is one of the foreign secretaries of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church. She has often been called "Mrs. Wilson's Spiritual Daughter." Mrs. Wilson, one of the most beloved women of the N. C. conference and until a few years ago when prevented by illness, one of the most active workers, served as conference superintendent of children's work for 17 years. Recently Miss McKinnon and Mrs. Wilson were signally honored when they were presented Life Patron pins, an emblem of life patron membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Miss McKinnon's pin is a gift from the Fayetteville district, and Mrs. Wilson's from the children's division of the conference. Joyous indeed was the occasion when recently a group of women journeyed to Chapel Hill, where Mrs. Wilson is ill at her home, and presented her with her Life Patron pin. The emblem was presented by Mrs. S. H. Scott, New Bern, a former conference officer, and was pinned on Mrs. Wilson by Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro, conference treasurer. Mrs. McKinne planned the program held at the presentation. Others attending were: Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham, former conference president; Mrs. H. J. Faison, Faison, former conference vice president; Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville, who succeeded Mrs. Wilson as conference superintendent of children's work; Mrs. W. A. Cade, Goldsboro. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, conference president, was unable to attend because of illness.

YOUNG WOMEN AND GIRLS

Mrs. S. A. Dunn, conference secretary of young women's and girls' work, sends the following message to all secretaries of that department in the local societies: "I know you are eager to know what to do about organizing young women and girls in your local churches. For the present, please do nothing. On page 19 of the Guide Book we are told, 'In the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South . . . the organization of young women and girls into separate missionary societies should be withheld until plans of the new board with respect to the missionary education of girls and young women are made available.' These plans are not yet available, so please do not organize the girls in your local churches. This will avoid confusion later. However, young women 23 or 24 years old or older, rightfully belong in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and I hope you will do all you can to cultivate these young women. In regard to the packet for young people advertised in The Methodist Woman, this is for use in former Methodist Protestant churches where the girls were already organized into separate groups prior to unification. It does not pertain to the work of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. I know you have been as anxious as I to receive information about our work. Miss Helen L. Johnson, division secretary, has promised to send information as quickly as it is available. I will give you these plans as soon as I receive them. With best wishes for your work in your local society," Mrs. S. A. Dunn.

OXFORD SOCIETY

Mrs. W. A. Parham, Oxford, sends a most interesting account of some of the accomplishments of her society. These worth while projects are suggestive of the many opportuniites for service in the department of Christian social relations and local church activities. Mrs. Parham writes: "Perhaps the most outstanding thing our society has done this past year is sponsoring a junior choir. This is a vested choir, composed of boys and girls from 10 to 15 years of age, was formerly sponsored by the local department of our society and vestments given by that group. It is now financed by the board of stewards. The adult choir director, a talented musician, is director and the junior choir has become an asset to our church and community. Our society co-operates with the county health nurse. Recently she talked to the society about her work and needs, and the society has given a baby shower to her to be used for babies in the county who are dependent upon charity for their clothing. Our society has done much this past winter for the colored hospital, giving clothing, food, fruits, and purchased a much needed baby bed for the hospital. Literature is distributed through this department for colored churches and schools. Recently the local department co-operated with the welfare nurse in an eye clinic, sent one child to Durham for examination and will pay for that as well as for the child's glasses. Many other worth while things have been and are being done and there is a good, wholesome Christian spirit which seems to permeate this group of women."

NORTHERN ZONE MEETS

Extremely inclement weather failed to dampen the spiritual atmosphere or greatly decrease attendance when the Northern zone, Raleigh district, met at Plank Chapel on March 7. Mrs. T. R. Smith presided. Rev. J. A. Martin opened the meeting with some timely devotional thoughts and Rev. W. L. Loy led in prayer. Following words of welcome by Mrs. T. L. Fuller and response by Mrs. S. E. Mercer, the business session began. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood brought a message of the work in the Raleigh district. Miss Mary Gardner spoke briefly on supplies; Mrs. B. F. Boone discussed missions and Bible study. Christian social relations and local church activities were presented by that committee from the First Methodist church, Henderson, and the discussions were led by Mrs. R. K. McLean. Mrs. H. I. Glass spoke on the evils of alcohol and gave practical suggestions concerning what women in the W. S. C. S. may do to overcome these evlis. The noon day message on "The Missionary Challenge in the Light of World Conditions" was forcibly brought by Rev. Aubrey Smith, pastor of Vance circuit, and was preceded by a beautifully rendered solo, "I Come to Thee," by Mrs. Aubrey Smith. Following a bountiful luncheon served by the Plank Chapel society during the enjoyable social hour, the afternon session convened. Rev. S. E. Mercer led in prayer. Wesleyan Service Guild was discussed by Mrs. R. C. Gary; student work, Mrs. E. O. Young; baby specials, Mrs. J. A. Martin; use of publications, Mrs. A. B. Deans. The meeting adjourned with words of Psalm 19:14 spoken in unison.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

The following letter from Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christan Social Relations and Local Church Activities, is a vital challenge to every member of the W. S. C. S. Mrs. Cuchins writes: "Dear Friends, A request from the standing committee of the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities in session in Chicago, March 11-12, through Miss Thelma Stevens, our executive secretary, is being rushed to key women throughout our conferences. You are urged to use every available channel to disseminate this information among church women and men in your conference, asking for immediate action: 1. Senator Morris Shepherd introduced a bill (S. 860) in the Senate of the United States in February. This bill seeks to do three things: (a) to prohibit all alcohol beverages within military camps and naval stations or any place used for defense mobilization purposes; (b) to authorize the establishment of a dry zone around such defense bases in which no alcohol beverages will be sold or supplied by any method; (c) to outlaw or prohibit prostitution and other vices in this same area. 2. Communicate with your United States senators by wire and letter individually and as groups. Present the matter to church-wide groups and urge every voting member of your church, man or woman, to write a personal letter urging the passage of this bill. When it has passed in the Senate, follow a similar procedure with your representatives in the House at Washington. 3. Make special note of the fact that communications should go to 'wet' as well as 'dry' members of Congress. Pressure from 'home' is very important."

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

SHARING DAYS

The clouds are sharing their moisture with mother earth this morning, bringing much benefit to spring flowers, early seed beds and the spring grain crop. Our American people are sharing with England and other democracies, bringing much benefit to those heroic souls whose shots are being heard round the world. Next Sunday will be a mighty fine time for our Methodist people to liberally share with our 486 boys and girls living in our High Point and Winston-Salem Children's Homes, such a sharing greatly benefitting a depleted treasury and guaranteeing life and sustenance to a group of boys and girls already deprived of much that other boys and girls cherish. These are wonderful sharing days. They offer no encouragement for selfishness. Let's open wide the doors of our souls and take into them the needs, the distress and hopes of those pleading for a chance.

THE CHERRY LANE LAD

Last Friday soon after the Advocate had reached his home and he had an opportunity to read it, M. D. Stockton called to know what it would take to sponsor the clothing needs of the Cherry Lane lad whose picture appeared on the Children's Home page. When given the amount, our good friend said, "I'll double the amount you state. I am interested in the little red-headed, freckle-faced lad who comes from Cherry Lane. He looks like he has something to him." So good Brother Stockton, the man who is furnishing the money for constructing the lovely and commodious Stockton building on our grounds, claims a mountain lad.

HIGH POINT HOME

We continue to share from our common treasury with our 76 boys and girls in the High Point Children's Home. By the tenth of each month all bills incurred by Dr. Dixon's family for the previous month have been paid. Such will continue to prevail until the first of July, when it is expected that a complete consolidation of the two families will have been consummated. The boys and girls in the two families have learned to know one another right well and the transferance will not be difficult.

THE DEEP RIVER WAY

Read the following from Dr. J. E. Pritchard's typewriter, and join us in grateful thanks to him and his select people who live near the banks of historic Deep river: "The Ramseur-Franklinville charge has the habit of raising the ten per cent apportionment for the Children's Home as an extra and not through the regular budget. Several weeks ago the Ramseur church raised its part in the Sunday school plus $25. Now the Franklinville church has gone over the top. Part of this was raised in the Sunday school and the remainder in the church service after I had preached on 'The Cheerful Giver,' in which I said he will give more, he will give it earlier; his gift will inspire others to give and he himself is enriched by his giving."

THE BELL RINGS AGAIN

We have not had occasion to ring the ten per cent apportionment bell for several weeks. We pulled on the cord but have not had quite enough encouragement to wiggle the clapper. But the old bell has rung again. It is hoped that you can hear it as you think of the following congregations



She knows how to work, smile and be dependable

which have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report. Listen to the bell:

Eden, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Myrtle, Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, Rev. P. W. Tucker.

Hildebran, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Mt. Zion, Whitnel circuit, Rev. D. A. Oakley.

May's Chapel, Maiden, Rev. J. G. Winkler.

Franklinville, Ramseur - Franklinville, Dr. J. E. Pritchard.

TOURNAMENT TURNOUTS

The winter's basket ball games have been very beneficial to our family. With the conclusion of the various schedules of the season came the tournaments. First came the North Carolina orphanage tournament, held at the Junior Home, Lexington, in which our girls and the Junior Home boys won the championship trophies. Next came the Winston-Salem Y. M. C. A. tournament for the midget and junior teams. Our boys went to the semi-finals and then lost to the High Point Y. M. C. A., which in turn won the tournament trophy. In the Journal and Sentinel tournament, in which 133 teams from the northwestern part of the state participated, our High Point boys came out victorious, winning the beautiful trophy. Our girls went to the semifinals, losing to Old Richmond, a Forsyth county team, which lost out the next evening in an over-time game to Mineral Springs, Forsyth county, by a score of 24 to 25, the winning goal being registered as the ball was in the air when the gong sounded ending the game. Basket ball is a great game, even though tournaments are sometimes too strenuous on participants.

A GOOD GYMN

That was a lovely picture of some lovely girls shown in the Advocate last week by Brother Barnes of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. He has good reason to be proud of his youngsters. But while looking at the lovely girls this writer's eyes noted the beautiful and commodious gymnasium serving as a background, and he had a hard time trying to comply with the tenth commandment. How we do need a good gymnasium here at the Children's Home!

SWEET MARIE

As you look at the picture on this page you can be assured that the little girl, Marie Stepp by name, nearly 11 years old and in the fourth grade, is quite worthy of all the Children's Home can do for her. Before coming to the Children's Home, a little over a year ago, she did much of the cooking for her two younger brothers, now here, and her father when he was at home. The house they lived in had many fresh air facilities but was not noted for conveniences or accommodations. The little girl had wrinkles far beyond her years, but now they have turned dimples. This satisfactory girl is sponsored by the Susanna Wesley Class of Broad Street, Statesville. Hurrah for the Susannas!

TENNESSEE SEES

Mr. Stephen R. Woods, secretary of the Memphis Conference Board of Lay Activities, writes: "Please rush some statistics and a human interest story that might be used in an institute of laymen and preachers. We are short on information from the Board of Hospitals and Homes. We need definite information on the objectives and the needs of your institution. We would like to know something of the number you serve and the nature of the service. We believe that the work of our institute will tend to produce increased and sympathetic benevolent giving."

NEW BUILDINGS

Our new Brooks building has been completed and is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shaver, two of our choice workers. The first floor is being occupied by a number of our farm boys. The third section is yet to be allocated. It is a lovely building. The Stockton building, designed to provide for 32 girls, is in process of completion. The mill work is being rapidly placed and the conveniences installed. The furniture has been ordered and ere long this commodious and lovely building will be another real home at the Children's Home.

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SAD, GLAD—"No one will ever know how sad I felt when I left the Methodist Orphanage in September to go to college. It would be equally as hard for anyone to imagine how happy I was last week when I returned to the Orphanage campus to spend a few days during the spring holidays." The above quotation were the words of one of our brightest and most promising girls, who graduated from our Orphanage high school last June. She called at my office while on the campus, and told me how much the Orphanage had meant to her, and how much she loved everybody here. Practically all who are trained in our Orphanage are eager to return to the scene of their childhood days. I think the devotion of our former sons and daughters is an indication that the Orphanage is more of a real home than an institution. For more than forty years those who have lived and wrought at the Methodist Orphanage have endeavored to make it a Christian home for the hundreds of children who have spent their childhood days with us.

A GREAT CHALLENGE—THIS COMING SUNDAY IS A FIFTH SUNDAY. IT IS EARNESTLY DESIRED THAT EVERY CHURCH SCHOOL IN THE CONFERENCE, BOTH SMALL AND LARGE, WILL TAKE A FREEWILL OFFERING FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR FINE BOYS AND GIRLS. BY THE UNANIMOUS VOTE OF OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCE, ALL OUR CHURCH SCHOOLS ARE URGED TO MAKE GENEROUS FREEWILL OFFERINGS EVERY FIFTH SUNDAY IN THE YEAR TO SUPPLEMENT OUR LIMITED INCOME FOR OPERATING EXPENSES. BY COMPLYING WITH THIS REASONABLE REQUEST OUR CHURCH SCHOOLS WILL ENABLE US TO PAY OUR BILLS PROMPTLY EACH MONTH. SINCE THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE IS DEPENDING SO MUCH ON THE HELP RECEIVED FROM FIFTH SUNDAYS, I FEEL CONFIDENT THAT ALL THE CHURCH SCHOOLS IN THE CONFERENCE WILL ACCEPT THIS CHALLENGING OPPORTUNITY TO RALLY TO OUR SUPPORT.



Boys' Basket Ball Team, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.

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FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE OFFERINGS

We are giving herewith the report of the church schools sending in fourth Sunday offerings for the first quarter of the conference year. This report includes all offerings sent to Mr. Dillon by February 24. Offerings sent since that date will be included in the next quarter's report.

It is very important that those schools sending in offerings use the remittance blanks provided for that purpose, and that the blanks be filled out in each detail. The name of the church as well as the name of the charge must be given to insure proper reports.

The first quarter's report compares rather favorably with the report of offerings sent in to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise in previous years. We believe that when it is fully realized that these offerings are applied by local churches on their World Service acceptances more of our church schools will join in this fourth Sunday giving.

Durham District

Burlington—Davis St.	$76.50
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place	20.12
Bynum, Bynum	3.46
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove	10.00
Durham—Duke Memorial	52.95
West Durham	8.92
Eno	5.50
Glen Raven, Haw River	12.00
Graham	8.00
Hillsboro, Lebanon	1.00
Leasburg, Hebron	7.36
Leasburg	6.20
Mebane, Central	17.81
Milton, Connally	2.25
New Hope	2.65
Purley	5.34
Mt. Hermon Ct., Belmont	8.90
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdlle Mills	1.80
Mt. Zion	2.50
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge	4.26
Efland	5.78
Hebron	1.68
Union Grove	1.50
Saxapahaw, Concord	2.20
Saxapahaw	3.35
Yanceyville, Bethel	15.00
Prospect	9.60
Total	296.63

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	4.93
Aulander, Aulander	1.85
Colerain	7.00
Lewiston	1.20
Belhaven, Trinity	6.40
Chowan, Anderson	1.76
Center Hill	1.25
Columbia, Cedar Grove	4.50
Wesley's Chapel	2.00
Wesley Memorial	14.19
Creswell, Creswell	4.95
Mt. Herman	1.00
Currituck, Hebron	2.50
Elizabeth City, City Road	15.65
First Church	50.77
Kinnakeet-Clark's-Bethel	3.65
Fair Haven	8.75
St. John	9.89
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk	30.00
Manteo	30.00
Mattamuskeet, Amity	3.54
Bethany	.54
Englehard	8.87
Watson's	4.58
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial	6.41
Moyock	7.44
Murfreesboro, Union	1.00
North Gates, Kittrells	3.85
Parkers	12.03
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon	3.74
Perquimans, Epworth	13.11
New Hope	5.10
Oak Grove	5.32
Roper, Roper	10.28
South Camden, Perkins	18.00
Wesley	10.48
South Mills, McBrides	4.61
Newland	14.13
Sharon	1.59
Trinity	10.80
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mashoes	2.00
Stumpy Point	8.84
Mt. Zion	2.44
Swan Quarter-Fairfield	7.48
Soule	1.56
Wanchese	15.00
Washington	31.92
Williamston, Williamston	8.10
Windsor-Cashie	3.00
White Oak	3.99
Windsor	36.85
Total	445.15

Fayetteville District

Biscoe, Biscoe	12.93
Star	9.81
Broadway, Broadway	9.43
Caledonia, Caledonia	17.17
Johns	1.64
Carthage, Carthage	8.00
Center	2.20
Fayetteville, Hay Street	46.80
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground	9.79
Goldston, Asbury	2.26
Meroney's	.84
Hamlet	29.50
Jonesboro, Jonesboro	10.00
Lemon Springs	5.78
Maxton	9.40
Parkton, Marvin	10.14
Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff	20.00
Rockingham	25.35
Sanford	27.88
Siler City, Hickory Grove	.70
West End, Marcus	1.00
Total	260.62

New Bern District

Aurora, Aurora	14.51
Dover, Asbury	5.76
Dover	15.77
Lane's	2.88
Fremont, Yelverton	1.12
Goldsboro, St. Paul	11.88
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels	14.00
Ebenezer	1.00
Salem	11.85
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial	36.92
Grimesland, Salem	1.00
Hookerton, Hookerton	4.76
Rainbow	4.63
Kinston, Queen St.	54.04
Marshallberg, Marshallberg	19.00
Summerfield	1.00
Mt. Olive Ct.	30.00
Providence	3.50
Newport, Havelock	2.39
Newport	1.12
Riverdale	.85
Ocracoke, Portsmouth	15.00
Oriental, Oriental	11.60
Pamlico Ct., Bayboro	6.64
Pink Hill, Webb's	3.23
Woodland	1.00
Snow Hill, Calvary	10.00
Tabernacle	2.90
Vanceboro, Vanceboro	1.50
Total	289.85

Raleigh District

Bailey, Simms	3.00
Cary-Apex, Apex	4.08
Cary	13.44
Creedmoor, Banks	13.00
Grove Hill	.70
Four Oaks, Four Oaks	9.68
Fuquay, Kipling	7.92
Louisburg Ct., Shiloh	1.00
Mamers, Spring Hill	4.49
Oxford	18.81
Oxford Ct., Stovall	2.00
Princeton, Princeton	6.81
Raleigh, Edenton St.	100.50
Fairmont	41.15
Hayes-Barton	20.65
Jenkins Memorial	5.15
Selma	5.68
Tar River, Plank Chapel	3.84
Vance Ct., Gillburg	5.00
Total	266.90

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Severn	7.81
Elm City, Mt. Zion	2.64
Farmville	77.19
Halifax, Halifax	3.93
Smith's	6.40
Kenly, Kenly	6.00
McKendree, Conetoe	1.60
Middleburg, Shocco	4.00
Robersonville, Hamilton	1.00
Rocky Mount, Clark Street	5.50
First Church	47.35
Marvin	7.22
St. Paul	3.75
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	8.02
Sharon	1.00
Spring Church,Garyburg,Lebanon	1.97
Spring Hope, Gibson Memorial	3.00
Walstonburg, Walstonburg	2.22
Warren, Bethlehem	12.80
Providence	8.79
Sarepta	6.57
Warrenton, Hebron	1.35
Macon	2.02
Warrenton	6.25
Weldon	34.00
Whitakers, Whitakers	7.66
Total	270.04

Wilmington District

Bladen, Deems Chapel	1.25
Live Oak	1.78
Windsor	5.00
Burgaw, Burgaw	4.18
Rocky Point	7.50
Herring	1.50
Carver's Creek, Council	2.29
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo	5.94
Chadbourn	10.00
Evergreen	9.00
Clinton, Clinton	19.99
Keener	1.69
Elizabeth, Clarkton	2.91
Perdie	1.08
Singletary	1.65
Faison, Kenansville, Faison	13.60
Garland, Antioch	7.15
Garland	9.60
Hallsboro, Hallsboro	2.42
Lumberton, Pembroke	7.00
Maysville, Hopewell	1.00
Pembroke Parish, First	2.86
Pleasant Grove	3.00
Sandy Plains	1.00
Prospect	2.96
Scott's Hill, Seagate	1.66
Shallotte, Concord	5.83
St. Paul's, Barker	5.50
Regan	3.76
St. Paul's	16.50
Southport	5.18
Swansboro, Oak Grove	1.00
Swansboro	5.00
Town Creek, Shiloh	1.00
Zion	4.31
Whiteville, Whiteville	9.60
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	35.00
Grace	14.00
Trinity	23.28
Wesley Memorial	7.60
Federal Point	5.00
Wesley Memorial	4.01
Total	275.58
Grand total	2104.77

MRS. ANNIE S. JOHNSON HONORED AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

With the words, "I do it for my Lord," Mrs. Annie S. Johnson yesterday donated to the Pine Forest Methodist church an extensive plot of ground at the intersection of Fayetteville, Hillsboro and Cumberland streets as a perpetual memorial for her son, Eugene Van Duyn Johnson.

Thursday night, March 13, Mrs. Annie S. Johnson was honored with a surprise birthday party given at Johnson Memorial church. Guests were members of the congregation and their friends, with practically every



Mrs. Annie S. Johnson

seat in the auditorium being filled. A program of songs and instrumental music was presided over by the pastor, Walter E. Smith.

Mrs. Johnson was the recipient of many useful gifts, and a beautiful birthday cake was placed on the table in front of the honoree.

The church was organized June 24, 1940. The present building will later be used as a Sunday school plant, but is now being used for church services. The building was erected by contributions from the congregation and friends in Fayetteville on a lot given by Mrs. Johnson as a memorial to her son, the late Eugene Johnson, a former steward of Hay Street church.

Mrs. Johnson has for more than a generation been a resident of this city. Her husband was the late M. W. Johnson, and they had two children, Eugene Van Duyn, deceased, and Mrs. W. T. Moore ,also of this city.

Eugene Van Duyn Johnson, to whose memory the church will stand, died only last October. He was in business here, operating the Johnson Transfer Company. He was a life long resident of Fayetteville, a World War veteran, for many years a steward in the Hay Street Methodist church, and was very active in the young men's Bible class of that church.

Plans are being perfected and it is expected that work on the first phase of the building project will begin early next week.

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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 30

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christ's Commission

Luke 24:36-53

When the disciples were gathered together the evening after the resurrection, thrilled by the stories of the empty tomb and the appearances of the Lord, yet full of misgivings, Jesus himself suddenly appeared to them.

At first the disciples were greatly frightened. supposing they had seen a ghost. From the beginning the thought of a ghost has always frightened men. As Hamlet says, it "horribly shapes our disposition with thoughts beyond the reaches of the soul." We today, unlike the apostles, are not afraid of ghosts. Rather we fear that our religious experiences are hallucinations, a mere product of auto-suggestion,

"a false creation
Proceeding from the heated, oppressed brain."

But Jesus said to the disciples, Handle me. He says to us also, Put me to the test, venture on my promises, act as though you believed that I had risen, and see if I do not make my presence real to you, and my power manifest. Christ longs for the most drastic tests of the reality of his resurrection. The chief trouble with men today is not that the acids of modernity are disproving our faith, but that the modern mood keeps us from giving the gospel a thoroughgoing test. Antecedent incredulity makes us say, Can any good thing come out of this old-fashioned book with its divine Christ and its miracles? And so we ignore it and never give the great evangel a fair trial.

When the fears of the disciples were quieted they were reminded that Jesus had not been taken by surprise, but that all along he had foretold his martyrdom. Moreover the reception given to the prophets of the past would lead one to expect that the supreme prophet would also be rejected and enter into his glory through suffering.

More than that, the message of his sacrifice for men's sins and his glorious resurrection was just the message to reach the heart of all classes of men. The spectacle of his sufferings on the cross would rebuke the complacency of the self-righteous, melt the hearts of hardened sinners, and bring humanity to its knees. And it would not only move men to repentance but it would inspire them to faith in the Saviour's willingness to forgive.

And of course the story of his resurrection would make them sure that the power of God was back of Jesus' gospel of love and forgiveness. Here was a message chemically pure of Jewish nationalistic imperialism, a gospel that spoke to the universal human heart and appealed to universal human need. In a word, it was a world gospel ,and they were now to fulfill the Scripture by proclaiming it to the world.

But how difficult the task! Think of it! They were to make the great Roman world believe that a man who had been crucified by due process of law was actually the Son of the living God, and that he had triumphed over the tomb and had been appointed to be the Saviour of the world. Imagine for a moment that you were commissioned to proclaim that some good man who had been unjustly, but legally, electrocuted in your penitentiary, had risen from the dead, and was the only source of salvation for mankind.

Certainly they would need the promise of the Father to re-enforce them in the performance of this unspeakably difficult task. Hence, says Jesus, tarry ye in Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high.

The whole record is written by Luke in the calm consciousness that the promised power had already come. He knew that Christ must have ascended, for he had sent down the floods of life at Pentecost. And Luke, as Paul's traveling companion, had seen the mighty power of God that constantly came to the apostle as he proclaimed a living Christ to his pagan audiences.

And Paul tells us that this power was especially manifest when he put to the forefront the stumbling block of the cross. When he determined to know nothing among them save Jesus Christ and him crucified, a mysterious re-enforcement came to him, and while he was with them in weakness and much trembling at first, before he was through preaching it was they who were trembling with a sense of the convicting presence of God. This message of a crucified Saviour, so offensive to the natural man, somehow fitted into the deepest needs of humanity. It was a powerful antitoxin to their pride. And strangely enough, also the healing balm for their sin-sick souls.

SUPPOSE YOU COULD NOT READ

Dona Manuella, a widow who lives in the south of Brazil, is a strong Christian and a strong believer in education, though she cannot read or write. She has to wash clothes to support her family, yet she has managed to send all four of her chlidren to school.

On day Dona Manuella heard some one read the Christmas number of the "Voz Missionaria" (Missionary Voice), the woman's magazine in Brazil, started by Miss Lelia Epps. After the reading was over, Dona Manuella announced that she was going out and get twenty subscriptions to the magazine among the Catholic women of the city. And she did! She has all the magazines mailed direct to her, and she delivers them one at a time each night after her work is done. She asks each subscriber to read it to her straight through. So in twenty successive days she hears the "Voz Missioaria" read twenty times until she knows it by heart and is able to tell it word for word to others, who like herself, cannot read.—Board of Missions News Service.

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Children's Storyland



THE BABY WHO SHARED

Away down in Mexico is a little town called Ameca. If you will look at your map you will find it. In Ameca lives a baby, with four long legs, a swishy tail, a fuzzy brown coat, rolling bright brown eyes, and two long ears. He is a donkey baby, a little burro.

One day when he was in the field with his mama who was a very black little donkey, along came his master. His master was a Mexican, a very poor Mexican who could not buy much for the mama burr to eat. So he let her eat out in the fields as much as she could, and as it was the rainy season she was nice and fat. The fields were full of long green grass and beautiful sweet-tasting flowers.

"Come on," said the burro's master, "you are going to a new home."

And he drove the mama burro and the baby burro along into the town, over the cobblestone streets to a big house. He drove them through the doors of the big house and through the patio and through the first corral behind the house out to the second corral behind it. And there he left them. The little burro at once began to suck milk from his mama, for he was always very hungry (or thought he was).

But a man just then came, and he took the little burro by his front legs and pulled him into the first corral, so that he could not suck his mama's milk. Then a woman came with a little baby, a white baby with yellow hair and big blue eyes. This was a human girl baby. The little burro was so mad at being parted from his mama that he tried to kick the woman and bite the little white baby's toes. But the woman laughed and jumped away from his heels, and pushed his nose aside and pulled the baby's toes up out of danger. Then they sat the white baby on the little burro's back; but he didn't like that, and he jumped around so much that the baby didn't like it either. So the people went away.

The little burro went to the gate of the second corral and called his mama. She came to her side of the gate and they tried to kick the gate down. But they couldn't. The baby burro cried and cried. His mama licked his sides through the gate, and told him not to feel so bad, that maybe the man would let him in again.

Then the people came back. They went in to his mama and gave her a lot of corn and green alfalfa to eat. Then the woman milked her. She gave the milk in a bottle to the little white baby, who drank it all up. They let the little burro in after that, and he drank and drank all that was left. But he was very angry, for he did not like to have them take part of his milk. When he was finished they took him away from his mama again and put him back in the first corral.

This happened day after day. The little burro could not understand it at all. He did not like to have that little white baby drink part of his milk. But the little white baby was not so white now, for she was getting pretty pink cheeks. She was nicer, too, for when the little burro tried to bite her toes she didn't cry any more, but laughed.

Then one day the baby's mama said, "I think that this burro milk is just the thing for Mary Jane. It is making her well and happy. It is giving her nice rosy cheeks again."

At last the little burro understood why they were treating him as they did. If they left him with his mama he would gobble down all the milk and there would be none left for the little baby. And it was burro milk, his mama's milk, that was making the baby well and happy. Suddenly he didn't at all mind sharing any more. And the next time the baby's mama tried to give her a ride on his back, he let the baby ride. He didn't even try to bite her little toes. Ameca, Jal., Mexico.—Alabama Christian Advocate.

RAIN SOLDIERS

Did you ever hear the raindrops that
come pouring down all around?
They are really little soldier men
a-marching on the ground.
They fill up all the cement walks and
keep step in the street,
They're on a very grand parade and
all their clothes are neat.
Their heads are high and little feet are
keeping eager time
With the music of the pitter-patter,
pitter-patter rhyme.
Their faces wear the gayest smiles;
they like it when it's wet,
For they must often practice or their
march they might forget.
When Mr. Weather hides the sun and
empties down the rain,
They watch for children's faces pressing
against the window pane.
They listen for the laughter of their
friends, the girls and boys.
And wish that they could play sometimes
with you and all your toys.
So watch for that small army that
comes marching on its way
And wave to them when they go by on
a splashy rainy day.

—Arkansas Methodist.

Teacher—Do you think paper can be used effectively to keep people warm?"

Tom—I should say so! The last report card I took home kept the family hot for a week.

TALKING BIRDS

By Edward F. Brigham

It was a cold, raw day in mid-winter. An intelligent and at times talkative parrot was confined in a large bird cage which hung in the kitchen of a house in a small town in Rhode Island.

Snow was falling steadily and to the family cat, which had been out of the house for some time and suddenly sprang on the outer ledge of one of the kitchen windows, the room looked warm and pleasant. As the window was closed the cat could not get in, but lay down on the window sill with snow constantly falling upon it, and peered longingly into the cheerful room.

The parrot, turning on its perch, noticed the cat lying outside the window and in the falling snow; whereupon, cocking its head on one side, it asked: "You cold, kitty?"

In the great dining room of a fine house in the capital city of a western state there hung a very large cage of which the sole occupant was a small parakeet that occasionally made astonishingly apt and pertinent remarks.

The cage, suspended by a brass chain from a long brass bracket, was thus so far from both wall and floor that a cat which also belonged in the household could not reach or catch it, even though the cat was frequently observed to be watching the little bird.

One day when no one was in that room a great crash from it was heard. Members of the family in other parts of the house realized the chain must have given way and the cage fallen on the floor. They first thought the door of the cage might have broken opon and the cat might catch the parakeet.

They quickly rushed into the room. As expected, the cage was on the floor, the door of it was open, but fortunately the cat was not in the room. Instead, the little parakeet, entirely unharmed, was struting around on the floor outside the cage, and looking up at them he exclaimed: "I'm all right!"—Our Dumb Animals.

THANK-YOU PRAYERS

By Claribel Weeks Avery

When I awake, and every hour
Is filled with things to do,
I thank the Lord that made the days
To cut his nights in two.

But when I tumble into bed,
As tired as tired can be,
I thank him that he puts a night
Between his days for me.

—The Junior Girl.

A little boy returned very enthusiastic from attending a circus. Asked some things about it, he said, "O Grannie, if you ever went to the circus you'd never attend another prayer meeting."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 29
Bynum, Cedar Grove, 11 30
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 7 30

April

Branson, 7:30 2
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 11 30
Manteo, night 30

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Creswell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Hamlet, 10 30
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 30
Rockingham, 7:30 30
Sanford, 7:30 31

April

Raeford, Parkers, 11 6
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
Jonesboro, 8 6
Caledonia, Johns, 11 13
West End, Marcus, 3 13
Laurinburg, 8 13
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthake, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Mount Olive Ct., Bethel, 11 29
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 11 30
Jones, Maple Grove, 3 30
Pink Hill, Woodland, 7:30 30

April

Greenville, 7:30 1
Ayden, 9 2
LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Mt Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Fairmont, 11 30
Smithfield, 7:30 30

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13
Fuquay, Kipling, 7:30 16
Princeton, Micro, 11 20
Benson, Benson, 7:30 20
Moncure, Jones Chapel, 11 27
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 7:30 27
Millbrook, Knightdale, 7:30 30

May

Garner, Mt. Zion, 11 4
Mamers, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Bailey, Simms, 7:30 14
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Warrenton, Macon, 11 29
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 30
Warren, 3 30
Warrenton, 7:30 30

April

Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 2
Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Shallotte, Village, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Barnardsville, 11 6
Asbury Memorial, 8 6
Central, 8 7
Biltmore, 8 8
Acton-Candler-Pisgah, Montmorenci, 8 9
French Broad Avenue, 8 10
Haywood Street, 8 11
East Flat Rock, 11 13
Emma, 8 13
Brevard, 3 14
Hendersonville, 8 15
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 16
Fairview, 8 17
Fletcher, 8 18
Rosman, 11 20
Etowah, 3 20
Oakley, 8 21
Marshall, 8 22
Black Mountain, 8 23
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3 ..27
Weaverville, 8 28
West Asheville, 8 29
Tryon, 8 30

May

Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Chadwick, 11 30
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 7:30 ...30

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, 11 6
Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel, 3 6
North Wilkesboro, night 6
Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
Helton, Baldwin, 11 29
Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Harres Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Missionary Institute, Elkin, March 30.
District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Leaksville, 11 30
Reidsville (Laymen's and Missions District Meeting) 2:30 30

April

Pleasant Garden, 11 6
Muir's Chapel, 11 13
Centenary, 7:30 13
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27

May

Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
District Conference, Greensboro College 21

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

March

Bradley Memorial, 11 30
Belmont, Main Street, night 30

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13
Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.
District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Highland, 10 29
Why Not, Pisgah, 2 29

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Rutherfordton, 11 30

April

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 6
Broad River, Tanner's Grove, 3 6
Mill Spring, Gray's, 11 13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3 13
Spruce Pine, 11 20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Statesville, Broad St., 11 30

April

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30 6
Newton, 11 13
Statesville, Boulevard, night 13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Murphy, 11 30
Murphy, Regional Institute, 2:30 30

April

Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11 6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30 6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11 13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3 13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

March

Ardmore, 11 30
District Missionary Institute, Centenary, 2:30-7:30...30

April

Rural Hall, Antioch, 11 6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3 6
Rockford Street, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 9
Burkhead, 11 13
Walkertown-Lowe's, 11 20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Green Street, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27

May

Pinnacle,, Pilot 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ozburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25

June

Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8
District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.



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In Memoriam

MEEKINS—Mr. U. S. Meekins of Colington, N. C., 62 years and 25 days of age, after a few days' illness passed away in the hospital at Norfolk, Va., December 1, 1940. Brother Meekins was a devout and faithful member of the Methodist church of Colington, where he had lived practically all his life. Mr. Meekins was a very successful fisherman and business man, and leaves to mourn their loss his wife and three sons, Harry Ralph and Macon. He will be missed in the community. The funeral which was largely attended by friends and loved ones was held in the Methodist church by his pastor, and burial was in the cemetery at Manteo. J. C. Harmon, P. C.

ALLRED—Randolph county lost one of her splendid citizens in the passing of Brother Melville H. Allred, which occurred on January 4, 1941, having reached the ripe old age of 84 years. As he lived and moved among men he was known for his sincerity, his naturalness and his kindness, a man in whom there was no guile, having no words of censure of others. He lived the simple life, doing his duty as God gave him to see it. His affiliation was always with the Methodist Protestant Church, now the Methodist Church, and he attended Bethel on Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge. The kindness he showed the writer will not soon be forgotten. His faithful companion and one son and one daughter survive: Mr. Charlie Allred and Mrs. A. E. Goley. The writer conducted the funeral at Shiloh church, near Julian, on June 6, burial taking place in the church cemetery. H. L. Isley.

ODHAM—In sad but loving remembrance of our dear mother, Mrs. Mary Odham, age 89 years, 10 months and 20 days, who departed this life one year ago February 20. She quietly fell asleep at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Abbott, Kinston, N. C., to wake no more on this earth.

Mother's home was with her children. She was a member of Sharon church. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, assisted by Rev. Paul Parker, Christian minister of Hookerton, and burial was in the family cemetery.

Mother is survived by seven children: Mrs. Irene Brown, Mrs. W. A. Tubanks, Dover; Sherman Odham, Mrs. J. P. Rouse, Mrs. H. F. Smith, C. M. Odham; one sister, Mrs. Jane Freeman, Grifton; 38 grandchildren, 59 great-grandchildren, 12 great-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

"The lights are out in the mansion of clay,
The curtains are drawn, for the dweller is away;
She silently stepped over the threshold by night
To make her abode in the city of light."

A Daughter, Myrtle O. Eubanks.

VESTAL—In the death of Mrs. Victoria Haynes Vestal, widow of Rev. M. H. Vestal, Yadkinville and Yadkin county loses one of its best known and respected ladies. A daughter of one of Yadkin's foremost families of another generation, she was well educated and prepared for life. She was a noble wife and mother and a great help to her husband in his work.

Needless to say, her early life as the wife of a Methodist preacher (called in those days circuit riders) was not an easy one, as they moved from community to community to serve his charge and always new neighborhood and different surroundings. However, she was equal to the arduous task and met all conditions with a smile and determination to carry on in her husband's chosen field.

As she reached the four score years her last years were spent in happiness and contentment in her home by the Methodist church in Yadkinville, and her sweet old age allowed her to look back over her years of work with a satisfaction that was a blessing to her. And now she has gone to rest and her work will be carried on by others, and heaven gains a new and sweet face to brighten the home in the skies where she will be waiting for her children she loved so much.

John H. Green, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At the end of the trail on February 3, 1941, Joseph W. Yates met his Pilot face to face when he was called to his eternal home. It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the men's Bible class of Grace Methodist church, record the passing of this brother, who was a former teacher of this class, and we offer in love and appreciation the following resolutions:

First, That in the passing of Joseph W. Yates we have lost a former teacher and member of this class, which loss we feel most keenly.

Second, That we wish to extend our sincere sympathy to his family and pray that God who is too good to be unkind may comfort and guide them in his way.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, the press of our city, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be filed and become a part of the permanent records of this class.

Clayton C. Holmes,
E. C. Craft.

IN MEMORIAM

"Twilight and evening bell"—the darkness has deepened. The evening bell has rung. The time has come for our friend to depart, but not with sadness. There is nothing to be sad about. For though from out the limits of time and space the flood may bear her far, she had the sublime faith and assurance of the Christian that she would see her Pilot's face when she had crossed the bar.

Such is the faith of Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar," and the faith of every Christian who has anchored his soul in Him "who changeth not," and this is what Miss Anna Webb had done.

The members of the Mary Ellen Dowd Bible class of Long Memorial Methodist church, Roxboro, N. C., desire to give expression to the affection and esteem in which we held our faithful member, Miss Anna Webb. We shall ever cherish the memory of her constant and unselfish service in our class and other branches of work in the church until failing health prevented her taking an active part; but because of her faithfulness she overcame many obstacles in doing her part, giving willingly and graciously of her time and means.

May her influence and Christian graces rest on all who were fortunate enough to call her friend.

Mrs. W. I. Newton,
Mrs. T. D. Winstead,
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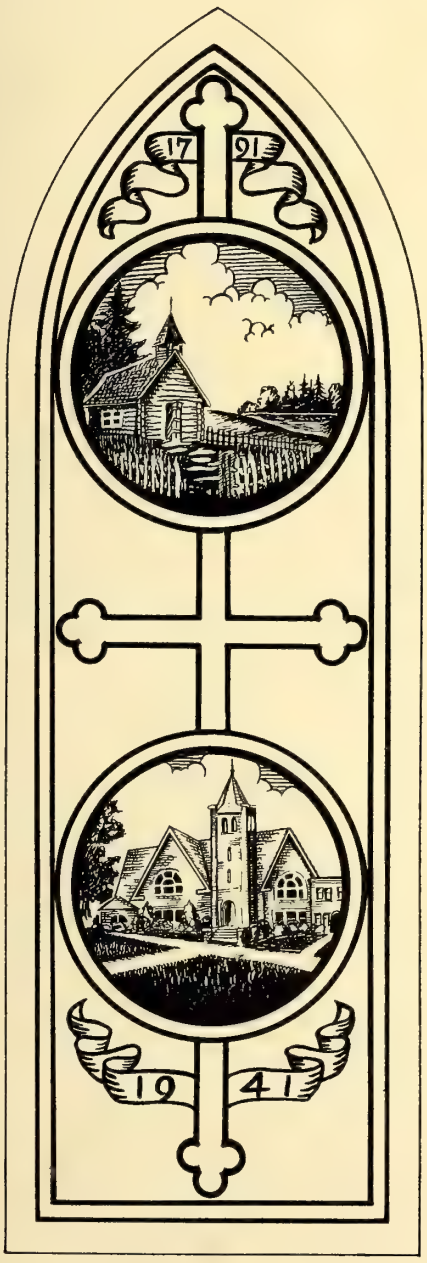
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"**MONDAY** 7—We rode through Stokes County, and attended a meeting at Love's Church, which has glass windows and a yard fenced in. After Jesse Lee, I added a few words on Hebrews ii, 1."

—Journal of Francis Asbury (October, 1799)

THERE ARE DAYS AND WAYS

By William I. Stidger

Yes, there are days and ways when we do and ought to forget the war.

Human beings must find hours of surcease and forgetting. The human mind and frame can stand almost anything if it can manage to secure quiet of soul, rest and meditation; a change of mind environment even in the midst of tumult and shouting; a place where what Bishop William A. Quayle used to call the "storm-tossed, tempestuous, tumultuous waves" have heard the voice of One who was powerful enough to say, "Peace, be still!"

And these spring days are such days, and these are the ways:

Yesterday a boy on a country road waved before my speeding automobile a bunch of pussy-willows. I thought I was in a hurry. At first I was impelled not to slow down by the very speed at which I was moving. Then something seemed to urge me from within to stop and back up. We ought often to stop and back up in our onrush. I did. I purchased for a few pennies that country boy's bunch of pussy-willows and brought them home, and Mrs. Stidger put them in tall vases all over the house. Within an hour something had happened to both of us, and that something was peace.

We had had the radio turned on all day long to the news of sea beasts raiding beneath the waters and sending helpless men, women and children to the deeps; of sky monsters in the air dropping death on priceless temples and destroying the "ancient and beautiful things"; of bombs that set firs to age-old cathedrals and demolished homes and humans with a profligate hate and hunger for destruction. Now we turned off the radio and sat in silence before a wood fire, thinking. Old memories flooded back.

We both recalled how we used to watch for the flowers of spring: first the pussy-willows, then the forsythias, then jonquils and the hidden arbutus; each in turn, each in its own time and way, summoned forth by the great Creative Spirit of the Universe.

And we were reminded that, in spite of bombs, wars, rumors of wars, and blitzkriegs, the wild flowers are still blooming in the woods of our nation. "For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come; and the voice of the turtle is herd in our land; the fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell." And if the pussy-willow did nothing else for us but that, it had done well by us.

I am a grown adult, middle-aged, a bit bald, heavy around the middle, and yet with the opening of pussy-willows I can forget for the moment the wars and remember certain definite places in the country: one in the curve of the Ohio where in springtime, as Sunday school children, we used to gather our first johnny-jump-ups and jack-in-the-pulpits; a place at the edge of a cliff where wild violets grew; another place deep in the wood, under heavy blankets of old dead leaves of the previous autumn, where we used to scrape away the coverings and catch first faint elusive perfume of arbutus, in pink masses. Who can remember wars and bombs when these are in the heart of memory?

The wild flowers are still blooming! God is still in his heaven, even if all is not entirely right with the world.

Bishop Quale used to take his Epworth Leaguers out on picnics. After the picnic dinner he would send those young people into the spring woods near Kansas City to gather large quantities of wild flowers. Then there was a game in which they all sat around and put those wild flowers into what he called his "posies." When the picnic was over, he would get into his old buckboard (remember those?) and, driving to a house where he knew there was a shut-in, he would hurry in and leave with the one who could not get out to the spring woods a "posy." Then with a cheery smile and a loving word, off he would go to other homes, to hospitals and similar institutions, to carry to the sick, the aged, the infirm, these wild-flower reminders that spring had come and that the universal laws were still in operation—that God was still remembering them, and that he was still Beauty, Goodness, and Love.

Yes, the wild flowers are still blooming. The war has not changed that one bit.—Zions Herald.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE SPECIAL APPEAL

I am informed that President Patten of Louisburg College has secured an agreement with the holders of Louisburg College bonds by which the entire bonded indebtedness can be cleared for $6,011.25. It is Dr. Patten's plan to make a special effort to raise this amount in the next few months. By so doing, the entire bonded indebtedness, excepting the bonds to be paid by tuition by the college, will be retired, amounting to $21,000.

This seems to be a very fine opportunity for us to free the college from this handicap of debt and release it to its larger usefulness in the future. Our people are urged to give hearty co-operation in this matter.

Clare Purcell.

DICTATORS

"Until the one-man nations of the world can produce greater military leaders and strategists than Joshua; until they can point within the circle of their own to men who stood closer to God than Moses; until some Aryan is wiser than Solomon, or a sweeter singer of lyrics than David; until they can produce a greater moral philosopher than Jesus of Nazareth—let them beware of asserting that no good can come out of Palestine, that there is no heroism or genuis among the fellow citizens of Isaiah, no heritage of character left to the descendants of the Maccabees."—Hon. K. B. Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives.—The American Hebrew.

APRIL TO BE ADVOCATE MONTH IN GASTONIA DISTRICT

Rev. E. M. Jones, superintendent of Gastonia district, and his leaders of that portion of the Western North Carolina conference have set aside the month of April for the North Carolina Christian Advocate campaign. We regard this an admirable plan and we are sure to get fine results.

This should be a time when one can expect a ready response to a request for new subscribers. Everybody now has a job if they desire one and in consequence people have money to do almost anything they wish. We expect to receive fine reports from the Gastonia district. Other districts doubtless will catch step.

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"Many a train of thought is just a string of empties," declares C. L. Edson in the Literary Digest. This explains why a train of thought can be stretched out to such interminable length. It is running light.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes is this week in a meeting with Rev. L. F. Tuttle at Thomasville. Reports reaching this office indicate that he is having a great time at Thomasville. His sermons each evening are broadcast and great congregations gather to hear this matchless preacher.

We are eager to see the circulation of this Advocate extended. How do you feel about it, dear reader? If you are interested in an increase of circulation and think the paper is worth the subscription price kindly tell your friends about it, or what is better send in their subscriptions to this office.

Recently the head of the N. C. ABC board told Charlotte with much assurance that his board had just about put the bootleggers out of business. Well, the Durham papers Tuesday of this week reported more than thirty liquor cases tried in Monday's court; most of these were for public drunkenness. These must have resulted from ABC liquor. It is wonderful what the good liquor of ABC variety will do in a community.

The widespread opposition of our American people to America's getting into the war is most encouraging. Our people are for peace, and the demands for peace are far more permanent than the sudden outcry for war. So after the many assurances that we are to stay out of war, woe be to the man or the men who get us in. These will suffer the infamy of such base treachery. The exactions of history are most accurate and the punishment of traitors certain.

Francis Asbury was as truly the Father of American Methodism as was George Washington the Father of His Country. And this father of our Methodism on one occasion wrote in his journal that the Methodists were getting "up" in the world as was evidenced by his having seen a church in North Carolina with glass windows which was the first Methodist church on the American continent that gave such evidence of earthly prosperity. That church is being featured in this week's Advocate. Put down another "first" for North Carolina.

Following the world war with its material depression and spiritual collapse the preachers and the churches were seized with a sense of helplessness and defeatism as salaries dropped and collections fell away. They had not been aware of the hurt done by the war. We are exposed to the same calamity when this present war fever and exaltation of military might has passed. Fortunate will we be to do our utmost to exalt the spiritual and to minify the material. God save us from the jitters caused by the threats of navy men and war lords in their efforts to arouse the masses.

Our defense undertakings are urgent and important. But the most dangerous foes against which we must build defenses are not those without but those within. Hitler and his minions on land and sea and in the air are not near so dangerous as the enemies within our own shores. Material might is our main defense against the Nazi, but our real defense at home does not consist primarily of ships and guns and airplanes. These must be met in the realm of the spirit and the confines of the soul of man. So the church and what it has to offer must furnish our chief defense. How perfectly absurd then is it for the leaders of the church to be diverted from their chief work. Oh, men of God, magnify the place of the spirit in our defense!

A Great Woman's Conference in Greensboro

THE Conference of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference was a great gathering of Methodists from all parts of the western section of this good commonwealth. Every feature of the conference demands the use of superlative terms to tell the story thereof. At the first session Wednesday evening, March 26, the spacious West Market church upstairs and down, both in the main body of the church and the annex, was full to overflowing. The same was true at all the sessions Thursday. The overflow consisted mainly of men who gathered on the lawn in front of the church as is their practice at all Methodist conferences even when there is ample room on the inside of the church. The church was also full at Friday's sessions.

But this was not a huge group of women out for a holiday trip, or on pleasure bent. On the contrary, they were devoting themselves in admirable fashion to their Master's work, which with them was of first concern. Each delegate remained in her place throughout the entire session and the decorum of these business sessions was akin to the eleven o'clock worship service on Sunday. There was the same good behavior, the same spirit of reverence and interest in all that transpired. These women are examples in behavior and devotion that the entire membership would do well to copy. And for world evangelism they are doing more than all the rest of the church. This is not an oratorical statement without foundation in fact. The figures each year show that it is emphatically true.

The Greensboro people greatly appreciated the presence of these elect women even if some of the business men and women who take their noon day lunches up street found great difficulty to find a place to eat as all the cafeterias, cafes and other eating places were overcrowded.

What Makes a Church Great?

EXPENSIVE buildings? A big membership? Men and women on its rolls who are rich in this world's goods? Social leadership? Are these the measuring rods to be employed in determining a great church? To ask these questions is to answer them. You may add to these a choir of trained and gifted singers and a preacher of oratorical gifts and all the necessary qualifications for the lecture platform and even then not be able to qualify as a great church.

But many people are deceived by these secondary things and are willing to put them first when the spirit and ways of Jesus Christ, the founder and spiritual leader, must be first and last and the one qualification for real greatness. All these other things are incidental and it is a grave mistake to treat the incidentals as fundamentals.

Better Service Without Increase of Cost

THIS is what the traveler gets who rides the "Southerner," the new streamline train which began its run April 1 from New York to New Orleans by way of Washington, Greensboro, Charlotte and Atlanta.

We were among a number of Greensboro citizens who had been invited to make the initial run March 26 from Charlotte to Greensboro when this crack streamliner was on exhibition for the admiring gaze of thousands along the line of the Southern Railway. It is a trim, streamlined giant of glittering steel and one of the finest ever to roll along the Southern tracks. This luxury train of seven cars pulled by a 2,000 horsepower diesel locomotive sped from Salisbury to High Point in twenty-five minutes, and from High Point to Greensboro in fifteen minutes. It starts as smoothly as an ocean liner slipping from its pier for a trans-Atlantic voyage.

When the train pulled into Greensboro Wednesday afternoon a total of 114,800 persons had been shown through it. Charlotte set the record to date with 18,943 viewing the streamliner Tuesday. Other official tabulations were Atlanta, 17,343; Birmingham, 16,685, and High Point, 7,972. At Greensboro 12,492 were shown the latest thing in railway travel.

It costs but one and a half cents a mile to travel on this train where seats are reserved beforehand. Was there ever a greater travel bargain? It becomes clear at once that this train will prove inadequate to meet the public demand for space. For instance, there are only eight seats available at Greensboro and a proportionate number at all other stations that are schedule stops. The Southern Railway may as well prepare now for another daily train on this line.

A Son's Tribute to His Father

JOHN DERR, sports editor of the Greensboro Daily News, wrote a beautiful tribute to his father, Jacob Dailey Derr of Dallas, N. C., a highly esteemed citizen of Gaston county, who died March 27 at his home of a heart attack. This tribute of John Derr to his father should encourage all fathers to become pals to their sons as Mr. Derr was to his. The appreciation written shortly after his father's death follows:

My heart is heavy today for I have just lost the dearest friend and pal I ever had. My father spent many hours with me, tramping through the fields following our bird dogs and standing on river banks waiting for the fish to bite. He was a sportsman in the fullest meaning of the word—a sportsman who believed in the conservation of game.

While fishing we'd often hear birds whistling and watch them flying overhead. Then he'd tell me about these creatures that seemed to be enjoying life as much as we were. He didn't rely on books to let me learn about nature. He took the job himself with much interest.

About four years ago he hunted his last time. After that he spent many hours with his dogs and also was busy with raising pheasants and quail to turn loose on his 85-acre farm. He never lost his love for the outdoor life and just a few weeks ago we were planning a short fishing trip this summer.

There'll be no more tramps through the fields together for us, nor will we get the thrill of seeing each other land fish, but there'll always be memories for me of the happy hours we spent together, learning first hand what it means to be a sportsman. Those are happy memories and cherished ones. But today I am sad.

Glorified Clubs

AT Rocky Mount last week speaking to the conference on Christian service, Mrs. Devinney warned the women to see that their societies did not become simply "glorified social clubs" wanting in spiritual vigor, and thus failing to render a real service in their communities. She insisted that only the spiritual motive could save from this peril.

We all know that this is one of the perils of a city church, compactly organized and set apart to itself. In country places where the people are more scattered and apart from each other and the ordinary social life does not enter so largely into the life of the community, a gospel of the spirit overrides the ordinary social conventions. But look out for a city church composed of well-to-do people wanting in the spiritual motive and devoid of a passion for saving men! How much greater is the peril of a group of women engaged in social service! Group loyalty and the urgent, busy rounds about many of the details of the community is apt to be mistaken for, if not substituted for, the passion to bring men to God.

We have known not a few missionary societies so taken up with "credits" and the technique of a well regulated club that the members had lost the spirit of conquest, if they ever had it. The group was an end in itself rather than a means for the conquest of the world. Such is a hurt rather than a help in bringing in the kingdom of God. Then, the local church becomes a mechanized unit rather than a living, growing organization—a divine call for making the kingdom of God come among men in such a decadent world as this. The good Lord save the church from "glorified clubs."

The Ides of March

IDES of March, (15th) is the day, according to tradition, predicted as that of the murder of Julius Caesar—hence a fated and inauspicious day. May it not be that March 27 will become another Ides of March for free men?

At this hour no one knows. But the action of the heroic men of Yugoslavia last week has sent a thrill through the capitals of the world where men long to be free. They have waited for this burning desire of liberty in the hearts of men to call the bluff of Hitler, even at the peril of all that is dear to them. Caesar had his Brutus! It may be Hitler will suffer a similar fate in the tide of time.

Marvel Not at This

IN his cartoon "Believe It Or Not" Robert L. Ripley tells of Anna Swanepool of Johannesburg, South Africa, who slept for 31 years! Suddenly awakening at the age of 48 she is still a child mentally and spends her time playing with dolls.

Why should this be considered so strange? We know not a few who have been asleep for 60 years dozing on undisturbed. Some of these are members of the Methodist Church bearing the name of modern Rip Van Winkles.

A good time is this to magnify the words of Kagawa:

"Holding a beggar's child
Against my heart,
Through blinding tears I see
That as I love the tiny, piteous thing,
So God loves me!"

People and Things

Branson Memorial, Durham, has raised a thousand dollars to complete the basement rooms of the church school building, which were not completed when the church was built some years ago. The people are co-operating happily and enthusiastically in the work.—John Cline.

Be sure to read the article about Louisburg College on page 9 of this week's Advocate. This is an opportunity that should not be let slip. Write to Dr. Patten at once and help to release this college of its indebtedness and let it go.

Another parsonage has undergone extensive improvements, and Rev. E. P. Green of Vale is grateful for a new water system and other evidences of the thoughtfulness and co-operation of his people. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville will hold the pre-Easter services at Central, Kings Mountain, beginning April 6.—H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

The Rev. D. Ed Earnhardt, pastor of Calvary Methodist church, Durham, and former president of Louisburg College, spoke March 17 to the student body of Louisburg College in the auditorium at 10:30 o'clock. Dr. Earnhardt made a very interesting and inspiring talk, showing to the students that "Gentleness is bigger than brutality, and kindness is stronger than bluster."

We have just closed a very fine meeting in the Halifax church, being ably and most acceptably assisted by Rev. B. D. Critcher of Enfield. There were ten received into the church with several others coming in later. The Baptists and Episcopalians are co-operating most helpfully both morally and financially. The people could not be more considerate in every way of the pastor.—O. I. Hinson.

The Palestine Review tells of the restoration of salt lands near the Dead Sea. The soil contains 17 per cent of salt minerals and nothing would grow in it, but by flowing water through the soil, these salt minerals were rinsed from it and the vegetable growth was astounding. Clover was harvested three times in three months, alfalfa 14 times in 10 months. The explanation is that the soil had also a 35 per cent lime content which was very productive. "The Wilderness" of the Dead Sea may yet be the richest spot on earth and sustain a large population.

It was this writer's privilege last Sunday morning to occupy the pulpit of Muir's Chapel for Rev. G. A. Stamper, the pastor, who has been ordered by his physician to take a few weeks' rest after a prolonged siege of hard work. This was our first opportunity to see the new educational building of this church, which is first class in every particular and serves to put Muir's Chapel in the forefront of well equipped churches. Located as it is in a choice and rapidly developing suburb of Greensboro it is destined at no distant day to become one of the great churches of the conference and of Greensboro Methodism. Dr. Stamper is greatly esteemed by the West Greensboro charge.

Few higher distinctions come to American clergymen than the invitation to deliver the Lyman Beecher lectures on preaching at Yale University. This year, April 15-17, they will be given by Dr. Ralph Washington Sockman, minister of Christ Methodist church, New York City. The general title of the series will be "Prophets, Yea, More." Two lectures a day will be delivered as follows: I. A Voice in the Wilderness: Our Contemporary Confusion. II. A Reed in the Wind: The Relative and the Absolute. III. A Prophet: A Voice of Authority. IV. More Than a Prophet: Preparing the Way of the People. V. The Least in the Kingdom: The Means of Grace. VI. The Children of Wisdom vs. the Children of the Market Place.

Under the direction of Prof. James E. Byerly, the Louisburg College A Capella choir presented sacred concerts in the Benson Methodist church on Sunday morning, March 9, and on Sunday evening a similar concert was presented in the Sanford Methodist church. The following numbers were sung by the group: O Sing Unto the Lord, Massler; Come Holy Ghost, Palestrina; Hear My Prayer, Kopylof; O Lord, the Maker of All Things, Gaul; O Gladsome Light, Arkhangelsky; God So Loved the World, Stainer; The Heavens Resound. Beethoven; and Alma Mater. Rev. W. R. Dixon, secretary of public relations of Louisburg College, spoke briefly at each of the services.

The catalogue for 1941-1942 session of Louisburg College is just off the press. A copy has been sent to all the ministers serving charges. The administration will be glad to send a copy to any high school student, parent, or superannuate who is interested in having this new issue of the catalogue. It sets forth the general information relative to the self-help plan, the expenses, and the courses offered by the college. Here is your junior college that is being strengthened each year to serve more efficiently the youths of our families, and to offer to them the opportunity of self-development for a worthy life work. With her capable faculty and improved equipment she opens the doors of service to those youths who aspire to make living meaningful.

Here are two items of signal interest with regard to Dr. G. Ray Jordan's work at First church, Charlotte: Since his arrival as pastor over 200 additions by certificate and profession of faith have been made to the church. He is at present engaged in his pre-Easter evangelistic services. . . . Dr. Jordan's latest book, "Why the Cross?" is the first selection of The Pulpit Book of the Month Club. Using the words of another, "this reverent interpretation of the Cross as the intensely personal and gloriously challenging essential of Christianity illumines the mysterious and inescapable attraction of the Cross which will not let us go." Dr. Jordan is doing a great and constructive work in Mecklenburg Methodism.—John H. Carper.

The Board of Education (headquarters in Nashville, Tenn.) and the Board of Lay Activities (headquarters in Chicago) of the Methodist Church have agreed to co-operate in a program of church-wide stewardship education and a special program of Christian stewardship for boys and youth, according to Dr. J. Q. Schisler, secretary of the local church division of the denomination's Board of Education, who with Dr. George L. Morelock, secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities, is backing the joint program. Dr. Schisler, spokesman for the proposed program, said the agreements were made at a recent meeting of the joint committee on co-operation between the Board of Education and the Board of Lay Activities held in Cincinnati.

"In one district of an English city we found the husk of a Methodist church," says a recent visitor. "Quite by accident we met the minister and he shepherded us around the ruins. It was a tragic story. The faithful little flock were holding their Sunday evening services in the school room when the bombs came. No one inside was killed but several received head injuries. Many, however, were killed on their way home that night. A local preacher who had preached that morning from the text: 'Be not afraid of them that kill the body . . .' arrived home that night after his Home Guard duty to find that his son and daughter had both perished as a result of the raid. Two other bodies were dug out from wreckage close to the church. It was a pathetic sight to find some little boys' caps among the debris in the Sunday school."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College students will leave on Saturday, April 5, for their spring vacation, returning to the college for classes on April 15.

On Tuesday evening the faculty at G. C. met in the student activities building for dinner, followed by a faculty meeting with Dr. Gobbel, president, presiding. After the business meeting the regular faculty forum was held with Dr. Elizabeth Young, head of the department of education, as speaker. Her topic was "Agnes Scott College." Dr. Raymond Smith, head of the department of religious education, is chairman of the forum.

On Tuesday afternoon with Margaret Wrenn Koontz presiding, the new officers of the day students' association at Greensboro College were officially installed. The new officers are: Jean Davis, president; Ola Matlock, vice president; Jane Moore, secretary; Helen Porter, treasurer; Bettie Posser, council representative.

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the W. N. C. Conference, meeting in Odell auditorium Thursday with Mrs. Charles C. Weaver presiding, were addressed by Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, national executive secretary of the organization for the society, and witnessed a pageant presented by Greensboro College students, directed by Miss Charlotte Searles, instructor in dramatics. Miss Katheryn Edwards, Greensboro, served as reader for the pageant which told the story of foreign mission service. Representing countries affected by the service were Misses Doris Davenport, Greensboro; Frances Swing, Winston-Salem; Alice Kennedy, Kinston; Mary Elizabeth Dozier, Lumberton; Alice Ruark, Park Ridge, Ill.; Betsy Jean Backer, Southern Pines; Inez Pleasants, Greensboro; Betsy Collett, Morganton; Katherine Hill, New Bern; Grace Estep, Greensboro; Helen Prince, Dunn; Charlotte Debnam, Greensboro; Elinor Plyler, Durham; Jaqueline Campen, Goldsboro; Betty Jansen, Winter Haven, Fla.; Alice Lee Harris, Wake Forest; Ruth Hollowell, Hertford; Faye Smithdeal, Winston-Salem; Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem; and Betty Jean Moore, Graham.

Miss Jean Stamper, soprano, student of Walter Vassar and member of the college glee club, was presented in recital by the Greensboro College school of music in which she is a candidate for the B.M. degree, Monday night in Odell Memorial autditorium.

Miss Samper's program, well chosen for the bell-like quality of her voice, opened with Handel's lyrical "O sleep, why dost thou leave me?" (Semele), and a group of Italian compositions, "Baci amorosi e cari" (Mozart), "Fiocca la neve" (Cimara), with quiet rhythm representing the falling of snow, and "Nevvie" (Respighi). Following were the climatic "Der Tod, das ist die kuhle Nacht" (Paxson), "Cacillie" (Strauss), and the dramatic "O don fatale" (Don Carlo by Verdi). Among the French group were the peaceful "Apres un Reve" (Faure), the rhythmic, joyous "Mandoline" (Poldowski), "Les Berceaux" (Faure), and "Hyme au Soleil" (Ceorges). Concluding the program were English selections, the well known "Christ went up into the hills" (Hageman); "The Fountain" (Kirkpatrick), dedicated to Rose Bampton, a recent composition with colorful accompaniment; "Dreams" (Chasins); and "Floods of Spring" (Rachmaninoff).

Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem, senior student of Mark Hoffman, accompanied Miss Stamper at the piano.

Literary societies at Grenesboro College, the Irvings and Emersons, have elected officers for 1941-42. Irving leaders included Miss Frances Winstead, Roxboro, succeeding Kathryn Thompson, Aurora, as president; Peggy Brown, Asheville, vice president; Alice Kennedy, Kinston, secretary; Rosemary Reed, Greensboro, treasurer; Virginia Boren, Greensboro, chaplain; Alice Odell Taylor, Hookerton, critic; Marguerite Thomason, Lexington, censor; Florence Royal, Morehead City, pianist; Mary Jane Newborn, Snow Hill; Sebie Midyette, Kinston; Betsy Shotwell, Oxford; Betsy Jean Moore, Graham; Louise Taylo, Oxford; and Betty Armfield, Greensboro, marshals.

Officers of the Emersons are Misses Mary Jon Thomas, Jonesboro, succeeding Ruth Slocumb, Goldsboro, as president; Wilma Wall, Thomasville; vice president; Virginia Hobbs, Hampton, Va., recording secretary; Martha Cline, Salisbury, corresponding secretary; Betty Simmons, Polkton, treasurer; Nell Webb, Cherryville, chaplain; Jacqueline Hardin, Boone, censor and critic; Frances Kelly, Mount Holly, pianist; Alice Price, Taylorsville; Jacqueline Campen, Goldsboro; Inez Pleasants, Greensboro; Betsy Jean Backer, Southern Pines; Margaret Jon Hardin, Boone, and Alice Lee Harris, Wake Forest, marshals.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fayetteville district conference is to be held April 22 at Raeford. The hours are 10 to 4, with a one o'clock intermission for fellowship and for a good dinner at thirty cents per plate.

W. V. McRae.

LEAGUE OF STEWARDS AND MISSIONARY INSTITUTE OF GREENSBORO DISTRICT MET LAST SUNDAY IN REIDSVILLE

The Main Street Methodist church, Reidsville, is both big and beautiful, and this commodious beautiful church last Sunday was packed from altar rail to the front doors with Methodist leaders from all parts of the Greensboro district and members of the local congregation.

Dr. L. L. Gobbel, district lay leader, presided over the stewards' institute and Dr. C. W. Bates conducted the devotions. Dr. J. H. Armbrust, pastor of the church, extended a gracious welcome to the visitors.

Walter Vassar, director of music at Greensboro College, presented the college glee club and they sang four numbers.

After the musical numbers the league of stewards went into their program. T. C. Hoyle of Greensboro spoke on "The Steward in Action." Dr. Gobbel spoke in the place of R. L. Pope who was scheduled but, because of illness, could not be present. Other speakers who appeared were F. Eugene Hester of Reidsville, secretary of the league; F. R. Stout of Grace church, Greensboro; Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor of the Christian Advocate of Greensboro, and Rev. L. B. Hayes.

During the intermission ladies of Main Street and Lindsey Street churches of Reidsville served refreshments. This was an innovation at five o'clock in the afternoon. A five o'clock tea is "quite English you know," except the ladies served coffee instead of tea. But it was a delightful innovation and enjoyed by every one.

Rev. L. B. Hayes presided over the missionary institute following the "five o'clock tea." Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond and a North Carolinian whose friends are coextensive with his acquaintances, was the leading speaker of the second session of the Sunday afternoon assembly. Among the many telling utterances of the address Bishop Peele declared that the American churches must be the spiritual supply base of the world. The bishop said the big evil of war was the destruction of the possibilities of young life. He said that Hitler is a product of a world condition and that the business of the church is to change that condition.

Rev. C. W. Clay, a missionary to Brazil, brought greetings from the church in Brazil and told of the work in that country. Rev. R. G. Tuttle of Gibsonville, district missionary secretary, presented the matter of missionary literature. During the meeting it was brought out that there are 65 churches in the Greensboo distict with Woman's Societies of Christian Service and 27 churches with no such societies. The final goal is a society for every church.

WORLD SERVICE ACCEPTANCES

Reports to this office indicate that the following acceptances have been placed in the several districts of the two

North Carolina Conference

	Apportioned	Accepted
Durham	$ 28,230.00	$17,212.00
Elizabeth City	18,630.00	10,630.00
Fayetteville	25,584.00	20,997.00
New Bern	22,753.00	10,036.00
Raleigh	26,700.00	11,877.00
Rocky Mount	26,350.00	12,519.00
Wilmington	21,615.00	11,156.00
Total	169,862.00	94,427.00

Western North Carolina Conference

Asheville	18,860.68	11,261.00
Charlotte	28,415.44	24,186.00
Elkin	15,601.12	5,694.00
Gastonia	25,155.87	15,445.39
Greensboro	28,191.50	18,594.10
High Point	21,622.60	13,665.00
Marion	18,263.51	7,798.00
Salisbury	24,882.17	19,542.00
Statesville	24,384.52	11,938.13
Waynesville	11,968.32	5,480.00
Winston-Salem	31,475.94	21,171.00
Total	248,821.67	154,774.62

Bishop Clare Purcell.

DURHAM DISTRICT NOTICE

The Durham District Committee on Qualifications of Local Preachers will meet at ten o'clock in the morning, April 14, in the pastor's study of Duke Memorial church. Local preachers of the district should have their reports in the hands of the chairman in time for this meeting. Any person seeking license to preach should be present.

H. C. Smith, Chairman.

BISHOP CLARE PURCELL TO PREACH IN LOVE'S CHURCH, WALKERTOWN

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at the memorial service on Palm Sunday afternoon in Love's church. The service will be held at 3 p. m. and will be in memory of those honored dead whose devotion and labor for the church meant so much in the one hundred and fifty years of her life. All former pastors and friends of the church are extended a cordial invitation to attend this service.

The following is a brief resume of the church's history:

Love's Methodist church is a worthy memorial to James Love, who aided in establishing the church in 1791, just seven years after the famous Christmas Conference, at which time American Methodists organized for her great task in the new world. From its modest beginning with only a handful of members, it has grown to a church of 565 members on roll. Its building has changed from a log building "with glass windows and a yard fenced in" to the present brick edifice.

The present church, built in 1900 during the pastorate of Rev. W. M. Curtis, is the fourth or possibly the fifth church building erected on the original grant of land. The first was of logs, the second, a probable log meeting house; the third, a small frame building; the fourth, a larger frame church; and the present and fifth, a brick church and Sunday school annex (added in 1922).

The first church was built on land donated by a Mr. Tucker. It was included in the Yadkin circuit, and, although accurate local records are not available for the first forty years, the names of some who held services have been preserved. They include Colstens, Roundtree, Brown, Pate, Grays. Isaac Love and Lawrence Mansfield appear to have been outstanding elders.

The existence of the second log church is disputed, but the increased size of the congregation and the activity of the group, as well as legend, warrents the assumption that it was built and used up until 1843. Mr. A. M. Mecum owns an interesting old class book dating from 1831-1837 which gives first hand insight into the membership of the church and the conducting of its affairs. The membership varied from 50 to 75. Whites and colored worshipped in the same church but were listed separately, the slaves being enrolled by owner's name. The "state of souls" and "station in life" was also noted by each of the members' names.

Several notations by preachers of this period are interesting to read. G. W. S. Harper admonished his flock: "$27.00 is the amount for your class to make up. Attend to it strictly. Try and get each member to pay his quota before November 1." Moses Brock, Peter Doub, and Thos. J. Starr signed this exhortation: "Observe the Friday preceding each quarterly meeting as a day of fasting and prayer for the prosperity of Zion and for us your servants." "Expect your preacher March 31, 1837, on Friday." (Henry Spreck).

Many of the names now apperaing on the church records are but a continuing of the earlier records through descendants of the early members—Martin, Campbell, Van Hoy, Walker, Crews, Jones, Mecum, Morris, Clemmons, Hester, Davis, Ham, and many more.

In 1843 a frame building about 30x40 was built. During the following years the church was transferred to the Forsyth circuit, which is mentioned in records of 1850. During this era the church was served by some 33 pastors, among whom was Gaston E. Brown, Solomon Helsebach, Zebedee Rush, David Doub, J. W. Wheeler, M. J. Hunt, T. H. Pegram, and J. C. Thomas.

During a second ministry of T. H. Pegram, in 1888, another frame church was erected. This building was about 40x60,and traces of the old foundation may still be seen. Oniy four pastors served this church: T. H. Pegram, E. J. Poe, W. C. Wilson, and W. M. Curtis. By 1896 the church was a part of the Kernersville circuit, but in 1897 Love's church was made a station. Mr. N. D. Sullivan provided a parsonage, while the salary was made $600.

One of the outstanding periods of the church's life occurred during this time when it was establishing itself as a station. Under the guidance of Rev. Mr. Curtis, Epworth Leagues were organized, a Sunday school library was begun, traditional Christmas and Easter programs were established for the Sunday school. The whole spirit of the church seemed quickened.

In December, 1899, the church caught fire, and only a few pews, the pulpit furniture, the communion table, and the brass lighting fixtures were saved. The next day the board of stewards met and unanimously decided to build a brick church. Mr. N. D. Sulllivan was appointed chairman of the building program and Mr. T. A. Crews was appointed treasurer. The first sermon in the new church was preached October 28, 1900.

During the subsequent years Love's church has been under the ministry of some of the memorable men of our conference: P. J. Carraway, H. H. Jordan, J. E. Woosley, W. A. Lambeth, H. C. Allen, Parker Holmes. All who have served have contributed to its growth and development, to its present church vigor.

A history of Love's church would not be complete without mention of its Sunday school. Organized May 11, 1879, with an enrollment of 91, it has grown these 62 years until its membership now totals 352. Superintendents have been Martin Jones, S. S. Clemmons, Jas. C. Mecum, I. N. Carmichael, W. M. Poindexter (who served for forty years), P. Frank Hanes, and P. C. Idol. Secretaries have been E. W. Linville, Charlie Young, A. M. Mecum, J. C. Hammack, P. H. Booe, D. C. Moir (who served for thirty-five years), and C. S. Waggoner. Mr. T. S. Waggoner was also outstanding for his service as assistant superintendent for over forty years. The consistently high attendance average testified to the mutual interest of teachers and pupils in the Sunday school and in the strengthening of the church in all its work.

This year Mr. Nelson Parrish is serving as chairman of the board of stewards. The church school officers are: P. C. Idol, general superintendent; W. N. Poindexter, assistant superintendent; D. C. Moir, secretary; and Staples Waggoner, treasurer. Assistants of the church school division are: Mrs. Mary Crews Poindexter, children's division, Lacy Ballard, young people's division, and James M. Mecum, adult division.

An advisory sesqui-centennial committee has been assisting the pastor, Rev. Emmett K. McLarty, Jr., in forwarding plans for the year's celebration.

DR. G. T. ROWE THE CHIEF SPEAKER AT HIGH POINT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE IN ASHEBORO LAST SUNDAY

The missionary institute of the High Point district was held last Sunday afternoon in the Central Methodist church, Asheboro, with Dr. G. T. Rowe of Duke University delivering the principal address.

Dr. Rowe, professor of theology at Duke University, declared that the three great problems in the world today are standards, which, he said, are "utterly false"; means and methods, which he termed "utterly wrong"; and goals, which, Dr. Rowe declared, are "utterly false."

On the other hand, Dr. Rowe declared, are the principles of Christianity, and "that the only power in the world that can save mankind is the holy love of God." Dr. Rowe's subject was "Christian Missions in Relation to World Problems."

Mrs. W. T. Powell of High Point discussed women's missionary activities in the High Point district. Dr. S. W. Taylor, superintendent of High Point district, conducted an open forum on promotion of world service through church schools, with pastors reporting on missionary education activities in their churches. Robert Rankin of High Point discussed "The Challenge of World Service to Young People."

Rev. I. L. Roberts of Randleman, district missionary secretary, presided; Dr. Taylor conducted a devotion program, and Dr. Rowe spoke the benediction.

To promote interest in mission study the district has been divided into 11 zones with a pastor appointed chairman as follows: Archdale zone, Rev. G. E. White; Asheboro zone, Rev. J. W. Braxton; Denton zone, Rev. George L. Curry; High Point zone, Rev. O. L. Brown; Liberty zone, Rev. George R. Brown; Linwood zone, Rev. O. E. Croy; Ramseur zone, Dr. J. E. Pritchard; Randleman zone, Rev. J. R. Anderson; Seagrove zone, Rev. J. H. Trollinger; Shiloh zone, Rev. T. G. Madison; and West Randolph zone, Rev. G. B. Ferree.

New Officials of Woman's Society of Christian Service, Western North Carolina Conference



Officials of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference who were elected at the three-day history-making conference held at West Market Street Methodist Church, Greensboro. Seated are the five officers, left to right, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Greensboro, corresponding secretary; Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, treasurer; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem, president; Mrs. C. N. Clark, Salisbury, vice-president, and Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Lexington, recording secretary. Standing are the secretaries of causes, who complete the officer list, left to right, they are: Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Bessemer City, literature and publications; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro, Christian social relations and local church activities; Mrs. E. A. Lamb, Cedar Falls, young women's and girls' groups; Mrs. W. F. Redding, Asheboro, Wesleyan guild; Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, editor of woman's page in Christian Advocate; Mrs. George Hoyle, Shelby, children's work; Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Shelby, supplies, and Mrs. J. W. Payne, Waxhaw, missionary education and service. (Photograph courtesy Greensboro Daily News.)

LOUISBURG COLLEGE DEBT SETTLEMENT

The North Carolina conference can rejoice somewhat that the enormous debt that was upon Louisburg College has gradually been reduced by the fine spirit of co-operation on the part of the creditors and thousands of donors of the churches. By the policy of compromise settlements much of this work has been achieved.

The mortgage debt was settled on a four-fifths basis, many of the old open accounts were donated, others were cleared by a one-third payment, and now the bondholders have agreed to a settlement on a fifty per cent cash payment of the principal or by a 75 per cent payment in tuition at the college.

In effecting this new agreement with the bondholders a prompt settlement had to be promised. To do this about $6,000 in cash must be in hand by May 15. This will release to Mr. C. A. Dillon, treasurer, the Louisburg College bonds.

This load can be pushed over the crest of the hill, kind reader, if you will send a cash donation or a pledge to be paid by May 15 to the undersigned.

Walter Patten, Louisburg College,
Louisburg, North Carolina.

LISTEN TO A BIT OF SHOP TALK

The circulation of this Advocate is growing constantly. Each mail brings new subscribers and we rarely have a subscriber discontinue his paper. But the increase is not as fast as we desire and as fast as it ought to be if we are to serve the Methodist people of North Carolina as they ought to be. Consequently, we are preparing for a special effort to enlarge the circle of readers of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This special effort has been deferred because of the many demands that have been upon the pastors and the churches. But just after Easter the way will be open for this campaign.

We will then publish a list of pastors and charges that send in new subscribers so that all can be informed as to which churches are interested in the work of the church paper. We hope that every pastoral charge will have a place on the roll of honor.

MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina Conference held its regular spring luncheon in the ball room of the Jefferson Standard building in Greensboro on March 28 at one o'clock. There were 133 in attendance.

The president, Mrs. W. B. West, spoke gracious words of welcome, after which Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon, program chairman, and Mrs. C. C. Herbert, first vice president and song leader, kept the audience in a happy mood with their varied and clever entertainment.

A quartet by Greensboro College girls added much to the pleasure of the group.

Mrs. A. C. Waggoner introduced the speaker of the occasion by describing her attractive attire, her lovely appearance, her interest in the spiritual life of the association, her place in the hearts of all present, etc., and closed by saying, "The speaker will now speak." Consternation fell upon the audience when two women answering the description arose, Mrs. Clare Purcell and Mrs. C. N. Clark, each contending for the place. Each had a written speech. Mrs. Purcell's had been forgotten and was sent to her by special delivery from Charlotte. Much merriment ensued as a spirited rivalry followed between the wife of the bishop and the wife of the district superintendent, the latter expressing fear that the controversy might affect her husband's appointment at conference.

The two-year term of office of the recording secretary and the corresponding secretary having expired, Mrs. Frank Jordan, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the names of Mrs. A. C. Waggoner and Mrs. F. O. Dryman for these offices, and they were duly elected.

On motion of Mrs. C. C. Herbert, carried by more than a two-thirds vote of those present, the following amendments were made to the by-laws: Article 3, Section 1, to read: "No person shall be elected to the same office for more than one year." And that Section 2 be amended to read: "The recording secretary and corresponding secretary shall be elected at the meeting held during the session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The president, vice president, and treasurer shall be elected at the meeting held during the session of the annual conference. This change to go into effect October, 1941."

Much credit is due the luncheon committee, Mrs. Kenneth Goodson, Mrs. J. B. Craven and Mrs. L. B. Hayes, for the delicious menu, the attractive arrangements and the beautiful setting.

The hour of sweet fellowship passed all too quickly. With the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" the ministers' wives parted to meet again in October.

Mrs. D. M. Litaker, Rec. Sec.

Springs of Faith for These Days

By C. P. MORRIS

Mar 11:22, "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God."

It is easy for us to become pessimistic these latter days. Every morning paper, every radio newscast tells of war and murder, tragedy and crime. Each day we are confronted with the terrible realization that the world has gone mad with hatred and greed, fear and mistrust. The forces of unrighteousness seem to be in the ascendency and seem to hold the upper hand over the forces of righteousness. As a result our Christian faith is receiving a severe jolt. The greatest need of the hour is for a revitalized faith in the "kingdom of God and his righteousness." "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God."

But one cannot exercise that faith by merely saying the word. What evidence, what proof, what assurance have we in which faith may take root and live? There must be something to take hold of, something that abides, something that can be depended upon, for "blind belief is sure to err." Again, "faith is not belief in spite of evidence, but life lived in scorn of consequences." The Epistle to the Hebrews defines faith as "the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." This evidence is what I choose to call springs of faith by which we rise from despair to hope, from defeatism to optimism, from what appears to what is.

I. The Unchanging Reality of God

However inappropriate Robert Browning's lines may seem for our day, they betray an optimism, grounded in the reality of God, that our world sorely needs.

The year's at the spring
And day's at the morn;
Morning's at seven;
The hillside's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn;
God's in his heaven—
All's right with the world.

Regardless of whether or not we agree that "all's right with the world," for indeed there is much evidence to the contrary, we need to be assured that "God's in his heaven," and that he is still ruling this world. He hasn't gone off and left us to the mercy of fate, nor of dictators, nor the "rulers of this world's darkness." He has not divorced himself from the aches and pains and sufferings of this world. He still looks down from the cross and cries, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do." His "still, small voice" is yet audible, to some, above the roar of aeroplane engines, bursting bombs, and firing guns. That voice will still be speaking when the noise of battle has died down and dictators have been forgotten and earthly kingdoms have crumbled. The forces of righteousness will prevail. You can bet your life on that.

This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.

"And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God."

II. Man's Innate God-Likeness

Whatever we may believe about the depravity of man, his bent toward sin, his tendency toward evil, we cannot deny the fact of the indwelling spirit of God. A "spark of divinity" has been planted within the soul of man, a tendency toward goodness, an inner conscience which is the voice of God. In the language of Genesis: "So God created man in his own image, in thee image of God created he him." "And the Lord God . . . breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." In the words of the Psalmist: "For thou hast made man a little lower than the engels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor." St. Augustine expressed it thus: "Thou hast made us for thyself, and restless is our soul until it finds rest in thee, O God."

It is well for us to remember, therefore, that no matter how far man may wander from God, he still possesses that "spark of divinity" which, though lying dormant, may yet be set off. The seed of righteousness, which may eventually take root and live, is still there, even in the most depraved sinner. For man cannot shut God out of his life completely. The Psalmist knew this right well when he exclaimed, "Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there."

It is this faith in man's innate God-likeness that gives springs to faith in the eventual triumph of the "kingdom of God and his righteousness." Man cannot for always ignore this inner voice for justice and righteousness. Something within man will eventually rebel against the hell of this war, "man's inhumanity to man," this murdering, starving, persecuting. For man at heart is God-like. "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God." But one cannot have faith in God without also exercising faith in man, who has been created in God's own image.

III. Human Nature Can Be Changed

The third spring of faith for these days is found in the fact that human nature can be changed. Man has access to a power that is capable of recreating personality and of redeeming society. No man was more qualified to bear testimony to this fact than has Paul who had experienced a transformation within his own life. Hear him: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." The old Saul had died and the new Paul had come to life. But Paul is not alone in his witness to this spiritual re-birth. The author of the book Twice Born Men gives the testimony of scores of men who have been "born again" spiritually. Furthermore, many of us can give first hand testimony of this wonderful work of grace in our lives. We know that whereas we were once blind, now we see. We know "we have passed from death to life because we love the brethren."

But human nature not only can be changed, it must be changed if man is to enter into the kingdom of God. Jesus said to Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: "I tell you,

no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born over again from above." It is absolutely essential that the animal level of existence be transcended, that one come up into the atmosphere of God to live in the world of the spirit and to "think God's thoughts after him."

It is the possibility of this spiritual renewal, this birth from above that lends hope to our faith in the coming of the kingdom of God on earth. Although its coming may be slowed may indeed be momentarily retarded, that it will eventually come I have the utmost confidence. Jesus said it is like a grain of mustard seed which, being the smallest of seeds, grows up into a great tree, or like leaven which, being hid in a lump of flour, eventually permeates the whole lump.

Therefore it becomes our duty as Christians during these dark days to sound the note, "Have faith in God," and to proclaim to the world "One mighty to save." We know we are standing on solid ground because of the unchanging reality of God, man's innate God-likeness, and the fact that human nature can be "born over again from above." This note of optimism is sorely needed in our feverish and confused, bewildered and pessimistic world. This is no time for us Christians to acquiesce or to "fold our tents like Arabs and as silently steal away" from the scene of battle. The world is looking to the Christian church for a voice in the night to show the way out into the sunlight of God's love. The hour in which we find ourselves calls for our Christian witness. We have a great opportunity and a correspondingly great responsibility. We must not fail to lift up Christ.

The kingdoms of the earth go by,
In purple and in gold;
They rise, they flourish, and they die,
And all their tale is told.
One Kingdom alone is divine,
One Banner triumphs still,
Its King a servant and its sign,
A Cross upon a hill.

"And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God."

WHENCE COMETH WAR?

Whence cometh war?
Bring the foul thing to bar.
Out of the hatreds of the ages long;
Out of the greed and blood-lust of the strong
Out of the strutting swagger of the proud;
Out of the mad hysteria of the crowd;
Out of the lying honor of the state;
Out of the coward meanness of the great;
Out of the toll that profits take from toil,
Of surplus spoil, piled up on surplus spoil,
Chocking to idleness the workman's wheel,
Or raping all the earth with ruthless steel,
Out of a devil's smoke-screen of defense,
That turns to foolishness the things of sense,
Makes virtue's garden a vast swamp of vice,
And sells the Son of Man at Judas' price,
Nor has the grace to cast away the pelf
But makes of God an infidel himself.

Whence cometh war? We know the truth
too well—
Out of the mouth of hell!

—Robert Whitaker.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE ROCKY MOUNT CONFERENCE

Some consider missionary gatherings solemn occasions at which old men and old women assemble to talk about saving the poor heathen. Years ago a local woman's missionary society was apt to be composed of a handful of dear old sisters in black collecting dimes for the missionary cause; but all that is changed in these last times. Especially true is this with the Methodist North Carolina Conference of Christian Service.

Instead of a group of old women, with here and there an old preacher that the ungodly youngsters facetiously inclined might dub as belonging to the sisterhood of "Aunt Meekly" and the brotherhood of "Holy Moses," there was at Rocky Mount a jubilant crowd of sweet sixteens—plus, that filled every nook and corner of the church, of the annex and of galleries above and below. Only two or three of the male contingent found even standing room within. Most of the men were allowed to sit on the curbstone or else to hold free converse a good distance from the doors. The alert pages allowed no one even to whisper in the vestibules. I took my stand against a side wall so as to get a cross section view of the assembly. This was not the traditional group of sickly saints robed in black. The young president, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, duly attired for the glad occasion, presided with alertness and dignity. Not a doleful note was heard and few sable garments were in sight. I counted fifty flaming red hats and three times that number with a touch of red and white, to say nothing of the general effect similar to Joseph's coat of ancient times.

More than 100 "wives" at the ministers' wives' luncheon and above 300 reported at the delegates' luncheon. This took no account of us poor Samaritans who scattered here and there over town for a sandwich. I did not get a report of those who gathered for the five o'clock tea. Judging by the number of cars that headed that direction from the church following adjournment it was a most successful social hour. Of course, the ladies at Rocky Mount know how to make a glorious success of such occasions. Then, too, their interest in these devoted workers and the cause they represent constrains them to do their utmost to add to the glorious occasion. All this was duly appreciated by the visitors and am sure all will be glad for their return.

Others will tell in detail of the business of the conference and the success of those who had a part in the program. Again and again was mention made of the Western North Carolina conference in session at Greensboro. Fraternal greetings were dispatched by those who appeared on both programs and the oneness of the cause in which all are engaged. As I caught a vision of the more than 1000 workers gathered at Greensboro and Rocky Mount, I rejoiced to think of the possibilities wrapped up in these two great conferences. Could this Advocate find its way into each of the homes scattered about in town and country of the state what influence for good it would become. We long for that good day to come. Efforts are being made to this end.

May we all come to appreciate the possibilities of our North Carolina Methodism with such a multitude of alert and devoted women to give their lives for the welfare of the homes and the churches of the state! A wonderful day has dawned for us. Are we ready to make the most of it?

M. T. P.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE PRESENTS AN IMPRESSIVE LIST OF SPEAKERS

Monday of this week the missionary institute of the Charlotte district met in First Methodist church, Charlotte, when Bishop W. W. Peele of the Richmond Area, Bishop Clare Purcell of the Charlotte Area, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of First church, Guy O. Bagwell, lay leader of the Charlotte district, Mrs. W. M. McLaurine of Charlotte, district president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and Dr. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin occupied places on the program during the morning session.

Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent, presided over the morning session and Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald presided over the afternoon session, when Rev. S. M. Needham, pastor of Calvary church, Charlotte, Rev. I. L. Shaver, returned missionary from Japan, and Mrs. J. W. Payne of Waxhaw were the speakers.

Rev. John H. Carper, pastor of Thrift-Moores, led the singing and Mrs. L. R. Akers was accompanist.

Bishop Peele, who had made the trip from Richmond to Charlotte to deliver an address, was reported by Granberry Dickson in the Charlotte Observer to have declared among other striking utterances:

"Christianity and democracy are linked together, and the totalitarian states, conscious of this fact, are hitting at Christianity and education. The paganism of the totalitarian state, not only in Germany, but all over the world, is challenging Christianity."

Recalling that more than 600 church buildings in England have been destroyed by German bombs, Bishop Peele, who served nine years as pastor of First Methodist church, voiced the belief that in the main they were deliberately selected as targets by the Nazi airmen. By reason of the war, he reported, 168 missions abroad are now orphaned, totally bereft of support, and are in tragic plight.

This Monday meeting was largely attended and Dr. Bond, the district superintendent, expressed himself as greatly pleased with this successful gathering of the leaders of the district.

MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON AT ROCKY MOUNT

The Association of Ministers' Wives held its regular spring meeting on Wednesday, March 26, during the session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service in Rocky Mount at a lovely luncheon at the Episcopal church.

The meeting was opened with the singing of a hymn, followed by the Collect, repeated in unison.

Greetings of welcome were spoken by Mrs. C. P. Parker, with R. L. Jerome giving the response. Mrs. H. I. Glass presented resolutions of appreciation as a member of the ministers' wives to Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The president of the association, Mrs. L. C. Larkin, introduced Mrs. D. H. Warlick of Granite Falls, mother of Mrs. Hillman and Mrs. Paul Garber of Durham, visitors at the luncheon.

During the reports of the district chairmen, improvements and additions to parsonages were noted. There were found to be three new babies, two new members of the association, and one new parsonage. District meetings and socials were mentioned. District representatives were: Mrs. J .W. Page, for the Fayetteville district; Mrs. J. R. Poe, for the Elizabeth City district; Mrs. W. L. Clegg, in the Durham district; Mrs. Stevens, for the New Bern district; Mrs. P. F. Newton, in the Rocky Mount district; Mrs. A. S. Parker, for the Wilmington district; and Mrs. Weathers, for the Raleigh district.

During the business session the minutes of the fall meeting were read by the secretary, followed by the treasurer's report. The recommendations of the nominating committee were presented by Mrs. C. D. Barclift, chairman, as follows: Mrs. B. F. Boone of Zebulon, president; Mrs. J. F. Herbert of Wilmington, vice president; Mrs. C. S. Hubbard of Roseboro, secretary-treasurer, all of whom were accepted unanimously.

With the presentation of an unique gavel in the shape of a pitcher, the outgoing president retired in favor of Mrs. Boone, who asked that Mrs. Larkin be given a vote of thanks, especially for her work as as organized of the association. Mrs. Herbert and Mrs. Hubbard were also presented.

The benediction was spoken by Mrs. Walter Patten.

Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Secretary.

RANKIN MEMORIAL CHURCH, HIGH POINT

The Rankin Memorial church was erected in honor of the late Captain A. M. Rankin, a leading citizen of High Point who was for many years a church leader and lib-



Rankin Memorial Church, High Point

eral contributor to good causes. He gave liberally to the church that bears his name. He attended the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, meeting once every four years, for ten successive sessions—a record not believed to be equaled anywhere.

Rev. Edward Suits was pastor of this church when it was built and is now the popular pastor thereof. The church is well located in a growing section of the city and the outlook for its growth is most encouraging.

STEWARTS BACK IN AMERICA

Here we are back on this side the Pacific—all too soon, but it is doubtless best. At any rate we are glad to be back in this country—the best and freest country in the world today. May it ever remain so.

For the present we are stopping here in Arizona. Bishop Baker suggested that we come here and work among the Japanese in Salt River valley for awhile. So we shall camp out for two months or so in Mesa—a small town 16 miles east of Phoenix. But the work seems rather difficult, as the Japanese are mostly truck gardners and are scattered around over a wide area. I have no car; so I dont see how I can get around to see them. And this is their busy season as they raise lettuce, strawberries, cantaloupes, etc. Our baggage had all been sent to North Carolina before we saw Bishop Baker, and so we are literally camping out for the next two months. As it is said to be very hot here in summer we plan to go on to N. C. in June.

S. A. Stewart.

APPRECIATION OF REV. FRANK M. SHAMBERGER

Little did I think when I saw Brother Shamberger last Friday afternoon that the end of his long itinerant journey was so near. And yet how true it is that the day is far spent, and the evening shadows are lengthening before we are aware of it. On the following Monday morning when the shadows of the night had fled, a new day had dawned for him that would know no night, for in that world of light into which he went the stars forever shine; a land that is fairer than day. His going was about the way he would have wished. On Sunday he worshipped twice in the church he loved so much. He saw many of his dear friends there for the last time without being aware of it.

In a few paragraphs I want to say some things that in a real sense marked this man of God as a true ambassador of Jesus Christ. First, his chief concern, his ruling passion ,the one thing of his life, the thing that gave strength to his character and made his ministry effective was his religion. That was the first thing of his life. He could say as the Master, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work." The Methodist ministry was his vocation, not a side issue. Though formally a retired minister, few were more active in teaching, preaching, visiting.

You saw the reality and vitality of his faith in three directions. It was more than creed, there was Christ in it. It was more than ritual, there was righteousness. There was more than a program, there was a spiritual power for the performance of the duties and tasks of his life. There was devout worship, public and private. He had his morning watch in thoughtful meditation and prayer. He could pray mightily in public, so easy and fluent, because he so often communed with God in private. All Oxford knew of his earnest prayer life.

Here in prayer he learned the secret of the Lord. "Private prayer was the maintenance cost of his spiritual life."

He was more than a mere worshipper. He was a worker, in season and out of season. He was always eager to render Christian service. His faith was not in word but in deed, not a mere profession but a possession. He was a believer in Christianity finding expression in right living, in Christian service.

This thing he hated. He hated sin in every form and fashion. He believed in abstaining from all appearances of evil. You know where he stood on every moral issue. Hatred of sin made him militant and aggressive in attitude toward sin. He was a Christian soldier of the first rank. He was a student of the law and the prophets. But he knew not only to hate sin. He loved the erring back to the better way of life.

His religion had love in it. He loved the lovable, the beautiful, the true and praiseworthy things. He loved his home, church, community, his fellowmen. He loved his Lord. There was no come-between, no rival. His Lord was supreme in his affection.

No one loved Oxford and Granville county and was more devoted to its highest welfare than he. His shadow will lengthen through the years. No man for many years will more missed upon the streets of Oxford, missed from church services. His gracious presence in a spiritual sense will linger long in the true hearts of his many friends.

He did not therefore take his religion lightly. What he believed he believed tremendously. Hence his courage tc stand for truth and righteousness. His deep convictions concerning God, man, sin, righteousness, redemption explained his devotion and the consecration of his life. The streams of his religious life ran deep and strong. Religion was more than a philosophy with him, it was more than theology, it was life. It embraced right living in all relationships.

He often said that he was living on borrowed time, being past eighty. Though old in years he was much alive. He was the most alert mentally and spiritually of any aged minister I ever knew. He was still dreaming of work to be done, of heights in Christian attainments to be reached, of unreached areas to conquer. No man loved life and wanted to live on in the truest sense any more than he. He continued to read and write and preach. The more abundant life, that life beyond the conjunction "and" is his now forever more. He found that in the last great adventure into the heavenlies.

I asked a thoughtful minister friend of his the other day what he thought was Brother Shamberger's greatest and most lasting contribution to his church and community. He replied, "It was his positive Christian life. In him the word became flesh. Through him the word of life was spoken."

A beautiful story is told of three sons sent out by their father to make an exploring trip up the mountain side, and to bring back specimens of their trip. The first son came back with beautiful flowers from the mountain side. The second son returned with rare stones from farther up the mountain. The third son came back with no flowers, with no rare stones. He said, "Father, I climbed on and on to the top of the mountain. There I caught sight of the sea." The subject of this sketch cared but little of the tangible. He dealt in the intangible. When the end of his pilgrimage came he caught sight of the sea, the sea of life. Into that life eternal he entered. Like Enoch of old, he was not, for God took him. And of him it may he truly said, "Blessed in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." And may a double portion of his spirit fall upon us who tarry here.

Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord.

O. W. Dowd.

THE BIBLE OUR BULWARK

The Bible is our bulwark of defense for freedom. Where the Bible is read and revered, constitutional government, individual liberty, and the rights of the people are respected. Where the Bible is unknown or rejected, despotism, dictatorship or the rule of class hatred prevail. We of America are called to stand for the Bible, for representative government, the constitution of the United States, the Bill of Rights, for all these high defenses of the good life we seek to cherish. Let us positively, unitedly, loyally uphold the cause we love—the cause for which our fathers came to these shores. Let us firmly maintain the liberty under God to which they dedicated their lives. Let us pass on to our children, and our children's children, our rich heritage of Scriptural truth.—United States Senator James J. Davis.—The Presbyterian.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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ANNUAL MEETING IN ASHEVILLE 1942

The invitation extended by Asheville representatives for the second annual meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, to be held in Central church, Asheville, in 1942, was unanimously accepted during the closing session of the conference in Greensboro Friday afternoon. We are sure that all of the Methodists of Asheville and the Asheville district as well will contribute in every way possible for the success of the meeting to have an occasion of great interest.

ONE OF OUR MISSIONARIES HONORED

By action of the recent conference held in Greensboro a room in the new Gibson building at Scarritt College, in Nashville, Tenn., will be furnished in honor of Miss Kate Hackney of Asheville, missionary to China, who has served so efficiently for a number of years. This expression of love and appreciation is shared in by the 11 districts of the conference who will be responsible for these furnishings. This project will honor one who is most deserving of it.

THE ANNUAL MEETING IN GREENSBORO

It was a great privilege to attend the annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference which was held in West Market Street church, Greensboro, during the past week. A splendid program, having for its theme Christian Unity and Love, had been arranged for the three days' historic meeting, which brought together for the first time representatives of the three branches of Methodism in one great body. There was a large attendance of delegates and visitors at every session of the conference. From all of the districts women came for the inspiration and information that came from the messages of the national and conference officers, missionaries and other speakers of prominence who were present on this occasion.

Preceding the opening session, on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, an executive meeting was held for the discussion of final plans, appointment of committees and other matters of interest during the meeting. This was followed by a beautiful luncheon tendered the conference officers, district cerresponding secretaries, missionaries and other visitors, by the conference hostesses, at the King Cotton Hotel—an occasion of rare enjoyment. A delicious three-course luncheon was served at beautifully decorated tables, and each guest found at her place a beautiful gardenia bringing with it a message of love from those who had planned this special honor to their guests.

The opening session of the conference was held on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Charles C. Weaver presiding and with the opening service led by Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, who had for her subject the Kingdom of God, bringing a message of interest and profit. Other numbers on the afternoon program were the report of Mrs. John Hoyle, recording secretary, who displayed the 569 charter society certificates with a membership of 23,325 charter members; and the report of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference which was held at Richmond, Va., in December, given by Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, and which brought much that was inspirational and helpful. Of special interest was the announcement of the pledge of $600,000 by the S. E. Jurisdiction and $50,000 from the Woman's Society of Christian Service from the Western North Carolina conference.

Wednesday evening's session opened with devotional service by Rev. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street church, followed by special music, after which Bishop Purcell of Charlotte was heard in a splendid address on "United for the Task." Another special musical number by the choir was followed by interesting "Moving Pictures of Africa" by Miss Lorena Kelly of Africa, who is now in the States on a furlough.

After a ten-minute period of prayer and meditation Thursday morning's session opened with worship service conducted by Mrs. D. M. Davidson, using as her theme Unity, followed by the singing of the conference hymn, No. 421 Reports of a number of the conference officers featured the morning session, including that of the vice president, Mrs. C. N. Clark, and secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr. In the absence of Mrs. Walter Lanier, secretary of student work, Miss Ruth Diggs, missionary from Korea, a visitor at the meeting, gave a talk on Scarritt College, giving a brief history of the school, telling of some of its opportunities for training for Christian service, closing with a plea for Christian workers, and also for associate memberships for Scarritt College. At this juncture an invitation to a concert at Bennett College was given by a representative of the school, and was followed by the rendition of four musical selections by a quartette from Bennett College, which were greatly enjoyed. Four girls, students of Sue Bennett College, were introduced and gave expressions of their appreciation of the years they had spent in this splendid junior college, sponsored by the W. N. C. Woman's Conference.

Much interest always centers around the report of the treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, whose report of the past year was of exceptional interest, showing the following amounts paid: Conference pledge, $58,421.09; local work, $61,325.49; supplies, $1,734.57—a grand total of $121,481.15. She made the pleasing announcement that Mrs. Weaver had been made an honorary life patron by the conference as an expression of appreciation of her unselfish services as leader of our women.

After a prayer offered by Mrs. V. F. DeVinny of New York, national secretary of organization and promotion, an impressive pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Peacock. Mrs. Weaver stood in front of the chancel holding a silver bowl, into which each district secretary as she came forward, placed her district pledge, as she did so repeating an appropriate scriptural refence on the subject of giving.

In an original and appropriate message, Mrs. C. N. Clark, vice president, presented the conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who brought a wonderful message to her conference co-workers. After giving a brief history of the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, from the charter meeting in the local society to the culmination in the conference organization at Statesville, called by Bishop Purcell last October, Mrs. Weaver spoke of the confidence and loyalty of the women of the entire conference as they had launched into the new order of the missionary work, and of the fine spirit of "give and take," with no longer a thought of M. P. or M. E. C. S., but the Methodist Church. She urged the broadening of the mission study, enlisting of new members, observance of week of prayer, increase in total offerings and the making of our aim, "The last church organized and the last woman enrolled." May the record be "None for party or self, but all for Christ and his church."

Miss Ruth Diggs, missionary to Korea, spoke on her work at Carolina Institute in Korea, and Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, spoke of her work in Africa and exhibited articles made by the Africans, concluding her talk with singing a song in the Otetela language.

The noon day worship services for both Thursday and Friday were conducted by Miss Leila Epps, missionary from Brazil, who used as her theme, "Direct Messages from Jesus to Women," giving at each of these services a message both inspiring and uplifting. Miss Epps has visited our conference a number of times and always her coming is hailed with delight by the women who value the splendid work which she is doing in her field of service in Brazil. As a testimonial of her affection for the women of our conference she presented to each delegate and officer a booklet she had compiled on Christ Messages to Women, which all greatly appreciated. The afternoon service on Friday opened with hymn, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. John Austin, followed by an open forum conducted by Mrs. DeVinny, who gave much profitable information on the various phases of the new set-up of our woman's work. The reports of Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary of young women and girls' groups, and Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, were heard and were of interest and value.

(Concluded next week)

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MRS. W. C. CHADWICK

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, newly elected president of the North Carolina Woman's Society of Christian Service, has efficiently served the conference as corresponding secretary for the past 11 years and is well known and beloved in every district. With a background of Christian parents of the highest type and a parsonage home for



Mrs. W. C. Chadwick

the years of her childhood and young girlhood as her heritage, Maude Hurley Chadwick is the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hurley and is herself possessor of a gentle, kindly, deeply spiritual personality; an excellent executive ability; a well informed knowledge and Christ-like vision of the work of the missionary enterprise —having by study, experience and attendance upon the many conferences of our new united church gained this knowledge; a capacity for friendships which has won her hosts of friends throughout the N. C. conference and elsewhere. We rejoice that a woman so extremely well qualified has hearkened to the call of the Master to a larger task in his service. Truly she is worthy of the trust which has been given her. We shall pledge our full and hearty support to her at every possible opportunity.—M. E. G.

SHE MERITS OUR PRAISE

When the annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference Missionary Society was held in Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville, three years ago, Mrs. E. L. Hillman was elected president, succeeding Mrs. A. M. Gates, resigned. Since that time when, as Mrs. Hillman expressed it that day, she let the mantle fall from the shoulders of Mrs. Gates upon her own, woman's work has undergone changes—even in name. With a determination to learn and a will to do, Mrs. Hillman has attended the several conference of our new Methodist Church, gaining information and inspiration. She has, with consecration and zeal, set herself for the task of piloting the ship of the N. C. conference to greater and higher realms of service and glory of God. Always calm in soul, Christ-like in attitude and action, a possessor of a brilliant mind, an unexcelled grace and charm in presiding and leadership and an intimate knowledge of the work, our conference has gone far in spiritual growth and worthy accomplishments since she accepted office as president. Having been elected president of the Southeastern Jursidiction of the W. S. C. S., of which the N. C. conference is one of 17 conferences, Mrs. Hillman found it necessary to relinquish her office of president of the N. C. conference. This honor conferred upon Mrs. Hillman has brought a distinct honor to our own conference. We shall miss Mrs. Hillman in her capacity as presiding officer of our conference, but we shall follow her with our prayers and give to her our loyalty in every possible way in her enlarged area of service in the kingdom of God.—M. E. G.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

The first annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service convening in First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, on March 25-27, was marked with a high spirit of enthusiastic interest and spiritual attitudes. Contributing messages to the other mountain top experiences of the program were several outstanding speakers. Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, New York, secretary of organization of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, brought two messages which could not fail to stir the hearts of her hearers to greater degrees of love and enthusiasm for the work of the missionary enterprise. Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, brought three extremely inspiring meditations upon the subjects: "That Ye May Be One," "Are Ye Able?" and "Feed My Sheep." Dr. R. C. Petry, Duke University, gave two noon-day devotionals which added much to the spiritual atmosphere of the meeting, using the topics, "A Question, Who Is Interested in Jesus?" and "An Affirmation—We Must Say Something." Miss Lorena Kelly, Mooresville, missionary to Africa; Miss Euline Smith, Hamlet, and Miss Ida Hankins, Wilmington, missionaries to Korea; Rev. Charles Clay, missionary to Brazil, gave heart stirring addresses concerning work in their chosen fields. Rev. Mr. Clay showed moving pictures of his work in Brazil. Major L. M. Hall, chaplain at Fort Bragg, brought challenging thoughts on "The Church's Responsibility to Army Camps." Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess, Miss Elizabeth Titsworth, student worker, and Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, gave glowing reports of their work in East Laurinburg, the Methodist Student Center, E. C. T. C., Greenville, and Person-Yanceyville circuits, respectively. Reports of district secretaries and all other conference officers and standing committees were most encouraging. The sacrament of Holy Communion was administered on the first evening of conference with Rev. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, district superintendent, in charge and assisted by district superintendents A. J. Hobbs, Durham, A. S. Parker, Wilmington, and J. A. Russell, New Bern. This sacred hour was indeed an enriching experience. On Wednesday afternoon of the conference a delightful tea was given at Benevue Country Club in honor of delegates and visitors. Conference officers and guest speakers composed the receiving line. An invitation for the 1942 meeting to be held at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, was accepted. Various important features of the conference, including some reports, etc., will be published on the woman's page during the next several weeks. Look for them.

MAGAZINES WANTED

First Lt. E. G. Overton, chaplain at Fort Bragg and a member of the N. C. conference, has sent the following appeal to which many women should be happy to have a share in responding: "I am serving as chaplain at the Replacement Center, Fort Bragg, N. C. I should deeply appreciate your making an appeal to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service for small bundles of magazines, books, or literature to be sent me for distribution here in the hospitals, barracks, and reception centers to the soldiers. Our men enjoy magazines of all types—Life, Look, American, Popular Science, Reader's Digest, etc. I think the societies can render a great service here and I sincerely hope they will cooperate in this work." Address packages to: First Lt. E. G. Overton, First Regiment, Third Battalion, Fort Bragg.

NEW HANOVER ZONE

New Hanover zone meeting was held in Wesley Memorial church, Wilmington, March 6. The program was as follows: Song, "Jesus Calls Us"; devotional, Rev. W. A. Tew; solo, "Spirit of God," Mrs. Mildred Farrar Murdock; business session, Mrs. George Cannon, zone leader, presiding; Efficiency Aims 1941, Mrs. Whit Casey, Rocky Mount; Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. Clyde West, Wilmington; Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. J. E. McCarty, Wilmington; student work, Mrs. C. D. Barclift, Wilmington; our periodicals, Mrs. W. F. Walters, Burgaw; song, "O Zion Haste"; address, Miss Ida Hankins, missionary to Korea; talk and question hour, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Whiteville. The meeting adjourned and the guests were invited into the church school building to a most delicious lunch. The meeting was well attended. Among the visitors present were Rev. A. S. Parker, Wilmington district superintendent; Rev. R. S. Harrison, Southport; Rev. C. D. Barclift, Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, and Rev. W. A. Tew, who held the devotional.—Mrs. S. D. Hurst.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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INWARD EXCITEMENT

Prior to the March fifth Sunday we sent forth some urgent appeals for some liberal giving on the part of our church schools to the needs of our boys and girls. This was outward excitement. Now that the fifth Sunday has come and gone we wait with inward excitement for the expected good tidings. This is early Monday morning and the reports have not had time to reach us, but we have a feeling that tomorrow's mail and succeeding days' mail will give us cause for much encouragement. The fact that we do not have a sufficient cash balance to meet our March bills causes an anxiety that we have not experienced for quite awhile.

WHO TO COUNT ON

In dealing with our big family of children we are continually encouraging them to be dependable. To this end we exhort, encourage and entreat. Those reaching the stages of dependability give us much cause for encouragement. Those not so dependable annoyingly challenge us. We tell ourselves that we are not in the business of increasing the population of thriftless and undependable adults. As we go along learning who to depend upon in our own family we also are becoming aware of who we can depend upon among our friends. Some never fail us, some flicker and some don't seem to get to the flickering stage. But there are more dependables than there used to be, thank the Lord.

BOW YOUR HEAD

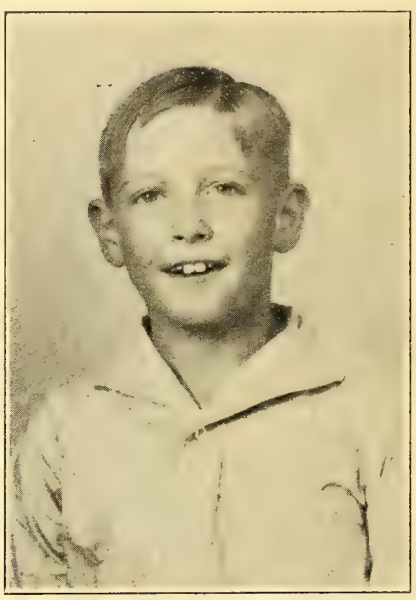
After reading this paragraph kindly bow your head and give thanks for that wonderful superannuate Methodist minister, Rev. W. A. Betts, Bamberg, South Carolina, who through so many years has kept his soul attuned to humanity's needs: "Beloved, your write up of the children's page in this week's N. C. Advocate stirs my Tar Heel blood to the boiling point, and I must share my meager superannuate minister's income with those precious wards of the Methodist Church in my native commonwealth."

And, brethren and sisters, he did.

THE WRENN BEQUEST

The late T. F. Wrenn of High Point left a portion of his estate to be applied to "rearing and educating white foundling and orphan children." Two beneficiaries of the Wrenn will, Seborn Perry, a foster son, and George W. Campbell, a business associate, were named in Mr. Wrenn's will as executors of the estate. These executors have turned over to the Children's Home certain real estate, the tax value of which is listed at $116,000, with the stipulated agreement that this real estate will be liquidated as soon as possible and with the proceeds a Wrenn memorial building will be constructed on the Children's Home grounds. Any additional funds derived from this estate will be placed in our permanent endowment fund as a further memorial to Mr. Wrenn. It is thought that the new building of fire-proof construction and completely furnished will cost in the neighborhood of $45,000.

Since the involved property is scattered and has some taxes and street assessments against it, the net sum realized by the Children's Home may be quite a bit reduced from the listed figure. It, however, can safely be stated that quite an appreciable sum will be realized, thanks to Mr. Wrenn and to his executors.



He knows his spelling

ONE YET NEEDED

With the construction of the Wrenn Memorial Building, making twenty-two substantial brick buildings on our grounds, one building will yet be needed to comply with the needs of 475 to 500 boys and girls expected to be located here. This new building should be a gymnasium. We do have a small room underneath one of our cottages which has served for the past ten years most constructively in the development of our boys and girls. But this room cannot longer hope to be relied upon. We need it in addition to a commodious and well adapted gymnasium. Our board of trustees has authorized the construction of a new gymnasium as soon as funds are available.

THE CHAMPION SPELLER

The picture this week is that of Tommy Crump, nine years old and doing well in the fourth grade. The cut, taken from a kodak picture, does not do Tommy justice since his cheeks are red and his eyes are penetrating. This lad recently became the champion speller in our Children's Home elementary school and will meet with the champions of the other city schools in determining the city champion. This champion in turn will enter the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel tournament, the eventual winner going to Washington, D. C., for further spelling. Tommy is sponsored by the Sunshine Class, a group of fine women of Central, Spencer.

THE CHAMPION MARBLE SHOOTER

We have just completed a big marble tournament here on the Children's Home grounds. Every grade in school acclaimed its champion, two of whom proved to be girls. When these champions met one another J. W. Belk, a Union county lad, twelve years old and in the sixth grade, proved to be the best shooter. He will represent the Children's Home in the city-wide tournament. J. W., who really is a John Wesley, is not much of ball player but he can make one marble hit another one to a marked degree of accuracy.

THE CHURCH GROUP

For several Sundays Rev. H. Grady Hardin, our assistant pastor, has been meeting with forty of our boys and girls to discuss with them what it means to be a Christian and how a young Christian should become identified with the church. These boys and girls have greatly enjoyed Brother Hardin's discussions with them and are much interested in their church joining next Sunday. Yesterday it was my privilege to meet with these boys and girls and to further discuss with them what is involved in their commitment. They are lovable lads and lassies. They do not know everything, but they do know they love Jesus Christ and want to unite with others who love him. They want to know how to do good things as over against bad things. They want to help the church with its work. Brethren and sisters, I commend to you and your prayers forty young orphan church members.

EASTER OFFERING

More than the usual number of congregations have already paid their ten per cent apportionment. Others will want to use the Easter time for emphasizing their sharing with the Children's Home family. Such a spirit will be in keeping with the risen Lord who said, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, you have done it unto me." A liberal Easter offering will help the givers in addition to helping 486 boys and girls. Let the Easter outpouring be beautiful as well as plentiful.

WE ARE GETTING WELL

We noticed at our Sunday service yesterday a number of boys and girls who have been shut in for several weeks. They got the flu and then they got other ailments, including the mumps, and had to stay in bed a long, long time. But they are now getting out and are up and about. These boys and girls were happy to be in Sunday school and our other youngsters gave them a glad hand of welcome. It is fine to be well.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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NEW SECRETARY — Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, who has been secretary of the Raleigh district for a number of years, was elected at the women's conference in Rocky Mount to succeed Mrs. W. C. Chadwick as secretary. The new secretary is highly efficient and well qualified for the position as secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Her many friends are delighted over the fact that she has been elected to such a responsible position.

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EASTER REUNION — For many years it has been the custom of the Methodist Orphanage Alumni Association to have a reunion during the Easter holidays. Invitations have been extended to former sons and daughters to return to the home on that happy occasion. We are looking forward with fond anticipation to the return of our old boys and girls to the scene of their happy childhood days. A warm welcome awaits each one and a glorious time is confidently expected.

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COMPARISON—The Methodist Orphanage stands fourth in American Methodism in size. If there is another orphanage that has as beautiful campus as ours, I have never seen it. It is equally as well equipped as any other orphanage in Methodism. As far as I am able to ascertain, there is no other Methodist orphanage in America that is accredited by both state and regional accrediting agencies. We are not boasting, but I think our North Carolina Methodism will be interested in knowing these facts.

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NEW PRESIDENT — Mrs. W. C. Chadwick succeeds Mrs. E. L. Hillman as president of the North Carolina Conference of Christian Service. A wise choice was made. Mrs. Chadwick has been secretary of the conference for many years, and is thoroughly acquainted with the workings of the organization. By experience and training Mrs. Chadwick is a worthy successor of the outstanding women who have preceded her as presidents of the women's work in our conference. The Methodist Orphanage extends its hearty congratulations to the conference on the selection of Mrs. Chadwick as president.

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THESIS—Mr. A. D. Leon Gray, a member of the senior class of the school of religion of Duke University, is writing his thesis on the Methodist Orphanage. Since last fall he has made several visits to the Orphanage getting data for his thesis. He spent the greater part of last week as a guest of the Orphanage so that he could study our work at close range. He has completed the greater part of his thesis and it is intensely interesting and revealing. For a long time I have wanted someone, who is competent, to write the history of our institution and, at last, we have found the right man for the job. We shall keep a copy in our fireproof vault so that the future historian will have valuable information covering 41 years of our activities.

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CHRISTIAN SERVICE—The Conference Society of Christian Service held its annual meeting at First church, Rocky Mount, last week. The attendance was very large and enthusiasm ran high. Important matters were discussed and conclusions reached. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, retiring president, presided over the conference with grace and dignity. It is not surprising to her many friends and admirers that she has been called to the presidency of the Jurisdictional Conference of the Society of Christian Service. It is freely predicted that Mrs. Hillman will more than meet the expectations of her many friends throughout the bounds of the North Carolina conference. It was my happy privilege to attend the meeting in Rocky Mount on Wednesday. I enjoyed meeting many of the friends who are giving their support to the Methodist Orphanage.

THE PASTOR

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A Judge of ecclesiastical matters.

A Lawyer for the oppressed.

An Intercessor for the lost and dying.

A Possessor for the mystery of faith as it is in Christ Jesus.

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TRAINING SCHOOLS

Our training school program is meeting real needs as never before. Continuous requests are coming from both pastors and laymen. Within recent days schools have been scheduled for Burke county Methodists at Morganton beginning September 21, and for Watauga Methodism at Boone, September 28. It is a real joy and privilege to plan for and to conduct these schools where the initiative is taken by pastors and laymen.

Cleveland and Guilford County Schools

Central church, Shelby, and West Market, Greensboro, were hosts to training schools recently. Instructors in both schools report a fine response on the part of lay workers in our program of Christian education. We are grateful to Mr. E. O. McGowan, Shelby, and Mr. Elwood Mitchell, Greensboro, along with other church school superintendents and to all pastors for their co-operation in these worthy enterprises.

Rutherford County School

The Spindale Methodist church was host to the Rutherford county school last week. More than a hundred people enrolled with Dr. H. E. Spence of Duke, and Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., for the courses on The Teachings of Jesus and Christian Evangelism. The organization for the school was kept intact and plans were initiated for a similar school next year.

Anson County School

The Methodist ministers of Anson county are enthusiastic about their group ministry project. The response to the county-wide training school is another bit of evidence for the wisdom of this approach to the work. Charles P. Bowles, O. P. Ader, Jesse E. Hipp, H. R. Cornelius, P. T. Dixon, J. L. Trollinger, and T. G. Highfill worked faithfully at the job of enlisting their workers in this school. Tom Little, church school superintendent of the Wadesboro church, and his fellow superintendents in the county rendered fine service as managers for the school.

Davie County, Mocksville

For a number of years Brother E. M. Avett and the fine people of First church, Mocksville, have made the county-wide school possible. Courses were taught by Brother C. S. Kirkpatrick of Greensboro, and Earl D. C. Brewer of Salisbury. Other pastors participating in the school were P. L. Smith, F. J. Stough, J. W. Vestal, W. C. Sides, Jr., G. W. Fink, and H. C. Sprinkle, Sr.

Catawba County, Newton

Catawba county Methodism had a real treat in a fine series of lectures on The Spirit and Genius of Methodism, March 23-28, by Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University. North Carolina Methodism is fortunate to be closely identified with Duke University and the professors there. In recent weeks Dr. James Cannon, III, Dr. Kenneth W. Clark, Dr. Paul N. Garber, Dr. B. G. Childs, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, and Dr. H. E. Spence have taught in our training program. A long time ago John Wesley said, "Let us unite the two so long divided "Knowledge and Vital Piety."

Leaksville-Spray-Draper

While a report on this school has not been received at the time of this writing, all advance indications are that the churches from Leaksville, Spray, Draper, and the surrounding territory were well represented. Dr. Raymond A. Smith and Mrs. O. D. Nelson taught in this school. Dr. Smith is rendering fine service to the cause of Christian education both at Greensboro College and in the training schools. Mrs. O. D. Nelson is increasingly invaluable to the cause as a district director and as an instructor in training schools.

ACCPS PROGRAMS

Programs for assemblies, camps, conferences, and Pastors' School are in the making and should be ready to be mailed early in May. Representation in these activities is more important this year than ever before. New program manuals and other printed materials are coming from the press for every department of the church school. New materials and new procedures will be the order of the day in all summer activities. All forward looking pastors, aggressive church school superintendents and interested laymen will want their churches to be represented. This is an excellent opportunity for an advance in Christian education in the united Methodist Church.

DATES AND PLACES

N. C. Pastors' School, Duke University, June 2-7.

Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville

Camp Carlyle for Boys, June 7-14.
Camp Carlyle for Girls, June 14-21.
Camp Carlyle for Young Adults, June 21-25.

Conferences for Children's Workers

Camp Carlyle, May 26-28.
High Point College, May 29-31.

Lake Junaluska

Senior Assembly, June 30-July 5.
Young People's Assembly, July 7-12.
Leadership School, July 17-24.

STANLY COUNTY EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

The young people of the Stanly County Young People's Union have a right to be proud of their first Epworth training conference recently held at Central Methodist church, Albemarle. With Sherrill Biggers as the capable dean and chairman of the board of managers, the conference got off to an enthusiastic start on Monday night, March 17, and closed on Thursday night with certificates of recognition issued to 80 young people who had been in the three classes taught by Cecil G. Hefner, James E. Rink, and Earl D. C. Brewer. We expect this union will want to make this training conference an annual affair.

Attention, Adults!

The elective course in the April Adult Student is worthy of wide use. It is composed of four studies on "The Sacraments of the Church."

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Requests for programs are being received almost every day. Church schools that have not initiated plans for this observance should do so at once. April 20 is the logical time. Requests have been received from the following persons since our last list was publsihed:

Miss Bessie Jordan, Hendersonville.
E. O. Peeler, Oakley.
McMurry S. Richey, Central, Asheville.
H. D. Smith, Tabernacle.
L. M. Taylor, Hickory Grove.
L .T. Rippy, Oak Grove.
H. M. Pettus, Pleasant Grove.
Miss Myrtle Benton, Indian Trail.
Mrs. E. W. Russell, Pineville.
W. K. Price, Calvary, Charlotte.
Geo. B. Livingston, Brevard Street.
O. P. Ader, Ansonville and Concord.
Mrs. A. J. Deal, Weddington.
Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, Dilworth.
Miss Carolyn Eargle, Derita.
A. L. Aycock, North Wilkesboro.
Miss Lelia J. Martin, Bethel (Mocksville Ct.)
W. C. Sides, Jr., Mocksville Ct.
Mrs. Glenn G. Blanton, Sharon (Shelby Ct.)
Joe A. Stowe, Cramerton.
Mrs. C. A. Bowan, Shady Grove (Brown Summit).
Mrs. R. O. Lee, Muir's Chapel.
Mrs. W. H. Mooney, Mitchell's Grove.
Miss Ruby Luquer, Jamestown.
Otho J. Jones, Madison.
J. O. Ervin, Farmer Ct.
O. L. Easter, Lebanon, High Point.
Mrs. H. H. Queen, Bethel (McDowell Ct.)
Miss Cynthia E. Parks, Linville.
E. A. Scott, Spruce Pine.
D. W. Alexander, Connelly Springs.
Mrs. Bessie Parker, Bethel (Morganton Ct.)
Cecil G. Hefner, Norwood.
C. G. Isley, Granite Quarry charge.
Howard Kiser, Rocky Ridge.
R. D. Clawson, Bethpage, Kannapolis.
R. M. Cochran, Trinity, Kannapolis.
Lester S. Furr, Gold Hill Ct.
R. B. Shumaker, Kerr St.
R. A. Elder, Central, Albemarle.
Mrs. E. E. Ingram Bethel (Friendship).
C. D. Sides, Ann Street.
Halbert Moore, Cool Spring.
Raymon Mayes, New Salem (Cool Spring).

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In Memoriam

AUMAN—Mrs. Ella Frances Reynolds Auman, wife of Alson Auman, well known and beloved woman of Randolph county, died Thursday morning, January 23, 1941, at her home in Seagrove. Mrs. Auman was born near Troy, Montgomery county, December 7, 1860, the second daughter of Joseph Allen and Mary Ann Hurley Reynolds.



She started her beautiful life in early childhood when she united with the Bethlehem Methodist church near Star. Whenever changing residence she always carried her church certificate with her. Her last transfer of membership was from Lakeland, Fla., to the First Methodist church at Seagrove, from which church her funeral was conducted on Friday afternoon at 2:30, January 24, by Rev. J. Clyde Auman of Thomasville and her pastor, Rev. J. H. Trollinger.

She was in declining health for a number of years and could not attend church very often, but she was loyal to her church and devoted to her Lord to the very last Sunday of her life, when she asked for her religious program of the air. To the graces of Christian womanhood she added the attainments of an ideal mother. She was modest, refined and a real soldier. She not only met her friends and loved ones with a smile but her reverses as well. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

One daughter, Bonnie Beatrice (Mrs. P. L. Bostok) preceded her in death. Six children survive: Mrs. Marvin Lovett, Asheboro; Mrs. R. W. Crews, Thomasville; Mrs. I. N. Cox, Greensboro; Mrs. George L. Blackburn, and Carl C. Auman, Lakeland, Fla.; Mrs. Wm. F. Thompson, Miami, Fla. Two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Story, Marion, Mrs. Chas. S. McMillian, Laurinburg; two brothers, Henry Reynolds, Troy, and F. R. Reynolds, Tampa, Fla.

Her body was laid to rest in Fairgrove cemetery one mile south of Seagrove.

WOMBLE—On the morning of January 21, 1941, our entire community was shocked and saddened in an unusual way to learn of the sudden death of Liddell Womble. He was a young man of exceptional integrity and value. Had he lived until April 29, 1941, he would have been 25 years of age. In early childhood he united with the Methodist church and was a loyal and consistent Christian. Throughout his life he devoted himself to regular Scripture reading and prayer.

Liddell's life is a shining example of the fine influence that one exemplary young man can exert over such a large section of the country. His life is a living monument to every one who ever knew him. This influence was brought out in all its bold beauty in the many evidences of esteem shown to the family in their bereavement.

In addition to being a loyal member he was also an active steward and usher in the Moncure Methodist church. He belonged to a family of stalwart church people extending back over many generations. As the passing of many members of this sturdy family was thinning the ranks of our church and advancing years was making itself felt to many others, it was reassuring to feel that young men like Liddell Womble were rising up to take their places. A life like Liddell's is immortal not only in the life beyond but its good influence will forever be felt here.

W. W. Stedman.

DAVIS—The Woman's Bible Class of Draper Methodist church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. Betty Davis, who put out to meet her Pilot face to face December 27, 1940. She was a faithful member of our class, and we feel so deeply her going; we shall miss her kindly smile and words of encouragement, her ever willingness to lend a helpful hand to those less fortunate than she.

Early in life Mrs. Davis gave her heart to God, and until the end she was always striving to do all she could for the advancement of his kingdom. Her devotion to her Saviour grew deeper with the passing years.

Mrs. Davis leaves her one daughter, Mrs. W. A. Ashworth, and her three grandchildren a rich legacy of a well spent life in God's service. Her husband preceded her to the grave about two years ago.

To the bereaved family and friends we extend our love and sympathy; may the light of divine love guide them in the way of righteousness. Precious be her memory.

Sweet to remember you who once was here,
And though absent is just as dear,
Sleep on, dear one, and take your rest,
They miss you most who loved you best.

The Woman's Bible Class.
Mrs. E. B. Ball, Sec. Treas.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call home the dear daughter of Mrs. Loula B. Speas and one of our most beloved and loyal members, Mrs. W. D. Poindexter, on February 5, 1941 We, the members of the Loula B. Spease Woman's Society of Christian Service of New Hope Methodist church, wish to express our deep appreciation of the life of this true Christian. Her example and influence is a precious heritage she has left for us. She was ever faithful to her church. We will lovingly remember her for the many beautiful songs she has rendered as a member of our church choir. We deeply mourn her going, therefore be it resolved:

That we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family and pray God to comfort their hearts and help them live Christ-like lives and some day be a reunited family.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our society.

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Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 6

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christ Promises Power

Luke 24:48-49; Acts 1:1-12

The book of Acts is a notably skillful account of the way Christianity under the guidance of the Spirit, developed from a Jewish sect into a world religion. Luke shows how, just as a stone cast into a lake makes ripples in ever widening circles, the Christian revelation spread its influence throughout the empire.

The book is fascinatingly full of hints and suggestions that are not baldly stated. Luke had to keep his book within proper limits that many copies might be made; hence he must content himself with just pointing to some of the scenery as we whisk by.

But the book is not only very suggestive; it is also very artistic. Instead of giving us a crowded chronicle Luke selects representative incidents that illustrate turning points in the history, and puts in all the colors, so that we have in the book a kind of moving picture.

Referring to his gospel Luke says, The former treatise have I made concerning all that Jesus began both to do and to teach. He would have us infer that what Jesus began when he walked about in Galilee he now continues through the Holy Spirit. The apostolic church deemed the revelations made by the risen Christ to be quite as authoritative as the words he spoke in the flesh. Whether we have a sentence that came from the lips of Jesus in Galilee, or a revelation that comes through the plain pointings of providence, we are always thrown back upon the Holy Spirit to interpret it. And that is not a shaky foundation. It is like the firm-based earth which rests not upon the solid rock but upon the invisible ether.

The appearances of the risen Christ continued during the space of forty days. It took time to accustom the disciples to the thought that the Saviour was alive and with them at all times. They were like dwellers in some remote hamlet newly electrified. At first when they want a light automatically they scratch a match before they remember that it is only needful to press the button.

We are told that he manifested himself to the disciples in many ways. It was as it is today. He makes one man sure of his presence by supplying his physical needs in the most surprising manner. To another man he gives a flash of needed guidance in a time of thick darkness; to another commanding courage and power in a time of danger (Acts 4:8.) There is infinite variety in the manifestations of Christ.

The patriotic disciples eagerly inquired, Dost thou at this time restore the kingdom of Israel? But Jesus answered, It is not for you to know times and seasons. Besides God has bigger thoughts for you than the restoring of Israel's political independence. You are to receive power to go out to conquer the world. And when this power comes you are to be my witnesses.

Note that they were not to go forth as his arguers, but as his witnesses. Something had happened, something was happening ,and they were to bear testimony to it. If a group of medical researchers could give sufficient clinical evidence that they had found a cure for cancer, elaborate arguments to substantiate their claim would not be necessary. Competent scientific witnesses to the fact that in repeated cases they had cured cancer would be sufficient. So also the fundamental task of the church today is just, first, to have something to witness to, an incontrovertible array of facts, samples rather than sales talk, and then zeal to spread the news.

After this comes the story of the ascension. The vision symbolized the fact that our Lord had been exalted to divine power. The two shining angels who said, This same Jesus shall come again, expressed the universal hope of the church that this Christ, now unseen by all but his intimate group, would one day so completely dominate the thought and institutions of mankind that every one could see and know that he was reigning everywhere.

So Jesus left the apostles with two great hopes. First, the hope of a divine re-enforcement to give them power to spread his gospel; and second, the hope that in due time he would be made manifest to all men. And the fact that the first promise has been so wonderfully fulfilled in the coming of the Spirit gives us confidence to expect the fulfillment of the second, and to believe that some day he will be so manifest that every sight that greets a little child will say to him, Jesus reigns!

STEWARDSHIP

Mrs. Nettie deFord shares with us some thoughts on stewardship: "The great work of missions rests upon the church and will never be adequately supported until the members fully realize their obligations as Christian stewards. There can be no true stewardship of our missions at home or abroad without missions being the supreme object. There is a call for Christian stewardship today and when God's people answer in all relations of life the financial activities will not be so perplexing. Our faithfulness in stewardship depends upon our obedience to God in prayer, service, time and means. The one true aim of all our stewardship is the promotion of God's kingdom in the Christian way. We need to consecrate our whole lives to God's service and ask him to show us how he would have us administer our stewardship. He will give us strength and power that will arise and awaken his church and the coming of his kingdom."—N. C. Woman's Page.

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THE BOY WHO WON OUT

By Judson D. Stuart

"I want one thousand newspapers." The circulation man of the Detroit Free Press looked in amazement at the freckled-faced lad who made this astonishing request.

"Got the money?" he asked.

"No, sir."

"Get out!"

The boy got out. He went directly upstairs to the office of the publisher, where big men could not enter without an appointment.

"I want fifteen hundred papers, Mr. Storey," said the boy. Then he explained that the people along the line of the railway where he had run as train newsboy would be eager to get the news of the battle of Pittsburg Landing.

"Can you pay for them?" asked Mr. Storey.

"Soon as I sell them," answered the boy. Mr. Storey wrote something on a slip of paper, and the boy took it down to the circulation man.

"Fifteen hundred!" growled the man. "Thought you only wanted a thousand?"

"Oh, I thought I might as well be refused fifteen hundred as a thousand," grinned the boy. And that is one of the things that helped Thomas Edison to success.

He had learned of this battle. He knew the people along the line would be anxious to hear the news. He had no money, but he had courage and, what is better, he had the habit of thinking ahead. Usually, he sold about sixty papers along this train route. How could he sell fifteen hundred? He had thought that all out in advance, and he went to a telegraph operator, whom he knew was fond of reading.

"If you wire ahead to every stop that there's a big battle, and I am coming with papers telling the story and with a list of the dead and wounded, I'll give you a daily paper and two magazines a month for six months," bargained Edison.

"I'll do it," agreed the operator.

When Edison reached his first stop, at Utica, there was a mob waiting for the papers.

"I thought it was an excursion at first," said Mr. Edison. "I sold more than half my papers there, charging ten cents each. At Mt. Clemens there was another big crowd, and at Port Huron I sold out, getting twenty-five cents each for all I sold at the last two places."

Not long after that young Edison noticed how eager the railway men were for news. They would sit and gossip about railway affairs like a lot of women at a quilting party. He got an old hand press, some type, and set it up in one end of the baggage car, where he kept his papers. It wasn't long before three boys were helping him, and he was printing 400 copies a week. If Brakeman Jim Jones broke a leg or Locomotive Number 9928 blew out a cylinder, he put it in his paper, and the men liked it.

At that time he was experimenting with chemicals and tipped over a bottle of phosphorus, which set the car afire. There was a lot of smoke, but he got the fire out. The conductor, who disliked him, threw off his printing plant, chemicals and papers at the next stop and boxed his ears so violently that it led to his permanent deafness.

The railway people let him go back on his promise not to mess things up with his chemicals any more. There had been many complaints about that "Edison boy who messes everything up with his fool chemicals."

Not long after that the little two-year-old son of the station master and telegraph operator at Mt. Clemens sat in the middle of the track as a string of cars were being shunted down. Young Edison saw him. Instead of shouting and frightening the baby he jumped from the baggage car door where he was standing, threw the baby off the track and managed to get up so that the car actually bumped him out of the way.

"I'm a poor man," said the station master, "but you can have the few hundred dollars I have saved up, and welcome."

"Don't want your money, but will you teach me how to send telegraph messages?" begged Edison.

In two months time he was a capable telegraph operator.

He invented the duplex telegraph and nearly starved before he could get it adopted. He landed in New York City with a dollar in his pocket looking for work. Three nights he slept on park benches. One day he went without food. As he was passing a broker's office, he saw the stock ticker stop, and there was great excitement inside. He stepped in while they were yelling for someone to go here and someone there and have it fixed.

"I think I can fix it for you," he said.

They let him try. He opened the ticker, lifted a loose contact spring that had fallen between the wheels, and it started up again.

Just as he did this the man who had a big interest in the ticker server saw him. "We're having trouble with this service. If you can keep it going for us we'll give you $300 a month," he said.

"I nearly fainted when I heard this," says Edison, "but I remained calm and agreed to do it, demanding good faith.' I really didn't want it for 'good faith,' but for pork and beans. I hadn't eaten for nearly thirty hours. Nothing ever tasted quite so good as that dish of pork and beans."

Edison kept using his brains while holding down this job. He learned why the tickers would not work well and he improved them, securing a patent. When the company asked him to make an offer he wanted $5000. He was about to ask for it in fear and trembling when he used his brains again. "I'll make them do the offering," he thought.

They gave him $40,000.

He made exactly $35,000 by using his brains.

All the world knows of his rapid rise after that. This money enabled him to build a laboratory and experiment. Everyone knows how he invented the incandescent light, the phonograph, moving pictures, quadruplex telegraph, speaking parts of the telephone, electric railways, storage batteries, and scores of other great things. And practically all the schooling he got was at his mother's knee!

But he used his brains about the newspapers, the railway men's paper, the little boy on the track—everything.

And if brains are not to be used, why do we have them?—American Boy.

DOLL BED

I'm piecing a quilt
  For my dolly's new bed
Of yellow and purple
  With plenty of red;
Some pink and some white
  With a border of green,
It's the prettiest doll's quilt
  That was ever seen.

Grandma made the pillows
  Of duck feathers light,
With dainty new slips
  All lacy and white;
It's a bed fit to make
  Any dolly's eyes gleam—
What a wonderful place
  To sleep and dream!

—Author Unknown.

Although dogs can detect sounds and odors that are not apparent to humans, their sight is inferior to that of man. In broad daylight, they see no better than we do at sundown. They can hear an approaching car before we can, but by the time they see it, it is too late to get out of the way. Which serves to explain why so many dogs are accidentally killed by automobiles. —Dogdom.

Teacher—In which of his battles was Alexander the Great killed?

Pupil—I think it was his last.

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Fayetteville	April 22
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Winston-Salem—Midway	May 8
Waynesville—Hayesville	May 13
Asheville—West Asheville Church	May 14
Marion—Pleasant Grove, 9 a. m.	May 14
Elizabeth City—Plymouth	May 15
Statesville—Cool Springs	May 15
Greensboro—Greensboro College	May 21
Elkin—Boonville, Yadkinville charge	May 28
Elkin—Booneville	May 28

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH
General Evangelist, Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.

March 17-30—First Methodist, Carlisle, Ky.
April 1-10—Thomasville.
April 13-27—First Methodist, Richmond, Ky.

SLATE OF REV. J. W GROCE
Box 1383, High Point, N. C.

Seffner, Florida—March 18 to April 13.
Troy, N. C.—April 14 to 27.
High Point—May 4 to 19.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 3
Leasburg, Salem, 11 6
Milton, Connallys, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 11 13
District Conference at Shiloh Church, Burlington Ct., at 9:30 15
Davis Street, 7:30 16
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 27
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 27

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 6
Wanchese, night 6
City Road, night 9
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 2 11
South Camden, Wesleys, 11 13
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 3 13
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 16
Washington, First Church, 11 20
Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Credwell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Raeford, Parkers, 11 6
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 6
Jonesboro, 8 6
Caledonia, Johns, 11 13
West End, Marcus, 3 13
Laurinburg, 8 13
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

LaGrange, Trinity, 11 6
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 6
Mt Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30 6
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 13
District Conference, Asbury, Dover charge, 9 17
New Bern, Centenary, 11 20
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
Dover, Lane's, 11 27
Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 27
Kinston, 7:30 27

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Stem, Calvary, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Selma, 7:30 9
Newton Grove, Maple Grove, 11 12
Vance, Harris Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Union Chapel, 3 13
Oxford Ct., Stovall, 7:30 13
Fuquay, Kipling, 7:30 16
Princeton, Micro, 11 20
Benson, Benson, 7:30 20
Moncure, Jones Chapel, 11 27
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 7:30 27
Millbrook, Knightdale, 7:30 30

May

Garner, Mt. Zion, 11 4
Mamers, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Bailey, Simms, 7:30 14
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Walstonburg, 11 6
Farmville, 7 6
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 13
Marvin, 7:30 13
District Conference, Weldon 16
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Town Creek, Zion, 11 6
Tabor City, Bethesda, 3:30 6
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30 27
Lumberton, night 27

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Barnardsville, 11 6
Asbury Memorial, 8 6
Central, 8 7
Biltmore, 8 8
Acton-Candler-Pisgah, Montmorenci, 8 9
French Broad Avenue, 8 10
Haywood Street, 8 11
East Flat Rock, 11 13
Emma, 8 13
Brevard, 8 14
Hendersonville, 8 15
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 16
Fairview, 8 17
Fletcher, 8 18
Rosman, 11 20
Etowah, 3 20
Oakley, 8 21
Marshall, 8 22
Black Mountain, 8 23
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3 27
Weaverville, 8 28
West Asheville, 8 29
Tryon, 8 30

May

Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Hickory Grove, 7:30 6
First Church, Charlotte, 11 20
Dilworth, 7:30 20
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, 11 6
Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel, 3 6
North Wilkesboro, night 6
Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
Helton, Baldwin, 11 29
Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Pleasant Garden, 11 6
Muir's Chapel, 11 13
Centenary, 7:30 13
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27

May

Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
District Conference, Greensboro College 21

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

These are the dates for church and charge wide retreat meetings. At these meetings we will promote evangelism. It is greatly hoped that every official member will attend the meeting at his or her charge.

April

Stanley, Iron Station, 11 6
Dallas, Dallas, 2:30 6
Cramerton, night 6
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 13

Main Street, Gastonia, Shelby Central, and West End to be set.

District Missionary Institute, Cherryville, 2, March 30.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
Randleman, Union, Naomi, 7:30 13
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 14
Welch Memorial, 7:30 16
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

Tommy—I wonder how old Mrs. Smith is?

Jimmy—She must be pretty old. They say she used to teach Caesar.—

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	6
Broad River, Tanner's Grove, 3	6
Mill Spring, Gray's, 11	13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3	13
Spruce Pine, 11	20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3	20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3	20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3	20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3	20
Old Fort, 11	27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3	27
Marion, First, 7:30	27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Harmony, Clarksbury, 11	6
Union Grove-Zion, Friendship, 2:30	6
Newton, 11	13
Statesville, Boulevard, night	13
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45; Fairgrove, 11	20
Hickory-Westview, night	20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11	27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30	27
Olin, Snow Creek, night	27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Shooting Creek, Ledford's, 11	6
Macon Ct., Asbury, 7:30	6
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11	13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3	13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30	13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11	20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30	20
Webster, East La Porte, 11	27
Canton, Central, 7:30	27
	May
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11	4
Sylva, 7:30	4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11	11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3	11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville	13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

	April
Rural Hall, Antioch, 11	6
Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3	6
Rockford Street, 7:30	6
Centenary, 7:30	9
Burkhead, 11	13
Walkertown-Lowe's, 11	20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3	20
Oak Summit, 7:30	20
Green Street, 11	27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30	27
	May
Pinnacle, Pilot	4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3	4
Thomasville, First, 7:30	4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11	11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30	11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11	18
Central Terrace, 7:30	18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30	25
	June
Community, 11	8
Winston Ct., 7:30	8

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

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PRAYER

Lord, in this hour of tumult,
Lord, in this night of fears,
Keep open, Oh keep open,
My eyes, my heart, my ears.

Not blindly, not in hatred,
Lord, let me do my part.
Keep open, Oh keep open,
My eyes, my mind, my heart.

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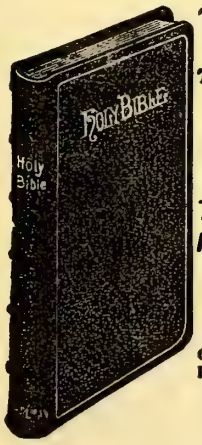
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When it reached Federal Hall the troops that had led the way
divided, and he walked between them into the new Senate chamber.
From there he was escorted to a balcony in front,
approximately where his statue now stands on the steps of
the Sub-Treasury Building at Broad and Wall Streets.
There he took the oath,
as administered by the Chancellor of the State of New York,
while the assembled citizens watched and listened.
As he finished, the guns at the Battery roared their salute
and a long shout burst from the crowd—
"Long live George Washington, President of the United States!"

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Five short blocks away, twenty-five ministers of an infant Church
met together in a little chapel and wrote
a letter of congratulations.
It was the first that he had received from a religious organization,
and his letter of reply was among the first he wrote
as President of the infant nation.

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In this later April,
(the nation grown, the Church eight million strong)
we face the future mindful of our debt to the Father of Our Country;
And to the men of God who wished him well,
for they were the men who founded The Methodist Publishing House.

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DAY OF COMPASSION OFFERINGS REPORTED TO BISHOP PURCELL'S OFFICE AS OF APRIL 4

W. N. C. Conference

Asheville district	$ 1,846.96
Charlotte	3,405.23
Elkin	1,323.85
Gastonia	1,929.43
Greensboro	3,023.74
High Point	2,239.28
Marion	1,509.69
Salisbury	3,424.35
Statesville	2,639.46
Waynesville	937.00
Winston-Salem	3,755.84
Total	26,034.83
Apportioned	23,998.00

N. C. Conference

Durham district	$ 2,638.48
Elizabeth City	1,485.41
Fayetteville	1,786.59
New Bern	1,522.94
Raleigh	2,605.00
Rocky Mount	2,231.90
Wilmington	1,359.23
Total	13,629.55
Apportioned	17,002.00
Total reported	39,664.38
Total apportioned	41,000.00

RURAL CHURCH INSTITUTE AND NORTH CAROLINA PASTORS' SCHOOL, 1941

Plans for the North Carolina Pastors' School, to be held concurrently with the Rural Church Institute at Duke University June 2-7, are about complete and judging by the list of speakers and instructors who are to appear on the program, it seems that the 1941 session of the Duke institutes will be better than ever. Most Methodist preachers will have some advance information about all of those who are listed to speak or teach and, therefore, there is no need for detailed information about any of them.

The music lovers in this entire area will be especially attracted this year by the appearance of Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Dickinson, of Union Theological Seminary, and conductors of the worship services at the Brick Presbyterian church in New York City. They will have a regular course, as the others have—two hours a day. They will also appear in other capacities as indicated by the program. Dr. Dickinson is reported to be one of the most outstanding organists in the country and certainly there are no ministers of music in the church who rank higher than these two persons.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Every individual who represents periodicals or institutions belonging to the Methodist Church will be most welcome at the Waynesville district conference. Our cause is common and our interests mutual. So come right on, brethren, and make us glad with your presence. May 13 is the date and Hayesville is the place. W. L. Hutchins. D. S.

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Someone has said that it looks bad to own two automobiles and give nothing to charity, or to keep two dogs and not pay one's doctor bill, or to be extravagantly dressed and unable to pay one's debts. Such things not only look bad but they are bad. We ought to have a modern Benjamin Franklin to drive home the practical virtues of every day life.

Methodist men and women, lift up your eyes across the fair fields of America as we greet the weeks following this present Easter. Surely every one who knows the power of the resurrection will make most of the hours in an effort to be better and to do more in the church of God than ever before. Anyone who does not have this desire should fall prostrate in dust and ashes. His humiliation should know no bounds.

We have frequently referred to what goes on in Hyde Park, London, and have no apology to make therefor. Who can beat this one? A Hyde Park speaker was interrupted by somebody in the crowd who cried out: "Christianity has been in the world for two thousand years, and look at the state of the world." "Yes," retorted the speaker, "and water has been in the world for two million years, and look at the state of your face."

For eighty-seven years this Advocate has served the Methodists of North Carolina. The paper is rich today in its number of devoted friends and supporters among the preachers and laymen scattered over the state. Whenever they would promote any cause they turn to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. They look to the paper to help in every church effort and also to bolster all the undertakings for temperance and civic righteousness. We count it a high privilege to give our best in every good cause. In the coming campaign the loyalty and fidelity of all our friends will be put to the test. We hope to prove worthy of their friendship.

Permit this word of exhortation: Let all friends of this Advocate give themselves enthusiastically to the approaching campaign for new subscribers and we will have such an increase in the mailing list that we will be able to improve very greatly the quality of our Advocate. Who will lead in this good work? Let's hear from you without delay.

John T. Flynn in The Reader's Digest for April answers the question, "Can Hitler invade America?" Mr. Flynn bases his article on information from military experts and he reaches this conclusion: "It is a significant fact that there is no military authority in this country who believes that an invasion of America by Germany—with or without the British fleet—is possible."

It is now the resurrection morn of the passing year. When "the brown, brown woods of March become the green, green woods of May," what a wonderful work to carpet the fields anew and put fresh garments upon briar, bush and tree. It is indeed a time when "the mountains and the hills break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field clap their hands." Why should not every mortal join with earth in her jubilee at a time when the Easter lilies sing for us a resurrection song?

The annual conference is the unit of administration in American Methodism; the local church is the unit in personal salvation and world redemption. Methodist pastors are members of the annual conference and to this they are responsible for the work done. They find their field of service and co-operative efforts with the laymen in the local church where the gospel is preached and men and women are made perfect in Christ Jesus. So these men of one work make or mar the body of Christ—the church. Failure to promote every interest of the church marks one as an unfaithful and unworthy shepherd of the flock—a hireling is he.

What Means Holy Week to Us?

THE glory and pageantry of Palm Sunday appeal to man and the tragedy of the cross casts a shadow across the centuries, but none of this necessarily goes deep and far as the spiritual currents in the life of humanity. Palm branches and the triumphant shouts of the crowds in Jerusalem had a meaning for the multitudes; still the central and significant figure at the heart of it all was the agonizing Jesus. He wept bitter tears over his own city which knew not then the day of its visitation. He well understood the doom that awaited this city of David, the capital of the Jewish people. In like manner the cross and all that gathers about the hour of crucifixion as well as the triumph of the Easter day, means little to us unless we get to its inner spirit. The cross may be nothing more than a symbol and the empty tomb count for little unless we go deeper than the pagentry of it all. The soul of a people lost brings despair and religious observances prove to be empty symbols devoid of the spirit. The power of the resurrection and the agonizing Christ of Palm Sunday really constitute the soul of Holy Week. Only this can save despairing humanity and bring hope to a broken world.

All this present pageantry of war and the hope relying on military might will count for nothing unless we go deeper than the pageantry and glorious triumph in the cause of democracy. Does our modern America know the day of visitation? How the Christ must weep over the fate that awaits a people who do not go deeper than the material display of mechanized power and the glory of triumph on the fields of blood. To shift the center of power from Babylon and Berlin to London and Washington will count for nothing unless the soul of the people are one with Him who wept over his city that had lost its soul.

Our Lord Is Risen

EASTER is here again, not a birthday, but the day of Resurrection. Birthdays are multitudinous in number, but there has been only one day of resurrection. All men are born, only one has risen from the dead. Christians celebrate the birth of the perfect man. We also celebrate the birthday of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Robert E. Lee. But the resurrection story gathers about the tomb of one man. Easter is unique and stands apart from all other days.

The deity of our Lord and the resurrection of Jesus Christ stand or fall together. To believe in his deity makes it possible for one to accept the story of his resurrection—the best attested fact of history. But with a denial of his deity, the efficacy of the atonement and the power of the resurrection become figments of the imagination. If Easter means more to us than an ecclesiastical festival amid the pageantry of springtime we must be able to cry out with Thomas when he stood face to face with his risen Master, "My Lord, and my God!"

"Thou, of life the author, death didst undergo,
Tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show;
Come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word,
'Tis thine own third morning, rise, O buried Lord!

"Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain;
All that now is fallen, raise to life again;
Show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see,
Bring again our daylight; day returns with thee!"

The Living Green

EASTER fills the world with hope and makes possible the continued faith in the immortal life. Life out of death, victory out of defeat, dirges turned into triumph bring relief to frail humanity as it marches steadily to the tomb. Welcome then must be the Easter anthem and the story of that first Easter morning. But this is not all here in our own land with the continuous approach of spring.

In this time of war, involving so largely the entire world with its death and hell, it is good to see the manifestation of life all about us in the living green of field and forest. Even in the lands of blood and slaughter laid waste by previous wars, the living green is sure to come this year as it has done for a thousand ages. Yea, it remains as fresh and assuring as though there had not been the cruel ages of slaughter. For this is God's world; he is life —he is the immortal One.

The destruction, the ruin, the death and decay of devastating war is abnormal in God's world. But so long as real war continues to lay waste the world with its untold loss of life and treasure, it is good to know the continued assurance of life in nature to accompany the fact of the resurrection so potential in the Christian conquest and so comforting to this weary broken world of bleeding hearts. We do well once more to reflect on the difference the resurrection has made in history, in religion, in

the family, in the graveyards scattered about the world. And it is also good to welcome once more the living green, delightful as the song of birds and of lambs at play. Life is all about us and God is within.

Save Us from the Mechanics of Religion

WELL may many thoughtful and spiritually minded men be no little disturbed about the spiritual vigor of our vast Methodist Church. They fear the complex mechanism of such an organization may dim the vision and fetter the spiritual passion of past decades. If the local church and the women of a missionary society are exposed to the peril of becoming a "glorified club" the Methodist Church in its vast mechanical set-up may easily and unawares be robbed of its spiritual vision and thereby perish. Only the evangelistic passion and the missionary vision can save us from the dry rot of a dead formalism. The power of the Resurrection alone makes possible the larger and the fuller life manifest in saintly men and women and enables the pulpit to blaze and burn from week to week.

We should ever be careful to distinguish between the church and the high pretensions of ecclesiasticisms. Creeds, the products of intellect; ritual, the religious feelings expressed in the forms of worship; polity, our institutional procedure; these are not the church, termed by Paul the body of Christ. There is ever a difference between the vestments and the body of Christ. "Where there is no vision the people perish." How much truer is this of the church with no heavenly vision and wanting in spiritual power. A church mindful of the vision and the voice of God is sure of victory. For more than a century America has been setting the pace in democracy and in world evangelization. We have opened our gates to the oppressed of every land and we have sent messengers of the cross afar. But all this is changed just now. The spirit of fear and of defeatism has taken hold of us. The material has benumbed our soul and the mechanics of religion have hushed our shouts of victory. Glorified clubs and the voice of our prophets fail to command respect and to defy the enemies of the living God. God fails to move as a commanding power in the souls of his messengers and the vision of the Most High fails to make appeal. Well may there be apprehension across the land.

The Story of the Resurrection

ON the Sabbath they rested in obedience to God's command, but on the first day of the week at early dawn they took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. The boulder they found rolled away from the tomb, but when they went inside they could not find the body of our Lord. They were puzzling over this, when two men flashed on them in dazzling raiment. They were terrified and bent faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look among the dead for him who is alive? He is not here, he has risen. Remember how he told you when he was still in Galilee that the Son of man had to be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and rise on the third day." Then they remembered what he had said, and turning away from the tomb they reported all this to the eleven and all the others. (It was Mary Magdala, and Mary the mother of James who with the rest of the women told this to the apostles). But this story of the women seemed in their opinion to be nonsense; they would not believe them. Peter did get up and run to the tomb, but when he looked in he saw nothing except the linen bandages; so he went away home wondering what had happened.—Moffatt's Translation of Luke xxiv:1-12.

Our Front Page This Week

"THE Story of the Recorded Word." It is very fitting that the beautiful series of murals painted by Edward Laning have been placed in the New York Public Library. The work has been done as a part of a WPA Art Project. They show the four stages in the development of written communication, namely, by use of symbols on stone, painting on parchment, movable type and modern linotype.

This panel portrays Moses descending from Mount Sinai with the ten commandments engraved on stone tablets. He has reached the camp of the children of Israel, where he finds them worshipping the golden calf. In his anger he throws the tablets from him, breaking them on the rocks of the mountains. This scene makes spirited presentation of the primitive methods of engraving symbols on stone or clay. It also brings to mind the breaking of the law.—Picture by Keystone View Co.

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. Clegg W. Avett of China Grove announce the birth of C. W., Jr., on April 3.

Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of College Place church, Greensboro, is this week conducting pre-Easter services. The church choir under direction of Miss Minor Marsh is furnishing special music.

Rev. Robert M. Hardee, pastor of the Glenwood church, Greensboro, is this week being assisted in revival services by Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Ponit. During the week special services are being held for children and young people.

Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill., conferred the honorary degree of doctor of divinity upon Rev. Roy L. Smith, editor of The Christian Advocate, at a special spring convocation, after Dr. Smith had given the convocation address on the subject, "The Religious Roots of Democracy."

Dr. W. A. Rollins, pastor of First church, Hickory, last Wednesday sent an eighteen dollar check for renewals to the Advocate and repeatedly in the last thirty days he has sent in new subscribers and renewals. We commend Dr. Rollins as a good example to follow in this Advocate work.

The board of church location and plans for the New Bern district will meet during the session of the district conference at Asbury church, on the Dover charge, April 17. The board will welcome those having plans to submit for approval or plans in the making for discussion.—J. Herbert Miller, Chm.

Dr. W. A. Stanbury, the pastor of Centenary church, Winston-Salem, on Palm Sunday received 76 young people into the church. It is of special interest to note that 40 of these boys and girls were from the Children's Home, which is a feature of special interest because the people of the Western North Carolina conference had provided a home for them in the Twin-City.

Nearly three hundred young people of the Statesville district came together for the district youth banquet April 3. Marshal Mills, the district director, presided. Rev. J. C. Stokes of Wilkesboro, delivered the address on "The Need for World Friendship." Out of a rich store of experience and study, Stokes led the young people to sense their kinship with people of all the world.

The parsonage at Mount Pleasant church, Winston circuit, has new bath room, new well, new pump, new fixtures in bath room and kitchen, also septic tank, etc. The garage has a new coat of paint. Planning some work on church building. Cost to date $853; about half has been paid, and expect to pay all before conference. Other finances a trifle better than same date last year.—W. J. Plint, Pastor.

Brother Edwin L. Jones of Charlotte is making an effort to increase the lay members of the Brotherhood of the Western North Carolina conference to 1000. This is a laudable undertaking and we hope that he will receive the support of both preachers and laymen in this good work. He is asking all pastors to assist him as the circular letter he is sending out indicates. And they should be interested because they are the beneficiaries.

We have today returned from the sad experience of burying Mrs. Dulin's mother, one of South Carolina's great and noble women. She was the wife of the former mayor of McCarmick, S. C., Mr. Austin Abercrombie. She is survived by her husband, three sons and five daughters. This was the first death in the family. The funeral was at McCormick April 5, and burial was at Bromletts, near Greenwood, the old home church. A great mother, educator, wife, citizen and Christian has gone.—G. N. Dulin.

Dr. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the Methodist Emergency Commission, reports that through March 31 the total receipts from the "Day of Compassion" offering on March 2 was $704,000. The indications are that when all churches have remitted their offerings, the total will be close to the million dollars asked for overseas relief, help to British Methodism and Methodist service in military training camps.

Bishop Clare Purcell was the preacher last Sunday morning at Centenary church, Greensboro. This was our bishop's first appearance in Centenary. It was very gracious in this hard working bishop amid the multitude of duties incident to episcopal administration to be a pastor for one hour and preach a gospel sermon without extra ceremonials. We assume that Brother Kirkpatrick, the pastor, enjoyed both the service and the rest.

he pastors and congregations of the Statesville district united in a missionary institute Sunday, March 31. During the afternoon session when Garland Winkler, district missionary secretary, presided speakers interpreted the place of laymen, women, youth, missionary education, and money in the world service of the church. The evening service served as a youth rally with messages on "Character" and "Church Leadership." A pageant, "The Missionary Challenge of America," written by Rev. E. H.Lowman, served a fitting climax for a day of inspiration and renewed devotion.

Rev. Harold E. Buell of McDonald, Pa., who recently arrived in India as a missionary of the Methodist Church, has been appointed professor of economics and of education at Lucknow Christian College, the largest highest ranking Methodist institution in India. He has taken over classes in education formerly taught by Principal Ralph D. Wellons, recently returned to the United States. Mr. Buell is a former minister of the Pittsburgh conference of the Methodist Church and was in 1939 and 1940 superintendent of its Coke Mission. Previous to that service he had been pastor in Boston and in Malden, Mass. He is a graduate of the State Teachers College of Pennsylvania, of the University of Pittsburgh, and of Boston University School of Theology.

Rev. Murray Thurston Titus, Ph.D., D.D., one of the outstanding missionaries of the Methodist Church in India, has been elected principal of Lucknow Christian College, Methodism's largest and highest ranking educational institution in India. Dr. Titus succeeds in the principalship Dr. Ralph D. Wellons, who has resigned from that position and is returning to the United States because of illness in his family. Dr. Titus has been in India since 1910. He is the district missionary in Budaum, north India, and manager of the Boys Middle School and Hostel in that city. He is not new to Lucknow Christian College, for he taught there during the first two years of his service in India. Lucknow Christian College has an enrollment of 1400 students.

Miss Lucy Alice Earnhardt, fondly known as "Miss Alice" to a long succession of friends through the years, died Tuesday afternoon, April 1, at Hege Inn. Miss Alice had suffered a fall at her home on South Main street about two weeks previous, with an arm fracture resulting. Her nieces, Mrs. C. M. Clodfelter and Mrs. R. L. Reynolds, took her to their home for care during what proved to be a fatal illness. Miss Earnhardt, who was 84 years old last October, was said to be the oldest member of First Methodist church, of which she was an active member since girlhood. She was born on the site where this church building stands, the site being a gift of her father, Richard T. Earnhardt, who was one of the early merchants of Lexington and a leading citizen.—The Dispatch.

The second quarterly conference was held April 6 at Clarksbury church, Harmony circuit, with District Superintendent J. S. Hiatt in charge. New Union, Turnersburg, Mt. Bethel, Clarksbury and Harmony had their budgets balanced with Harmony having their World Service paid in full, and Clarksburg and Mt. Bethel their Children's Home paid in full. Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Martin, our pastor and his wife, are looking awful pleased these days over a bed room suit bought for the parsonage by the Harmony woman's society.—Mrs. Ralph V. Moore.

After two months or more of getting ready for and recovering from installment traveling, we are happy to be located in an apartment at 723 W. Morgan St., Raleigh, where we can call it home, put our children in school (their first time to be enrolled in one), and be able to visit with relatives and friends—that is, for a few months. From September, inaccordance with plans being made by the mission board for us, it is to be our privilege to spend another year in study at Cornell University—further study for rural work. If and when conditions permit, we anticipate being among the first group of missionaries to be returned to God's appointed and as yet unfinished task in Japan. We invite our friends to visit us here.—J. D. Stott.

The Marion district missionary institute of the Methodist church was held at the First Methodist church here March 30, with Bishop Clare Purcell in charge of the afternoon program. The bishop pointed out that the return of American missionaries from foreign fields, due to war conditions, was not the end of mission activities—it was, in a certain sense, the beginning. He added that the work was being capably carried on by native religionists. Speakers at the evening meeting were Rev. M. T. Hipp of Spruce Pine and C. H. Peace of Pleasant Grove. This service was given over to the young people's division of the institute. According to Rev. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the church, more than 1000 persons attended the three meetings.—H. M. Wellman.

Of interest to a wide circle of friends is the announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Mary Wilson Kistler of Morganton, and James Braxton Craven, Jr., of Greensboro. The marriage will take place in August in Morganton. It is of interest to note that Miss Kistler's great-grandfather, Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, and Mr. Craven's great-grandfather, Dr. Braxton Craven, were born the same year, 1822, both were members of the North Carolina Methodist conference, and both were outstanding leaders of the conference and co-laborers in education. They died only six years apart, Dr. Craven in 1882 and Dr. Wilson in 1888. At the present time Miss Kistler is a student of Wellesley College, Mass., and Mr. Craven is a graduate student of the Harvard law school, Boston, Mass.

TUESDAY AT SHILOH

Connelly Springs: Charge-wide rally fifth Sunday, A. J. Kirby, conference lay leader, speaker. Marion Mills charge: Clinchfield church observed layman's day fifth Sunday with a good program. Friendship church, Connelly Springs charge, used new pews for first time fifth Sunday, thus completing their new church. J. N. Randell, pastor.

The Connelly Springs charge observes a monthly circuit-wide stewards' meeting the first Sunday p. m. in each month with a well planned program.

Morganton First church observing Holy Week with E. C. Rozelle as preacher. W. A. Jenkins doing preaching at his church, First church, Marion. H. M. Wellman.

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Durham district conference will meet in Shiloh church, Burlington circuit, April 15. Shiloh church is on highway 87, about 12 miles from Burlington on the Reidsville road. Come to Burlington, take highway 87 and stay on it through the Ossipee mill village on through "The Hub"; as you go by Altamahaw take the left fork and follow 87 for three miles—Shiloh just by the side of highway. Coming from Roxboro to Burlington you can come by Glencoe mill, or you may come to Haw River, but be sure to follow No. 87. Coming from Pittsboro area it is 87 all the way. No difficulty to Shiloh. M. C. Ellerbe, Pastor.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE, SALISBURY DISTRICT MARION DISTRICT

The missionary institute of the Salisbury district was held Sunday afternoon, March 29, in the First Methodist church of Salisbury, with Dr. C. N. Clark and C. C. Herbert, Jr., in charge. An inspirational meeting was followed by several group meetings. The principal address was delivered by Dr. R. Dwight Ware of Albemarle, who spoke on "The Challenge of the World Crisis to the Church." Rev. I. L. Shaver brought a missionary message on Japan; Dr. E. K. McLarty spoke on evangelism; Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., talked on missions in the local church. The following group meetings were held: Golden Cross work, Rev. A. C. Waggoner; the Woman's Society of Christian Service, led by Mrs. George Moore of Albemarle; layman's work, led by Mr. O. A. Swaringen, district lay leader, and addressed by Mr. Guy O. Bagwell of Charlotte; church school superintendents, missionary counselors and other church school leaders, led by Rev. W. A. Kale.

At the evening hour the adults met at the First church, at which time Dr. Julian S. Miller, brilliant editor of the Charlotte Observer, delivered an inspiring address on "The Church in the Light of World Conditions." At the same hour the young people met for a youth rally at Coburn Memorial church. That great church was filled to capacity by young people to hear Miss Nadine Clark of Charleston, W. Va., gifted daughter of the district superintendent and Mrs. Clark. The Catawba College choir made a fine contribution to the young people's service by a musical program.

A. C. Waggoner, Reporter.

CLAUDE H. MOSER PREACHES IN GREENSBORO

Rev. Claude Moser, pastor of First church, Lenoir, delivered three sermons last week in the pre-Easter services of West Market Street church. He occupied the pulpit Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. His sermons elicited many expressions of appreciation on the part of auditors.

We were denied the privilege of hearing this gifted preacher except on Friday evening. If his sermon then was a specimen of what his Lenoir people are accustomed to hear, that is a happy people, if good preaching can make a congregation happy. Mr. Moser has some very warm friends in Greensboro.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

The Young People's Interdenominational Council are sponsoring an Easter sunrise service at Grace Methodist church, Greensboro, April 13, at 6:30 a. m. The program is as follows:

Prelude. Mrs. Ralph Hodgkin, organist.
Call to worship. Trumpeters: Ralph Todd, William Cheek, Hall Hutchinson and Jack Klingman.
Hymn. "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today."
Invocation. Rev. J. Elwood Carroll.
Scripture reading: John 20:1-18. Douglass Hunt.
Quintette: "In Joseph's Lovely Garden" (Clarence Dickinson). Mrs. Harry Bird, Mrs. James Major, Miss Barbara Board, Bynum R. Clapp, Harry Smith.
Hymn. "Christ Arose."
Address. Tom Alderman Sykes.
Lord's Prayer (Malotte). Miss Annie Laurie Bennett.
Easter benediction (in unison).

The Interdenominational Young People's Council is composed of: President, Burron Fleming; vice president, Julius Hayworth; secretary, Mrs. J. A. Kirkman; treasurer, Miss Muriel Fiske; publicity chairman, Mrs. Joseph I. Chandler.

GASTONIA DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

District Superintendent E. M. Jones and Rev. R. C. Goforth, district missionary secretary, presented a varied and inclusive program at the Gastonia district missionary institute in Cherryville on March 30. Speakers including F. C. Todd, lay leader, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Mrs. Wilbur Baber, Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., Rev. L. P. Barnett, Rev. J. G. Wilkinson, Rev. Earl H. Brendall, Rev. P. W. Townsend and others, emphasized the importance of missionary education for the total district program. A meeting of the preachers set up a district preachers' fellowship to meet each second Monday, and elected P. W. Townsend president and R. M. Hauss secretary. A meeting of members of the woman's society who were present discussed plans for furthering mission study. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

A BROTHERHOOD OF BURNING HEARTS

By Floyd Leslie Blewfield

In my personal preparation for the observance of Lent in this fearfully eventful year of our Lord, 1941, I have thought much of the testimony of the two disciples that St. Luke writes about in the twenty-fourth chapter of his Gospel. They were the two disciples who, while traveling together on the Emmaus Road, talked of the recent tragedy of Calvary that had so abruptly eclipsed the Sun around whom their lives had revolved for some time. While thus conversing, they were suddenly aware of the presence of a third person in their midst, whom they took to be a stranger.

This stranger, however, proved to be most attractive and interesting. In fact, the disciples liked him so well that, when they arrived at their destination, they invited him to break bread with them. It was while fellowshiping with this stranger in the intimate relationship of the home that the disciples' eyes were opened and they knew Him to be their Lord. After he had left them they said one to the other: "Did not our heart burn within, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

Many of the followers of Christ today, while traveling together along the 1941 Way, are dejectedly talking about a new type of Calvary. It is the Calvary upon which peace and good will, justice and mercy, truth and righteousness are again being crucified. So impressed are we with the horror and confusion of it all that we are in danger of turning our backs upon the City of God and of journeying toward the City of Despair where we intend to resign ourselves to whatever fate may have in store for us.

It is our hope, however, that during this Lenten season many of our people who are walking this dreary road, will have the experience of the disciples of old, and that Christ will walk with us in spirit and that he will make a little clearer to us the strange happenings of our day by opening to us the Scriptures. We believe that if such is our experience during these days of Lent, we will be able to say with the two disciples of long ago—"Did not our heart burn within us while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures?"—Michigan Christian Advocate.

THE KINGDOM IS LIKE A LEAVEN WHICH . . .

By Clarice Bowan*

A damp dark catacomb—but reverberating down the dark corridors rings a joyful song of Christian faith. A Roman Empire gone soft and mad, lighting its highway with torches—yet new churches spring up like flowers. England at a time of tension and intrigue—yet John Wesley preaching to a thousand Welsh miners on the open hillside in the first rays of dawn. Sad days of reconstruction in America after a sadder war—yet the Methodist Church pushing westward to claim frontiers to the slogan of "Two new churches a day!"

An interesting thing about leaven is that it works in the dark as in the light.

In this hour when idealistic youth watch nations falling in a day and values once-thought-won crumbling overnight, and when some turn to ask futilly, "What can be the use?" an answer is demanded. Reaffirmations are in order: that Christianity in action can make a difference, that it has made a difference, that it is this moment making a difference. No empty words are these. Back of the story of the Christian church and of its Methodism. "Grounded" in this faith youth can move like a runner "grounded" firm and staunch upon the good earth, shoulders back, face forward to his course.

These are dark, uncertain days for youth. Yet youth groups are providing a leaven—perhaps as never before. With courage such as was never found on battlefield, they are daring some "great things" for God—daring them, not in the impulsive, ill-weighed ardor that some have mistakenly associated with youth movements, but daring them with humility, insight, wisdom. While nations stealthily armed, young people were finding their way together at Amsterdam, and returning to their communities to reopen Bible meanings for those about them and to talk quietly about a "Christian world community."

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BRITISH CHURCH IS SENT $100,000 BY AMERICANS

From Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, who was last week in revival services in Main Street church, Thomasville, we received April 2 the following interesting and informing message:

A total of $100,000 is being cabled to the officials of British Methodism, it was learned here last night from Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, of Washington, D. C., chairman of the Methodist Emergency Commission in the United States.

The executive committee of the Methodist Emergency Commission is composed of Bishop Hughes, chairman; Bishop Herbert Welch of New York City, and Bishop William Walter Peele of Richmond, Va. The $100,000 is part of a fund that is being raised for the British Methodists over the entire United States raised principally during a recent observance of Day of Compassion. The entire letter follows:

Dear Brothers: You have been informed of the endeavor of your Methodist brethren in the United States to raise funds for the aid and relief of our comrades, especially in England. Our campaign is not completed. But returns up to the present time clearly indicate that we are able to transmit to you one hundred thousand dollars (the sum which we are now forwarding by cable) with the probability of a distinct increase of this amount as later figures come from our Chicago office. We therefore, as the three bishops appointed to counsel with you about the distribution of these funds, beg to suggest the following:

1. That your committee to disburse this brotherly aid be a distinctly official one.
2. That the emphasis be kept more or less definitely on relief features for our Methodist pastors and people.
3. That one sentence in our appeal to the American churches indicated that the funds would not be used for permanent buildings, but could be used, in part, for minor and temporary readjustments that would help in keeping open places of worship and relief for our afflicted churches and friends.
4. That a portion of the funds could be used at your discretion in maintaining missionary enterprises whose supplies have been curtailed as a result of the dreadful war.

You will not regard these restrictions as representing the slightest distrust of the discretion of your appointed committee, but solely as standing for our desire to keep faith with our own generous people.

We assure you that, while we deplore the desperate reasons that make this fraternal act a necessity, we still have a joy in paying back a portion of the immense debt that Methodism in the United States owes to her Mother Church.

We shall be glad to have occasional reports as to the use of the funds sent, in order that our people may know of the good service rendered by their gifts.

We remain,
Your brethren in the service of Christ,
Edwin H. Hughes,
Herbert Welch,
William W. Peele.

A BUSY WEEK IN WEST MARKET STREET CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The week began last Sunday with the reception of fifty-one new members on profession of faith and eleven by church letter, making a total of 62. These impressive ceremonials which included the sacrament of baptism were preceded by the regular quarterly communion service from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m. Dr. Craven's sermon of the morning was upon the subject, "Could Stones Cry Out!" The subject of his evening sermon was "Sins of Betrayal."

The pastor's sermons during the week and for Easter Sunday, except Thursday evening when the new organ is dedicated, are as follows:

Monday
7:30 p.m. ..... "Powers Which Never Win"
Tuesday
7:30 p.m. ..... "Conclusions Without Investigation"
Wednesday
7:30 p.m. ..... "The Cross Remains"
Thursday
7:30 p.m. ..... Dedication of the Organ
Friday
7:30 p.m. ..... "The Seven Last Words from the Cross"
By West Market Street choir, direction of Walter Vassar
Sunday, April 13, 1941
11:00 a.m. ..... "All Things Are Put Under Him"
Easter Offering for World Service Benevolences

Dedication of New Organ

The dedication Thursday evening of the recently installed new organ was an occasion of unusual interest. The organ recital by Mr. George M. Thompson of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina was an important prelude to the ceremonials of dedication. Mr. Thompson in his recitals in Greensboro never fails to draw overflowing audiences.

The new ritual of dedication which is quite elaborate was used Thursday evening in these ceremonies of dedication to fine effect.

LAST SUNDAY IN CHINA GROVE

It was our privilege last Sunday morning to worship with the China Grove Methodists and to preach for Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, the pastor, who was away in revival services in Central church, Shelby, where Rev. G. B. Clemmer is pastor.

It was a rare privilege to be back in China Grove after an absence of almost a decade and note the growth of that church which is now first class in every particular —an attractive and roomy auditorium, adequate and well equipped church school building, and a beautiful new parsonage by the church, while near the highway and main street of China Grove, 200 feet from the church, is a large and attractive bulletin board where the services are announced for "A church where all people may worship."

The vested choir provided excellent music, the congregation was large and attentive and the church bulletin announced for Easter among other features a sunrise service, reception of new members and special Easter music.

We have no recollection of visiting a church where the congregation expressed such enthusiasm for their pastor as the China Grove people did for Wilson O. Weldon. The conservative leaders say that he has in two and a half years made a new church of that congregation. They say he is a great preacher and a great leader, and from what I saw this is a great new day for China Grove Methodism.

The noon hour was spent with Mr. and Mrs. Shinn and their two fine young sons. The oldest boy was away at State College, where he is studying textiles as he plans to walk in the steps of his father who is superintendent of a China Grove cotton mill and also chairman of the board of stewards. Professor Bivens, superintendent of the China Grove schools, was a fellow guest at dinner. He is a Duke graduate and a delightful gentleman.

SHILOH, SHILOH CHARGE, T. G. MADISON, PASTOR

The conference is about half gone and we are probably not aware of it. However, our pastor has made announcement and we hope that our church shall be able to make its requirements when reports are given at the forthcoming district conference at High Point College.

Our people observed holy communion at the 11 o'clock service Sunday, which proved to be a very sacred occasion, due to the fact that the Easter season is here. Preceding the communion service the doors of the church were open for reception of members. About 15 children came into the church and Mrs. Jones Leonard came by letter. We welcome all these and hope they shall prove a blessing to the church.

The Christian Endeavor Society will present an Easter pageant entitled "The Way of the Cross" Easter Sunday night at 7:30. We hope there will be a large attendance.

The writer attended the woman's conference at its first annual meeting in West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 26-28. It was truly a meeting full of inspiration, and we are truly hoping that our women shall fully understand and venture into the fields that await our service.

Probably a most outstanding occasion at Shiloh to many outsiders is our annual observance of memorial and home coming day on the third Sunday in May. At this time former members and friends come to spend and enjoy the all-day service. We would like to have our former pastors, too. There are only two former pastors of Shiloh now living, Rev. H. L. Powell and Rev. C. E. Ridge. Plan now, everybody, to enjoy the day. Sunday school 9:45; preaching 11, immediately followed by the memorial service; lunch around 12:30. The afternoon service will begin around 2 o'clock and consist of the home coming service with remarks from "home comers," special singing and a special home coming address.

Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

WOODLAND CHURCH, PINK HILL CHARGE

Woodland church was host on Sunday, March 30, to the regular fifth Sunday meeting of the Pink Hill charge League of Stewards and to the second quarterly conference of the charge. The stewards met at six o'clock to enjoy a delicious supper prepared by the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Following the supper, they met in a class room for a brief business and devotional meeting. Foremost in their attention were reports of an adaptation of the Lord's Acre Plan which the congregation of Webb's Chapel has engaged in this year. The reports had gone out to the other churches by the "grapevine" earlier in the week and Webb's stewards had hardly finished their report before representatives from two other churches were on their feet to announce that they were planning similar dedication of poultry and produce to the church. The Webb's congregation is so well pleased with the results from the plan so far that they intend to plant, cultivate, and market co-operatively two acres of roasting ear corn. Even non-church members are co-operating in the plan.

At the 7:30 hour District Superintendent J. A. Russell preached to a large congregation made up of representatives from each of the five churches on the charge. At the quarterly conference session the report of C. N. Stroud, charge lay leader, revealed that Laymen's Day had been observed in each of the churches. In this connection Pastor R. E. Walston reported that Dr. Schofield's book, The Methodist Church, was being taught in each of the churches to interested and enthusiastic groups. The financial report showed that attention was being given to all items of the church budget, whereas at this time last year only the orphanage aud the pastor had received anything from the charge; furthermore this year both the pastor and the orphanage have received more than they had at the same time last year. Five active woman's societies reported pledges to missions totaling more than twice the pledges made by the societies on the charge last year.

United Methodism goes forward on the Pink Hill charge.

Holy Week Saturday

By REV. W. A. LEDFORD

Mount Calvary stands in the scriptures like Mount Everest among the mountains. From its lofty peaks a panoramic view may be had which includes both the Garden of Eden and the holy city. Countless millions of Christians struggle up the slopes of Mount Calvary during Lent, and more especially during Holy Week. During the three hour services held so generally on Good Friday, vast throngs overtop the Mount and reach the vale beyond. This is a moral and spiritual climb up Mount Calvary.

With Good Friday behind and Easter ahead, there is no ground for sadness as experienced on the day following the Crucifixion. Then Christ was in the tomb, and the Resurrection light had not been lifted up. That was about the saddest day in the world's history: Wedged in between Good Friday and Easter, I think of it as a valley between two great mountains. But be it far from me to write anything disparaging about the valleys. They have a glory and a beauty all their own. I only recall one described as "the valley of dry bones." The Psalmist saw them covered with grain. Isaiah saw them as places of vision, and Paul as places of decision.

The Christian church has never made much of Saturday in Holy Week. Most Bible scholars, in their lists of scriptural readings for Holy Week, leave Saturday blank. I cannot recall a single hymn written to celebrate Saturday in Holy Week. We bring our homage on Good Friday and Easter, as if we could consecrate and hallow those days more than what our Lord did then. Imitating the Psalmist and the Israelites, the church generally hangs up its harps on the willows over Saturday in Holy Week.

There is only one passage of scripture bearing directly upon Saturday following the Crucifixion. The chief priests and Pharisees came to Pilate, seeking help to make the tomb of Jesus secure. This is found in the latter part of the 27th chapter of Matthew's gospel. But since there is no claim for chronological arrangement of the happenings recorded in the Gospels, I have thought the sad episode of Judas' tragic end might have taken place on the day after the Crucifixion. In suggesting this, however, I am aware that most commentators take a different view. The general view is that during the trial of Jesus, Judas repented, confessed and sought to make amends for the harm he had done. Failing in that, he immediately went his way and committed suicide. Poor Judas, it would have been better for him if he had never been born.

Could it have been possible for Judas to have waited till the Passion was over, as did the Centurion, before taking his own life? Judas was by nature obstinate. It is written that Satan entered him, after he had received the sop in the upper room. Since Satan is portrayed as a poor loser and slower yielder, it would have been easy for Judas to hold on to his thirty pieces of silver, which glittered at first but finally bit like a serpent and stung like an adder. The day following the Crucifixion, when the chief priests and elders were in the Sanhedrin, it would have been a fitting place to have thrown the money down at their feet. The evidences witnessed at the Crucifixion could have overcome his stubbornness.

Regardless of our thought concerning Judas, there can be no doubt as to the day on which the high priests and Pharisees came to Pilate seeking his aid in preventing the resurrection of Jesus. They were as anxious to prevent that as were the brothers of Joseph to prevent his dreams from coming true. Perhaps Pilate chuckled as he saw their fears, and answered them almost ironic, "Take a guard; go, and make it as safe as you know." This he did trying to gratify them, who addressed him so politely, "Sir"; and Jesus so scornfully, "That Deceiver."

Pilate also sought to gratify the disciples of Jesus by giving them his body, so that they could give him a decent burial and save his grave from being in the potter's field. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, who came to Jesus by night at first, buried Jesus. His immediate disciples showed less appreciation towards Jesus than John's disciples had shown toward him. Pilate may have regarded all that the friends did as needless, and all the enemies did as futile. Whatever Pilate's view may have been, those enemies and even the Roman guard became excellent witnesses of the resurrection of our Lord.

There's some mute testimony worth considering. Jesus, having finished his work in six days was now resting on the seventh. The scriptures are silent as to the movements of the disciples this awful day. They would most likely find a rather safe, secluded rendezvous where they could talk things over. Such a meeting of necessity be unsatisfactory and yet almost inevitable. The center of their former gatherings was in the tomb. Their treasurer hung on a tree, disgraced for all time. Stout hearted and courgaeous Thomas, who lacked the mysticism of Nathanel, and the prophetic vision of John, the beloved disciple, wanted to be alone. The vacant seats would be more noticeable than was David's at Saul's table.

John talked more than all the others on this sad occasion. He told of accompanying Jesus to the hall of the high priest ,and even was present at the cross, and took their mother home with him. The spokesman on many occasions was cast down and silent during most of the meeting, except for an inevitable sob occasionally. Finally, Peter began speaking intermittingly, and almost choking, "I am more guilty than you all! It was I that was shown so many favors. It was I that he called 'A Rock Christian'! I thought I was, and boasted of my courage and fidelity. He told me that I would deny him, and I didn't believe it. What do you think! Right there where he could see me, I denied him thrice, and might have gone further but that look of melting tenderness broke me down and I wept. That's about all that I have felt like doing since. My tears have been my meat."

This is a true picture of that awful day following the Crucifixion. The resurrection of our Lord revived the hopes of the sorrowing disciples. After tarrying in Jerusalem till Pentecost, and being then empowered by the Holy Spirit, they became witnesses for Christ throughout the world. What they did then, and since, is a matter of history. What I am anxious about now for myself, and others, is that after the high, inspiring moments and services of Holy Week, there may not be a let down; yea, a

relapse into worldliness, neglect and indifference. As the shepherds returned from Bethlehem glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, so the Christian world should pass away from Easter of 1941 glorifying and praising God for the privileges and opportunities that are and have been ours. Instead of drifting the downward way, let us press on the upward way. The Easter season should strengthen all of us.

THREE REAL UNIVERSALISTS

We remember when a penny was an important financial consideration. We have not forgotten the time when a nickel was big money. And we shall never forget the very considerable thrill of carrying around the comfortable fortune which was a dime. Perhaps most urban children of today are not so fortunate. For most of them forty cents may be just pocket money for movies. It is not so in the little towns and the rural countryside. A dime is still a comfortable fortune for millions of small children.

This makes the letter from a Universalist minister in a small New York state town the biggest news of the week for Universalists. He said: "Here is a dime for war relief from three small children from about the poorest family in town. They earned the dime."

The little streams of Northern New York will have an army of small boys fishing on their banks soon. The children might have bought a fish line. The marble season is just around the corner and "Mr." Woolworth has a tempting display of marbles in his stores, a fine assortment for a dime. The baseball season is coming soon and a dime will buy a baseball usable enough for small players. A veritable treasure house of possibilities was this dime. The children earned it, knew what it would buy, but gave it to help relieve suffering of people they had never seen.

Verily, "of such is the kingdom of heaven." We wish we could print this story in letters of gold. We know that John Murray, who collected money for starving Gloucester fishermen and their families, would be very proud of these his young spiritual descendants. And we do most earnestly pray that grown-up Universalists will catch the spirit of Murray and match this precious dime with their dollars.—E. H. L. in Christian Leader.

BENNETT COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED

The Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, former governor of North Carolina, President Mordecai Wyatt Johnson of Howard University, and Dr. D. W. Henry, pastor of Tindley Temple, Philadelphia, are announced as finals speakers at Bennett College, May 25 to June 2, the annual home coming to take place May 31 to June 3. Alumni college will be held June 3-6.

Dr. Henry, for several years pastor of one of the largest Methodist churches of the country, irrespective of race, outstanding in denominational circles throughout the country, will deliver the anniversary address to the religious organizations on the campus, Sunday, May 25. Dr. Johnson will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, June 1. Dr. Johnson, Howard's first Negro president ,is one of America's great speakers and educators. The Hon. Mr. Hoey, governor of North Carolina from 1937 to 1941, a native of Shelby, is prominent in educational, civic and church circles throughout the state, and is one of North Carolina's most able public speakers. The commencement address by Mr. Hoey, Monday, June 2, will be his second appearance at Bennett College, his first having been delivered at the dedication of the Henry Pfeiffer Science Hall in 1937. He will be introduced by Hon. Gurney P. Hood, bank commissioner of the state of North Carolina.

THE GOD-COMMISSIONED MAN

By Charles F. Hudson

I want my minister to become thoroughly saturated with his sermon subject. Every sermon should become an absolute obsession growing in height, width, depth and determination for deliverance by Sunday morning. The minister should be so full of his subject that he can preach it without reference to his notes. At the Sunday morning hour the minister should feel a certain deliverance of his soul before God and man.

There is far too little preaching with passion and power in this extremely acute age of action and confusion in every direction. With a world full of fire, blood and thunder in every phase of life except in the pulpit the Christian religion is gravely wanting for champions of the cause of Christ.

With an apologetic approach to our present problems the pulpit conveys a doubtfulness which makes for weakness in the moral issues of our times. This uncertainty is largely responsible for the trend of our times.

Men and women still want to know where we are going from here. The God-commissioned man who is unshackled and unbiased has the "way, the truth and the life," and is under direct orders from God to proclaim the true message at all hazards. He is still the watchman on the towers of Zion with full responsibility for the safety of the human race.

Where is John the Baptist? Is the spirit of the Apostle Paul no longer in the hearts of his successors? Will there arise another John Knox, who will make the throne of his country tremble? Will the ashes of John Wesley slumber while the world reels on into its drunken destruction? Has the seed of Martin Luther lost its potency and Protestantism become a palsied old man, living beyond his day and generation? What of the flaming force of another Jonathan Edwards to tell America in her crisis of travail of the punishments that await the wicked?

METHODIST WOMEN PRAY FOR PEACE

Methodist women around the globe are uniting in daily prayer for peace. They base their faith on 2 Peter 3:13, and Matthew 18:19. This plan originated in the standing committee of the World Federation of Methodist Women, of which Mrs. J .W. Mills is chairman. It was adopted by the national officers of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church at their first annual meeting.

The following prayer is being distributed free, from the Publication Office, 420 Palm Street, Cincinnati, O. A million copies have already been sent out to members in the United States, and to the thirty other countries affiliated in the World Federation of Methodist Women.

"If God will hear the petition of 'two of you upon earth,' will he not hear four million, if our hearts are right, and our prayers in accord with his holy will?" asks Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, president of the World Federation of Methodist Women.

"O God and Father of us all,
Lift from our world its dark'ning pall;
Forgive our madness, sin, and strife,
Turn our goals from death to life.
Create in us a zeal for right,
Help us to share our Candle's light;
Impel our hearts to seek Thy Way,
Guide us to peace, O God, we pray."

LAYMEN'S BOARD MEETS IN GOLDSBORO

The North Carolina Conference Board of Lay Activities met in Goldsboro Tuesday of this week. Dr. W. K. Green, lay leader of the N. C. conference, presided and Prof. F. S. Aldridge kept the record. A fine representation was present, only two or three being kept away by sickness and business engagements. The reports were not complete but superior to those at any former meeting. President Green gave careful attention to every interest.

The holding of quarterly meetings of stewards in country places for conference and fellowship gives fine promise for developing our country work. All such efforts tend to magnify the place of the steward in our Methodist church work.

Detail report was made of the showing made in the collections on March 2. This appears elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate.

A definite statement was made of the tax load that has been laid upon our Advocate following the recent decision of the Supreme Court which taxes church property. Chairman Green insisted that it is most important that we care for the future of our church papers.

The sustained interest of this fine group of ministers and laymen trying to discover the most effective co-operation in our church work is most encouraging. Dr. Green is fully committed to his work as lay leader.

Rev. W. A. Cade and his people added much to the pleasure and success of the occasion by the luncheon served at noon. It was a most gracious act.

Among those contributing to the day were the following members of the board:

Durham district, F. S. Aldridge and B. W. O'Neal.
Elizabeth City, D. L. Berry.
Fayetteville, Dr. M. L. Matthews, D. V. Sandlin.
New Bern, Major Graham, N. F. Eure.
Raleigh, A. M. Noble, F. E. Parrott.
Wilmington, W. A. McGirt, R. K. Anders.
Rocky Mount, W. J. Smith.

District Superintendents A. J. Hobbs, W. V. McRae, J. A. Russell, H. I. Glass, L. C. Larkin, A. S. Parker.

Visitors: C. S. Bunn, district director of Golden Cross; C. N. Stroud, Golden Cross director New Bern district; Rev. J. F. Herbert, Wilmington district Golden Cross; Rev. S. A. Maxwell, Rev. A. S. Thompson, Editor M. T. Plyler, J. T. Winston, Rev. W. A. Cade, D. I. Garner, E. G. Cowan.

BENJAMIN S. BATES

The death of Benjamin S. Bates at his home in the early morning of April 3 removes a prominent citizen of Greensboro. A native of Massachusetts, he came to Greensboro twenty-five years ago to become head of the voice department of Greensboro College, a position he held for six years before becoming a voice instructor at Woman's College in 1922. After nine years at the latter institution, he had for the past ten years conducted a private voice studio.

Earlier in his years in Greensboro, Mr. Bates was connected with several choirs, with those of West Market Street Methodist church and First Presbyterian church as tenor soloist, and more recently with First Baptist church as choir director for about a decade. He was a member of West Market Street Methodist church. He was also a member of the Civitan Club and of the Euterpe Club and a number of social organizations, a 33rd degree Mason and a past master of Guilford lodge No. 656.

Born in Sandwich, Mass., Mr. Bates was educated in the schools of Brockton, Mass., and studied at New England Conservatory fo Music, Boston; and with Herbert Witherspoon at Chicago Musical College.

Survivors are Mrs. Bates, who before their marriage eight years ago was Mrs. Sadie Cone; one brother, Harry Bates, Whitman, Mass., and five sisters, who live at Brockton, Marshfield and Whitman, Mass.

ELKIN DISTRICT INSTITUTE

On March 29 about 200 people gathered at the Elkin Methodist church for the annual missionary institute of the Elkin district. I do not believe that we had a dull moment during the entire meeting. There was no lag in the program. All leaders and speakers spoke briefly but very effectively. We met at 4 p. m. on Sunday and we were ready to leave at 7:30 p. m.

First, we met in the church auditorium for an opening service in which our district superintendent, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, brought us a fine message on the subject of evangelism. This was followed by an explanation of the missionary set-up by our able district missionary secretary, Rev. Herman F. Duncan.

We then separated in groups for a period of directed study and discussion. The women met with Mrs. Mason Lillard, who led them in a consideration of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the district. The laymen met with Mr. L. S. Weaver and Mr. W. H. Worth, who led them in a study of Dr. Schofield's book, The Methodist Church. The preachers met with Dwight B. Mullis, who brought before them the findings of the Madras International Missionary Council on the subject of evangelism. The young people met with Miss Peggy Royal, who discussed with them the work of the young people in the district. Officers and teachers of the church school met with Mr. Ashby, general superintendent of the church school of the Elkin Methodist church, for a consideration of their work in the church schools.

After this hour of group study and discussion we had a period of relaxation in which we were served sandwiches, coffee and other good things to eat by the women of the Elkin Methodist church.

The final part of the program was an address by Rev. L. B. Abernethy, who spoke effectively out of his rich experience on the subject of missionary obligation.

Dwight B. Mullis, Reporter.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE GOLDEN CROSS RECEIPTS NOVEMBER 1, 1940, TO APRIL 1, 1941

Asheville District

Asheville—Hillside, H. S. Williams	$10.50

Elkin District

Advance, Rev. P. L. Smith	9.00
Farmington, Rev. J. W. Vestal	36.00

Gastonia District

Boger City—Asbury, Rev. E. L. Kirk	30.00
Cherryville, Rev. D. M. Nifong	27.45
Stanley, Rev. A. L. Rayle	17.00

Greensboro District

Greensboro—West End, Rev. R. M. Andrews	20.45

High Point District

High Point—Highland, Rev. T. G. Smith	8.00
Ramseur-Franklinville, Rev. J. E. Prichard	22.00

Marion District

Morganton—North Forest, Rev. G. F. Hood	5.00

Statesville District

Lenoir—First, Rev. C. H. Moser (Rev. E. Myers)	10.00
Statesville Ct., Rev. G. F. Houck	5.50

Winston-Salem District

North Davidson—Bethesda Church, Rev. O. B. Williams	4.00
Reeds-Mt. Carmel-Shady Grove, Rev. S. B. Nifong	4.40
Central Terrace, Rev. A. A. Kyles	37.00
Mrs. Paul Hines, Winston-Salem, RFD 5	5.50
Ralph Kennedy, Thomasville, RFD 2	7.00

R. M. Courtney, Treas.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MISS BETTIE GENE LAMSON, GREENSBORO COLLEGE STUDENT

Funeral services for Miss Betty Gene Lamson of Hopewell, N. J., 18-year-old Greensboro College freshman who died in Wesley Long hospital Friday evening of influenza followed by staphylococcus septicemia, was conducted at the Ivans and Taylor funeral home, Trenton, N. J., Tuesday, April 8, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. George Ginter was the officiating minister.

Before the body was taken to New Jersey on Saturday morning, students joined in a brief memorial service in Odell Memorial auditorium. This service included piano prelude, "The Old Rugged Cross," played by Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem; period of meditation ending with a scripture reading by Miss Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy, president of the student body; a vocal solo, "Jesus Calls Us," by Miss Louise Kilgo, Greenville, classmate of Miss Lamson's; prayer by Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, retiring president of the students' association; and postlude, "Crossing the Bar," by Miss Angel.

Miss Lamson on Tuesday afternoon went to the student hospital to obtain an excuse from swimming class that afternoon and was put to bed. Dr. Christine Thelen, college physician, with the assistance of the college nurse, Miss Pearl Turner, attended Miss Lamson, and on Thursday called in Dr. R. A. Schoonover and Dr. O. Norris Smith, Greensboro physicians, at the same time notifying her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lamson, of their daughter's serious illness. On Friday the student was removed to Wesley Long hospital where she was attended not only by Dr. Thelen, who remained with her until her death at 8:40 o'clock that night, but also by Dr. Smith and members of the hospital staff.

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

We haven't written for the Advocate for several weeks, but the work here is moving on as usual. We are now approaching commencement for our high school students with a graduating class of twelve, ten of whom hope to enter High Point College next September. They are brave youngsters to face a college course with no money. But they have strong bodies, good minds and consecrated souls. So they are courageous enough to face it and try, with the promise of Dr. G. I. Humphreys that the college will stand back of them and help them all they can. Any man or woman who is disposed to do so will do well to invest some mony in these boys and girls to help them with their college course.

The Basket Ball Season

It is a bit late to write about it, but we wish our friends to know a few things that the local papers have said about our teams. On March 26 The Hi Po, a paper published by the students of High Point College, said:

"It's not exactly college sports news that Children's Home captured the 16th annual Journal-Sentinel basket ball tournament in Winston-Salem last week, in so far as the players who composed the winning team are concerned, but when the coach of the victorious aggregation is considered, it is very much college news. The coach was Milliard 'Red' Coble, valuable member of the Panther basket ball squad for the last two years. In winning the coveted title and carrying off the handsome trophies which are emblematic of spoils for the victors, the scrapping Home quintet defeated six teams, so you see their championship was not won in an easy fashion."

And on April 5 the High Point Enterprise said:

"Cage teams of the local Children's Home were entertained at an informal banquet last night at the local orphanage. The banquet was given by officials of the orphanage in recognition of the splendid success of the two teams during play this year. The banquet was given primarily for the crack boys' team that captured three tournament championships this season and won 40 of 43 games played.

"C. Virgil Yow, athletic director at High Point College, was guest speaker for the occasion. He spoke highly of the splendid team work, leadership and co-operation that existed at the orphanage, not only among the athletes but the entire student body and officers of the home. 'These factors have gone a long way in paving success for the cage teams and will prove a valuable asset in later life,' he said.

"Robert Rankin acted as master of ceremonies and presented the speakers. W. W. Idol gave the invocation.

"Frank Spencer, sports editor of the Winston-Salem Sentinel, sponsor of the annual Journal-Sentinel Tournament, was present and presented the boys' team with the Championship trophy that was won by them this year.

The girls' team of the Children's Home was largely instrumental in winning the Guilford county championship for Jamestown high school.

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE TO MEET

Some of the outstanding features of the Durham district conference, to be held at Shiloh church on Burlington circuit next Tuesday, April 15, are as follows: The conference will open at 9:30 a. m. with the report of the committee on evangelism. This is the first thing on the program and everyone should endeavor to be present at the beginning for this very important report. Rev. M. C. Dunn, district missionary secretary, and Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary Woman's Society of Christian Service, will direct the discussion on "The Church and the Missionary Task." Pastors' reports will be given, and at 11:30 Rev. C. P. Morris will deliver the conference sermon. In the afternoon Rev. A. S. Barnes and a group of children from the Orphanage in Raleigh will have charge of the devotional service. The laymen's hour will be under the direction of Prof. F. S. Aldridge, district lay leader. Rev. S. F. Nicks will speak on the Duke foundation and the rural church. Committees will make reports, and representatives of various church interests will be heard. Everyone is looking forward to the fine fellowship to be had, and to the gracious entertainment, including the big spread which Rev. M. C. Ellerbe and his Shiloh people are planning to give at the noon hour. Ample provision is being made for the needs both of the spiritual and the physical side of man's double nature. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, has worked out in detail a very fine program, a special feature of which will be an address during the day by Major L. M. Hall of Fort Bragg on "The Church's Responsibility to the Soldier." Major Hall is a member of the North Carolina conference and is serving in the chaplaincy at Fort Bragg. A great day is in prospect for the Durham district Methodists at Shiloh next Tuesday.

S. J. Starnes, Reporter

REV. W. K. GOODSON PREACHER AT DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Rev. W. K. Goodson, the associate pastor of West Market Street church, Greensboro, was college preacher last Sunday evening at Davidson College. These special Sunday evening services, when a visiting minister delivers a sermon, are attended by the entire student body and many members of the college faculty as well as other representatives of the community. The president of the college presides and the college choir furnishes the music.

The friends of Mr. Goodson are gratified to learn that he was chosen for this service and especially pleased to know that he has been invited to return to speak at college chapel.

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

Spring holidays at Brevard College will begin at the close of classes Friday, April 11, and will end with the resumption of classes at noon on April 18.

The Brevard Masquers presented "June Mad," a three-act comedy, as its second long play of the current year, Saturday night in the college auditorium. The production proved to be one of the outstanding performances of the organization in the past few years.

Cast in the play which was directed by Miss Lucille Smith, faculty coach, were Jean Bennett, Lillian Zachary, and Pendleton Banks, Brevard; Joe Hayner, Rutherford College; Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro; Ruth Hope and Marceline Peck, Concord; Gene Houck, Todd; Norma Ashby, Bat Cave; Clay Tom Carpenter, Norwood; Oswald Parks, Lexington; Wilbur Helton, Shelby; Marie Parker, Dobson.

The annual Sophomore-Freshman theater party was held this week, with the Freshman class officers carrying out a suitable and entertaining program in honor of the upperclassmen. One phase of the program was the announcement of class superlatives.

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EASTER

"I am alive forever!"
This is the word He said,
In Him there is no dying,
In Him there are no dead;
"I am alive forever"—
This is His word to me,
Through springtime after springtime
to live eternally.

"I am alive forever!"
Oh, tell it far and near,
No more can winter trouble,
Or autumn bring its tear;
"I am alive forever,"
Let seasons go or stay,
For Christ, he is my comrade
Forever and a day.

"Forever and forever!"
Oh, fling it to the breeze,
To live with Him forever,
Creator of the trees;
To paint with Him the sunsets,
To visit with the stars,
To flash across God's highways
Beyond all earthly bars.

I know not how the future
Shall change me or surprise,
But this will be my heaven,
To look into His eyes;
To hear again His promise
As He sweetly welcomes me—
"Thou art alive forever,
Alive eternally."
—Bishop Ralph S. Cushman, in Spiritual Hilltops.

MINISTERS' WIVES' MEETING

An event of more than ordinary interest to a large number of women at the conference was the ministers' wives 'luncheon held on Friday, March 28, at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant with everything for their entertainment and pleasure arranged by Mrs. Kenneth Goodson and her committee. One hundred and thirty-three were present, with Mrs. Walter B. West of Salisbury, president of the ministers' wives' association, presiding.

Following the luncheon a short program was given, at which there was group singing by the members, several musical selections by sextet from Greensboro College, and a humorous skit, announced by Mrs. A. C. Wagoner with Mrs. C. N. Clark and Mrs. Clare Purcell as participants.

AN OUTSTANDING FEATURE

Among the many outstanding features of the recent annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service—outstanding in inspiration and impressiveness—were the two noontide worship services conduucted by Miss Lila Epps, missionary from Brazil, with her subject, "Direct Messages from Jesus to Women." She brought to us the fact that "Jesus did not use many words, but they were clear and full of wonderful meaning. Eighteen times he spoke directly to women—bringing messages that comforted, strengthened, healed, encouraged and saved."

These messages have been published in a booklet that may be read in less than three hours, and this booklet is "dedicated with love and gratitude to all the members of our Woman's Society of Christian Service," by Miss Epps. She distributed a number of these booklets to the women in attendance at the annual meeting, and she asks us to say that anyone desiring a copy may secure it from Clay, the Printer, in Winston-Salem, N. C., for 10 cents, or for $1 per dozen copies. Order at once and secure this valuable booklet.

MISSION STUDY AT COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH

On the evening of March 19 the Woman's Society of Christian Service of College Place church, Greensboro, closed a most interesting and helpful mission study on the subject: "Uprooted Americans."

The entire study was under the supervision of Mrs. I. C. Shelley, president of the society. Four evening meetings were held in the church parlor, each having an average attendance of about 120 women, together with some men visitors. Calvary Methodist women joined in these meetings and gave helpful assistance on the programs, as well as inspiration by their attendance.

The classes were conducted in the form of playlets, with Mrs. H. H. Jordan leading the first, which had a stage setting of a tourist camp taking care of tourists who were en route across America. These tourists were also in costume, representing their particular type and class.

Mrs. A. M. Scarborough was leader of the second group, which characterizes a camp fire meeting at a tourist camp in a vegetable area where migrants were working in canneries. Campfire songs were sung and tourists' experiences related.

The topic of the third class, "Detoured en Route," was an illustration of an employment office in a settlement area. Miss Louise Panigot, director of Wesley Foundation at College Place, who has had actual experience in this type of work, was leader and Miss Dosia Motsinger her secretary..

A deaconess came on the scene, who offered assistance. Migrants looking ing for work also visited the office seeking advice and help.

Miss Panigot in a very effective presentation, gave a pathetic account of a young man unemployed, poverty stricken and penniless, driven from place to place by disinterested and uncharitable civic officers. This innocent victim, hungry and misunderstood was finally sentenced as a vagrant and thief. The whole scene portrayed an earnest desire in the hearts of all young people a feeling of security.

The fourth and final class gave us something of the religious activities among migrant workers, which is being promoted by the general council of women and in which the Methodists have a part. It was also a patriotic program. U. S. flags were in display on the walls; we were given an introduction to the coming of immigrants to the U. S. to secure help and citizenship. Miss Margaret Flinton of the Woman's College faculty was leader and summed up in a most attractive way how Methodists are helping these shifting populations.

Lisa Brandt, a Jewish refugee from Berlin, Germany, was introduced to the audience. Miss Brandt added much to the evening program by relating her experiences in leaving Germany for the U. S. She told us of her optimism and also her trials in New York in trying to make a living, but the happiest day of her life was when awarded a scholarship to Woman's College in N. C., at which place she is now a successful and happy student.

Singing of America and a prayer by the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney, marked the closing of the evening study.

THE ANNUAL MEETING IN GREENSBORO

(Continued from last week)

An interesting and entertaining skit on the work of the district corresponding secretaries, written by Mrs. J. W. Payne, was presented by Mrs. A. L. Thompson and the 11 secretaries, and proved to be informing also as to the work of the districts. A drive to Bennett College to attend a concert under the leadership of Dr. Nathanael Detts, which was most enjoyable, was a feature of Thursday afternoon. Another Most helpful event of Thursday evening was the alumnae dinner tendered the former students of Greensboro and Davenport Colleges at the Y. W. C. A. hut at Greensboro College, attractive in its decorations of spring flowers. Following the dinner a short program was given with Mrs. Karl Bishopric, president of the G. C. Alumnae Association, presiding. An invocation by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of the college, was followed by an address of welcome by Dr. Luther Gobbel, who called attention to many of the former students of the institution who have been prominent in the missionary work, including a number of missionaries, among them Mrs. Ellen Morphis Wood, the first woman missionary to go to the foreign field from North Carolina. Mrs. C. C. Weaver responded to the greeting, and the program was concluded with solos by Prof. Walter Vassar of the music department of the college and an informal introduction of leaders of the conference who were present. After the dinner those present went to the Odell auditorium, where they heard a splendid address by Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, who spoke on the opportunities that have come through the new missionary work, prophesying great things as the women go forward in carrying on Christian service and stressed the necessity for financial support to carry on this great work.

A pageant, "The Light of the World," was presented by G. C. students and the college glee club sang two selec-

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

MRS. GURNEY P. HOOD

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, has been elected conference secretary to fill the vacancy occurring when Mrs. W. C. Chadwick was elected conference president. Under the cheerful, efficient and effective leadership of Mrs.



Mrs. Gurney P. Hood

Hood, the Raleigh district has experienced a steady growth in interest, new societies, finances and promotion of all departments of woman's work. The North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service is indeed fortunate in having ready a person so well fitted to the task of corresponding secretary as is Mrs. Hood. Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson, Route 1, has been appointed Raleigh district secretary, succeeding Mrs. Hood.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the Raleigh district W. S. C. S. will be held at the Methodist church in Cary on Wednesday, April 16. An interesting and helpful program will be given and a full attendance urged. The meeting will begin at 9:45 a. m.

Perquimans-Chowan zone, Elizabeth City district, will meet at Anderson, April 15; Plymouth zone, Columbia, April 17, and the Elizabeth City district meeting will be held at Columbia on April 17. These meetings will begin at 10:30 a. m.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

When Mrs. E. L. Hillman brought her message as president of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. convening in Rocky Mount on March 25-27, she made some pertinent statements which should awaken us to the responsibilities and privileges of the tasks ahead. Said she: "The past year has been one of conferences of the Methodist Church. The number of conferences have been necessary in the new organization and now we can go forward in unity, forgetting that there ever were divisions. Christians must now gird themselves anew with courage and steadfastness, following the pattern which Jesus has fashioned. We must build a world of brotherhood. Our hearts have been saddened by th recall of some of our missionaries, but we are assured that there are Christian workers left behind in the mission fields to carry on the work. We must increase our giving to help orphaned children and others. New projects must be undertaken. We have learned to break down all barriers and love each other and we can truly say that unification has brought us together. We shall not be satisfied in this conference until we meet again our high peak in giving and sacrifice. We could use more full time workers in our conference. Some of our greatest needs are a more informed leadership and new enthusiasm. We have an abundance of potential leadership in the N. C. conference, but too many women are placing the church secondary in their lives. Prayer, study, consecration must go into the making of this new church."

MRS. CHADWICK'S REPORT

In her report as conference secretary, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick pointed out some interesting facts concerning our conference. She stated that there have been no sudden changes in woman's work and yet we know that there have been changes. Under the old set up there were 420 woman's missionary societies with 16,000 members in the North Carolina conference. At the beginning of the new Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service there were 431 societies with 15,345 members; at the end of the first quarter 1941 there were 459 societies with 17,180 members. A net gain of 28 societies and 1839 members. Thirty-one new societies were organized during the year with 2649 members. There are 81 young women's circles with 1963 members; 40 Wesleyan Service Guilds in the conference with a membership of more than one thousand.

HONORS

Several significant honors were conferred at the annual meeting in Rocky Mounut recently. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, outgoing president, was presented a life membership pin, gift of the the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. Surrounded by a group of intimate friends, namely, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. L. C. Larkin and Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. Hillman heard high tribute paid her by Mrs. Gates, Mrs. H. J. Faison, who for 14 years was conference vice president and who has rendered many years of valuable service to the conference in many ways, was equally surprised and honored when Miss Florine Robertson called her to the platform, and following a tribute to her life of service presented her with a life patron membership pin, also gift of the conference. A life patron membership represents a love gift of 300,000, the highest honor which can be bestowed in the W. S. C. S., and the money thus given is used for the cause of missions. Mrs. Hillman announced that a room in the new Gibson dormitory at Scarritt College has been furnished by the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. and named in honor of Miss Elizabeth Lamb. Miss Lamb, a former missionary to Brazil and at present chairman of the conference spiritual life committee, is contributing much in spiritual and other valuable ways to the Master's work in our conference. Honorary life memberships were presented to Susan Gustavia Holbrook and Nancy Osborne, gifts of the conference and presentation made by Mrs. R. A. P. Barber. Baby life memberships were presented to Peggy Whitehurst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Whitehurst, and Ruth Sides, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sides. Mrs. Whitehurst is president of the W. S. C. S. at First Methodist church, Rocky Mount. These gifts were also from the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. and were presented by Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer.

BOOKS NOT READY

Mrs. R. H. Broome, conference secretary of literature, reminds us that record and report books are not ready for distribution and that she does not expect to receive them before the latter part of April. Many women in our local societies have been patiently awaiting the publication of these books.

WAYNE COUNTY ZONE

The Wayne county zone of the W. S. C. S. met at Fremont Methodist church March 7 with Mrs. J. B. Chase presiding; 210 delegates present from Black Creek, Eureka, Fremont, Yelverton, Ebenezer, Daniel's Chapel, Calypso, Mr. Olive, Brownings, Falling Creek, Providence, Rone, Smith Chapel, Pikeville, Mt. Carmel, Beston Zion, Seven Springs and St. Paul. Bethel was the only church in the zone not represented. Mrs. I. F. Yelverton, Fremont, extended a cordial welcome, to which Mrs. Frank Hones, Goldsboro, responded. The devotional was led by Mrs. W. R. Stevens, followed by interesting reports from each society. Music was furnished during the day by a group of girls from Eureka high school glee club, directed by Mrs. M. S. Rowland, who also rendered a violin solo. Mrs. Gertie Matthews gave some outstanding facts of New Bern district. Miss Elizabeth Lamb gave an inspirational address and conducted the pledge service. The ladies of Fremont church served a delicious lunch in the community building.

PERSON ZONE

The annual spring Person zone meeting of the Durham district was held at Ca-Vel on March 2. Mrs. N. M. For presided. "Jesus Shall Reign" was used as the hymn to open the meeting, after which Mrs. Vick welcomed the guests. The devotional was given by

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THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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TO OUR FRIENDS

While walking along a Winston-Salem street one day last week I noticed on the windshield of a motorcycle used by a colored boy for delivering packages the following statement, printed by somewhat of an unsteady hand but yet very legible: "i ain't mad at nobody." Both the printing and the sentiment caught my eye and caused a moment's stop and a continued appreciation of a fine sentiment. Like the colored boy, we "ain't mad at nobody." We feel good towards everybody, but a little better towards those fifth Sunday friends who have so materially helped us along.

TO SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS

Complete returns from the March fifth Sunday offerings are not yet in. Among those showing increases over past fifth Sundays the following are noted: First church, Wadesboro, $166.25; First church, Charlotte, $247.50; Central, Shelby, $78.94; First church, Hickory, $70; First church, Salisbury, $67.36; North Wilkesboro, $40; Park Street, Belmont, $37.46; Spray, $32; Forest Hill, Concord, $31.72; Central, Albemarle, $29.12; Norwood, $27.77; Oak View, High Point, $26.50; Prospect, Thomasville circuit, $25; Midway, Welcome circuit, $23.50; Franklinville, Ramseur-Franklinville, $29; Central, Mount Airy, $22.18; Central, Canton, $20.15; Mt. Tabor, Forsyth circuit, $18.18; Rutherford College, $17; Pine Grove, Albemarle, $14.70; Shiloh, Davidson county, $14.17.

TO CHURCH

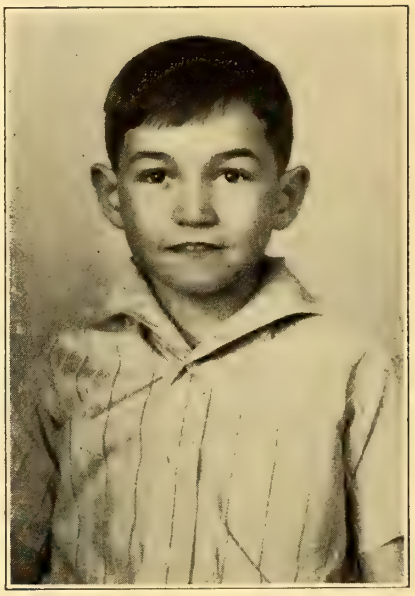
We went to church yesterday as usual, but the service was unusual. It was Palm Sunday and as is the custom on such a Sunday at Centenary, many children joined the church. Dr. W. A. Stanbury at the close of the morning service received into church membership 76 boys and girls, 40 of whom are members of the Children's Home family, these boys and girls having been prepared for such a commitment by our assistant pastor, Rev. H. Grady Hardin. The service was well attended and very beneficial.

TO SPONSORS

To the sponsors of the clothing needs of our children let it be said that we will gladly receive such contributions as they will want to forward. We do not send out individual notices. The matter is left entirely to the desire of those individuals or groups who have asked for the privilege of sponsoring given children here. The spring clothing for these children has been bought and in most cases has been fitted on the children. The unfinished item is that of paying for the clothing. To those loving sponsors who like to help we forward our gratitude and our thanks.

TO A SPECIAL FRIEND

Mrs. Wilbur Baber, an outstanding leader of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Gastonia district and a good church school leader in Central, Shelby, writes as follows: "The other day while our young people were telling about their department's sponsoring Patsy Gillon at the Children's Home, Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, who is again a teacher in this department, said that she would like to sponsor a boy about the age of Patsy. I am therefore writing to ask that you



Never half hearted at anything

give Mrs. Hoey a boy who is in the freshman class of the high school. Mrs. Hoey is so much interested in young people, and she told our young people how proud she was that they were sponsoring a child, so proud of them that she wanted to sponsor one, too."

We have given Mrs. Hoey a promising young lad by the name of Frank Robbins Bacon.

TO GENUINE JOY

Read the following from Rev. Chas. P. Bowles, pastor of Wadesboro Methodist church, and join us in grateful thanks: "If you will take a look at the enclosed check for $166.25 you will see that we started something last fifth Sunday that seems to be rolling along and gaining momentum as it goes. These fine people here are very fond of the children at the Children's Home and get a great joy out of sharing with them. I hope we can continue this fine spirit. Miss Essie Collier, church school treasurer, gave me the check and asked me to mail it. Let me assure you that this cause is dear to our hearts and we are glad for the opportunity to have a small part in such a worth while undertaking."

TO LAY LEADERS

O. A. Swaringen, lay leader of the Salisbury district and an outstanding promotor of righteousness, in a business letter adds the following lines: "I want to do something more than I have done in my district for the Children's Home. I think it is too bad that each church school does not avail itself of the privilege and opportunity of giving every fifth Sunday offering to the Children's Home. I have never known otherwise. Won't you please furnish me with a list of those schools in the Salisbury district which have not made a fifth Sunday offering during this conference year and the names of the respective superintendents. I'll make that one of my aims for the year to enlist the support of each of them."

TO BOBBY

The picture this week is that of James Robert Wills, better known to us as Bobby. Bobby, one of those joining the church yesterday, is ten years old and doing well in the fourth grade. This picture was snapped as he paused briefly from his marble game. Bobby is not claimed by any sponsor. What a wondreful opportunity for some kind hearted person to sponsor a fine lad!

TO THE BELL RINGERS

To the following congregations and pastors we extend our cordial thanks for having completed since last report their Children's Home quota for the present conference year. Their contributions have caused joy to reign here on the Children's Home grounds. In our minds the dinner bell has rung. As a matter of fact, such receipts make it possible for the real bell to ring in the children for dinner. At this Easter season many others can cause the joy bells to ring. Note this week's bell ringers:

Marvin, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt.

Gay's Chapel, Woodleaf circuit, Rev. G. W. Williams.

Maple Springs, Coleridge circuit, Rev. J. G. Huggins.

White's Chapel, Liberty circuit, Rev. A. A. Bailey.

Smyre, Maylo Smyre, Rev. J. N. Wise.

TO SCHOOL

Our children, like hundreds and thousands of other children, are still going to school. Our school openings run all the way from 7:15 to 10 o'clock, the children coming in such staggered fashion as to enable them to use the day most profitably for school work and for occupational tasks. Our school is in session from 7:15 in the morning to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, the teachers deploying their services in such a way as to best accommodate the youngsters in their learning processes. We have a nine months school. It may seem wise to add another month to our school this year for those children who were out over an extended period of time because of sickness.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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DEEPLY GRATEFUL—At the time this paragraph was written we had heard from 100 church schools. The total amount received from fifth Sunday offerings was $514.33. I am confidently expecting to hear from other church schools that remembered the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in March. It is most encouraging to know that the church schools are so deeply interested in the welfare of our beloved Methodist Orphanage.

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JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET —Following a long established custom our Junior-Senior banquet was held in the home dining room last Saturday night. The dining room was artistically decorated for the happy occasion. Mary Graft, president of the junior class, presided over the banquet with poise, and members of the senior class made most interesting talks. I have a pardonable pride in the attainments of the outgoing class and in the acomplishments of the junior class. Every one present enjoyed a most delightful evening.

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GLEE CLUB—On March 29 the Methodist Orphanage Glee Club participated in the district music contest which was held in Raleigh and won outstanding honors. Our glee club, under the leadership of Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, who is in charge of the public school music in the city of Raleigh, has made an enviable record, and the members have been highly complimented on their beautiful singing. On the fifth Sunday morning in March the glee club rendered several selections before the men's Bible class, and were warmly received by that great class which Governor Hoey taught for four years.

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WORTH WHILE—It would be hard to overestimate the good that our educational loan funds have done and are doing for the higher education of our high school graduates. Mr. S. C. Vann established a $20,000 loan fund, Mr. J. L. Borden a $6,000 loan fund and Miss Cottie Sherrod a $1,000 loan fund. One of our girls who borrowed from one of these funds to go to business college writes as follows: "I realize how much good the loan fund does for the children who, like myself, at the time of graduation have no means for a better education; and I am anxious to do my part to keep the money available for those who have yet to enter into the realm of business and be on their own. It helped me so very much, and I will ever be grateful that I had an opportunity to realize just how helpful the fund is."

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RALEIGH DISTRICT PREACHERS —On Monday of last week Brother H. I. Glass, superintendent of the Raleigh district, called all the preachers of the district together for a spiritual retreat. The Methodist Orphanage was happy to be host to this meeting. The large room in the McGee building was used for the occasion. There were between 35 and 40 active and superannuate preachers who responded by participating in the meeting. The retreat was of a high order and the discussions were heart-searching. Our beloved district superintendent led the discussions in a masterly manner. The influence of that gathering is bound to result in deepening and enriching the experience of everyone who attended the retreat. At the conclusion of the meeting at one o'clock a plate dinner was served in the Orphanage dining room. While the preachers assembled for lunch at the Orphanage, Mrs. H. I. Glass entertained the wives of the preachers at a luncheon at the district parsonage. The Methodist Orphanage felt honored and blessed by the presence of these men of God in our midst.

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WHITAKERS AND BATTLEBORO —Early in the year Brother A. M. Williams, pastor of Whitakers charge, engaged our singing class to be with him at Battleboro and Whitakers churches on the fifth Sunday in March. Due to the illness of Mrs. Nellie B. Rives, I filled the engagements. Several of our smaller children accompanied me, and gave a short program at Battleboro at 11 o'clock and at Whitakers at the evening services. Immediately following our programs I had the privilege of addressing the congregations at Battleboro and Whitakers. Both the children and I were received most cordially by the pastor and congregations. The young people and I were entertained for dinner by the friends in Battleboro, and all of us enjoyed a most delightful evening meal at the parsonage with Brother and Sister Williams in Whitakers. By special invitation little Juanita Goins, who is clothed by the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Battleboro, and Charles Clay, who is clothed by the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Whitakers, accompanied me to these churches. It was my happy privilege to take dinner with Professor and Mrs. H. A. Hendrix. Professor Hendrix is principal of the Battleboro school. Their gracious hospitality was greatly appreciated. For the evening meal, as I have already mentioned, all of us partook of a bountiful supper in the parsonage with Brother and Sister Williams. The day was a most enjoyable one for us, and I sincerely trust that it was a profitable day for the Orphanage. Brother and Sister Williams are in high favor with their people and are rendering effective service on the Whitakers charge.

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ASSEMBLY SPEAKERS

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, noted author and lecturer, of Ann Arbor, Mich., will be the principal speaker at the Young People's Assembly at Louisburg College, June 12-16.

Dr. Albert C. Outler, professor of historical theology, Duke University, will speak at the platform hours during the senior assembly at Louisburg College, June 16-20.

Both of these speakers have participated in the summer assembly program before and it is with a great deal of pleasure and anticipation that the young people of this conference await their return this summer.

DUKE STUDENTS AVAILABLE

Duke students have not been assigned to the board of education for training work this summer. However, there will be some men who have been assigned to charges who will have a few weeks that they can devote to training work and vacation school work in other charges. Any minister who is interested in securing one of these students one or two weeks this summer is asked to make his request to this office as soon as posible.

The time that most of the students will have will be in the last five weeks of their summer work; that is, from July 13 to August 16. It will be necessary for the schedules of these men to be completed within two weeks. It is, therefore, necessary for those pastors desiring help from these students for training schools and vacation schools for a week or a two-week period to make their application to us right away.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

During the next several months pastors and teachers will be planning for and participating in vacation church schools. The following statements are given as a guide which each member will want to consider very carefully.

Why have a vacation school for the boys and girls in your church and community?

1. To provide more time for Christian education.
2. To help children grow in Christian living.
3. To increase church school membership.
4. To help teachers become better teachers.
5. To quicken the life of the entire church.

Plans for Your Vacation School

1. Begin preparation now. Decide upon date and start to work.
2. Read the new manual on "The Vacation Church School for Boys and Girls."
3. Enlist the help of every regular worker with children and intermediates. Secure as many of them as possible as regular teachers in the vacation school. Select one worker to serve as director of the school.
4. Invite a few capable young people to serve as helpers.
5. Choose from the 1941 List of Vacation School Materials one course for each age group. (List sent to each children's division superintendent and pastor in North Carolina conference).
6. Order text books. (Order from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.)
7. Interest parents in the vacation school through visits to the homes and through announcements from the pulpit, in church bulletins, and local newspapers.
8. Call all workers together for at least one general meeting.
9. Urge teachers to meet in small groups to study texts and make definite plans before opening the school.
10. Read articles on vacation schools in the spring issues of our church periodicals. Discuss these articles at workers' meetings.
11. Arrange for transportation of children if necessary.

Selecting Courses

Choose one textbook for use with each age group included in your school. Every teacher needs a text, but two or three workers with one age group may use the same book, if they have studied it together carefully before the school opens and live near enough to continue to share it from day to day.

For the first school the following courses are recommended:

For Beginners (4 and 5 years of age): "Happy Times in Our Church," Shields.

For Primaries (6, 7 and 8 years of age): "Our Daily Bread," Baird. "Bible Homes and Homes Today," Reed.

For Juniors (9, 10 and 11 years of age): "The Land Where Jesus Lived," Spratt. "Discovering the Lands of the Bible," Hazelwood.

For Intermediates (12, 13 and 14 years of age): "O Come, Let Us Worship," Stinson. "Discovering God in the Beautiful," Clyde.

When vacation schools have previously been held, choice should be based on what has been used and on present interests and needs of the various groups. Information as to materials to be used in the schools has been sent to pastors and children's division superintendents. Where there is need for further information the conference office will endeavor to supply it.

A man should never be ashamed to own that he has been in the wrong: it is but saying: "I am wiser today than yesterday."—Pope.

EARNHARDT UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Earnhardt union met in its monthly session at St. John's Methodist church on April 1, at which time officers for the new year were elected. They are as follows:

President: Charles McCoy, Laurinburg.

Vice President: Marjorie Thompson, Johns.

Secretary: Mildred Hearn, Laurel Hill.

Treasurer: Annie May Adams, Gibson.

Publicity Supt.: Bobby Brewer, Red Springs.

Rev. Henry Ruark of Red Springs was the speaker of the evening and his subject was "Finding Life in a Dying World." Others assisting in the service were Miss Marjorie Thompson, Miss Grace Monroe, and Rev. H. K. King.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY

We are giving herewith the names of the churches in the North Carolina conference observing Race Relations Sunday, February 9, which have sent their offering in to Mr. C. K. Proctor. This offering is one of the chief means of financing a worth while educational program for Negroes.

Durham District

Orange	$ 9.50

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	3.00
Columbia	2.50
Gates, Kittrells	3.00
Parkers	4.39
Savages	2.35
Kinnakeet	3.28
Kitty Hawk	2.00
Manteo, Mt. Olivet	8.03
Plymouth	3.77
Bethel	11.00
Roper	2.36
Windsor	3.70
Total	49.38

Fayetteville District

Broadway	4.00

New Bern District

Ayden	5.00
Vanceboro	7.21
Total	12.21

Raleigh District

Oxford, Oxford	5.00
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial	5.65
Selma, Edgerton Memorial	3.00
Stem	4.50
Total	18.15

Rocky Mount District

Littleton	5.00
Rich Square	3.00
Warrenton, Warrenton and Warren Plains	6.45
Total	14.45

Wilmington District

Wilmington, Wesley Mem.	3.00
Grand total	110.69

Oh, many a shaft at random sent,
Finds mark the archer little meant;
And many a word at random spoken,
May soothe or wound a heart that's broken. —Scott.

SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION ANNUAL CONFERENCES

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington—Louisville Area:
Kentucky—September 3, Wilmore.
Louisville—September 24. (To be selected).
Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs — Jackson (Miss.) Area:
N. Mississippi—Nov. 5, Greenville.
Mississippi—Nov. 19, McComb.
Bishop Arthur J. Moore — Atlanta Area:
Florida—June 18, Daytona Beach.
S. Georgia—Nov. 5. (To be selected).
N. Georgia—Nov. 19, Atlanta.
Latin Mission—Feb. 19, 1942, Tampa, Fla.
Bishop Paul B. Kern—Nashville Area:
Holston—Oct. 8, 7:30 p. m., Chattanooga, Tenn.
Tennessee—Oct. 16, Belmont Church, Nashville.
Cuba—January, 1942, Santa Clara.
Bishop W. W. Peele—Richmond Area:
Virginia—Oct. 15, Lynchburg.
Europe.
Bishop Clare Purcell—Charlotte (N. C.) Area:
Western North Carolina—October 21—Winston-Salem.
North Carolina—Nov. 11, Durham.
Bishop J. L. Decell — Birmingham Area:
N. Alabama—Nov. 5, 7:30 p. m., Ensley.
Memphis (Tenn.)—Nov. 12, 7:30 p. m., Dyersburg, Tenn.
Alabama—Nov. 19, 7:30 p. m., Mobile.
Bishop W. T. Watkins—Columbia (S. C.) Area:
South Carolina—Oct. 29, Bennettsville.
Upper South Carolina—Nov. 12, Chester.

OUR NO. 1 PROBLEM

Domestic crusaders along all lines and in all directions need to know that their problem No. 1 now is not in America at all. The No 1 problem of the Negro is the man across the sea, the greatest race hater in history, the Jim Crow of all ages, the man who has called the Negro "lower than the ape." The No. 1 problem of the workingman is the same man across the sea, who has regimented, and robbed and destroyed more rights of labor than all the employers of America put together. The No. 1 problem of the South is the man, too, who has murdered entire regions, persecuted, kidnaped, transferred, scattered or enslaved whole peoples. The No. 1 problem of education is this same man—it is the illiteracy of Adolph Hitler.—John Temple Graves 2d.

WHEN YEARS DON'T COUNT

Methuselah is often overrated. He lived nearly one thousand years but evidently didn't say or do anything worth recording. He was merely a biological link between Adam and Noah and gained fame only by not dying at the usual age. If there were any merit in living a long time the average snapping turtle should have a bigger place in history than Shakespeare. But it doesn't. Jonathan Edwards was possibly greater at fifteen than Methuselah at 969. Methuselah's life had just one dimension—length. Two other dimensions are necessary to make life complete—depth and breadth. That makes it "solid." One may be a Methuselah without living 969 years.—Religious Telescope.

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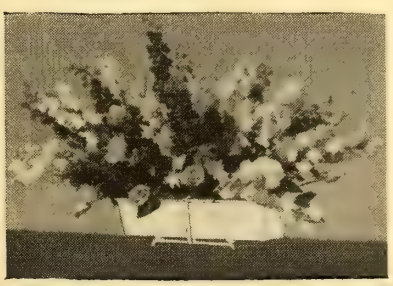
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By Rollin H. Walker

Christ Shows Himself Alive

Luke 24:1-43

If we were closer to humble Christians in times of suffering we would oftener hear of experiences analogous to that of the two disciples when Jesus appeared to them on the way to Emmaus, as they walked and were sad. Our aloofness and extreme sophistication have their disadvantages. A greatly honored missionary in China told the writer that in a time when every Christian's life was in danger, one of her Bible women was making a journey. As she went along a figure seemed to go before her with a lamb in his arms, and he said to her, Feed my lambs. The vision continued for some time, and then disappeared. Such instances could be multiplied in the mission lands, and also among our own people in especially tragic circumstances.

We are told that when Jesus appeared to the two disciples their eyes were holden and they knew him not. What communications, said he, are these which you have one with another as ye walk? The question astonished the two disciples. As though any one could be talking about anything save the terrible outrage that had been inflicted on the great prophet mighty in word and deed before God and all the people! What heartbreak there is in those words of Cleopas, We hoped that it had been he that should redeem Israel. To these disciples it seemed as though the Scriptures had been discredited, and as a result their sky had almost caved in. But the stranger said, It is not the promises that have failed, it is you who have failed to understand the Scriptures, and hence were unprepared for the shock of the rejection and death of Jesus.

Then, beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the things concerning himself. We may be certain that he pointed to the sufferings of all his great forerunners, and showed that it was only after heartbreaking delay and apparent failure that they were exalted to influence and power. Perhaps he pointed to Joseph, sold into slavery and then imprisoned for loyalty to his master, and noted that afterward he was exalted to be governor of Egypt and the protector of his brethren. He would speak also of prophets like Elijah hunted as a criminal (2 Kings 19:12), and of Amos expelled from Israel for telling the truth (Amos 7:10-13), and of Hosea with a fowler's snare in all his ways (Hosea 9:8), and of Jeremiah cast into the deep mire of a pit where they hoped he would die (Jeremiah 38:1-13); and he would note how all these prophets were afterward honored as the very mouthpieces of Jehovah. And of course he would point to the picture of the Suffering Servant in Isaiah 53, who before his exaltation was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities, and then cut off out of the land of the living.

When they reached the inn whither they were going the stranger made as though he would go further. The visions of God never obtrude themselves on us. Like these disciples, and Jacob wrestling with the angel (Genesis 32: 26), we must constrain them to abide with us.

Jesus was made known unto them in the breaking of bread. When we invite Jesus to be our guest suddenly he becomes our host. There was something in the way the Master looked up and gave thanks, and distributed the bread, that reminded them of the way he always made every common meal a joyful sacrament.

When Jesus had vanished they remembered how their hearts burned within them as he had opened to them the Scriptures. When we read the Scriptures and our hearts burn within us, and flashes of new light and inspiration come to us, we should always be awed. The Lord himself is speaking to us.

The disciples at once hurried back to Jerusalem to tell the great news, but when they burst into the room, before they could tell their experience, the disciples within exclaimed in excited wonder, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared unto Simon!

Here is the advantage of membership in a group of loyal disciples. When we tell the news of the Lord's manifestation to us we always hear the news of his manifestations to others. Thus our faith is doubly strengthened. Would that every church were a place to which eager disciples constantly went to her and tell the news of the manifestations of the living Christ! No man can keep his faith alive on ancient history.

EASTER

By Annie Wardin Elliott

Sweet and clear the bells are ringing
On Easter morn,
Hark! the angel voices singing
At Easter dawn;
And the message that they bring
Is of Christ the risen King.

Birds are happy in their singing,
And have no fear;
Chimes the message sweet are bringing
For all to hear.
Trees and flow'rs are blooming out
Taking from us every doubt.

Everywhere the signs of life
Show us the way
How the Saviour bore the strife
And did obey;
Now he is risen from the tomb
And has cast away all gloom.

Hope and joy are here to stay
Forevermore.
At the tomb where Jesus lay
An angel bore
Glad good tidings of the Word
"He is risen, Christ the Lord."

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Children's Storyland



DANNY THE DONKEY

By Mary Klove

This is a story of a little toy donkey who belonged to a little boy who lived in a valley where coal was mined.

The little boy's name was Danny. The little toy donkey's name was also Danny. It was Danny-the-donkey. The boy was Danny-the-boy. Wherever Danny-the-boy went he took Danny-the-donkey with him. They played together and had fun. On day they went to the back fence to see the coal-breaker.

New coal is mined deep in the earth. Then it is brought to the top of the ground in cars, and even higher than that, up, up, in a sort of elevator to the top of a high building called a breaker.

Together Danny-the-boy and Danny-the-donkey looked at the breaker. It had lots of windows. The sides of the building were all windows. Where the sunshine struck the windows they shone like silver. It was a black and silver breaker and very beautiful.

That night when Danny-the-boy went to bed he wrapped his little toy donkey tight in his father's coat to keep the other Danny warm until morning.

Danny-the-donkey woke up the next morning being joggled. He was in Danny's father's coat pocket and Danny's father was going to the breaker to work.

Danny-the-donkey thought, "This is an adventure. Now I shall see what it is like inside the black and silver breaker."

Danny's father went up many flights of steps to the top floor of the breaker. Then he took off his coat because he was too warm. The sun shone in the silver windows. It was not very beautiful inside the breaker. Danny-the-donkey slid out of the coat pocket and looked around. He was at the top of a big chute.

"This is fine," he thought. "At last I have a fine big shoot-the-chutes all my own for sliding down."

Just then there was a loud noise and coal began to come roaring down the chutes past him. Large pieces of coal, much larger than he was, and smaller pieces of coal, and streams of very little coal, some of it no more than dust.

Suddenly Danny-the-donkey slipped forward and found himself sliding down the chute too with all the coal.

"Help," he cried. But the coal was so noisy no one heard him. Water was coming along with the coal and he got his wheels wet. "Help," he cried again. "I do not like these shoot-the-chutes." But the coal was roaring down behind him so that no one heard him. And he slid around a sharp corner and down another chute.

Boys stood beside this curve to pick out pieces of rock from the coal. Rock would not burn, so it did not belong with the coal. Danny-the-donkey shouted to the boys as he went, but they did not see him. Already he was as black as the coal beside him from the dust. He slid around another corner and down another chute. He was very happy.

There were holes in the chute he now discovered. The smaller pieces of coal were dropped out through these holes. Down more chutes they went. Just the big lumps of coal and Danny-the-donkey were sliding down now. Danny was quite dizzy, and he had slid down enough chutes to last him the rest of his donkey life. He was wet and dirty. He had had enough.

Suddenly there was an even louder roar. Danny-the-donkey flew out of the last chute, out of the breaker into the sunshine. He was on top of a freight car of coal.

"My goodness," said Danny-the-donkey because that was what Danny-the-boy always said. "I am exhausted," and he took a deep breath of clean air, leaned against the biggest lump of coal and went to sleep.

When he woke up it was afternoon and he was high on the load of coal. He began to wonder how he would get down and home to Danny-the-boy or whether he would have to stay on the coal and ride with it to the city where it would be sold.

Just then two men came along to inspect the car of coal before it went to the city to be sold. "This is a funny lump of coal," said one of the men, and he picked up Danny-the-donkey.

"That is my little boy's toy donkey," said the other man, and he was Danny's father. "How did it get down here, do you suppose?"

"It must have come down the chutes," said the first man. "That little toy donkey had a ride."

"Indeed I did and I did not like it very much after the first ten shoot-the-chutes. Enough is enough," said Danny-the-donkey, but the men did not hear him.

"You look like a miner from down in the mines. You are black with coal dust," said Danny's father. He wiped Danny-the-donkey off until he was clean and put him back in his pocket.

"I will take him back safely to my little boy," he said. "Maybe the little donkey will tell his master what the breaker is like inside."

"Noise and dirt and too many shoot-the-chutes," answered Danny-the-donkey as he began to go to sleep again inside Danny's father's pocket. "But maybe I will have forgotten by the time I wake up. Adventures are very tiring—very tir—." And he was asleep.

When he woke again he was back home with Danny-the-boy, and, sure enough, he had forgotten. Toy donkeys' memories are so short, even for adventures in breakers.—Star of Zion.

WELCOME TO BIRDS

By Rena Stateburgh Travias

Welcome back to lawn and park,
Robin, blackbird, meadow lark,
Let my garden be your goal,
Warbler, sparrow, oriole,
Seek your trellis nest again.
Titmouse, pipit, chat and wren,
Sing your song at break of day,
Yellowhammer, bunting, jay,
Swing where cherry blossoms drift.
Catbird, grosbeak, flicker, swift,
Send your song across the dale,
Linnet, woodthrush, nightingale.

Welcome back, the sun is bright,
Skylark, skimmer, swallow, kite,
You were not by miles deterred,
Sora, skua, hummingbird.
At no visitor I balk,
Jaeger, wryneck, wheater, hawk,
Now the time for song is ripe,
Stonechat, woodpecker and snipe,
Come to houses I have built,
Flycatcher and finch and stilt.

—Our Dumb Animals.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

The teacher was using the phonograph to make children familiar with good music. Two famous opera singers had just finished a duet, and the teacher said:

"Now, children, who can tell me the names of the singers we have just heard?"

"Caruso," replied a small boy.

"Yes, and who was singing with Caruso?"

"His man Friday," was the disconcerting answer."—Christian Advocate.

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This is a dialogue between Mrs. J. F. Hunter and her little grandson of Arcola, N. C.:

Sam—Thank you for milk.

Grandmother—Sorry I haven't any,

Sam—Why?

Grandmother—The cow is dry.

Sam—If you put water on her would she give milk then?

* * * *

Mule in a barnyard, lazy and sick.
Boy with a pin on the end of a stick.
Boy jabbed the mule—mule gave a lurch—(services Monday at the M. E. church).—Bowling Green Exponent.

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When Noah sailed the waters blue,
He had his troubles same as you;
For forty days he drove the Ark
Before he found a place to park.

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SECOND ROUND

April

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Bath, Bethany, night 20
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11 27
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27

May

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Credwell, Rehoboth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
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SECOND ROUND

April

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Troy, 8 27

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SECOND ROUND

April

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May

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SECOND ROUND

April

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May

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Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

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Derita, 7:30 27

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Todd, Blackburn's, 11 13
Boone, night 13
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
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Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
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SECOND ROUND

April

Muir's Chapel, 11 13
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May

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April

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April

West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 13
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MARION DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

April

Mill Spring, Gray's, 11 13
Gilkey, Mt. Hebron, 3 13
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Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
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Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
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May

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Sunshine, Pisgah, 11 11
Bostic, Sunshine, 3 11
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 11
North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25

June

Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Newton, 11	13
Statesville, Boulevard, night	13
Hickory-Highlands, 9.45; Fairgrove, 11	20
Hickory-Westview, night	20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11	27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30	27
Olin, Snow Creek, night	27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Franklin Ct., Snow Hill, 11	13
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 3	13
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30	13
Highlands, Cashiers, 11	20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30	20
Webster, East La Porte, 11	27
Canton, Central, 7:30	27
	May
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11	4
Sylva, 7:30	4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11	11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3	11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville	13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

	April
Burkhead, 11	13
Walkertown-Lowe's, 11	20
Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3	20
Oak Summit, 7:30	20
Green Street, 11	27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30	27
	May
Pinnacle, Pilot	4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3	4
Thomasville, First, 7:30	4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11	11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30	11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11	18
Central Terrace, 7:30	18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30	25
	June
Community, 11	8
Winston Ct., 7:30	8

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, the Baraca class of the Oxford Methodist Sunday school has been most efficiently served by Brother Frank M. Shamburger as its teacher, and the members of this class have been the beneficiaries of his profound wisdom, unusual ability as a teacher, and of the inspiration gathered from his life of Christian service; and

Whereas, he was much loved by each and every member of this class, and we shall greatly miss him, as we realize and regret the loss that his class has sustained.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that while it is impossible in words fully to express our sincere appreciation of the life, character and service of Brother Shamburger, we do desire, in some measure at least, to express our love and respect for Brother Shamburger, and our profound appreciation of his life and works and all that he stood for during a long and useful life of unstinted Christian service.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the members of his family, a copy published in the Oxford Public Ledger, a copy spread upon the minutes of the Baraca class of the Oxford Methodist church, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

J. G. Stem,
J. Y. Crews,
C. G. Credle.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the quarterly conference of the Pittsboro charge, wish to pay tribute to W. H. Ferguson, who passed away December 25, 1940.

Our quarterly conference suffers the loss of a valued and faithful member, whose Christian character was an inspiration to all with whom he came in contact.

We are deeply grateful for the memory of one who was so unselfish and faithful to duty, knowing that the passing of such a life leaves a vacancy that will be keenly felt.

It is resolved, therefore, that this expression of appreciation be sent to the family, the N. C. Christian Advocate and the Chatham Record.

J. S. Waters,
C. H. Lutterloh,
Mrs. D. B. Nooe.

W. N. C. WOMEN

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tions. The worship preceding the program was in charge of Rev. R. M. Andrews. Friday morning's session opened with an impressive memorial service conducted by Mrs. J. E. Faulkner. Officers reports with messages from Brazil by Rev. Charles Clay and from Korea by Miss Mabel Cherry bringing interesting news from these fields were heard. Greetings from Southeastern Jurisdiction were brought by the president, Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

The meeting closed with the afternoon session, which was filled with Scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. L. F. Tuttle, reports of chairmen of committee on status of women by Mrs. C. O. Newell, spritual life by Mrs. C. N. Clark, and a most impressive communion service with Rev. L. B. Hayes in charge, with a number of ministers assisting.

CHURCH-WIDE SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN

May 4-11, 1941, are the dates chosen for a church-wide campaign for subscriptions for the World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, at which time it is hoped to secure 100,000 new readers of these valuable magazines. The goal for the campaign is: Every secretary of literature and publications in every Woman's Society of Christian Service actively co-operating and every church in the campaign. Methodist Woman, price 50 cents, World Outlook $1.00; the two combined, $1.25 per year. Subscribe at once.

W. N. C. WOMEN

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Mrs. Rainey Crumpton. Her message was built around the theme "Love," the scripture taken from 1 Corinthians first chapter. The roll call, discussion of the efficiency aim and reports created much interest. Ca-Vel is leading the zone in winning new members, therefore was awarded the loving cup. Mrs. Fox gave a review of a report from all societies for 1940. Mrs. Baynes of Long Memorial church and Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, each gave informative and helpful talks on the work in general. An offering was taken in interest of Scarritt College, after which the meeting adjourned.—Mrs. Ivey W. Cridlin.

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In Memoriam

AUMAN—Mrs. Ella Reynolds Auman, wife of Alson Auman of Seagrove, N. C., departed this life January 23, 1941. Mrs. Auman was a member of the Seagrove Methodist church. She was a good woman, devoted wife, loving mother and a faithful church member. The funeral was conducted from the Seagrove Methodist church, January 24 at 2:30 o'clock by her pastor and Rev. J. C. Auman of Thomasville, after which her body was laid to rest in the Fairgrove burying ground. She leaves to mourn her going her husband, five daughters, one son and many friends and relatives.

James H. Trollinger, Pastor.

MIDGETTE—Jessie E. Midgette was born November 11, 1859, and died July 15, 1940. He was 80 years and eight months old. In his youth he became a member of the Methodist Church and remained loyal to his church, serving on the board of stewards for many years. His radiant Christian life and steadfastness of faith was a source of encouragement and inspiration to his family and friends. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elvaria Jennette Midgette; three sons, Ellis, Willie of Manteo, Ervin of Atlanta, Ga.; two daughters, Miss Eulalia Midgette of Manteo and Mrs. Dwight Andrews of Raleigh; two brothers, John C. Midgette and T. P. Midgette of Manteo; several grandchildren, great - grandchildren, nephews and nieces. Funeral services were conducted at the home in Manteo by his pastor, Rev. M. W. Maness. Burial was in the Manteo cemetery.

M. W. Maness.

HULIN—Mrs. Sarah Frances Hulin, wife of the late Rev. John W. Hulin, was born August 29, 1859; departed this life January 29, 1941, age 81 years and five months. She professed faith in Christ early in life and united with Love Joy church, where she remained until she was called home.

On August 20, 1879, she was united in marriage to John W. Hulin. This union was honored with eight children. The following survive: K. W., J. P. and W. H. Hulin, Mrs. Maude Hall and Mrs. Ola Hilliard.

The funeral was conducted at 11 o'clock January 31 from Love Joy church by her pastor, assisted by Rev. Geo. L. Reynolds, Rev. C. H. Hill and W. D. Moore. After which her body was laid beside that of her husband in the Love Joy burying ground to await the resurrection.

James H. Trollinger, Pastor.

BROWNING—On the night of February 12, 1941, the death angel came and took the life of Mrs. Carrie Jenkins Browning. She had lived her entire life in Halifax county, being 63 years old. She will be missed greatly in her community and especially in her home.

Her Christian career began early in life when she accepted Christ as her personal Saviour and joined the church. Since then she has loved a consistent Christian life. Her entire church membership was in Tabor Methodist church. There will be a memorial window placed in the church in her memory. We thank God for her life and bow in humble submission to our Father's will. We extend to her family and loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

Surviving are her husband, W. L. Browning; one daughter, Mrs. S. A. Harvey; four sons, W. J., Jr., of Detroit, T. C. Browning of Norfolk, Va., W. W. Browning of Littleton; J. B. Browning of Roanoke Rapids; six grandchildren; one brother, T. B. Jenkins of Portsmouth, Va.; and one sister, Mrs. D. R. Anderson of Weldon.

She was laid to rest in Tabor church cemetery beneath a beautiful mound of flowers.

Dewey D. Broome.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

A tribute of love and praise we bring today. During the life of Dr. John H. Wheeler the commonplace duties, the daily work and humdrum tack never found him with his lamps untrimmed, for he used every opportunity to reveal the Christ he knew. He gave to his class in Christian service many years of his mature life.

It is difficult for one to give an accurate estimate of the value of his life. He was a crusader in spirit and earnest seeker after the truth, a courageous contender for the right; surely a life like his may inspire men to religious leadership and high endeavor. It was a blessing to talk with one so perfectly in tune with God's will.

Being a man of profound convictions he had the courage of his convictions, and yet a spirit of tolerance of the virtues of others that is seldom found in religious leaders.

While the earthly record of this saintly man was sealed on last Tuesday night, the impressions of his Christian living will continue through the years.

The lines of an unknown author most beautifully describe the life of our dear friend and teacher:

"To follow truth as blind men long for light;
To do my best from dawn of day till night,
To keep my heart fit for his holy sight,
And answer when he calls; this is my task."

To such a soul do we pay tribute today. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will.

Second, That we extend to the bereaved family and many friends our heartfelt sympathy.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded on the class records.

T. C. Harrell,
L. Herbin.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Loula B. Spease Woman's Society of Christian Service of New Hope Methodist church of the Winston-Salem district wish to pay tribute to its beloved and faithful member whose name we bear, Mrs. Loula B. Spease, who went from us into the church triumphant January 29, 1941. We are grateful for the influence and priceless memory of her beautiful Christian life so cheerful and unselfish. We pause to offer in love and appreciation these resolutions.

That in the home going of Mrs. Spease we have lost an untiring worker whose fidelity and devotion we shall miss so much.

We extend to the family and other loved ones our sympathy and pray that her gentle and quiet Christian life may be an inspiration and benediction to them. We request that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our society.

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OF INTEREST TO CHAPLAINS

On April 3, 1941, the War Department announced that certain age requirements in the Chaplains Reserve would be relaxed in order to enable older chaplains, who are already commissioned, to apply for extended active duty for service other than with troop units.

It is apparent that some have interpreted the anouncement to mean that clergymen up to the age of 60 who do not hold commissions as chaplains, may apply for appointment as chaplains and be placed on extended active duty. Such interpretation of the War Department announcement, according to the Chief of Chaplains, is incorrect. Consequently, clergymen desiring to be of service but not being eligible for appointment will bear in mind the fact that there are age requirements for appointments, and that applications must be filed with the proper authorities. Eligibility for appointment as chaplain may be summed up as follows:

a. A male citizen of the United States.

b. Between the ages of 23 and 34 years.

c. Regularly ordained, duly accredited by and in good standing with some religious denomination or organization which holds an apportionment of chaplain oppointments, in accordance with the needs of the service.

d. A graduate of both four year college and three year theological seminary courses.

e. Actively engaged in the ministry as the principal occupation in life and by credited with three years experience therein.

Applications are to be made on the prescribed form (W.D.A.G.O. Form No. 62), which may be obtained from any military post or station or from the adujutant general.

A new stipulation provide sthat where former chaplains who were subject to age restrictions in regard to active duty may secure an assignment, if physically fit and under 60 years of age, to extended actvie duty in Corps Area Service Commands, other than Replacement Centers, but not with troop units.

Capt. Jesss Leo Pittard.

LAYMEN'S MEETINGS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

To be visited by one of the secretaries of the General Board of Lay Activities. Itinerary of Secretary Bancroft in the N. C. conference is as follows:

Sunday, May 4—Durham district.
Monday, May 5—Raleigh district.
Tuesday, May 6—Rocky Mount district.
Wednesday, May 7—Elizabeth City district.
Thursday, May 8—New Bern district.
Friday, May 9—Wilmington district.
Sunday, May 11—Fayetteville district.

LATEST REPORT FROM LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Through recent payments and gifts toward Louisburg College debt a check for $1137.50 has been sent to American National Trust Company to pay the balance on the 50 per cent of principal of $7000 of Louisburg College bonds. About $5000 more is needed. Send your check now.

PASTORS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

Dr. O. W. Auman, Treasurer, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, has asked me to inform pastors that contributions to the Day of Compassion emergency fund will receive credit on the second or "special gift" column in the conference minutes. These conritbutions cannot be credited on World Service apportionments. According to last report only four other conferences have paid as much as the W. N. C.

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The "seniority rule" in the Senate of the United States is a live topic just now with the editors of North Carolina. Most of those who have spoken are like Calvin Coolidge, when asked what his pastor said in his sermon on "Sin." The President replied, "He is agin it."

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The Advocate campaign report will appear in next week's Advocate. Why not one and all plan for every pastoral charge to appear in this report and with it a good list of new subscribers to our North Carolina Christian Advocate? Let us have a great report at the very beginning of the campaign. Let this excel all other of our campaigns.

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The most frequently mentioned plants of the Bible are the fig, the olive and the vine. They were basic to the economic life of the people, and the writers of the Scriptures used them as symbols more than they did any other plants. There has been no controversy about their identity, nor about that of the almond, the palm tree, and the pomegranate which were also fundamental to the life of the times. But the apple—made famous by Eve—seems to be anything but an apple! It is not even mentioned in the story of the Garden of Eden.

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Rev. J. G. Phillips, pastor of Bethel church, North Carolina conference, sent in six new subscribers and three renewals this week and added this amazingly interesting note: "I have a good agent for the Advocate, a steward who takes the N. C. Advocate along to read when he goes up to the Duke-Carolina games, believe it or not." We would be glad to know whether this steward is a Carolina or a Duke fan and whether he reads the paper for inspiration or consolation. Dr. Phillips when a pastor at Chapel Hill was a red hot Carolina fan and he may have his steward read the Advocate for inspiration.

The prophets, in their prophecies of doom and judgment, always mentioned the thorns and thistles, the nettles, briers and brambles as part of the disaster that would befall the disobedient. Isaiah, in speaking of the Lord's destruction of all the nations, says in Isaiah 34:13: "And thorns shall come up in her places, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, and a court for owls."

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Of all the arrests made in Durham during March fully one-third were for public drunkenness—to be exact 186. This takes no account of the part liquor played in violent deaths and other crimes. This record is made in a town that has solved the liquor problem. The pious city fathers can sit back and rejoice in the tax money gathered from the families of the unfortunate blacks and whites that gulp down the city's poison—remember, the bootleggers have been put out of business.

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The theme for Boston University's 11th annual observance of Founders' Day, March 13, 14, 1941, was the freedom of the press. President Daniel L. Marsh delievered the principal address. "Freedom of Discussion Indispensable to Democracy" was the subject of his address. At the commemorative dinner where Boston University officials, faculty members and distinguished guests filled floor and balcony of the ball room of the Copley-Plaza hotel, President Marsh read the letter of President Franklin D. Roosevelt written in connection with the Founders' Day celebration and devoted to the freedom of the press. Among other eminent speakers of the two day program was Dean Roscoe Pound, whose subject was "Criticism of Questions of the Government in Times of Emergency." The Bostonian, which is the alumni magazine, devotes the greater part of the thirty-six pages of the April number to this Founders' Day celebration.

After Easter—What?

AFTER the cross, with its death and shame, came the resurrection. Then the darkness and defeat is followed by victory. This power of the resurrection over death and material collapse enables us to speak with spiritual authority. So following Easter, light should drive away the darkness of defeat and spiritual forces should dominate the material, giving us assurance of victory in all such dark and despondent hours as these which tend to overwhelm the world. Here are two or three suggestions:

1. Above all else God should become more and more real in personal experience and the living Christ be newly enthroned. In less than two months following that first Easter triumph, the resurrected Christ had become a joyful reality in and around Jerusalem. Could we have such startling testimony in North Carolina these coming months men and women would soon be going everywhere with ringing voices preaching the gospel as did those enthusiasts who overran Asia Minor in the first century. We would leave behind the silence and sorrow of defeat.

Such a glorious realization of the living Christ would make the light to break upon the darkness of defeat; enable the spirit to win over the material; and proclaim ultimate victory even though the death and hell of war wreck and ruin the nations. The potential spiritual message of the church should ring forth in clarion notes in every pulpit and stir the sluggish soul of all in the pews of our sanctuaries.

2. A larger use should be made of the printing press in the present work of the church of Christ .Of first concern with us Methodists right here in North Carolina is a wider distribution of our church paper in each and every home of all the churches of the state. Our urgent call for every pastor to lead in this present campaign for our Advocate. The radio and the press are two of the leading agencies for communication in this day. Our special medium in the church is the printing press.

3. Along with the press in promoting the church of God is human testimony. If we are to win men from sin we must go forth eagerly witnessing to the saving power of the living Christ. Evangelism waits for living witnesses and Christian education gains its conquests by the personal touch of the quickened soul. Nothing can take the place of the quickening of a soul that knows the touch of the living, triumphant Christ. Rejoice! rejoice! ye fearful saints! He is risen! He is risen!

America Becoming Militarized

AMERICA is becoming militarized in this present defense program much as was Germany under the Kaiser. Millions of money are the present measure of our material might and the one assurance of our coming conquest. In the air, on sea and on land our military defense becomes so evident and sufficient as to cause our most defiant enemies to tremble. We are more and more boastful in our pride and power of material resources. Is the church in this hour to grow weak with a waning, flickering life counting for less and less in the midst of this crass materialism shot through with the spirit of military madness? Most assuredly unless the spiritual resources from on high become regnant in the life of men.

In the early, crude years of our American life the old pioneer preachers did much to save us from blatant atheism and gross materialism. They made conquests because they were able to speak with the authority of the inner voice. God became to them a regenerating power in the soul of man and conscience with many became a living monitor. Such men are the paramount need of this day in every church and community. Men of the Stanley Jones type who get messages from God as does he will cause the church to arise and shine even in this shattered and broken world. The cross will then be more than a symbol of victory, for the Christ will then live anew. The power of the resurrection will break forth in Easter anthems afresh.

Do Not Err

A NEW ENGLAND preacher who is not addicted to faultfinding, but who has a fondness for accuracy of speech and also the ability to take the correct measure of a man, says:

"Do not err, my beloved brethren. I mean, do not say 'err this' and 'err that.' It is better to have silence between words or sentences than to give the impression you cannot quite shut off your horn. Long sermons are usually the result of egotism. The preacher of them thinks he is so superior to his brethren that the ordinary rules of procedure do not apply in his case. They do!"

Crusading for the Prince of Peace

OUR plea is for vigorous concerted action in the cause of peace by doing all we can to keep America out of war. In the campaign last year both Franklin D. Roosevelt and Wendell Willkie assured the American people that this nation would be kept out of war. Surely every one connected with the church as followers of the Prince of Peace should do all possible to make good this assurance of the men who spoke as leaders of the two great political parties. We should certainly become crusaders all in this urgent hour.

In the first century as the devoted followers of the Nazarene witnessed for him, they became daring crusaders in the cause of peace, good will and brotherhood. This is the record of the New Testament and the history of the first three centuries during which these enthusiastic followers of Jesus overran the Roman Empire. They went everywhere turning the world upside down as they told the good news. Caesar's men of authority were exacting tribute for military might, but these Christians were devoted followers of the Prince of Peace. Again and again they had to choose between obedience to Christ and to Caesar. "Shall we obey God or man?" is the age old question. It remains wonderfully persistent in America in 1941.

What answer shall we make in this momentous hour as we walk on the very brink of war? Is the church ready to take an unequivocal stand and enter the crusade against war? Or must we wait to hear from Washington before we enter the crusade?

At the time when the church lined up with the Roman world under Constantine the followers of Jesus began to glorify war. Then for a thousand years the church went forth a cross in one hand and a bloody sword in the other. Then the followers of Jesus engaged in "holy wars." Some enthusiasts would make this present conflict a "holy war," but we know full well in the light of the cross there can be no such thing as a "holy war." Even the world war, a "war to end war," with the enthronement of democracy, simply prepared the way for the curse of Hitlerism and this present struggle for the "freedom of man."

The one and only business of the Christian church is to crusade for Him who is able to make men free indeed. This comes not by going to war but by loyalty and devotion to the Prince of Peace. None other in all this broad land should be allowed a place about the altars of God, and his gospel should be the flaming message in the pulpit of every Christian church as we do all possible to save our boys from the hell of war and our land from the spiritual collapse and material depression that follow human slaughter.

High School Musicians in Greensboro This Week

THE twenty-second state-wide contest of these musicians began in Greensboro Tuesday morning and continued four days. Tuesday and Wednesday were a two day song festival, climaxed Wednesday night with a public concert of 1,000 voices in Aycock auditorium of Woman's College. This concert featured two choruses, each of 500 voices.

Thursday was given over to instrumental competition. Friday was band day with about 25 bands. The grand parade being held as usual at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Someone has said that the cream of North Carolina's young musicians were gathered in Greensboro. And to see these four or five thousand top performers convinces one that North Carolina is well supplied with cream. The annual assembly of these well behaved and well trained young musicians has come to be a welcome annual event in the life of Greensboro.

A New Commercial Printing House in Greensboro

HITHERTO the Methodist Board of Publication in Greensboro has limited its printing to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, to job work for churches, schools and colleges, preachers, and a few friends who were partial to our work, but henceforth we expect to add commercial printing of all kinds.

In explanation of this change of policy permit us to say that until this year there was no tax upon Advocate property. But in a recent ruling of the Supreme Court the property is now taxable and we are free to solicit commercial work. Mr. R. R. Mitchell, who is without a superior and has few, if any equals, will be in charge of this work and guarantees satisfaction at reasonable rates.

If you should be in need of printing or have any friend in need of it, write to N. C. Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Bishop Purcell will visit us and preach in Centenary church, New Bern, on next Sunday morning, 11 o'clock, April 20.—Leon Russell.

First church, Salisbury, received a total of 45 new members on Palm and Easter Sundays. Thirty-four of them were on profession of faith.

Nashville, Tenn., will be the seat of the following general meetings in May: Curriculum Committee, May 5; Board of Education, May 6-8; Council of Bishops, May 6-9.

Rev. and Mrs. Haywood L. Harrell of Dover announce the birth of a daughter, Marilyn Genette, at Memorial hospital, Kinston, April 8. Mother and baby doing fine.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest C. Durham of Tarboro announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Arden, to David Lewis Griffis of Raleigh, the wedding to take place in May.

We had services at each of our five churches yesterday. Warsaw, 6 a. m.; Turkey, 9:30 a. m.; Trinity, 11 a. m.; Carlton, 3 p. m.; Magnolia, 8 p. m.; the pastor preaching at each service. Our offering will reach $200 for the day.—C. T. Thrift.

Orange charge, Durham circuit, paid out on all benevolences. This was accomplished on Easter Sunday, culminating a six weeks' drive. Rev. R. C. Stubbins of Greensboro is assisting the pastor in a series of evangelistic services at Efland church this week.—C .P. Morris, Pastor.

Pre-Easter services were held in the First Methodist church of Washington and the pastor did the preaching. Several were received into church membership on Easter Sunday; $1100 was received for World Service offering.—D. A. Clarke, Pastor.

We had a great Easter day at Edenton Street; overflow congregations at our services. We received 123 by baptism, profession of faith and certificate on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Our special orphanage apportionment was raised today.—John C. Glenn.

The following are the residential assignments of Bishop Ralph A. Ward and of three bishops recently elected by the China Central conference, according to information received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension: Bishop Ward to the Shanghai Area, Central China; Bishop Carleton Lacy to the Foochow Area; Bishop Z. T. Kaung to the Peking Area, North China; Bishop W. Y. Chen to the Chungking Area, West China.

Dr. Rollin H. Walker of Delaware Ohio, will deliver the dedicatory address for the new Carrie Barge Residence Hall at Bennett College on Friday, April 18. Also at this time the cornerstone will be laid for the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel, in special services honoring the women of Methodism through whose generosity these buildings have been given.

Through the loving generosity and thoughtfulness of Mrs. Horton and her children, we use today a set of Deagan organ chimes and Kimball vox humana pipes which are presented to the church in memory of the late Harris L. Horton. This is a beautiful memorial to a choice spirit, who, in his lifetime, was actively busy for his Lord—a man among us widely and deeply beloved. At a later date a dedication service and a recital will be held. All our people and community are thoroughly grateful for this magnificent gift.—Easter Bulletin Central Church, Albemarle.

Sunday was a great day for Long Memorial. The morning congregation filled the church to the limit and 23 new members were received. A large congregation heard Rev. D. E. Earnhardt at the evening hour in the first service of a ten days' evangelistic meeting. Long Memorial is fortunate in having one of the best choirs in the state and the Easter music was of a high order.—W. C. Martin.

Our pre-Easter program on the West End charge enlisted large participation on the part of the whole membership. The first week centered in the leadership training school led by Dr. S. A. Maxwell. Forty enrolled in the school and thirty took credit on "The Teachings of Jesus." Our special evangelistic campaign was led also by Dr. Maxwell. A large class of young people united with the church. Our people were richly blessed by the great sermons. Measured by every standard Dr. Maxwell gave us a series of masterful sermons. In the art of evangelistic appeal he is unsurpassed by any among us.—A. C. Thompson, Pastor.

The past two Sundays have been good days for Ramsuer-Franklinville charge. On Palm Sunday we had High Point College quartet at Franklinville at 11 and a fine Easter cantata by the local choir at the evening hour. Sunday school and church attendance were the best of the year. Easter Sunday we had a fine congregation at Ramseur. Six united with the church on profession of faith and one by letter. Have received 13 at Ramseur and six at Franklinville since conference and have not yet held our revivals. At Ramseur the choir rendered a fine program of Easter music at the evening hour.—J. E. Pritchard.

Mrs. Barbara Sherrill died April 5 at her home in Denver, N. C. She was the daughter of the late G. P. Sherrill, niece of Rev. J. A. Sherrill, a local preacher a half century ago. She was a first cousin of Rev. W. L. Sherrill, former secretary of W. N. C. conference. She leaves a daughter, Miss Lula Sherrill; two sisters, Mrs. Bob White, Mooresville, Mrs. Will Mock, Forsyth county; one brother, Wade Sherrill.. In 1895 she was married to C. Albert Sherrill of Catawba county. He died in 1937. She was a member of the Methodist church from her youth. Her pastor conducted the funeral at Rehobeth church on the Rock Spring circuit.

Miss Edna Wilkins's mother died on the morning of April 15 at her home in Salisbury, Maryland. Miss Wilkins is well known and has many friends in North Carolina who will be sorry to hear of her mother's death. Several years ago she was church secretary at College Place church, Greensboro. Before that she had occupied the same position in Grace church, Wilmington. In more recent years Miss Wilkins was traveling companion for a wealthy lady who gave her entire time to travel. They had been in practically every part of the globe. Since the war began these travels have been ended and we are informed that Miss Wilkins and her mother spent last winter in Wilmington. Her mother for some time had been in poor health.

It is significant that one of the greatest waves of applause at the President's recent speech before the White House Correspondents' Association came when he said that unnecessary strikes cannot be tolerated. The Washington newspapermen know better than any other group to what extent labor racketeering has been interfering with the defense program. They know that the total defense we are after can never be attained so long as a few unscrupulous labor leaders seem to have no other ambition than to exploit the emergency to the limit. Honest labor should keep this in mind. The man who delays defense through an unjustified strike belongs to the same classification as the war profiteer. Both are enemies of American security and safety in a world gone mad.—The Franklin Times.

Our bishop approves the placing of Rev. John F. Cagle in charge of Moriah and Rev. Gilbert Miller in charge of Midway for the remainder of the conference year. These churches were left vacant by the going of Rev. Leo J. Pettard into the army chaplaincy service. Brother Pettard will be placed at Little Rock, Ark.—L. B. Hayes, D. S.

Last Sunday morning 24 were baptized and received into the Glenwood church, Greensboro, as the result of our pre-Easter revival. Several more are to be received later. Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Point is an excellent assistant in a meeting and we heartily recommend her to you, brethren.—Robert M. Hardee.

The Tri-County League Union met at the Jonesville Methodist church on April 6. There were 103 people present from the following charges: North Wilkesboro, Elkin, Jonesville, and Wilkesboro, The North Wilkesboro young people presented a pageant, illuminating the subject of benevolences. Rev. A. L. Aycock took part on the program. We were also glad to have our district superintendent, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, and Mrs. Gibbs with us. Games and refreshments were furnished by the Jonesville young people.—Dwight B. Mullis, Reporter.

Rev. John W. Moore of Central church, Mooresville, writes: "Had a fine Easter day—17 new members received, two infants baptized, large congregations, excellent music and a happy spirit throughout the church. Recently enjoyed a series of very splendid sermons by Rev. Chesley C. Herbert, and a ministry of inspiring music by Mrs. Herbert. The meeting was a distinct blessing to the entire community. Any church will be highly honored and permanently improved by the presence and leadership of this choice couple."

Thirteen Methodist ministers and their churches have received this year's "Rural Community Service Award" of the Extension Service of Iowa State College, the Iowa Christian Fellowship, and state church executives, according to W. H. Stacy, extension sociologist. Churches eligible for this recognition are located in the open country or towns of less than 5000 population and have developed a regular program of worship. Christian education and pastoral service which meets the approval of leaders of the church organization.

Paul F. Evans was re-elected superintendent of Davidson county public schools for a term of two years at the April meeting of the county board of education held Friday morning. Ralph H. Wilson of Thomasville was re-elected chairman of the board and Dr. P. L. Feezor of Southmont and Lexington was re-elected vice chairman. The meeting had been postponed from Monday to permit attendance of of Dr. Feezor, who has just recovered from a recent illness. Mr. Evans came to the superintendency in September of 1930 when he was elected to succeed S. G. Hasty, who was chosen superintendent in Rowan county, where he continues his service.—The Dispatch.

Central, Spencer, was the recipient of two very lovely gifts that came on Easter Sunday. The first was a very beautiful communion service, presented to the church by the men's Bible class. The second was a set of Deagan chimes, given by Mrs. James M. King in memory of her husband, who died a few months ago. The communion service was used for the first time at the sunrise service and the chimes were played at the 11 o'clock hour. It was a wonderful day for Central, a day that came to a fine close with a beautiful musical program given by the choir. Claude Moser is beginning a meeting for us on the 28th of this month. Come down and see us. We would enjoy seeing you.—Frank Jordan.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 22

The Fayetteville district conference will convene at 10 o'clock Tuesday, April 22, at Raeford for a one day session to close at 4 p. m. Representatives from our schools, colleges and other institutions and causes will be gladly welcomed and heard. W. V. McRae, D. S.

BETHEL PUTS METHOD IN METHODISM

All my life I have heard of "the people called Methodists." After five months in Bethel, N. C., I find that our church here is made up of people who are not just called Methodists. They put the word to work. My first observation of how this official board works was at a quail supper. Every man not only had a "bird in the hand" but also a worked steward's list, all of which added up to indicate that the year's work was headed for the bank.

The second quarterly conference came at the end of four months. At that time the treasurer paid up all conference and general items for the first six months and reported all accounts at the Bethel church up to date. The acceptance for benevolences was increased for this year, the entire fourth Sunday offering is for World Service, and fifth Sunday is for the orphanage. The asking for Compassion Sunday was paid. Needless to say, the official board is 100 per cent for the N. C. Advocate Anyway, it is.

A church board of education that really functions and a board of missions that is making a good start, together with a very co-operative congregation make a thorough going church program possible.

Pre-Easter services were held morning and evening during Holy Week. Warren Barfield did some grand singing for us at 11 and 7:30 on Palm Sunday. Fourteen have been received on profession of faith.

J. G. Phillips, Pastor.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 23

The district conference of the High Point district will be held in High Point College, Wednesday, April 23. The conference will open at 9:30. The program provides for a full day, with closing hour about four o'clock.

Dr. Frank S. Hickman will be on the program for an address on "An Old Gospel for a New World." He will speak at 11:30. Recess for lunch will follow at 12-15.

Other interesting features of the morning session will be pastors' reports, Woman's Society of Christian Service, and a program of music by the college choir and quartet.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock childhood and youth will have their period, with Dr. P. E. Lindley making the first of four addresses for this period.

Dr. E. H. Blackard will speak for our institutions at 2:30, with Dr. A. W. Plyler following in an address on The Church Press.

The laymen will have their hour at 3:10, and this will be followed by a business session, which will close the program of the day.

We trust that delegates will make all necessary plans to be present, and along with them we want to see many visitors. Join us for a good day in our district conference April 23. S. W. Taylor.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

In the first chapel program following the spring holidays at Greensboro College Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, spoke to the group of faculty and students gathered in Odell auditorium on Tuesday at noon on the inspiring and interesting subject of "The Land of Beginning Again." Greensboro College will close on June 2 with the graduation exercises bringing the commencement program to a close.

Miss Mary Katherine Snyder, Greensboro, was presented in her senior plano recital Tuesday evening in Odell auditorium at 8 p. m. Miss Snyder is a B.M. in music education. Her program included "Etude Op. 10 No. 3" (Chopin); "Etude Op. 10 No. 12" (Chopin); "Rhapsody Op. 79 No. 1" (Brahms); "Etude in D flat Major (Un Sospiro)" (Liszt); "Ships, I. The Tug II. The Tramp" (Goossens); "The Juggler Op. 1 No. 3 (Toch); "Concerto in G Minor Op. 25" (Mendelssohn). Mr. Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music, was at the second piano on the last number.

GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Gastonia district conference will meet in Fallston at 9 o'clcok May 14. Members will please be on hand for the opening. E. M. Jones, D. S.

OUR ETERNAL INHERITANCE

By Bascom Anthony

No people has ever believed that life ended at the grave. Kinship with God carries with it life immortal. In David's day there was a fool that said there was no God but he had too much sense to say it out loud—he said it in his heart. Some of his successors have been less wise and have proven it by open denials of God and life beyond.

All human rights, all virtues, all duties rest upon our being made in the image of God and therefore heirs of an eternity that is installed upon us and from which there is no escape. Take this away and the totalitarianism of Hitler's crowd becomes as morally right as a democracy where men direct their own lives because they are responsible here and hereafter to a higher court than man ever ordained.

Socrates when asked where he desired to be buried said, "bury me anywhere you please if you can catch me." Cicero was never more eloquent than when he spoke of the life beyond. All good men have felt that life was too short and too much mixed with evil for their desires and plans to be fulfilled in this world, so they have all looked for a land wherein dwelleth righteousness and where sorrow never comes.

Intermixed with this dream of bliss was a consciousness of guilt and unworthiness so deep that men felt that only God was great enough and good enough to lead mankind to such a land. Therefore from of old prophets foretold of a coming of such an one. They told us when and where he should be born, how he would live, what works of mercy he would do, how he would die, where he would be buried and when he would rise again to be the Lord of Life standing at the portals of the grave and at the gates of heaven as the Master of all things in heaven and earth to grant deliverance unto men that they might find a home in the heart of God.

All this was fulfilled to the letter in the man of Galilee, who is the only being earth has ever known who was fit to be a God. He was a carpenter by trade and a God by birth and was therefore well able to carry out his work, "I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am there ye may be also." Being the Lord of Life, "it was not possible that he should be holden of death," so he broke its bands, arose and went forth to send back to a sorrowing world the comforting words, "I am he that liveth and was dead; behold, I am alive forevermore."

Now in my eighty-second year I travel on to the life beyond believing that I shall inherit as a joint-heir with a numberless family of kindred spirits greater things than this life so freely gave. Here I inherited parental love that ministered to my every want, guided my childish feet, taught me the family ideals of truth and duty and followed me with tender solicitude and prayer until they were caught up unto the heavens leaving me ashamed that I was not bigger and better. Houses and lands, wealth and fame are but trash when compared with the wealth of ideals, dreams, plans and purposes of children born of pious parents. The riches of their inheritance no man can compute. It comforts in sorrow, rebukes in folly and is a voice in the darkness telling us which way to walk. If kinship with earthly parents makes us to inherit such treasures, how much more shall kinship with Him, "for whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named" makes us inherit all things in the world to come.

"Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man the good things God hath made up for them that serve him." Toward this I walk calmly and unafraid for, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day," and through Him I shall inherit all things needful for life, character and happiness.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

GRACE CHURCH, WILMINGTON

Advocate readers will be interested but not surprised to know of the great place that Bishop Hughes won in the hearts of Wilmington Methodists when he preached at Grace church March 24 through 30th. It takes a great preacher to do the work he did here. He did not turn the services in the direction of recruiting for church membership, but many have expressed themselves as being greatly blessed by his ministry. We are grateful for the visit of Bishop Hughes. He is nearing his 75th milestone and is preaching sermons with great spiritual, mental and physical vigor. Our men would do well to use him in their churches. In all contacts he is a great hearted brother, sweet in temper, reasonable in every relationship, financially without demands. From us he went to Thomasville to Lee Tuttle, as is well known, thence to Fred Chenault in Alabama.

The stewards have greatly heartened the task here by giving the minister able help, as secretary and pastoral assistant in general, a splendid woman of our fellowship, Mrs. W. M. Hibbs. The pastor deeply appreciates this.

Grace church responded well to the Day of Compassion appeal. Responding to the suggested figure of $180 (10 per cent of our benevolent acceptance) the people gave $332.50 to this great cause.

The soldiers will be coming this month to Wilmington. Local pastors are seeking to ready our churches for the new tasks. The great shipyards on the edge of the city will bring new thousands here likewise. Prophets are saying the city will soon climb to seventy-five or a hundred thousand population. This proves that not all dreamers are extinct. But it emphasizes too that many thousands are coming to Wilmington. They will need the Saving Christ and the stability of the Christian church.

J. F. Herbert, Pastor.

A LAYMAN SAYS A GOOD WORD FOR HIS PASTOR

Edwin L. Jones, when writing about another matter, adds a word concerning the work of the pastor of Dilworth church, Charlotte. Here is what he says:

"Dr. Howard P. Powell is doing a wonderful work at Dilworth. His prayer meetings have been running over a hundred in attendance, and it was necessary last week to meet in the main church auditorium as nearly 200 were present. He is preaching to tremendous congregations both morning and night. He held his own revival services during March and has received about 40 new members as a result of those services. The Sunday school is showing an increased attendance and enrollment. The young people's work is really inspiring. We break ground Monday for our new Christian education building. It is hard to put in one paragraph all that is taking place and being done in Dilworth."

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE HIGHLY FAVORED

At Shiloh church on the Burlington circuit assembled the Durham district conference on April 15, 1941, much favored by the weather and contributing agencies. Rev. M. C. Ellerbe had left nothing undone so far as the church and the beautiful grounds could contribute to the occasion. This glorious April day of clear skies and green fields, with the pink of the peach about the farm houses and the red-bud lending color to the forests, rendered glorious this rolling landscape of ancient Alamance. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, a district superintendent who is master of details, had a carefully prepared program with every interest cared for. With Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr., as secretary all went well from the fall of the gavel to the final benediction. It would be difficult to exaggerate the work done by Brother Ellerbe and his people in rendering the day a glorious success in the house and around the long tables; even a loud speaker was provided for the overflow in the yard.

The Pastors Report

The pastors, all of whom were present except Brother C. P. Womack who was detained by sickness, made their reports in short order following the report of committee on spiritual life and evangelism made by Rev. G. W. Perry.

Rev. M. C. Dunn, district missionary secretary, and Miss Florine Robertson handled well the missionary task of the church.

President R. L. Flowers was presented and given a glad welcome as president of Duke University and member of the district conference. The present world conditions weigh heavily upon him. He sees no hope for the future years unless the church can bring the world into a spiritual union—into a world brotherhood.

Following President R. L. Flowers, Major Leon Hall, army chaplain from Fort Bragg, set out in a clear and effective way the efforts of the army to care for the moral health of the drafted men. This discussion of soldier life brought back memories of twenty-four and twenty-five years ago.

The sermon of Rev. C. P. Harris was wonderfully well suited to this hour in which Reverends F. S. Love, W. L. Clegg and M. C. Henderson had a part. Then came the abundant dinner and the royal fellowship.

The afternoon session opened with the children from the Methodist Orphanage. They were followed by the laymen's hour under the direction of Prof. F. S. Aldridge.

Deans Davison and Green Heard

Dean W. C. Davison of the Duke medical school urged that the most possible be done for the Golden Cross in helping to minister to indigent Methodists. Dr. W. K. Green, among other things, urged that our need is not for a pagan but for a Christian democracy in this day of world upheaval. Dean Davison spoke as a Christian doctor; Dean Green as a devout Christian layman. Dr. Green made an urgent plea for the support of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, as the editor had done at the morning session.

Fortunate indeed is a people who have such men as Dr. Davison and Dr. Green to speak in the interest of the public health and the spiritual welfare of the nation.

An incident out of the ordinary was the granting a license to preach to George B. Culbreth, son of Dr. J. M. Culbreth, a member of the North Carolina conference and a grandson of Rev. Bernice B. Culbreth, a member of the North Carolina conference 1859 to 1903. The father, J. M. Culbreth, presented the parchment to his son in open conference at the afternoon session.

Rev. S. F. Nicks Heard

Few men can stand before a district conference after 37 years as a Methodist preacher, able to say: "For 37 years I have labored to improve the little country church." What a wonderful work he has done! S. F. Nicks has built seven churches in that time—two of wood, two of brick, three of stone. These are the best to be found anywhere. Along with church building has gone all other lines of work that make for a vigorous church life and a dependable citizenship.

Much else might be said of this day at Shiloh church, but this is enough. The story of F. S. Nicks, the presence of R. L. Flowers, and the messages of W. C. Davison and W. K. Green are enough to render such an occasion notable.

COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

College Place church observed the pre-Easter season with a special Holy Week series of services. Mr. Courtney, the pastor, preached each evening on some phase of the topic, "Jesus and Ourselves." On Thursday evening a candle light communion service commemorated the Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples in the upper room. The altar was attractively arranged with Easter lilies, ferns and candles.

On Good Friday a noon-day service of music and meditations on the Seven Words of Jesus from the Cross was presented by the pastor with the assistance of the Wesley Foundation. Meditations were given by students of Woman's College on each of these seven sayings from the cross. Jean Von Canon of West End, Frances Glaze of Charlotte, Hazel Kiker of Wadesboro, Mary Moling Kirkman of Pleasant Garden, Margaret Tucker of Ahoskie, Ruth Blackman of Hillsboro, and Martha Medford of Canton gave meditations. Mildred Crowder of Shelby sang as a solo "Above the Hills of Time." Student guest organist was Miss Martha Jessup, who is president of the Baptist students' organization at Woman's College. Charlotte Matthews of Stoneville is president of the Wesley Foundation.

Baptism of infants and reception of a large class of children into the church were features of the Easter morning service at the church. The Wesley Foundation held its special service in which the Lenten offerings for the "African Special" was presented at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The "African Special" provides the support of a native minister in the Belgian Congo.

WEAVERVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

Our record to date is as follows:

Membership—Joined by certificate 2; joined on profession of faith 13; others to join April 28, 3.

Finances—Day of Compassion offering: Apportioned $80; paid March 2, $117.50. World Service: Accepted $265; paid today $230; assumed by church school $25; balance $10.

Church School—Increased enrollment about 25 per cent; fourth Sunday offering for World Service; fifth Sunday offering for Children's Home.

Woman's Society of Christian Service—Increased enrollment about 25 per cent; work well planned and executed; budget well in hand.

Church Property—New roof on church; installing new art glass windows; redecorating interior and front of church.

Congregations—Good attendance; splendid music; fair preaching.

F. O. Dryman.

Shepherding His Flock in War-Torn London

Story of Trials and Triumphs of a London Parson

By GUY EMERY SHIPLER, JR.

All Hallows church, Tower Hill, London, and the ground on which it stands has seen so much history made during many centuries that it seems impossible that the final chapter has been written. The bombs of Adolf Hitler have left in ruins the church where John Quincy Adams, sixth President of the United States, married a parishioner by the name of Miss Johnson in 1797; the church where the heart of Richard Coeur de Lion rested for 150 years; the church where William Penn, born in its present vicarage, was baptized; the church where diarist Samuel Pepys, First Lord of the Admiralty, had a room in the tower; the church which Alfred the Great knew in the ninth century, and where William the Conqueror built the main pillars, five on each side, in 1087 just before his death.

The destruction of such a priceless treasure house of history and Christianity is of course tragic, especially when it is realized that here is but a tiny example of what is going on daily in the old world. But the significant factor is that the parish still exists—a parish that includes docks and warehouses and homes of workers, the industry and much of the authority. It comprises one of the ventricles of the heart of the British Empire.

Something of the valor of the clergy of London is found in the story of Rev. Michael Coleman, acting vicar of All Hallows. Invited to Canada by the New Westminster, B. C., diocese of the Church of England, to lecture on the work of the London city churches during the war, Mr. Coleman spent a day or two in New York, where he told the writer about his parish. As might be expected, the short, stocky clergyman typifies the famous British bull-dog spirit. With the pictures of his wrecked church spread out on his desk, he quietly told of the rich history that lay beneath the rubble. There was no show of emotion; just a calm acceptance of a fact. Even were he so inclined, there would be no time for a London city clergyman to brood about his loss.

"Knocked into Air"

So far Mr. Coleman has been "knocked in the air" eleven times by exploding bombs, for he rarely goes into a shelter save to conduct a service. In his parish there are four large public shelters, each of which now has a canteen. His first task when the sirens sound is to "see all the people in" to the shelters. When they are safe, Mr. Coleman and his assistants venture out into the night in pairs, to do what they can to save lives, put out small fires and so on. Mr. Coleman described a particularly busy night last October.

"You must think of a beautiful night, with the stars brilliant and a gorgeous harvest moon," he said. "The sirens sounded about 6:20, and by the time we had got everybody safely established in the shelters and stepped outside, the planes overhead and the guns were firing. Suddenly a big one came down and struck a tea warehouse directly across the street from where I was standing. It was about 25 yards away, and a direct hit. The explosion knocked me about 30 yards."

Picking himself up, Mr. Coleman was surprised to see the building still standing, with only the windows and doors blown out. He concluded that the explosion was a delayed action bomb, so he got his ax and went with his assistant across the street. They carried three unconscious men out of the building, then went up six flights to the roof of the building. They located the hole and followed it down from floor to floor until they reached the ground again. Here they found that the bomb had fallen into a room full of crates.

More Devastation

Said Mr. Coleman: "With my knees shaking—I'm an awful coward—I went and got the naval bomb squad and helped them dig up to the bomb, which was a 250 pounder." The naval men discovered that the bomb had already exploded but that its devastating effect had been lost because the crates were filled with mica, an effective blast-preventing material.

Later, back on Tower Hill, the two men heard what Mr. Coleman calls "an awful screech" and then the terrific explosion of a huge bomb hitting a naval squad gun emplacement. The ammunition boxes stored nearby caught fire, and again there were the whistling bullets. Just as they finished putting out this fire and rescuing more boxes, Mr. Coleman heard the ominous sound of a land mine coming down nearby on a parachute. It landed a couple of blocks away, wiping out an entire row of houses. Scarcely had the roar subsided when they heard another mine, and, looking up, they discovered it coming down directly at them. Mr. Coleman thought, "Well, here's where we go to glory this time!" But by incredible luck a stray piece of shrapnel exploded it over their heads.

It was 3:45 a. m. when the men finished their rounds. "I had seen about 180 dead people that night, and had managed to pull about 60 of them into the open," said Mr. Coleman.

The Toc H Club

It is appropriate that All Hallows church, which had seen and is still seeing so much action, is the guild church of Toc H rough-and-ready British organization which was born in Flanders during the last war to give men in the fighting service an understanding Christianity. It has now spread throughout the empire. Its rest houses provide a chance to sing and laugh, to pray and worship God. Its outstanding feature is that it is always the center of things—such as the retreat from Dunkirk.

The Toc H lamp of maintenance was lit by the Duke of Windsor, then the Prince of Wales in 1922 and has burned steadily ever since except for ten minutes at the beginning of December, 1940. At that time a bomb striking All Hallows church blew it out. Mr. Coleman, standing near the church at the time, was knocked unconscious by the blast, but when he regained his senses he rushed into the wrecked structure, seized the Toc H lamp and carried it to the crypt, where he relit it. Down below the crypt lie the ruins of an ancient Druid temple, dis-

ered about ten years ago. It is believed upper parts of the temple were torn down by Julius Caesar in his invasion of 54 B. C.

The first bombing took out the east wall of All Hallows, a wall which had been built by the Saxons in 675, before the time of Alfred. Subsequent bombings have gradually reduced much of the structure to rubble, including the pulpit. This pulpit Mr. Coleman calls unique, not so much because it was a carving by Grinling Gibbons, greatest British woodcarver, as because the five members of the commission who produced the authorized version, the Bible for King James, preached from it on consecutive Sundays in 1611. Mr. Coleman was preaching from it on September 3, 1939, when he heard the sirens go for the first time.

There is an interesting point about the bombing of the church. In the part where the most damage has been done there rests an Unknown Warrior's tomb. It is Britain's second most famous tomb of its kind, and is a memorial for all the members of Toc H. throughout the empire who lost their lives in the last war. Despite the devastation all around it, the tomb remains unscathed.—Virginia Methodist Advocate.

WORLD SERVICE MID-YEAR GOALS

Special effort is being made to bring the World Service offerings up to a minimum of one-half the acceptances by May 31.

There are two more fourth Sundays before May 31. These days offer a fine apportunity for each local church to contribute to our World Service cause.

District conferences usually come about the middle of the conference year and is a splendid time to check on the first half of our World Service acceptances. Reports for the Charlotte area will be in fine shape if every district can report one-half of the World Service monies sent in.

Local church treasurers are urged to send all World Service money to the conference treasurer by the time the district conference meets, or before May 31 at the least. The treasurer for the North Carolina conference is Mr. C. A. Dillon, Dillon Supply Company, Raleigh; and the treasurer of the Western North Carolina conference is Rev. E. O. Cole, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte.

Clare Purcell.

DR. M. B. STOKES REACHES HIS NEW WORK IN CUBA

Perhaps you have already heard that we have been transferred to this place by the Board of Missions until Korea opens up for missionary work again. We arrived a few days ago and have scarcely found our bearings yet. A few impressions stand out, however. In this tropical climate it already seems like summer, though not the hot summer sometimes experienced in Piedmont North Carolina. The thermometer in our bed room has been registering 88 during the warmest part of the day and 76 in the early morning. That seems to be the range at present. I have been told that the hottest recorded temperature in 13 years was 94, so there can be little difference between April and August here. Another early impression is the beauty of this lovely island. The luxuriant growth of tropical plants in our back yard is beautiful beyond words to express. My only regret is that we do not have a royal palm, the most stately of all trees, in our garden. But mango, banana, plantain, papaiya, grapefruit, lemon and many other varieties of trees and shrubs unite to make a combination of colors seen only in the tropics.

We have three churches of English-speaking people, mostly Americans. They constitute my circuit. One of the churches is in Nueva Gorona, and the others at Santa Fe and Santa Barbara, each 12 miles from here. At first my work will be almost entirely with these people, but later, after getting some knowledge of Spanish, I hope to be able to do something worth while for the Cuban congregations, of which there are eight on the island. There are about 140 Japanese here, and I have already made some contact with them.

M. B. Stokes.

Nueva Gerona, Isle of Pines, Cuba.

ARE YOU AFRAID?

By Rev. Harold S. Darby, M.A.

The person who is never afraid does not exist. There are women bold enough to tackle burglars but they bolt from black beetles, and it is a commonplace that heroes by field and flood can wilt before the mocking laughter of comrades and stoop to sins they detest. Fear is common to our humanity; no one escapes, not the village boy nor the prince of royal blood, and therefore no one need apologize for being afraid sometimes.

I love the complete honesty of the Psalmist for the frankness of his confession as well as the magnificence of his certainty: "Though I am sometimes afraid, yet put I my trust in Thee.' The great ones of old thus step down among us, the smaller fry of today, and exhort us to a calm that is not beyond our reach.

What is fear? A painful emotion caused by impending danger. The danger may be real or illusory; it may absolutely paralyze or serve as a stimulus Professor.Stout relates that a healthy dog was thrown into an epileptic fit when he suddenly saw his bone dash across the room of its own accord (someone had tied a thin black thread to it and hauled it off); and many of us who would rather walk round a tennis net than jump over it will clear a five-barred gate at the bellowing rush of a bull—to say nothing of the way I beat the world's record for a hundred yards the other night, spurred on by a German bomber.

But, indeed, it is no laughing matter. Any working minister encounters the power of fear half a dozen times a week in the homes of his people. He can never be insensitive to it; and today the alliance between fear, sin, and doubt is more obvious than ever. For whatever we see of outward signs, these are but a thousandth part of the inward conflict. There are men whose photographs display the strong jaw of a sentimental novelist's hero and their silence is proverbial; but they are always sitting on the safety valve, and many a little Christian lady, bed-ridden and poor, is much less afraid. It is no sign of cowardice to desire repose for my spirit with One stronger than myself; and it is a lesson plainly to be learned from the pages of the Gospel that Christ came to banish fear by giving men his company. That is the present truth concerning religion, that he is to be known by men flung suddenly from merchant ships or trawlers into icy sea as once he was known by Galilean fishers; that still he comes among our charred ruins, amid the confusion and turmoil of life when we wonder where or how we are to begin again, as once he came to Mary in the Garden when all her hopes had tumbled in upon her. He speaks now—and his is the only voice to heed—with assurance of life, with undeniable comfort for the mourner, with healing for those who are smitten with dread.—The Methodist Recorder.

JOHN THOMAS GIBBS

By J. H. McCracken

In Pelham, North Carolina, on the morning of December 29, 1940, surrounded by the members of his devoted family and friends, John Thomas Gibbs, D. D., that man of God whom we loved and honored, closed his long and beautiful earthly life and joined the vast company of the redeemed in their eternal abode.

Dr. Gibbs was born in Warren county, N. C., September 10, 1848, son of Richard and Mary Allen Gibbs. His father's family came to America from England in 1820. His mother's people were of early colonial stock. He was educated in the county schools, high school of Henderson and Trinity College. Emory University honored him by conferring upon him the D.D. degree.

When a true servant of God is called away it always leaves a vacancy in our ranks not easily filled, for the true preacher is no ordinary man. He is called of God and set apart to do a very distinctive work; he is a shepherd to feed the flock, care for the lambs, lead them into pleasant pastures; he is a prophet to teach, a seer to discern the signs of the time, a watchman upon the walls of Zion to warn the people of danger, a voice to cry, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord," an overseer to guard the interests of Zion.

The brother to whose memory we pay loving tribute was a great leader among us; a man who stood high in our esteem, one to whom we looked for counsel and guidance.

He was licensed to preach in 1870 and served as supply on the Germanton circuit in Stokes county for four years. In 1874 he was admitted on trial into the North Carolina conference. His appointments were as follows: Fifth Street, Granville circuit, Oxford, Granville circuit, Tar River circuit, Hay Street, Edenton Street, Salisbury district. Upon the division of the conference he chose to serve in the North Carolina conference, and was appointed to Fayetteville district, Rockingham district, Warrenton district, Raleigh district, Durham district,, Fayetteville district, Washington district, Fayetteville district, Warrenton circuit, and Clayton.

He served thirty years as presiding elder and nineteen years as pastor in the conference, making forty-nine years a member of the conference, and four years as supply, a total of fifty-three years of service to the church he loved more than he loved his own life.

This is only a brief record of his life work; a mere outline, and how little it reveals of this great man.

Dr. Gibbs was married three times. His first wife was Miss Wallace of Bladen county. His second wife was Miss Mary Currie of Wilmington, the mother of John C. Gibbs and Mrs. May Adams. His third wife was Miss Maude Overbaugh of Fayetteville, the mother of Richard R., Wallace D., Frank H. Gibbs and Mrs. Virginia Pearsall.

When but a young man he had attractive offers in the business world, but the urge to preach was so great he said no to all of these. He was a man of great poise and discernment because he kept his faith well anchored in the foundation of eternal truth. He was a great student of God's Word and his mind was fed, shaped and fashioned under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. He saw clear and thought straight.

He was a man of splendid social qualities, with exceptional capacity for interesting his company, and he loved his friends. He was the center of most any circle he entered. Dr. Gibbs had the power to bind his friends to him in the bonds of the strongest friendship, and he gave himself unstintedly to his friends. Always bright and cheerful himself, he imparted his great spirit of optimism to those with whom he associated. He thus enshrined himself in the hearts of all his comrades. I doubt if ever in his greatest flights of eloquence in the pulpit was he more attractive than in the home circle of his friends. He loved to talk and walk with his friends and was a man generous to their needs, in joy and in sorrow. No one can say he ever betrayed one of them. In dealing with his brethren, I never knew him to be harsh or abrupt. He was always kind, gentle and brotherly.

He came to the ministry with superior equipment and with a high intellect, and with great fitness of soul. He gave himself wholly to his one work. As pastor he was sympathetic, practical, systematic, and his catholic spirit carried him far beyond the bounds of sects or creeds.

Soul winning was his chief business and wherever he served as pastor the churches grew and prospered. I have heard him tell, when he was pastor at Hay Street in Fayetteville, of a revival that lasted six weeks and more than a hundred were added to the church. In his last two pastorates the writer was permitted to assist him in three series of services, and it was a joy to see him rejoice when sinners came to the mercy seat and were saved.

While Dr. Gibbs made a notable record as pastor, he seemed not to have come to his true place until he was advanced to the high office of presiding elder. Here for 30 years he did his greatest work. It was here that he showed his qualities of leadership to an eminent degree. He impressed upon the pastors and laymen of his district and conference his own thought of the sacredness of the work of the church, and that no offering is too costly to be laid upon her altars. He withheld no service that was needed at his hands.

By vigilance, by prayerfulness, steady going, by labors abundant, by letters, by close fellowship with his preachers and laymen, he kept his eye upon every part of the field. He answered every call that was made upon him to serve at any post of the work however remote or however inaccessible. His example became an inspiration to all the preachers and laymen; it deepened their consecration and quickened the lives of many others. The whole district moved forward with phenomenal growth of every interest of God's kingdom. He made everyone feel that he was in the greatest business in the world by magnifying every interest of the church. He had a great passion for missions; no pastor could feel at home in his district that did not do his best to raise all collections in full.

His helpfulness to his young preachers cannot be measured in this life. He had the statesman's breadth of vision and knew to counsel and to guide the destinies of his district, and he had the courage and daring of a soldier as he led the hosts of God to victory.

Early in his ministry he became one of our bravest and most trusted leaders. He held this rank until age and infirmity laid the burden too heavily upon him. He represented his conference in the General Conference at Dallas, Texas, in 1890, and at Memphis, Tenn., in 1894. He was the most understanding parliamentarian that our conference produced in my day. He graced the presidency of any conference and men knew they were in the presence of a true master. He was prudent, wise, painstaking, patient, and respectful, yet he was strong and decided.

As presiding elder Dr. Gibbs rendered a service to the church of inestimable value.

As a young preacher under him I learned that he was born for leadership, always at the front of the firing line of duty and human service. He goes down in the history of our conference as the greatest presiding elder for almost a third of a century. He was one of the most cultured ministers that has graced the pulpit of our conference. It is a question as to which was the more beautiful, his matchless career in the pulpit or his spotless life in the paths where he served with his fellow laborers.

As a husband none held dearer the relations of husband and wife than he; affectionate and faithful in all things pertaining to home purity. As a father, his love for his children was seen in his devotion to each of them. He was tender in his dealings, giving his children careful instruction.

Until last summer his health continued good. About midsummer there was a change and a steady decline continued until the end on the morning of December 29. He grew old meekly and sweetly. He had no complaints against the world, though he rebuked its sin.

It was meet that the end should come. He had long listened for his Master's voice. He had lived in readiness for the "one clear call." The end came gently, softly, and his joy is complete.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE HONOR ROLL

At the college chapel exercises on Tuesday, President Patten announced that the honor roll for the mid-semester had just been released by the registrar, Mrs. Kilby. In accordance with a custom established by President Patten, those who have attained to scholastic honors have their names read at the chapel exercises in accordance with the rank of the students, and the students named go to the front of the chapel and are thus honored by the faculty and students of the college. Those attaining honors are named below in the order of rank.

Honor Roll

Miss Lois Pickering, Roxboro.
*Miss May Davis, Louisburg.
Miss Jane Rosser, Fayetteville.
Miss Helen Hall, Roxboro.
Miss Louise Turner, Speed.
Miss Sarah Davis, Louisburg.
Mr. Isaac Reynolds, Columbia.
Miss Mary Ellen West, Dover.
Miss Virginia Spivey, Louisburg.
Mr. Edward Smith, Fayetteville.
*Miss Adelaide Johnson, Louisburg.

Honorable Mention

The following students received honorable mention because of their high rank in their studies:
Miss Catherine Gillis, Raleigh.
Mr. William Barrow, Louisburg.
Miss Gene Thompson, Franklinton.
Mr. Roy Bailey, Fayetteville.
Mr. Everett Yancey, Norlina.
Mr. Robert Bartholemew, Goldsboro.
Miss Ruby Grey Massenberg, Louisburg.
Miss Evelyn Lowe, Fayetteville.
Miss Louise Carter, Siler City.
Mr. Charles Williamson, Weldon.
*Miss Marina Hawkins, Henderson.
Mr. George Lumpkin, Raleigh.
*Miss Edna Gillis, Raleigh.
*Miss Rachel Fox, Roxboro.
*Tied with the next above named student.

RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 24

The Raleigh district conference will meet in the Fuquay Springs church. The hour for convening is 9:30 April 24. Those who are sharing the program are working at the job. We believe the day will be both enjoyable and profitable. It is hoped that we shall have a full delegation from each charge. Fuquay Springs is on highway 15A, south of Raleigh about 18 miles. Our people there extend a hearty welcome. We are looking forward to being with them.

H. I. Glass, D.S.

PASTORS OF RALEIGH ASSEMBLE AT METHODIST ORPHANAGE

On Monday, March 31, Rev. H. I. Glass called the preachers of the Raleigh district to meet at the Methodist Orphanage for a spiritual retreat. About 35 preachers attended.

Rev. E. D. Weathers directed a song service. Brother Glass brought an appropriate and stirring message to the preachers. He spoke on the need af spirituality on the part of preachers. In the midst of the mechanics of organizations and the numerous details of pastoral work, the preacher has to guard against neglecting private communion and prayer. As we undertake to make Christ known to others, we must make sure we know him ourselves. Close fellowship with Christ will help us to the spiritual power which is the privilege of every Christian. It will help us to radiate Christ in daily life and activity, a very definite way to preach and make Christ known. Brother Glass urged the preachers to read the Bible systematically and devotedly rather than occasionally when in need of the next Sunday's text. He also asked his hearers to guard against the petty sins common to all Christians, littleness, selfishness, vanity. The proper devotional life will put sin out of the heart and Christ in the heart.

Three retired preachers spoke on the prayer life of preachers. Rev. C. P. Jerome said that prayer is needed, and that we should pray for each other. He suggested that each preacher would be strengthened by the prayers of his fellow preachers. He said that we must keep in touch with Christ in order to draw others to Christ. Rev. J. W. Potter spoke on the method and motive of prayer. First, the preacher should have daily prayer with members of the family. Second, he should pray alone daily in order to have an intimacy and naturalness to approach the Father. Rev. E. H. McWhorter suggested some uses of Bible reading and prayer.

Rev. J. J. Boone brought a message on "The Evangelistic Passion." A preacher should have the desire for souls the year round, in every sermon, not merely during the annual revival. His heart should always be burdened for the lost. He should preach with expectancy for a verdict for Christ.

Dr. John C. Glenn discussed some books which preachers should read. He said that it is more important to read a few good books carefully than to read hastily many ordinary books.

A fine dinner was served by Rev. A. S. Barnes and the orphanage.

The retreat made a profound impression on us. This writer feels that it was one of his greatest religious expeririences. Others present said that we need more meetings like it.

Howard M. McLamb.

THE LAYMEN ARE JOINING THE BROTHERHOOD OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Edwin L .Jones of Charlotte, who is leading the campaign to secure 1000 additional laymen to become members of the Western North Carolina Conference Brotherhood, sends us the following interesting report:

"A total of 10 new members from Dilworth right now, and we hope to get more. A most encouraging letter came yesterday from Brother Ralph Stockton of Centenary church, Winston-Salem. He writes: 'I took this matter up with my board of stewards last night and we secured four new members at our meeting. We plan to follow this matter up and are hoping to be able to send in at least 50 names from Centenary.'

"Brother R. H. Clayton of First church, Lexington, wrote this week that he had secured four new members and that he expected to get at least ten new members from that fine congregation.

"Am hoping that the Brotherhood is being presented in every church in our conference, and if so, we will reach our goal of 1000 lay members of the Brotherhood. The laymen are interested in the work of the Brotherhood, and only need the opportunity presented to them so they can join."

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MRS. W. C. CHADWICK ELECTED PRESIDENT

We congratulate both, the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick of New Bern, upon the election of Mrs. Chadwick as president of the conference, succeeding Mrs. E. L. Hillman who was elected recently to the presidency of the Southeastern Jurisdictional conference. We are sure that under the wise and efficient leadership of the new president the conference will maintain, during the coming years, the splendid record that it has achieved during the past half century in the work of its women. Best wishes to Mrs. Chadwick.

LETTER FROM MISS LOUISE AVETT

At this time our missionaries are on our hearts and it is always with great delight that we have a personal message from any of them, telling us of their movements and of the work that they are doing. A recent letter from Miss Louise Avett, one of our W. N. C. conference girls, missionary to China since 1932 and who has been located at Huchow brings us the information that she is now at Shanghai in an apartment rented by the Woman's Board for refugees, the former home of the Sheretz family, with Miss Leila Tuttle in charge. Miss Avett has been appointed to "part time work in a large girls' school which has evacuated to a village ten miles from Shengtu," and hopes soon to be able to secure passage of her new work. She tells us that McTyeire has begun its second term of work; Moore Memorial church is in full swing and that there is a beautiful spirit of co-operation and harmony between teachers and students. At Moore Memorial church the first Sunday in January 126 people joined the church, 96 of whom were young people, and 30 were Soochow University students. Miss Avett asks us to "remind the women of the conference of my love and appreciation of them, their interest and their continued prayers, which we on the field covet during these uncertain days."

DISTRICT W. S. C. S. MEETINGS OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Asheville: Central (Asheville), April 30. Miss Amy B. Hackney, secretary.

Waynesville: Bryson City, May 1. Mrs. F. E. Branson, secretary.

Elkin: Wilkesboro, May 7. Mrs. Mason Lillard, secretary.

Statesville: Hickory, May 8. Mrs. T. V. Goode, secretary.

Marion: Cliffside, May 9. Miss Claudia Harbison, secretary.

Winston-Salem: Thomsaville, May 20. Mrs. J. G. Sterling, secretary.

High Point: Liberty, May 21. Mrs. W. T. Powell, secretary.

Greensboro: Stokesdale, May 22. Mrs. R. G. Rives, secretary.

Gastonia: Mount Holly, May 27. Mrs. Wilbur Baber, secretary.

Charlotte: Myers Park, May 28. Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, secretary.

Salisbury: Kannapolis, May 29. Mrs. Z. V. Moss, secretary.

ZONE MEETING, HIGH POINT DISTRICT

Mrs. L. Herbert Smith, Secretary

A zone meeting of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the High Point district was held in Central church, Asheboro, recently, with Mrs. W. C. Hammer, district president, presiding. The opening worship service was in charge of Rev. Paul Hardin, pastor, who stressed the subject: "Why We Are Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service." Hymn No. 1 was followed by a talk by Mrs. W. T. Powell, district secretary, who told of the plans outlined for 1941. Roll call showed there were in attendance 91 representatives. Mrs. Powell also announced there were 103 churches in the district with two-thirds of them having organized woman's societies. She called attention to the importance of the World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, the quota for the Outlook for the district being 200 subscribers. She asked the appointment of a woman in each society to represent the North Carolina Christian Advocate, urging subscriptions for each of the three periodicals.

A report was given of the meeting of executive committee at Sunny Acres, at which time plans were made for the advancement of the work under the new order. Mrs. George L. Brown, district chairman of education and cultivation, will represent the district at the school of religion at Duke University in June.

Announcement was made of the action taken at Sunny Acres that the conference be responsible for furnishing a room at Scarritt College in honor of Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China(each district contributing $14 to the required amount of $150. Mrs. W. J. Lindsey spoke of the work of the children, church schools and daily vacation Bible schools. Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, reported five units in the High Point district out of the 55 units on the W. S. Guild in the conference. Report was made by Mrs. E. A. Lambe of Cedar Falls, secretary of young women and girls' groups, who explained the plan of organization of her department, urging the enlistment of the youth with as many organizations as possible. A vocal solo, "The Man of Galilee," by Mr. Lawrence Sours, with Mrs. M. N. Harrison at the organ, was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. H. W. McCain of High Point represented the work of the Christian Social Relations and Church Activities department, the purpose of which she defined as "understanding the ideals of Jesus." The inter-racial work exceeded all the other projects of work in this department the past year. She urged the sending of delegates by the district societies to the training school for negroes to be held in Winston-Salem during the summer, and reported inter-racial activities and contacts of Bennett College in Greensboro.

Mrs. Powell gave the requirements essential to attaining the efficiency aim with some changes being made in the requirements.

A request from Mrs. Weaver, conference president, for unity in our work was announced, asking that the members of the societies read the 12th and 13th chapters of 1st Corinthians, learning for our motto the 12th and 13th verses of the 12th chapter and the 13th verse of the 13th chapter.

The district superintendent, Rev. S. W. Taylor, announced the publication of a small hand book "Know Your District" in which a small space may be given to the women's organizations, and Mrs. W. C. Hammer and Mrs. Powell were chosen to submit somthing about the woman's work of the district for the booklet. Dr. Taylor also suggested that a poster of the Golden Cross be placed in each church, to remind us of the Elkin hospital, where such a great work is being done for the relief of suffering and sorrow. Thanks for the hospitality extended by the women of the Asheboro society were given through the report of courtesies committee, composed of Mrs. J. P. Cox, Mrs. Troy Smith and Mrs. Will Coffin. A delicious lunch was served in the dining room of the church.

A HOME MISSIONARY SPEAKS

A missionary, with gray hair and weary face, stood by the window and looked through the years. Her work had been hard. Beginning at six in the morning she had carried on all day; in sickness far into the night. Constantly she had heard the cry, "Give, give," and she had given—given of her physical strength to the point of exhaustion; given of her mental and spiritual strength almost to the point of depletion. By tongue and pen she had told the story of the needs of these girls, she had no regrets—it had paid. Now retirement had come. But the Woman's Division was looking out fer her—she need not worry.

A Foreign Missionary Speaks

"Your letter filled me with thanksgiving and joy. Its contents also sent me to my knees to thank my heavenly Father for such wonderful mercies, and so gracious a retirement committee. I wonder, do they all know how grateful I am for their tender treatment. Please convey my deepest heartfelt thanks for all of the thought and love bestowed.

"What a feeling of 'safety' it gives me to know that this amount is coming in quarterly. I am indeed grateful."

May this be a blessed Easter season for each of you as we work together for so great a cause.—Woman's Division of Christian Service.

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"THAT YE MAY BE ONE"

Jesus had a marvelous way of looking into people's eyes and sensing their deepest thoughts. Jesus knew that just as fear is contagious, so is certainty contagious. Jesus knew so well that if somehow he could help his followers to catch that sense of certainty they could be one with him. We can be one in the matter of the great certainties. Jesus said that there are two certainties which are absolutely unwavering: 1. An undying, unwavering faith in God; 2. Because God is our father there is a bond of love that unites all men everywhere regardless of race or color or clan. In this new church may we, too, be united first by his love." Editor's note: The above thoughts are excerpts from the first of three meditations given by Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, at the recent annual meeting of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at Rocky Mount.

NEW ZONE LEADER

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, announces that Mrs. G. F. Riggsbee, Pittsboro, has been appointed leader of the seven Chatham Woman's Societies of Christian Service within the Durham district and is planning her first zone meeting this month. The societies comprising this zone are Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, Bynum, Mount Pleasant, Ebenezer, Mann's Chapel and Cedar Grove. Mrs. Riggsbee has been active in her local society for many years and brings to her zone a wide experience, consecration and ability.

ORGANIZATION 1940

In the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service last year there were 459 societies with a total memebership of 17,180. The count by districts reveal: Durham district 77 societies, 2616 members; Elizabeth City 62 societies, 1870 members; Fayetteville 70 societies, 2764 members; New Bern 62 societies, 2608 members; Raleigh 69 societies, 2687 members; Rocky Mount 75 societies, 2780 members; Wilmington 64 societies, 1855 members.

FINANCES 1940

The report of Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, discloses that last year Durham district paid $8090; Elizabeth City, $4402.68; Fayetteville, $7119.56; New Bern, $7004.10; Raleigh, $6061.44; Rocky Mount, $7207; Wilmington, $4959.72. Received from miscellaneous sources, $1391.07. Total received by treasurer, $46,236.02; local work, $48,370.96; grand total, $94,606.98.

PLEDGES 1941

As the secretary of each district stood before the altar in the First Methodist church in Rocky Mount during the recent annual meeting and dropped the pledge for her district into the Korean urn, the following pledges were made for 1941: Durham district $8300; Elizabeth City $4300; Fayetteville $6900; New Bern $6600; Raleigh $5500; Rocky Mount $6700; Wilmington $4300. A total pledge of $42,600; $700 was pledged for baby specials.

AWARDS

At the annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service each year several awards are given for outstanding work accomplished in the districts. The Korean urn, awarded to the district; having the largest number of societies making the efficiency aim, was awarded this year to Durham district. The Korean brass candlesticks, a gift to the conference from Miss Josephine Dameron, former missionary to Korea, and used as a reward to the district contributing the largest amount of money, was won by Durham district. The Lillie Moore Everette Study Jewel, a gift some years ago from Mrs. J. LeGrand Everette, designed to stimulate interest in mission and Bible study classes and in reporting same, is given each year to the district having the largest number of societies reporting classes and was won this year by Durham district.

ALAMANCE COUNTY ZONE

Alamance zone, Durham district, held its spring meeting on Sunday afternoon, March 9, at Belmont Methodist church. The meeting was opened by singing the hymn "I Love to Tell the Story." The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Ramah Shoffner and response by Miss Swannie Coble, Burlington. Miss Florine Robertson had charge of the devotionals. Mrs. Paul Garber, Durham, gave an inspiring address. A round table discussion under the leadership of Mrs. A. M. Gates was held. Special music, consisting of a solo, was given by Bill Kirkpatrick, Swepsonville. The business session was presided over by Mrs. T. B. Hough, zone leader. The roll was called with a majority of societies represented, each president giving a splendid report. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Hethcock of Belmont. —Mrs. D. N. Webster.

CENTRAL ZONE MEETING

Central zone, New Bern district, met with Hookerton, Maury and Rainbow churches at Hookerton on March 13. Rev. J. H. Miller led the opening devotional, giving a timely talk on the importance of quality in members rather than quality. Mrs. R. J. Matlock welcomed the large delegation from the societies. Mrs. W. P. Moore, zone leader, presided. Rev. J. A. Russell, New Bern district superintendent, and several pastors were present and Mr. Russell made a brief talk. Special music was furnished by the high school symphonic chorus of Hookerton. An open forum was held from a question box. This proved very helpful. Miss Elizabeth Titsworth, student worker at E. C. T .C., Greenville, gave an interesting account of her work. After the business session Mrs. Gertie Matthews talked on the work of the district, its acomplishments and what pledges had been made for this year and how the transition of the old order to the new is coming about. Mrs. J. B. Kittrell presented in a very effective way "The Missionary Staircase," showing how important the printed word is and urging everyone to subscribe to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick had charge of the pledge service. Ayden society was presented the urn as an award for having the largest number of societies present. A very delicious barbecue luncheon was served in the community house to approximately 200 people.—Mrs. T. G. Worthington.

MRS. DELANEY AND MRS. JOHNSON

The members of the executive committee enjoy a fellowship that is rare and very beautiful. As they meet together from time to time to plan the work of the conference and labor together in carrying out those plans, they are drawn closer together as the years go by and are bound by spiritual ties of love and friendship. When one member drops out of the group she is greatly missed and a real loss is felt by the remaining members. Two of our faithful district secretaries, Mrs. J. L. DeLaney of the Elizabeth City district and Mrs. Floyd Johnson of the Wilmington district, were absent from their usual places at the recent sessions of conference and have resigned their offices, Mrs. DeLaney some months ago and Mrs. Johnson recently. The districts of which these women were leaders are both large rural districts, situated in the coastal section. Many of the communities are isolated and difficult to reach. Through heat and cold these loyal leaders have carried on their work in a splendid way. They have been rewarded by seeing the work prosper under their guidance, new organizations added and many members enrolled in the societies. As they step from their places of active leadership and others take up the work, we know that their hearts are still in the work and that they will still be carrying on in some other capacity. We shall miss them, but we are grateful for having had them as co-laborers.—Maude H. Chadwick.

CORRECTION

In the item entitled "Honors" in last week's issue the statement is made that "Mrs. E. L. Hillman, outgoing president, was presented a life membership." It should have read "life patron membership." A life patron membership represents a love gift of 300 and is the highest honor which is bestowed in the W. S. C. S.

Home interprets heaven. Home is heaven for beginners.—Dr. Parkhurst.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE DAY IS OVER

It is evening. The day is over. It has been a beautiful day. No more beautiful Easter Monday has ever visited us. The family has been well and happy. It has been a great holiday, with most of our children centented to be with one another here on the Home grounds. Some few wanted to go to the picture show, or go somewhere else—just to be going—but those few adjusted themselves to having a good time here with the rest of the family. In the midst of our day's enjoyment we thought of Albert who yesterday was operated on for appendicitis, and Edna who a week ago was operated on for a similar annoyance. Both are getting along well and they, with the five children in our infirmary will doubtless be on their feet in a short while. The day is over and the children are coming into their households to give grateful thanks for the joy that has come to them and for the security that surrounds them.

THE HOME COMERS CAME

This has been home coming day for our alumni. By ten o'clock a goodly company had gathered in the Brown Memorial building to hear some challenging remarks from Rev. H. Grady Hardin, assistant pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, to transact their annual business and then to enjoy a sumptuous dinner in our central dining room. The afternoon has been given over to the annual baseball game between the alumni and our varsity team and then a barbecue luncheon on the football field. Many of the alumni will socialize for a while tonight and then they will wend their way back to their various homes. This has been a good home coming. Our alumni look prosperous and happy and are overwhelmingly a credit to the Children's Home. Among those returning to enjoy the home coming were Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw and W. D. Murray, former teachers and leaders of our family.

THE BLIND CAN SEE

Some blind people can see more than some people who have good eyes. There came to us today a good woman who is physically blind but whose every action seems to indicate that her spiritual insight was clear and vivid. This good woman came to ask the privilege of sponsoring a child. Deprived of children herself, she wanted the joy of claiming one here for whom she could provide sufficient funds to secure her clothing and to whom she could send little gifts and personal messages from time to time. We took this good woman down to the baby cottage and picked out a five-year-old little girl. The good woman felt of the child's hair, patted her on the cheek, listened to her voice and beamed with joy over the privilege of claiming her. The experience was a benediction to one who is accustomed to many tender experiences.

A GLORIOUS EASTER

Yesterday was Easter Sunday. Our family enjoyed all of it. Some few of the youngsters did not have their Easter clothes, but they did not complain. They could not go to church and see it beautifully decorated, hear the good music and listen to Dr. Stanbury's good sermon, but they could stay home and over the radio hear much of the service and remind themselves that by another Sunday their clothing would be ready. It takes a long time to get our children fixed up. A few missing pairs of shoes or a few absent hats can cause some dresses to be useless for going to church. But the day meant more to our family than the presence or absence of wearing apparel. They rejoiced in the celebration of the risen Lord. They knew that but for our Saviour's living presence in the hearts and minds of people there would be no Children's Home nor would there be any happy children in the Children's Home.



Hope gives assuring promise

A VISITOR'S INQUIRY

Came a visitor to see us Saturday, a good woman who is on the board of managers of a child caring institution. She came to learn about our program of recreation, to know what means we use to give our youngsters a good bodily building up through healthy recreation. The conversation went along in an easy way, but from time to time the inquirer wanted to know what we did with our problem children. Every time she was answered with the statement that we were more interested in the problems of our children than in problem children, that with more attention on the former, less effort would be expended on the latter. We expressed an idea that there are really very few inherently mean children. Children too often get to be mean because they are not properly directed to be good.

A LITTLE RED-HEADED GIRL

Regardless of whether you can tell it or not, the little girl whose picture is herewith presented has red hair. With her red hair are appropriate freckles. But better than the pretty red hair and the decorative freckles is the sweet disposition and the fine learning ability of the little girl, whose name is Hope Leonard, ten years old and in the fourth grade. Hope is one of our hopefuls. She is sponsored by the Rawls Bible class of College Place, Greensboro.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

Our ten per cent apportionment bell is ringing again. It rang last week. It rings this week. We hope it will ring next week. Those congregations who have pulled the bell cord this week by having paid their Children's Home quota in full are herewith listed with our thanks and deep appreciation.

Park Avenue, Salisbury, Rev. J. S. Gibbs.

Epworth, Concord, Rev. R. L. Bass.

Montmorenci, Pleasant Hill and Snow Hill, Candler circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

Ivey's, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt.

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Marvin, Pineville circuit, Rev. J. L. Rayle.

ONE HUNDRED PER CENT

We are confidently expecting all our pastoral charges to pay their entire ten per cent apportionment this year. There is ever so much need for such a good response. Our expenses are heavy, even more so than they will be when we have completely merged our two Children's Homes. The fact that we do not have sufficient room here on our campus to provide for the boys and girls in the High Point Children's Home has necessitated a double set-up and a two-fold organization. Even with the careful economy used here and by Dr. Dixon's organization at the High Point Children's Home, we have a lot of bills to pay each month. We must have a lot of money to meet these payments. It will be too bad if our friends let us down. Let every pastor and every church organization see to it that the ten per cent apportionment, the Children's Home quota, is paid in full. Now is the time for every Methodist to come to the aid of our meritorious undertaking.

BAREFOOTED BOYS

Today was a feature day for more reasons than its being Easter Monday. Because of the warm sunshine and the dryness of the soil, the little boys were permitted to take off their shoes and go barefooted. It is a big day in the spring life of every boy when his foot can touch mother earth, feel its response and then move about without the hindrance of extra shoe leather weight. Today has been our first barefooted day.

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VICTORY—The baseball team of the Methodist Orphanage has made a fine beginning. At this writing three games have been played, and our boys have come out on the long end of the scoring. Last week the team had a contest with the Oxford Orphanage boys and we licked them 8-5. Our boys are being trained under the coaching of Prof. J. O. Sanderson, who was pitcher on the Duke University team for three years, and was captain of the team his senior year. We had a most successful football team, and indications point to a most successful baseball team this spring and summer.

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RADIANT FACES—On Easter Sunday morning 55 of our boys and girls were received into the membership of Edenton Street Methodist church by Dr. John C. Glenn, assisted by Rev. J. H. Overton, Jr., and by the superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. I have never looked into more radiant faces as these dear children assumed baptismal and church vows. Since coming to the Orphanage they have been taught and trained in the Christian faith, and the week preceding Easter Sunday these children met with Rev. J. H. Overton, Jr., and their matrons in preparation for their church membership reception. I wish every Methodist in the North Carolina conference could have looked into the faces of our 55 children as they assumed the vows of the church.

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GOOD BEGINNING — Friends throughout the conference are beginning to send us Octagon soap coupons. The societies of Christian Service throughout the conference are sponsoring this campaign for the Methodist Orphanage. With enthusiastic co-operation we can easily raise fifteen hundred dollars during the spring and summer, with which to buy battleship linoleum for the floor of our large dining room. The Baptist Orphanage of Alabama raised more than four thousand dollars last year from their Octagon soap coupon campaign. Coupons from the following articles mean actual cash to the Methodist Orphanage: Octagon granulated soap, Octagon toilet soap, Luzianne coffee, Luzianne tea, Rumford baking powder, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Ballard's pancake flour, Ballards' buckwheat flour, Health Club baking powder, Octagon soap, Octagon soap powder, Octagon cleasner, Octagon soap flakes.

HOME COMING—From every point of the compass our former sons and daughters returned to the scene of their childhood days for a happy reunion at Easter. It was most encouraging and thrilling to witness the presence of so many of our young people on the Orphanage campus. On Saturday night a weiner roast was given on the grounds and a large number enjoyed the occasion immensely. About 200 sat down to dinner in our big dining room on Sunday. In the afternoon the Alumni Association assembled in the Vann auditorium, with Mr. Ben G. Holsomback of Duke University presiding. Preceding the meeting of the Alumni Association our glee club, under the direction of Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, gave several fine selections, which were thoroughly enjoyed by the large assembly. It was my happy privilege to baptize Carol Lee Williamson, the seven-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Williamson of Durham. These proud parents are both members of the Alumni Association. In the evening a large group of our former young people met in the auditorium for a religious service, followed by a social hour. At this writing the bsaeball game is scheduled to take place at 10 o'clock Monday morning between the present baseball team and the former stars among the Alumni Association. This is quite an enjoyable event, which has been observed for more than 20 years. Following the noon day lunch on Monday the Alumni Association will provide our children with an Easter egg hunt. Taking everything into consideration, I think the recent home coming was more enjoyable and constructive than any other meeting the association has ever held. Practically all who returned for the Easter reunion are making good in the world, and are a credit and honor to North Carolina Methodism.

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GREAT OCCASION—I considered it a great privilege to have had the opportunity of filling the appointment in Chestnut Street Methodist church, Lumberton, for Brother E. B. Fisher on Palm Sunday. I was happy to attend the men's Bible class and meet that great group of men. They have a wonderful teacher in the person of Hon. H. E. Stacey, who is one of the leading members of the Robeson county bar. A large and representative congregation filled the auditorium at the 11 o'clock hour. The music was of high order and inspiring. I was happy to greet many friends at the conclusion of the service. Brother Fisher was at Fairmont in a pre-Easter meeting. It was my good fortune to be the guest for dinner of my good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly M. Barnes. On all occasions when I visit Lumberton I am invited to their beautiful and hospitable home, where I always enjoy rare fellowship. In the afternoon I had the pleasure of visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White and Mr. and Mrs. John C. Fuller. I was glad to see Brother Fisher for a few minutes before leaving Lumberton. It was a source of much pleasure to me to know that he is greatly beloved by his congregation and highly respected by the entire community. Before leav-

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Approximately 200 church schools have requested programs and are planning to observe Church School Day, April 20, or on some other convenient Sunday. We appreciate this prompt response from so many of our churches. This number, however, represents only one out of every five churches in the conference. Unless a large number of the remaining 800 churches respond with a program and an offering, the work of our conference board will be greatly handicapped. Free programs may be secured by writing to the conference office.

EASTER AND EVANGELISM

Many of our churches are realizing fine results with evangelistic services in connection with Easter. Bishop Edwin H .Hughes brought his usual fine messages to the people of Thomasville and to many visitors last week. Dr. J. B. Craven and Claude H. Moser had a fine series of services at West Market. With Dr. G. Ray Jordan doing the preaching, attendance was excellent at First church, Charlotte, last week. More than 200 people have united with this church since conference. Brother Walter B. West and Courtney B. Ross received a class of 30 children on Palm Sunday. They also held services during the week, culminating with a three hour Good Friday service which was sponsored by all Methodist churches of Salisbury.

SESQUI-CENTENNIAL

One hundred and fifty years of service is a worthy record for any church. Congratulations and sincere good wishes to E. K. McLarty, Jr., to the church school, and to all the community for this year of celebration at Love's in Walkertown.

DUKE STUDENTS AND SUMMER WORK

Duke students have received their assignments for the summer. Many of these boys will be workers in the Western North Carolina conference. Brother Earl A. Cook writes enthusiastically about the plans for training classes and vacation church schools in his charge this summer. Mr. W. D. Boddie, a Duke student, will assist with the work for ten weeks.

YOUTH CARAVAN SCHEDULE

Ninety-six youth caravan will render service in 672 communities throughout the Methodist Church this summer. One of those caravans will spend seven weeks in the Western North Carolina conference. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Forest Hill, Concord, June 21-28. (Epworth and Central co-operating).
China Grove, June 28-July 5.
Trinity, Kannapolis, July 5-12.
Park Avenue, Salisbury, July 12-19.
Main Street, Kernersville.
First church, Hickory.
First church, Elkin.
First church, Lexington.

The pastor, president, and counselor of each participating church will spend a day together at First church, Salisbury, Saturday, April 19, beginning at 10 a. m. At that time the suggested dates will be verified and other details concerning the work of the caravan will be cleared.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Conference for Children's Workers and Their Pastors

Two conferences on children's work in the church school will be held this year:

Camp Carlyle, near Hendersonville, May 26, 27, 28.

High Point College, High Point, May 29, 30, 31.

Children's workers in the church schools, pastors and any adults who are interested in the Christian education of children are invited to attend either of these conferences. The programs will be practically the same in both conferences, so that workers may choose the time and place which is most convenient.

Churches will find it an excellent use of funds to send one or more of their workers with children to one of these conferences. The cost will be small, definite announcements to be made later about the exact cost of each conference.

Begin now to have at least one, more if possible, of your children's workers present to take advantage of this opportunity. Pastors and superintendents of children's divisions will receive definite information about these conferences within the next few weeks.

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2. Read the new manual on "The Vacation Church for Boys and Girls," price 15c. This can be ordered with regular school literature from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

3. Enlist the help of every regular worker with children and intermediates. Secure as many of them as possible as regular teachers in the vacation school. Select one worker to serve as director of the school.

4. Invite a few capable young people to serve as helpers.

5. Choose from the 1941 List of Vacation School Materials one course for each age group. (Secure list from conference or general board of education).

6. Order textbooks.

7. Find out from the district director the dates and places of vacation school institutes in the district. Urge workers with children and intermediates, and all prospective workers to attend.

8. Interest parents in the vacation school through visits to the homes and through announcements from the pulpit, in church bulletins and local newspapers.

9. Call all workers together for at least one general meeting.

10. Urge teachers to meet in small groups to study texts and make definite plans before opening the school.

11. Read articles on vacation schools in the spring issues of our church periodicals. Discuss these articles at workers' meetings.

12. Arrange for transportation of children if necessary.

Vacation Church School Courses

Vacation school texts are in the main written in the form of manuals for leaders. Detailed plans are given for the daily sessions with suggestions for making and doing things which help accomplish the purpose of the unit. In the case of some units additional materials are provided for the children. Stories, pictures, songs, scripture materials, and games are included, as well as other reliable resource materials for teachers and children. Complete lists and descriptons of materials are being sent to pastors and children's division superintendents. For further information write

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CHARGE-WIDE WORKERS' CONFERENCES

Pastors, district superintendents and board of education are jointly sponsoring a series of workers' conferences for certain charges in most of the district.

The conferences are one night (or afternoon) meetings of officers, teachers, and interested persons from each of the churches on the charges involved. The purpose is to discuss plans for better church school work (vacation schools, better teaching, youth activities, young adult activities, camps and assemblies, observance of special days, reaching those outside the church, etc). Special attention will be given plans for the coming summer.

Leadership for these meetings will be provided by a Christian education team composed usually of the district superintendent, one member of the conference board staff, and two or more members of the district staff.

Behold the Fowls of the Air

By H. H. SMITH

Moffatt renders it, "Look at the wild birds." The wild birds hold for us economic, scientific and esthetic interest. Nothing concerning the birds, perhaps, is so absorbingly interesting and mysterious as their migratory habits. The Red Men took notice of this instinct of the birds, and a writer says: "The Indian of the Fur-countries, in forming his rude calendar, names the recurring moons after the birds of passage whose arrival is coincident with their changes."

The "why," "where," and "when" of the migration of birds are almost as great a mystery to the ornithologists of modern times as they were to the savages of the dim past. To those who have given little attention to the subject it might seem that there is hardly any mystery about it; why should not the birds go to a warmer climate, where there is abundant food, to spend the cold winters? But why do they start on their long journey south so early? Many of them migrate when for weeks to come the weather is mild and food abundant. Why such a hurry to get away as soon as they have reared their broods?

And as to the "where" of migration, solve this puzzle: Why do some birds, as the blue-bird and the robin, winter in the far Southern states of our country, while many other birds go to Cuba, Mexico, Central America, and even to the lower part of South America? Neither food supply nor climate demands such long flights. Sometimes the little humming bird will travel from 2,000 to 3,000 miles in migrating. The golden plover may travel from Alaska to Hawaii, or from Labrador to Argentina—from 2,000 to 5,000 miles. They are rapid flyers and may travel at a speed of from 150 to 200 miles per hour, sometimes making a non-stop flight of 2,000 miles. But the most remarkable migration, as to distance, is that of the arctic tern (a gull-like bird), that may nest in Greenland and winter in the antarctic—11,000 miles away, making a round trip of 22,000 miles annually!

What is the explanation of this migratory urge that causes these little winged creatures to travel thousands of miles across forests and oceans? Professor Allen, a noted ornithologist of Cornell University, in his interesting volume, "Book of Bird Life," suggests that the birds go to the far south in winter because that was their ancestral home. During the glacial period, when the northern part of this hemisphere was covered with ice, the birds necessarily occupied the regions nearer the tropics. If that is the true explanation, then, to the bird, migration means "going home."

The return of the birds from their winter quarters furnishes another interesting aspect of the subject. By catching nesting birds and banding them we have learned that many of the birds that leave us in the early fall and spend the winter several thousand miles away, often return to the same spot to rear their young.

This "homing" instinct of the birds has inspired poets and other writers to give us some helpful meditations on immortality. A devout Christian, contemplating death, found his faith strengthened as he thought of the long, confident flight of the sea-gull, and expressed his sentiments in these beautiful words: "My gray gull lifts wings against the nightfall, and takes the dim leagues with a fearless eye."

William Cullen Bryant, observing a waterfowl in its long flight "along the pathless coast, lone-wandering but not lost," drew this lessons for the Christian:

"He, who from zone to zone,
Guards through the boundless sky thy
celestial flight,
In the long way that I must tread
alone,
Will lead my steps aright."

Most of our birds migrate at night. There is advantage in this: after a night's flight they can feed early the next day. Should they migrate during the day, they would be compelled to go without food for about 36 hours. But night travel brings many perils. Severe storms of rain, hail or snow may dash them to the sea while crossing large bodies of water, and light-houses, telegraph and telephone wires take a heavy toll of life during migration. Hundreds of birds are often picked up around light-houses, where they have dashed themselves to death, as they were blinded by the lights. The poet Browning must have had in mind such perils of migration when he wrote these lines:

"I go to prove my soul!
I set my ways as birds their trackless
way.
I shall arrive what time, what circuit
first,
I ask not; but unless God send his hail
Or blinding fireballs, sleet or stifling
snow,
In some time, his good time, I shall
arrive:
He guides me and the birds. In his
good time."

BUT THEY MAY LIE

"Figures don't lie," said the professor. "For instance, if one man can build a house in twelve days, twelve men can do it in one day."

"Yes," interrupted a student, "then 288 will build it in one hour, 17,280 in one minute and 1,036,800 in one second. And I don't believe they could lay one brick in that time."

While the professor was still gasping, the smart "ready reckoner" went on:

"Again if one ship can cross the Atlantic in six days, six ships should cross it in one day, and I don't believe that, either. Where's the truth in arithmetic?" Then he sat down.

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By Rollin H. Walker

Using Witnessing Power

Acts 2:1 to 4:31

If there were no story of Pentecost we should have to posit one to account for what followed. When we see Niagara we are compelled to assume great reservoirs that supply that roaring torrent.

The essential element of the experience at Pentecost was not the gift of tongues (1 Corinthians 13:8), but the glad certainty which came to the disciples that the Jesus who had been crucified was now exalted to the right hand of God. Wonder of wonders! At the very heart of the universe was the infinite kindness and tenderness of Christ.

And then, too, the coming of the Spirit made them realize that they were all parts of the body of Christ, and all members the one of the other. This sense of unity was expressed not merely in social solidarity, but in economic sharing. "Neither was there among them any that lacked."

What conditions for the coming of the Spirit had the disciples fulfilled? In spite of the incredulous scorn of those around them, they had kept together. They had met for constant prayer. They had continually meditated on the teachings of Jesus and searched the Scriptures eagerly for all correspondences and analogies between the life and death of our Lord and the ancient prophets. And they had held on for forty days. The "break" in that revival meeting did not come at the end of the first week.

The morning that the power descended they were all of one accord in one place. If part of the group had been off on a picnic, or at a family reunion, and another part had been up so late the night before that they could not get up for that early morning meeting, the outcome would have been far different.

We in our day have witnessed what we may call a scientific pentecost. In answer to intense concentration, a marvelous revelation of the secret powers of the material world has been given to us. Some have concentrated on the problems of electricity, and lo, we have the electric light, the radio, and dynamos that furnish power for endless appliances. Others have concentrated on the gasoline engine, and lo, we have the airship and the automobile.

But the airship has been converted into a deadly bombing plane, and the automobile into a deadly tank. And now, in order to get power to meet the advance of mechanized hate, and to find spiritual airships that can fly above the bombers, we must concentrate with the same indomitable persistence as the scientists and the apostles.

When Pentecost came, its geysers of incoherent emotion had to be translated into thought and deed. And so Peter rose up to explain the surprising phenomenon. This is that, said he, which was spoken by the prophet Joel. One of the supreme tasks of the Bible teacher is to say, This is that. He must show how the Bible is a contemparary book.

How descriptive of the world today is that prediction which Joel connects with his prophecy of the coming of the Spirit! The sun shall be turned into darkness ,and the moon into blood. May the darkened heavens move us all the more fervently to call upon God for the new Pentecost!

All the disciples, men and women, even the humblest of them, had burst out in words of praise and wonder. This, says Peter, is the fulfillment of Joel's prediction, Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. And he looks forward to the time when the Spirit will come even upon the slaves, and they will prophesy. The slave boy will come in from the cow barn, and the girl from the kitchen, with a message from God.

Peter swayed the multitudes by his joyful eloquence, but when he was arrested by the high priests after the healing of the lame man, he gave a surer proof of his possession of the Spirit, by bravely looking into their glaring eyes and saying, Be it known to you all . . . that in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even in him doth this man stand before you whole. These words like bullets from a machine gun bit into their consciences, and they would gladly have stoned him to death; but seeing the man who was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. Blessed is the church that when accused by a hostile world can always have the man who has been healed standing with them!

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History makes haste to record great deeds, but often neglects good ones.—Ballou.

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Children's Storyland



LITTLE SISTER

"I don't want to play with dolls," said Little Sister. "I want to go with David to the barn and see the horses."

"All right," said David, her big brother. "You may ride on my shoulder and we'll trot clear to the barn."

Little Sister had four big brothers and sisters, all ever so much older than she, so that she had really no playmates. They lived on a farm and there were no children near by. But she didn't mind that because David would take her along with him almost everywhere and since she never had had playmates, she didn't miss them.

This morning she rode to the barn on David's shoulder, but when she got there she wanted to ride the pony all by herself. David often let her ride in front of him, but this time she wanted to ride alone. "You can go with me riding the horse," she said when David said she'd better not try riding the pony by herself.

"I'm going down to the field," said David. "Why can't you ride with me on the horse?"

"No," said Little Sister wilfully, I'm going to ride the pony."

Little Sister was not a bit afraid. She rode the pony so well that David was proud of her and said that in a very little while she might ride alone.

They stopped beside the brook to let the animals rest in the shade while David attended to his work in the field. The water was very high and swift, for it had been raining. There was a log to cross on, but the water almost reached it now and since there was no rail, it was dangerous to cross.

"I'm going over there to get some wild flowers," said Sister to herself, and started.

When David saw her halfway across the brook walking on the log, he was so frightened he held his breath. What if she should slip? She might drown in the swift current before he could reach her. Yet he was afraid to run to her or call for fear she would be startled and lose her footing.

But she reached the other side in safety, gathered her flowers and turned to come back. By that time David had reached the brook.

"Don't step on that log till I come for you," he shouted, but Little Sister, who was pretty badly spoiled and always had her own way if she could, just laughed and came tripping back, sure-footed as a deer and quite fearless.

After that, David often took her riding. She soon managed the pony so well that he let her try the horses, and it was only a few years until she could ride anything on the place, even a half-trained colt.

One day when the little girl was only eleven or twelve years old, a dreadful accident happened. Her father was building a new barn and David was helping with the roof, when he made a misstep and fell to the ground, seriously injured.

That ended the rides. For two long and painful years David was an invalid and Little Sister never left him. She made his bed, carried his trays, and did so much to soothe his suffering that people who came to visit him said, "That child is a born nurse."

Being shut up all day long with an invalid, with no recreation in the fresh air, is bad for any child, and Little Sister, though she did not become ill herself, did not grow as a healthy child should, and she became very shy. She would hide herself from strangers. At last her parents became alarmed and forced her to go away from home, where she would overcome her shyness.

But before that, as David grew better, he taught her a lot of useful things. She never had gone to school and all the book knowledge she had was gained from her brothers and sisters. David taught her practical things, such as handling tools and tying difficult kinds of knots, but the chief thing that she learned, she learned by herself, and that was how to care for the sick.

"What will that child amount to, without a day of schooling?" asked the neighbors of one another.

But Little Sister had acquired a practical knowledge that made her a most useful person, though it was not until she was a grown woman that she was able to use it.

She was in Washington when the Civil War broke out, and when she saw wounded soldiers brought in, she knew just what she needed and she proceeded to get it in the face of great opposition.

The fearlessness with which she had crossed the log and ridden half-trained horses, now stood her in good stead when she must face important people to gain their reluctant consent to her work.

The wilfulness which was not always becoming when she was a child, now enabled her to stick to her purpose, no matter how vigorously she was opposed.

Perhaps most important of all was the knowledge she had gained of the needs of the sick and how to meet them, for that enabled her to minister to suffering humanity.

Have you guessed who Little Sister was? She was Clara Barton, the founder of the Red Cross of America.—Etta W. Schilicter, Juniors.

BLOSSOM TIME

By Helen Bruce Moss

The white and purple crocusses
Are heralds of the spring,
And can the lily of the valley
Her pretty, pure bells ring?

The old forsythia calls forth
The glory of the sun;
The daffodil reflects that hue—
'Tis nature's telephone.

O dandelion, tell me why
You send your seeds away;
On tiny feathery wings that float
O'er fields that are so gay.

The tulip is a brilliant shade,
The royal iris nods,
While buttercups appear with smiles
On little green grass clods.

Lavender violets peep
From lacy clumps of fern,
While red geraniums stand guard
O'er pansies in the urn.

The dainty sweet alyssum blooms
Beneath magnolia trees,
And all the while "Blossom Time"
Is riding on the breeze.

—Zions Herald.

"KATJE" HAS UNIVERSITY DEGREE

By May G. Horner

"Katje" can neither read, write nor speak English, yet she is the proud possessor of a university degree. Katje (short for Katherine) is a black and tan German police dog trained at the famous Seeing-Eye, Inc., at Morristown, N. J.

When her master, Robert Barnett, received his Bachelor of Arts degree last commencement at John B. Stetson University, De Land, Florida, it was Katje who led him across the stage to Dr. W. S. Allen, president of the institution. After the young man had received his diploma, Dr. Allen turned to Katje and awarded her the degree of Canine Fidelity—the first time in college history a dog had received such recognition.

Katje not only went to classes, chapel, lectures, recitals, plays, but also attended church, went to movies and any other place of interest her master wished to go.

Like any other dog, Katje would like to chase a cat or a squirrel now and then, or stop to investigate the other dogs on the street. But long before she received her university degree, she had learned discipline. Her duty was to guide her master and see that no harm befell him. To do that, she must leave such pleasures to other less well trained animals.

Every one who knows Katje agrees that she richly deserves her degree of Canine Fidelity.—Our Dumb Animals.

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Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 20
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Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3 27
Belhaven, Hebron, night 27
May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Creswell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
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FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Siler City Ct., West End, 11 20
Goldston, Bethlehem, 3 20
Siler City, 8 20
District Conference, 10 22
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27
May
Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 8 4
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Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
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NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
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Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 20
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Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 27
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May
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Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Princeton, Micro, 11 20
Benson, Benson, 7:30 20
Moncure, Jones Chapel, 11 27
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 7:30 27
Millbrook, Knightdale, 7:30 30
May
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Mamers, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
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ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

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Kenly, Buckhorn, 11 20
Northampton, Lasker, 7:30 23
Rich Square, 11 27
Conway, Zion, 3 27
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
District Conference, White Oak, 9:30 18
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30.....27
Lumberton, night 27
May
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Fairview, 8 17
Fletcher, 8 18
Rosman, 11 20
Etowah, 3 20
Oakley, 8 21
Marshall, 8 22
Black Mountain, 8 23
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3..27
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West Asheville, 8 29
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May
Ivy, 11 4
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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

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Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27
May
Myers Park, 11 4
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Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 11 20
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 20
Creston, Creston, night 20
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
Helton, Baldwin, 11 29
Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30
May
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Stokesdale, 11 20
Proximity, 7:30 20
Tabernacle, 11 27
May
Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
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HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Randleman Ct., 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
Spruce Pine, 11 20
Bakersville, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Avery, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Elk Park, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Linville Falls, Spruce Pine, 3 20
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27
May
Cross Mill, 7 4
Sunshine, Pisgah, 11 11
Bostic, Sunshine, 3 11
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 11
North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25
June
Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29
July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Hickory-Highlands, 9:45, Fairgrove, 11 20
Hickory-Westview, night 20
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Highlands, Cashiers, 11 20
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30 20
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27
May
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
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Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

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Mt. Airy Ct., Pleasant View, 3 20
Oak Summit, 7:30 20
Green Street, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27
May
Pinnacle, Pilot 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25
June
Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite mercy and wisdom saw fit to remove from our midst our friend and brother, Baracan Thomas T. Stafford, affectionately known to his many friends as "Tom," and did call him "to come up higher" at 10:30 p. m. Wednesday, February 19, 1941, after an illness of many months; and

Whereas, Tom was a faithful member of this class of long standing, and being one of the oldest members in years of service, and being actively engaged in the service of the class so long as his health permitted his active participation; and being at all times interested in the advancement of the class program and its members; and not only was he interested in the work of the class but in the Sunday school and the general church program and the advancement of the kingdom; and so faithful was Tom to his trust, whatever it was, that the pastors serving his church during the past 25 years has said of him: "During all the years of my ministry I have never had a church treasurer that equaled Tom Stafford for his zeal and earnestness for his work." Truly a great tribute to a great man; and

Whereas, Tom was not only faithful to his class, his Sunday school, his church and his God, but he was true and faithful to his friends, and of these he was well blessed; and all who knew him and respected him and his judgment in matters of church and business, as well as personal affairs; and it can truly be said of Tom that he has "Lived in a house by the side of the road and been a friend to man"; and it seems we can hear him say today from his home "over there" in the words of the poet:

"There followeth after me today
A youth, whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm, that has been naught to me,
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I have builded the bridge for him."

And that, friends, is what Tom has done throughout his life—he has builded a bridge that we may cross "the last long mile" more safely; therefore be it resolved:

That we bow in humble submission to his holy will, and commend his beloved wife, brother, sisters and many relatives and friends to Him who is able to comfort and cheer in their hour of darkness, and that they take comfort in knowing that "The Lord, in his infinite grace, went with Tom the last long mile"; and be it further resolved:

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife, a copy spread upon the minutes of this class, and a copy be sent to the church paper for publication; and this committee moves the adoption of these resolutions.

Davis Street Methodist Baraca Class.

W. A. Allen,
M. A. Coble,
H. W. Wade,
Committee.

W. E. Smith, Class President.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased our heavenly Father to call into the church triumphant our beloved member, Mrs. Pamelia G. Young.

And whereas, Mrs. Young having been a faithful member of Swannanoa Presbyterian church 71 and a half years and a member of this auxiliary; therefore be it resolved, that we humbly bow ourselves in submission to God's holy will; that we give thanks to God for the Christian life of his servant and for the example she set for us all; that we extend our sincere sympathy to the family and commend them to the assuring promises of God's word; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and be spread upon the minutes of this auxiliary.

Mrs. B. V. Riddle,
Mrs. T. A. Painter.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to call unto his heavenly abode our beloved friend and co-worker, Kope Elias; and

Whereas, the Master has transferred from his earthly church one of its most devoted, loyal and faithful members and officers; and

Whereas, countless numbers have "lost but for a while" a friend in the truest and finest meaning of the word; and

Whereas, all who knew him will miss his brotherly love, Christian fellowship, smiling countenance, and will gratefully remember his eagerness to be of service to his fellowmen whenever and wherever the opportunity presented itself; be it therefore resolved:

First, That the members of the official board of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church hereby give expression of their grief, and extend to his family their deepest sympathy in their bereavement and in the great loss they have sustained.

Second, That this resolution be entered in the minutes and that copies be sent to the family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

E. A. Cole,
J. R. Smith,
H. B. Asbury.

Adopted unanimously by the official board of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, Charlotte, N. C., in meeting held March 10, 1941.

Charles H. Litaker, Sec.

IN MEMORIAM

The Marshville Methodist church considers its befitting that it pay tribute to one of its most useful members, Myron Green, who died on March 5, 1941.

Mr. Green had served the church well as teacher of a Sunday school class and as a member of the board of stewards. His service and his judgment on all things relating to the church's welfare will be greatly missed. He had also served the town well as its mayor and as a progressive and useful citizen.

To his family, to the church and to the town and community, we extend our deepest regrets at his going.

L. E. Huggins,
W. T. Hinson,
H. N. Guion.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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ing Lumberton I received substantial checks from the men's Bible class, Brother K. M. Barnes and Mrs. E. A. White, which came to me unsolicited. Since returning home I have received a check from Brother Fisher to pay for my traveling expenses, which I also appreciated. Since we have more children in the Orphanage from Robeson county than from any other county in the conference, the pastoral charges from that county are going to do more for us than ever before. I returned home Sunday evening, grateful to Brother Fisher and Chestnut Street Methodist church for their ever increasing interest in our home.

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In Memoriam

WILLIAMS—Charlie Williams, Sr., was born April 16, 1865, at Avon, N. C., and died January 16, 1941. He was one of the outstanding citizens of Dare county, having represented his county three times in the state House of Representatives. He was a writer, a Sunday school teacher and a church worker before his affliction began. He was a good husband and father, and he manifested his Christian ideals in living the life of a good neighbor. He had been married to Mrs. Sallie Ann Williams almost 50 years. His funeral was conducted in St. John's Methodist church at Avon.

J. D. A. Autry, P. C.

CULBRETH—Many will regret to learn of the passing of Mr. W. H. Culbreth. Brother Culbreth was born 1865, died March 3, 1941. For many years he was faithful and loyal to his church. He was our recording steward, a trustee, and surely there is none who could love their church more than he. He was loved by all who knew him. He will be missed by all at Blocler charge and especially at Bethlehem church, where he was a member and did much toward building it. Truly he was a good man and his death was sudden and a shock to the community. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. N. B. Strickland, a former pastor, and the pastor.

R. L. Vickery.

LINEBERRY—Robert Kelly Lineberry was born June 3, 1860; departed this life March 9, 1941, age 80 years, nine months and five days. He had been a member of Gray's Chapel church for the past 35 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Loucina Pugh Lineberry, and three daughters: Mrs. T. E. Routh, Franklinville; Mrs. Frona Fields, Pleasant Garden; Mrs. M. L. Bouyer, Pleasant Garden; thirteen grandchildren and two greatgrandchlldren.

The passing of this good man removes one of th oldest members of Gray's Chapel Methodist church. May grace be multiplied to his three daughters who remain. The funeral and burial and funeral took place at Gray's Chapel, the writer and Rev. A. O. Lindley officiating.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

SMITH—Mrs. Margaret H. Smith, wife of Henry W. Smith of Florien, Louisana, died in Fraser Sanitarium, Many Louisiana, Monday, February 17, 1941. In addition to her husband Mrs. Smith is survived by one son, Richard S. Smith; three daughters, Sara Beth, Le Ila, and Ailene Smith; one sister, Mrs. J. T. Morgan of High Point, N. C.; and five brothers, C. C. Horney of Farmer, N. C., W. A., J. P., J. E., and T. B. Horney of High Point, N. C.

Before her marriage in 1914 at Farmer, N. C., she was Miss Margaret Elizabeth Horney, daughter of the late Julius F. Horney and Mary Louisa Clinard of Farmer, N. C., and was a successful teacher in the public school system of North Carolina, having taught in Randolph, Davidson and Beaufort counties. At the time of her marriage she was assistant principal of Aurora high school at Aurora, N. C. Since her marriage Mrs. Smith has been a devoted wife, mother and friend, having possessed a personality that won friends wherever she went. She was a loyal member of the Methodist church and has always taken an active interest in church and Sunday school work. At the time of her death she was president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and teacher of the junior class of Prospect Sunday school.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. D. Gray, assisted by Rev. R. T. Pynes, pastor of Many Methodist church, Rev. C. W. Williams, pastor First Baptist church, Many, Louisiana, and Rev. J. D. Scott, pastor Calvary Baptist church, Many, La., with arrangements in care of Dennis-Green Funeral Home. Burial was in Prospect cemetery, Florien, La. The floral offering was beautiful and expressive of the esteem in which Mrs. Smith was held.

Active pallbearers were: Jarvis Westbrook, V. L. Westbrook, D. S. Leach, M. M. Leach, W. T. Sibley, and T. W. Conerly.

Honorary pallbearers were: R. I. Morgan, A. H. Nanney, George R. Ferguson, Perry McElveen, Philip McElveen, E. F. Presley, Sr., John Mansinger, J. S. Pickett, T. M. Phillips, W. H. Vandegaer, Roy Alford, J. A. Tyler, Lawson Arrington, R. J. Stoker, J. T. Leopold, B. C. Arthur, Jack DuBose, A. C. Herrington, B. F. Westbrook, Noah Wooley, G. W. Whittington, Amos Knippers and Rupert Lucius.

Le Ila Smith.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Fairview Methodist church, Burlington circuit, wish to pay tribute to our beloved friend and co-laborer, Mrs. Joe Troxler, who passed to her eternal reward on January 19, 1941. It was very fitting that Mrs. Troxler went to her heavenly home on the Sabbath day.

Be it resolved, that we recognized her as a woman of unusual faithfulness in her church, in her Sunday school, in community interests, and in the home.

That we, as members of her church, accept her example and pledge ourselves to continue an interest in the activities that were so near her heart and mind.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Advocate, a copy to her family, and a copy recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. C. M. Tickle,
Mrs. E. S. Hicks,
Mrs. Lester Stanley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the board of stewards of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, wish to pay tribute to our beloved brother, Harry W. Keen, who entered the larger life on March 2, 1941.

Brother Keen had served for a long number of years as a member of this board and as secretary-treasurer of the special committee to liquidate the indebtedness on the educational building. In both of these positions he served with honor and fidelity. His unexpected going stunned us. He was a true friend and a faithful worker, giving a good account of his stewardship. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That even though we shall sorely miss him in counsel and service, we bow in submission to the will of our Father.

Second, That we are grateful for the memory and inspiration of his devoted labors and shall endeavor to carry on where he left off.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his widow, a copy inscribed on our records, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

C. C. Davis,
O. E. DuRant, Sr.,
H. S. McGirt,
C. D. Barclift, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the board of stewards of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church, Selma, N. C., wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved and loyal member, Joseph Morgan, who passed from this life to the great beyond Sunday, January 26, 1941.

He was a faithful and devoted member of Edgerton Memorial church, a devoted husband, a loving father, and understanding neighbor and friend.

He lived his religion daily as he passed onward, and in truth built his house by the side of the road, and was a true friend to man. Well can we say of him, "he has fought a good fight, he hsa finished the course, he has kept the faith."

For 30 years he was in the official life of the church. His Christian life combined in singular strength and beauty those qualities that have abiding worth. A man of strong conviction, he was yet tolerant and kindly to all. All who knew him knew where he stood on any moral issue, yet he possessed a Christian character that made him brother to all men, high and low, strong or fallen.

Outstanding among his qualities of Christian character was a spirit of calm and unruffled at all times.

We express to the members of his family our appreciation of his life and pray that his noble life may inspire them and us to live closer to God, whom he loved and served. We extend to them our love and sympathy and pray God's blessing to rest upon them.

Be it resolved, that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, a copy to Johnstonian Sun, a copy to North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy recorded in the minutes of the church.

A. K. Eason,
W. T. Woodard,
E. R. Womack.

JONES—On March 1, 1941, a great and humble mother of the mountains ceased her mortal toil and ascended to her mansion above, there to live with her Master in eternal fellowship.

Mother Jones was born and reared in the heart of the mountains. She pressed her feet against the mountain earth, and walked its rocky paths. She breathed the mountain air and drank water from its cool springs. She gathered flowers and shrubbery from the hillsides and transplanted them in her garden. She knew the mountain birds and listened to their songs. She knew the mountain people and they understood her language and the sincerity of her soul. The lofty hills inspired her to noble and simple living and enlarged the vision of her soul. Blessed art thou, O mother of the mountains.

Mother Jones established for herself an everlasting memorial in the hearts of her children. All her life she was a member of the Methodist church. She was deeply spiritual, strong in her convictions, true to her Christian faith and never failed in her duty as a mother. She admonished her children and led each of them to Christ. She lived a life of great sacrifice and self-denial and bore in her body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Her life was the beauty of holiness.

Surviving are her husband, T. L. Jones, Weaverville; her sons, Rev. E. M. Jones, superintendent Gastonia district; Rev. H. E. Jones, pastor, Bryson City; Prof. O. B. Jones, Rocky Mount, Va.; Prof. V. O. Jones, Pineville; Prof. T. A. Jones, Polkton; T. L. Jones, Jr., Black Mountain; F. D. Jones, Weaverville; Howard Jones, Weaverville; her daughter, Mrs. D. A. Clarke, pastor's wife, Washington, N. C.

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REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE TO THE ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT WELDON, APRIL 16, 1941

Problem More Difficult

In the ABC counties of our Rocky Mount district the problem of temperance is more difficult than at any time in a generation. Now that the legislature has legalized the sale of 20 per cent wines by the drink in restaurants and other eating places, our liquor problem in the ABC counties is little better than in the states where the old-fashioned barroom flourishes.

We recommend continued and increased support for the United Dry Forces of North Carolina in their efforts to secure for the people of the state the right to express their sovereign will regarding the regulation of intoxicants. We further urge reforms in the wine and beer laws. At present the state compels our communities to license the sale of intoxicating wines and beers regardless of local opinion . The same state forbids all except the largest school districts from improving their public schools by denying them the right to vote on a local school supplement.

Law Enforcement

With some assistance from the federal and state departments of revenue, the 100 counties of our state now administer our very confusing laws regarding liquor. A serious and uniform effort to enforce our present laws throughout the state must doubtless be the prelude to a successful return of state-wide prohibition. We therefore urge our people to consider the advisability of a state-wide enforcement agency similar to the state highway agency, which was found necessary in enforcing the traffic laws of the state.

The Duty of the Church

The church seems to be failing in its opportunity in at least two ways: (1) In the rescue of alcoholics, and (2) in temperance education. It is a matter for repentance that we know so little about the rescue of men and and women from the spiritual disease of alcoholism. Victims live and perish, sometimes within sound of our Sunday services, and we know little about how to help them. There is much our ministers and temperance committees can learn from experts at our state hospitals and similar institutions and from the Salvation Army.

In spite of our temperance professions we have left temperance education largely to the state in its public schools. We recommend especially that the churches use posters and pictures, including motion pictures, available for the education of childhood and youth. Helps for such education work may be secured from: Methodist Board of Temperance, 100 Maryland Ave., Washington, D. C. Woman's Christian Temperance Union, 1738 Chicago Ave., Evansville, Ill. Y. M. C. A., Student Division, 347 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

The Law of the Church

Paragraph 675 of the 1940 Discipline gives the law of the church regarding the use of alcohol as a beverage. It requires total abstinence of all members. The regulation forbidding any connection with the manufacture, sale, or distribution of such beverages is binding on every member, just as it is on the officials of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. Phillips, E. D. Dodd, Daniel Lane, G. W. Blount, H. H. Grant, Dr. L. L. Lister, J. T. Thorne.

Temperance Committee.

SENATOR SHEPPARD—CHRISTIAN

Senator Morris Sheppard, who closed his distinguished career on April 9, was a faithful, devout Christian man. He has been a member of the Methodist Church all his life. His home church was First church, Texarkana, Texas, but his active membership was in Mount Vernon church, Washington, of which Rev. John W. Rustin is the pastor. He was in his regular seat every Sunday morning. He personally supported and participated in all the activities of his church. Amid all his public responsibilities as a United States senator he took time to keep up his religious life. This accounts in large measure for his calm, serene, confident manner of speech and action as a senator. He had foundations under him and he was never shaken. He held and expressed the attitude of his church and Christianity upon the great moral issues.

He championed prohibition as a moral program for the nation. Many of his colleagues voted for prohibition for political expediency and when politics turned the other way, they turned to gain political favor. Not so this great devout Christian who never failed his supreme cause. On every anniversary of the adoption of the eighteenth amendment he proclaimed his prohibition principles and prophesied the eventual destruction of the liquor traffic. He stood for something, and he stood.

He was a noble example of his Christian colleagues in the public life of Washington. However distinguished his career as a statesman, he left in his Christian life and character his greatest heritage to his nation, his friends, and his family.—The Southwestern Advocate.

WEST MARKET, GREENSBORO, MAKES AN EASTER OFFERING OF $24,000

On Sunday morning, April 20, the pastor announced to the West Market Street congregation that the Easter offering amounted to $24,000. $2,500 of this was a voluntary offering in cash, over and above pledges, to the benevolences, and will be applied to the amount assumed by this church for World Service. $21,500 is the gift in cash and pledges by 75 persons to apply on a complete liquidation of the church debt, of fifteen years standing, and to be paid not later than October 1, 1941.

This gift of $21,500 was made without any formal campaign, without any previous announcement from the pulpit ,and without discussion by the board of stewards.

This leaves $5,000 additional to be raised by the congregation in order to settle the indebtedness before the next annual conference. A committee, working with the pastor, will undertake to secure this amount during the month of May.

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Be sure and note carefully the first exhibit of the Advocate Campaign. The interest in this will increase from week to week as we give an exhibit of the new subscribers sent in.

More of the campaign in detail will appear as we go along.

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Timid souls eager to avoid the snares of men so as not to suffer personal loss do not make prophets of God and they are never called to lead crusades. Only those who are willing to suffer for conscience sake in the cause of God rise above the dead level of mankind.

Which has the greater ambition to appear most frequently in public prints, President Roosevelt or Governor Broughton, appears just now to be a debatable question. We pick the President as winner, because he makes a wonderfully good picture, while the governor's batting average is rather low.

The heights won and kept belong to heroic souls. Slothful and worldly men are doomed to sore disappointment and dismal failure. Their gloomy presence may be found in every group and along all the pathways of earth. They disgrace and fetter the church of God with its high commission to save the world.

We agree with a good Methodist layman who has said: "Debating personal convictions about pacifism only stirs up bitter feelings and ought to cease both through the columns of a church paper and in the pulpit." And we might add that the Methodist Church through its general conference in times of peace has already declared its position on this important question.

A vital religious experience, clear and distinct; a spiritual vision, able to distinguish the heavenly order from that of earth; a willingness to endure the cross, despising the shame; and fidelity to the work in the world-field guarantee a ministry able to give victory to our Methodism right here in North Carolina. Jesus is still saying to each of us, "deny yourself." We have many comforts but little real joy. So we fail to face the future unafraid with a song of joy and a shout of victory.

Great minds discuss ideas—these are philosophers. Average minds discuss events—these are editors. Little minds discuss people—these are gossips. Two men look out through the same window; one sees mud, the other sees the stars. Are the foregoing observations more than half truths? Who can answer?

Dr. Edgar DeWitt Jones in a homily upon "Be Still and Know That I Am God" begins with the following paragraph: "It is not easy to be still. Perhaps it never was. But to ask us to be still today is to require that which seems impossible. The words which we understand, or think we do, are 'speed up,' 'step on it,' 'faster, faster.' How little we know of the meaning of 'silence,' 'meditation,' 'contemplation,' 'serenity,' 'prayer.'"

Men should stop looking for soft jobs. On the contrary, they should welcome hard tasks. There is but one inevitable destiny for a man whose only object in life is to escape hard work, and that is to lean on his shovel upon some highway as a member of a WPA squad. Our pioneer fathers gloried in hard work and they laid the foundation of our great nation. Are we willing and able to prove ourselves worthy of such a heritage? Can we walk in the ways that our fathers trod?

The church has to do with two worlds, and its interests are primarily spiritual; the state belongs to this world and has to do largely with things material. So the church must keep the spiritual witness above all else and not be tied down to and made a part of the undertakings of the state. Just now, as in all such times, the effort is to link the church up with the military machine. The one work of the ministers of religion and of the Christian church is to exalt the Prince of Peace. The church must not be allowed to become a party to war. The sword and the cross do not belong together.

Vigor of Our Church Institutions

NORTH CAROLINA Methodism is fully equal to that of any other section of our land. Since the days of Francis Asbury the followers of Wesley have been a potential force in the "Old North State" for God and for civic righteousness. The pioneer preachers who came this way were among the best. These men of God laid the foundations and fostered a spiritual vigor that sent forth ministers of God to carry on through future decades.

In these later years the help of institutions built up through the years has become more and more apparent. Our colleges, our orphanages, our churches, our church paper and other organizations rank with the first in American Methodism. Every thoughtful Methodist knows that these are essential to our continued growth. For more than eight decades the North Carolina Christian Advocate has gained in strength and influence during its long years of service. The devotion and abiding loyalty of men and women who through the years have read and supported the paper become our richest legacy.

Our plea just now is that preachers and laymen co-operate to secure larger results:

1. Maintain and develop the soul of the paper. Every institution, as does an individual, has that intangible and yet most real something that gives it a vigorous and potential life—it has a soul. All who have contributed to the making and supporting of the North Carolina Christian Advocate have made this present paper of influence in affairs of state and in the churches of North Carolina. Now it remains for all of us who produce the paper and those who have to do in promoting our North Carolina Methodism to be a unit in still larger achievements in making a journal of opinion as well as a dispenser of news.

2. Also furnish the needed material support. A sound and vigorous body is essential to an individual. The same is true of an institution, if it is to be able to carry on. Especially true is this of our own church paper so essential in the work of our North Carolina Methodism which faces such vast possibilities. Certainly we should help to push to the front all undertakings of our fine and devoted Methodist people 350,000 strong. The present heavy tax burden laid upon us means that the last Methodist man and woman who would come into a larger heritage should be active in the present effort to meet the present financial demands as well as to extend the influence of our church paper. Then we will be able to secure a more vigorous Methodism in the state.

Propaganda Sheets

THE editor of Charity and Children says that some brother has accused Baptist papers of the South with being propaganda sheets and this editor pleads guilty by saying, "What in the world is a Baptist paper for if not to propagate the truth?"

In the very next paragraph this same editor "propagates the truth" by broadcasting the following clever story:

"The preacher was not present. It began to look as if the dear departed was to be put away without a word, and he a deacon too. All felt that it simply would not do. One brother felt impelled to say a word. He did. 'Brothers and sisters, we all knew the departed. He was a neighbor and fellow church member. He never run away nor kicked out of the traces. He never broke a swingle tree. I felt I ought to say that much.' Another man took it up. 'Yes, brethren, what the brother has just said is all true. Our brother never run away nor kicked over the traces, nor broke a swingle tree, but brethren, he did wear out a whole sled load of hold back straps.'"

Is This an Old Man Talking?

TAKE Us Back to Solid Ground" is the subject of a youth's lecture to the older generation, according to the Daily Iowan, the newspaper of the University of Iowa. Here is a typical paragraph:

"You haven't taught us to be able to take it. We aren't living within our means, and we followed your example. We are afraid of hard work; you never taught us to love it. We can't accept responsibility; you couldn't before us. We don't know the meaning of discipline; you didn't discipline us."

That purports to be a lecture of a college student to his seniors, but we are inclined to think some old grouch is unloading on college boys. This does not sound like the talk of a college boy or any other average youth. But to us it seems to be the effusions of some old fellow who is out of humor with both the young and the old and is too cowardly to come out in the open and say as much, even if he be on the border line of truth in his assertions.

Mind Not the Greatest Thing

THE development of modern science with its special stress upon human discovery in the realm of knowledge has contributed to the tendency to make the human mind the key to all knowledge. The intellect becomes the highway to all worth while achievements—the mind being considered the greatest thing in the world.

But the greatest scientists, philosophers and theologians are aware of the limitations of knowledge gained by intellectual processes. Religion certainly can not be put into a concept and man by searching does not find God. The mind of man fails to reach the depths of reality or to comprehend religion in its entirety as the deepest thing about life. Paul insists: "We know in part."

Man by the venture of faith goes beyond the knowledge gained by intellectual processes. The mind of man fails to reach the depths of reality and to comprehend the fulness of religion. Not upon the proof possible to the human reason do we depend, but on the assumption of faith in life and religion do we rely.

That this is God's world; that God cares; and that God strives, are three fundamental assumptions of faith that far transcends the conclusions of the mind of man. Thus we assume that God rules, God works, God cares. "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth" and "the Father worketh hitherto, so I work," were fundamental with Him who careth for the sparrows.

True, this creed is rarely put to the test in this day of defiance of God and disregard of the rights of man, but even then it is superior to the creeds ferreted out by the intellectual processes of man. It certainly leaves God on his throne and gives us something to hold to even when we reach our own wit's end. Faith is the victory.

Father Time Not in It

HUMAN achievements defy the calendar. Some men are master workmen at 80, while others at 40 are dependents trusting in W. P. A. Still others have become famous in the thirties, witness Alexander the Great, Shelley, and Lord Byron. Goethe at the age of 80 wrote Faust. And Chief Justice Hughes of the United States Supreme Court has just celebrated his 79th birthday, but he shows no sign of age. This keen-minded jurist reveals no evidence of accumulated years or any need to retire from the station that he has honored through the years by the quality of service rendered.

Too much emphasis in these later times is being placed upon the length of life rather than the quality of service. The will to do counts for more than the few or the many days that one has lived.

Obey the Inner Voice

STANLEY JONES had planned to return to India on March 20 of this year. In the Christian Century of April 4 he says early on the morning that the boat was due to sail the inner voice kept repeating, "I want you here." It was so compelling as to be inescapable. He continues, "I had my baggage taken ashore and I canceled my sailing." "Perhaps in this time of national crisis," observes Dr. Jones, "there is something I must do."

On this occasion, Stanley Jones is acting under a divine compulsion similar to that which constrained him in those wonderful early years of his in India which he disclosed in "The Christ of the Indian Road." Dr. Jones is still submissive to the voice divine that guided him when the General Conference years ago had elected him bishop and his friends kept insisting that he be ordained and thus take upon himself the high office of bishop of the church of God. After a serious night of prayer alone with God, he appeared before the General Conference to give his final answer. There and then, Stanley Jones in that crucial hour told of his night alone with God seeking to know what answer he should make to the General Conference of his church. In substance, God said to him, "Stanley, if you will relinquish this I will walk with you across Asia." Following that decision, the inner voice sent Stanley Jones across the Orient; this same voice now holds him here in America. This sounds similar to much we read in Acts of the Apostles.

Eighteen centuries have profited by the Apostle Paul in his journeys across the Roman world and millions have gained inspiration and guidance from the voice of God that came to him in the storm on the Mediterranean and in the heigths of the third heaven. Why not listen to the voice of this present marvelous missionary as God speaks to him and through him in this present age? The church certainly needs more than ever to hear the voice of God from men who obey the inner voice, as does Stanley Jones.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

First Methodist church, Salisbury, reports another extra $100 for the Compassion Day fund.—A. C. Waggoner, Rep.

Moving and new address now is 1825 W. Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Will be glad to hear from friends back home.—J. A. Dailey.

I received 50 members into Broad Street church, Statesville, during the Easter season, which makes a total of 104 new members received since conference.—H. G. Allen.

We are happy in our new work, Davidson-Fairview. The people have been lovely to us. Our Easter Sunday services were beautiful. Baptized eight babies and received 14 into the church on profession of faith.—C. F. Tate.

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, has had a most successful and inspiring Lenten program. 117 persons have been received into the church. The World Service benevolences of $5500 has been paid in full for the year. On Palm Sunday and Easter the church was filled to overflowing and many were turned away.

There are three building projects in the air for the Cool Springs circuit which we hope will materialize. A new church for both New Salem and Rose Chapel are being talked frequently. Sunday school rooms for the Cool Spring church are being worked by a committee whose report says it looks favorable.—J. O. Banks, Pastor.

Methodist members of the armed forces of the United States who are likely to be attached to new bases that the government is leasing from the British will be served by Methodist clergymen from the British church, according to information just received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

As a result of pre-Easter revival at the Bakersville church 22 persons were received into the membership of the church on profession of faith. Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Point assisted the pastor in this fine work. The whole community of Bakersville received great spirtual blessing during and since these services.—R. C. Nimon.

Rev. R. M. Laughlin, the energetic and brillant young pastor at Bessemer, Greensboro, had three great services Easter day with full houses at the sunrise service, the 11 o'clock service, and again in the evening. Brother Laughlin is doing fine work at Bessemer and his people are extravagant in their praise of their new pastor. He is now, among other duties, engaged in his Advocate campaign and expects gratifying results.

On Sunday, April 20, the A Cappella choir of Louisburg College, under the direction of Mr. James E. Byerly, professor of music, gave sacred concerts in the Hillsboro Methodist church at 11 o'clock and in the Durham Calvary church at 7:30 o'clock. Before singing the Alma Mater at each service Mr. Byerly expressed his appreciation for courtesies shown and the attendance of the Louisburg College alumni at the services.

On Tuesday of last week our church treasurer, Mr. J. J. Akers, reported that the church debt had been reduced in two days from $4500 to $3680. On January 5, 1941, the published figures showed an indebtedness of $39,750. Since that time it has been reduced at the rate of $2800 per week—a fine tribute to the devotion and liberality of our people. We are indeed grateful that the debt figures are now so near the zero mark!—Myers Park Church Bulletin.

Bishop Purcell authorizes the appointment of Rev. Alfred Smith of Emory University to the pastorate of the Murphy circuit, filling the place made vacant by the release of Rev. C. L. Fisher, supply, who found Asheville a more convenient place for scholastic endeavors than his field of service. The bishop also authorizes the transfer of Inman Memorial from the Bethel station to the Morning Star charge.—W. L. Hutchins, D. S.

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Centenary church, Greensboro, was assisted last week in revival services by Rev. L. B. Hayes, the district superintendent, and proved to be a very successful meeting. The pastor last Sunday received 17 new members into the church and there are a number of others to join who could not be present then. Brother Kirkpatrick in the four and a half years at Centenary has received 385 new members into the church and the growth of the church in all departments continues.

Central Methodist church school at Canton is now growing steadily in numbers and efficiency. We now have the most loyal staff of officers and teachers that we have had in the last twelve years in which time I have been serving as general superintendent. On Sunday, April 20, we observed church school rally day with splendid attendance. Our offering amounted to $35. This has been sent to H. A. Durham, Treasurer, Asheville. We are well launched into another good year of service.—G. C. Suttles, Gen. Supt.

Dr. W. A. Shelton, the superintendent of the Birmingham district has been spending a few days in Dallas with his brothers ,called here by the severe illness of his oldest brother, who has been brought down from Denver. Dr. Shelton is in fine health and strength. He gives encouraging report of the movement of Methodism in his section. All the steel mills and factories in Birmingham are in full swing. Money is abundant and the churches are in excellent financial condition. Dr. Shelton is a Texan by birth and he is highly esteemed by his brethren here. He has wrought well in the fields of the church in which he has labored.—Southwestern Advocate.

Miss Helen Gage has been selected as director of religous education at First Methodist church, and in this capacity will be one of the principal members of the staff of Dr. G. Ray Jordan, the pastor of First church, Charlotte. Miss Gage, who will begin her work the middle of May, comes to Charlotte from the staff of McKendree Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn. She received her degree at Scarritt College. She was formerly with the Wesley Foundation at Oklahoma College and First Methodist church in Chickasha, Okla. She also has served as a choir director of that church in Chickasha. Miss Gage, a native of Sherman, Texas, is regarded as particularly well qualified, by training and experience, for the position which she will occupy.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan in his Easter sermon to the big congregation of First Methodist church, Charlotte, emphasized the three points that follow: "(1) Be rigidly honest with yourself intellectually; (2) be honest with your heart hunger; (3) look deeply into life." In spite of the dismay engendered by disillusionment in regard to some of the most earnestly cherished dreams, the hunger of the heart for spiritual nurture is demonstrably evident, he showed, and despite great difficulties which prevail, satisfying sustenance is available for those who honestly seek it. "The grave could not hold the soul of Jesus," he said. Attention was called to Phillips Brooks and others whose intimate kinship with Christ transmuted their lives in highly redemptive fashion. "The soul that has the spirit of Christ cannot die," Dr. Jordan emphatically observed. "It has the highest degree of life—eternal life."

Bishop Purcell Voluntarily Enters the Advocate Campaign

Before we could ask him Bishop Purcell got into the Advocate campaign in a manner that will gratify all friends of our Advocate. Read what he says:

I wish to call the attention of all of our pastors and members to the special effort now being put forth by the North Carolina CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE for new subscribers.

Our two conferences are most fortunate in having one of the best Advocates in the connection. Its weekly visits to the homes of our people will be the best assistance a pastor can have; and a good conference organ is almost an essential in our Methodist economy.

I shall observe the campaign with great interest and hope to see the list of subscribers increased by many thousands.

Faithfully yours,



Thomasville Community church is completing the rear of its building at a cost of approximately $12,000. When completed it will supply the needs of the church for years to come. Rev. J. C. Madison of the High Point First church is assisting the pastor in a week's revival.—J. Clyde Auman.

Mrs. Annie Council of White Oak told us at the Wilmington district conference session at White Oak, October 18, that it had been forty years since the district conference had met in that section of the district. The crowd overflowed the new Bethlehem church enterprised some years ago by Rev. N. B. Strickland.

Scarritt College is enjoying the presence of a large number of missionaries on furlough, studying at the short term school for rural missionaries, which is being held on the campus under the direction of Miss Mabel K. Howell. This is one of the four schools for rural missionaries sponsored by the rural missions co-operating committee of the Foreign Missions Conference, and Dr. John H. Reisner, the executive secretary of the Agricultural Missions Foundation, is participating as one of the faculty. Dr. A. W. Wasson is participating in the retreat of the short term school.

Grace Community church, built at Boulder City, Nevada, as the first project sponsored by the Home Missions Council at a government construction project, has just completed a new educational unit and parsonage at a cost of $12,000. Of this amount $7000 was contributed in cash and the balance in work and materials. Eighty men of the church contributed labor. Since its founding in 1931 the church has earned communty-wide recognition and has become self-supporting. It now contibutes to the program of the Home Missions Council of North America. Grace Community church is now a very definite part of the life of the whole community and under the leadership of Rev. H. H. Eymann and his wife looks forward to even greater things.

NEWS ITEMS FROM GASTONIA DISTRICT

The Easter evangelistic program at Main Street, Gastonia, resulted in 91 new members, 42 of whom came by profession of faith and 49 by certificate.

Thirteen members were received on profession of faith at Lincolnton on Easter Sunday.

A two weeks' pre-Easter revival at Lafayette Street, Shelby, proved beneficial to the church. A fine spirit of cooperation was manifested throughout the meeting, which was conducted by Rev. R. C. Goforth, pastor. The choir under the direction of O. B. Iverster rendered excellent music. The church is proud of a new junior choir of 26 members. One infant was baptized, ten were received by baptism and vows, and five by letter on Easter Sunday.

H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

MID-YEAR MEETING OF BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The mid-year meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension for the North Carolina conference will, for the sake of convenience of the whole conference, be held at Fayetteville on the 12th of May and at Greenville on the 13th of May with identical program. Both sessions will convene at 10:30 a. m. and adjourn at 3:30 p. m. The next issue of the Advocate will carry the detailed program. We are able to announce now that Bishop Purcell and Dr. Fred B. Newell, executive secretary of the New York City Society of the Methodist Church, will speak. Dr. J. M. Ormond, chairman of the board, will preside.

F. S. Love, Conf. Miss. Sec.

SMITH'S CHAPEL TO BE DEDICATED

Smith's Chapel church on the Mount Olive circuit will be dedicated May 11. This church was founded prior to 1854; for in that year 27 members were reported to the annual conference. About that time a building was erected which stood until late in 1939, when it was torn down to make way for the present building. The building to be dedicated was erected at a cost of approximately $12,400.

On May 11 we are expecting one of the largest crowds in the history of the church. There will be a service at 11 o'clock by Rev. R. G. Dawson. This will be followed by the dedication service. After that, dinner on the grounds, and at three in the afternoon Prof. J. M. Ormond will preach.

Incidentally, this church is to entertain the New Bern district conference for 1942.

All former pastors and friends are cordially invited.

J. L. Joyce.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING OF STATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

This is to say that the four churches on Cool Spring charge will entertain the Statesville district conference at the Cool Spring high school auditorium on May 15. This school is situated on the highway between Statesville and Mocksville 11 miles east of Statesville. We are looking forward to having a fine crowd and bid all connectional men a hearty welcome. The Cool Spring circuit will report a balanced budget for six months of the year. The unified budget system has worked wonders on this charge financially.

J. O. Banks.

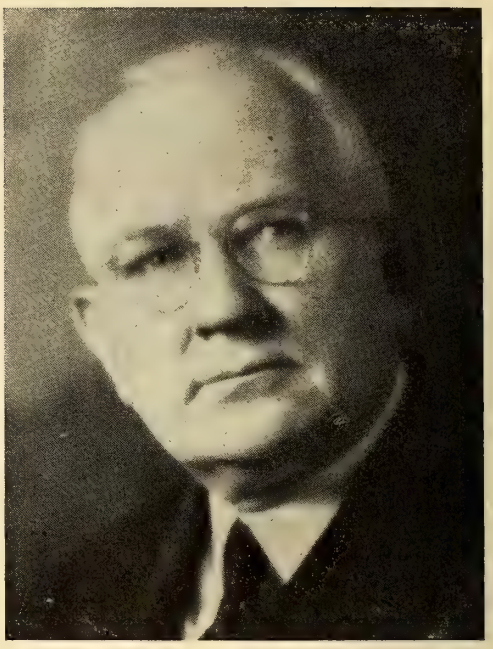
CONFERENCE COURSES OF STUDY

Those who have not done so already should write to Dr. Hugh H. Harris, director of correspondence school, Emory University, Emory, Ga., regarding any changes that have been made in the conference course of study. As I understand it, the courses remain about the same, but certain books have been changed.

Wm. A. Jenkins,
Chm. Board Ministerial Training.



Rowland Methodist Church to Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell



Dedication of Rowland Church Sunday, April 27

Dedication services will be observed by the Rowland Methodist church on Sunday, April 27, at 11 o'clock. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon. The church at Rowland was organized early in 1903, with 18 charter members, by Rev. J. W. Bradley, now pastor at Princeton. Brother Bradley was transferred from the Western North Carolina conference to assume the pastorate of the newly created Rowland charge. The first church was completed in the spring of 1905. A few weeks later it was almost demolished by a storm that swept through the community. However, the building was soon restored and continued in use until the fall of 1937. It was then replaced by the present structure. The new church had its inception in a bequest of $5,000 by the late Mr. Frank Edens ,a loyal and devoted member who died in 1922. This gift became the nucleus for a building fund which increased from year to year by interest on investment and contributions from other sources. Subsequently the fund was sufficient to finance the complete cost of construction, which amounted to approximately $18,000. A grant of $2,750 was received from the Duke Endowment. Rev. J. Bascom Hurley was pastor during this period, and has the distinction of leading his people through the building program without any outstanding indebtedness on the church when completed. A rare achievement for both pastor and people.

The church is beautifully situated on a corner lot facing U. S. highway number 301, three blocks from the center of the business district. Trees, lawn and shrubbery flanking each side greatly enhances the beauty of the building. The approach is by winding walkways made of concrete and flagstone. The structure is brick veneered and of English design. Stained glass memorial windows, cathedral pews, walnut finish, wrought bronze pendant lanterns, and hardwood floors all combine to make the auditorium "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." A two-story educational building connects immediately with the auditorium. It is equipped with latest facilities, including departmental classrooms, assembly halls which may be quickly converted into dining room or used for recreational purposes, a modern kitchen and rest rooms. An automatic oil furnace, thermostatically controlled, provides heat for the entire plant.

Both Centenary and Purvis congregations will join with Rowland in the dedication event. Pastors and congregations of the other community churches have been cordially invited. Many relatives, friends and former members now living elsewhere have signified their intention to be present.

The formal presentation of the church to the bishop for dedication will be made by the board of trustees who are as follows: Dr. G. M. Pate, chairman, Dr. J. McN. Smith, T. C. Rogers, George L. Pate, and Dr. R. F. Graham.

Following the dedication formalities, old friends and former acquaintances will meet again around outdoor tables to enjoy an old fashion "dinner on the grounds." No doubt there will be much talk about "old times"—and "you look the same"—and "a lot of water has run under the bridge" and other conversational bantering. Withal, the day promises to be a happy occasion.

Pastors who have served the church in the order of their pastorates:

J. W. Bradley	1902-1906
*J. M. Ashby	1906-1908
*F. B. McCall	1908-1911
*J. A. Lee	1911-1915
A. J. Groves	1915-1919
*W. C. Merritt	1919-1922
P. D. Woodall	1922-1927
C. A. Jones	1927-1928
J. H. Lanning	1928-1930
D. A. Petty	1930-1932
J. C. Whedbee	1932-1936
*J. B. Hurley	1936-1939

*Deceased.



Rev. W. Carleton Wilson, Pastor of Rowland Methodist Church

FLETCHER NELSON AND FIRST CHURCH, MORGANTON

One year ago Rev. W. A. Newell fell at his post of duty, the result of an attack of pneumonia, and Fletcher Nelson was moved from Forest City to take up the work that Dr. Newell had laid down at First church, Morganton.

With his accustomed wisdom and zeal the young pastor addressed himself to the tasks to which he had been assigned and with a measure of success that is gratifying to all lovers of the kingdom of God.

Last Sunday morning the church, the Sunday school annex and the front vestibule were filled with worshippers, the pastor received six adults into the church membership—three by vows and three by letters—and we learned that new members were received every Sunday. On Easter day the church could not accommodate the congregation. The budget is kept in balance and the people have built a new parsonage at a cost of $11,000, most of which has already been paid.

This writer spent Saturday night as a guest of the Nelsons and saw how delightfully fixed are Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, and Mary, age 8, and Fletcher, age 3. That parsonage is about the last word in home building. The architecture, the material, the lighting, heating, plumbing and every other detail are of the very best. And it is beautifully furnished, which frequently is not the case even when a good building has been provided for the pastor.

Morganton is a delightful little city that is growing rapidly and there is no finer climate in North Carolina, and that is equivalent to saying the whole earth. And the growth of the Methodist church seems to be running ahead of the town. To spend a Sunday in Morganton proved a delightful experience to this editor.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Wilmington district conference convened at White Oak, Bethlehem church, on April 18, at 9:30 o'clock, District Superintendent A. S. Parker presiding.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. T. Rogers, pastor of Wallace-Rose Hill charge. The short sermon was well delivered and full of spiritual food for all.

After election of a secretary the business of the conference was taken up, but not the same method as heretofore. Instead of the usual roll call each pastor was handed an attendance blank of those from his charge who were present and these were handed to the secretary to record their attendance.

Brother Parker knows how to preside at a district conference. He dispatched the business carefully and yet no time was lost, each item receiving due consideration.

Visitors were introduced to the conference, including superintendents and ministers from other districts.

Chaplain L. M. Hall, chaplain at Ft. Bragg, addressed the conference on the subject of "Our Church and Our Soldiers."

Report of committee on missions was read by Rev. L. V. Harris. Report of the woman's work was made by Mrs. L. T. Edens, district superintendent.

Rev. J. T. Stott and Miss Ida Hankins, who represents our missions in foreign lands, addressed the conference.

Committees representing the different causes of the church made reports. Communication addressed to the district superintendents from Bishop Purcell was read by the secretary.

W. A. McGirt presided over the layman's program. Resalution by C. E. Quinn in regard to the liquor problem was read.

Rev. R. W. Bradshaw and Miss Alma Cade, representing the board of education, addressed the conference.

Rev. J. M. Ormond of Duke University preached the conference sermon at 12:30. The sermon was full of thought and inspiring. Bishop Purcell was to have preached but was detained, so Brother Ormond did a fine job of pinch hitting.

Rev. A. S. Barnes and his little class from the Orphanage presented a short devotional at the beginning of the evening session.

Prof. F. S. Aldridge, Rev. Walter Patten, Rev. M. T. Plyler and Rev. W. L. Clegg represented their different causes. Rev. J. F. Herbert, chairman of the Golden Cross for the district, made report and spoke in the interest of the cause.

The different committees made reports and they were adopted. Local preachers' characters were passed and their licenses renewed. W. A. McGirt was re-elected district lay leader and H. E. Stacy was elected associate lay leader.

Two invitations were extended to hold the next conference, one from Whiteville and one from Richlands. A vote was taken and Richlands was selected as the place of the next conference.

After a resolution of thanks to the people of Bladen charge for their splendid entertainment, benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. T. Thrift. C. N. Phillips, Sec.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College students of the various classes participated in a swimming meet at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening. Interesting and amusing events including a balloon race delighted the large crowd of spectators gathered at the Y at seven-thirty.

Miss Margaret Wrenn Koonts, major in music at Greensboro College presented her senior piano recital last Friday evening at eight o'clock in Odell auditorium. She is the daughter of Solicitor and Mrs. H. L. Koontz, 328 East Greenway street, Greensboro.

The Greensboro College Players will present Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland" on Friday evening, April 25, at 8:15, and again on Saturday, April 26, at 3:30 p. m. as a special performance for children.

Budget for the coming year was approved by the trustees of Greensboro College in their regular meeting on last Thursday. According to Dr. Gobbel the college is experiencing the most successful year in its career. Dr. G. T. Rowe, Durham, is president of the board.

EDENTON STREET CHURCH, RALEIGH

Continuing a custom originating last year the congregations of the First Baptist church and Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, again united in Holy Week services, beginning at Edenton Street church on Palm Sunday evening, at which time choirs of both churches combined in the rendition of appropriate and lovely anthems. Dr. S. L. Stealey, pastor of the First Baptist church, delivered the sermons on Sunday and Monday evenings, and Dr. John C. Gless on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday evening the congregations moved to the First Baptist church, where a religious play entitled "Barabas" was presented by some members of that church. On Thursday and Friday evenings Dr. Glenn preached at the First Baptist church. These services were most helpful and resulted in much fruitage.

On Palm Sunday morning 22 children and two adults were received into Edenton Street church by baptism and profession of faith in a special service at 10 o'clock and five adults at the 11 o'clock hour. On Easter Sunday morning at another special 10 o'clock service five children were received into the church by baptism and profession of faith and eight by letter, and at the 11 o'clock hour 31 adults were received, 29 by letter and two on profession of faith. A total of 132 persons have united with Edenton Street church during this glorious Easter season, and some others who were unable to be present on either of these two Sundays are expected to present themselves for membership within the next Sunday or two. Dr. Glenn and Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., have worked untiringly, unselfishly and with Christly attitudes to bring these things to pass.

Mary Gardner.

ATTENTION, RECORDING STEWARDS OF GREENSBORO DISTRICT

Brother Hayes, our district superintendent, asked me to act as chairman of committee to examine records of district conference again. The conference will meet in less than four weeks at Greensboro College. I am asking that the books where records for the two quarterly conferences for this year have been held be left at the Advocate office as early as convenient.

It will be too much of a job to examine more than 40 books on the day of the conference. I shall select my helpers and begin work a week or so before the conference meets. I hope to have at least 25 records examined before the date of the conference. Brother steward, you will render a needed service by having your book up to date and sent to Advocate office early in May. Let the pastors cooperate in this matter. A. C. Sherrill.

A Candle in the Darkness

By ALBERT W. PALMER

I heard a Chinese proverb not long ago which seems to me so wise and so appropriate to these days that I want to share it with you. Here it is: "It is better to light a candle in the darkness than it is to curse the darkness!" I want to do what I can to light a candle of personal courage in the darkness of this present world situation. As a Christian minister I am all the more moved and strengthened to do this when I read John 1:5, as given in Goodspeed's inspiring translation: "The light is still shining in the darkness, for the darkness has never put it out!"

That unextinguished light of the world is Jesus Christ and from the illumination of his truth and his example we may light our candles of hope in a darkened world, and be saved from that despairing mood which has nothing left that it can do except to curse the darkness.

I will not conceal from you how great that darkness is! The lights have been going out all around the world. Some of us remember the Armistice which terminated the last war. We thanked God we had lived to see the morning break. But it was a false dawn! The Treaty of Versailles ruined its hope and its idealism. Some of us saw a great light in the League of Nations. But America did not join it. The League was not able to disarm the world. It failed to execute justice. It became the light that failed!

Some of us greeted the Kellogg-Briand pact outlawing war as a new lamp on the highroad to peace. As nations renounced war and promised never to seek the settlement of disputes except by pacific means, some of us also personally took the treaty as an individual commitment, and promised ourselves forever to turn away from war's blood, burtality, falsehood, cruelty and devastating hatred and give ourselves hereafter only to the ways of peace, non-violence and love. In a word, we became Christian pacifists. We were convinced of both the futility of war to accomplish any real and lasting good and of its awful and utter sinfulness in the eyes of God. And then came Hitler and Munich and the present war! We faced a terrible dilemma. Any sensitive Christian soul burdened with the grim necessity of aiding, condoning or abetting war inevitably walks in moral and spiritual agony these days. That it seems inevitable, "the only way to stop Hitler," "a brief period of anarchy and cruelty that justice may follow," does not lessen the agony. Probably thousands of honest Christians, unable to take the pacifist position, are bearing this cross today.

Let us look first at the inner wealth of the spirit. We had better look at it very carefully for it is likely to be the only kind of wealth any of us can have much hope of laying hold upon for many years to come! Do not cherish any illusions about economic prosperity. When we awaken to realities after the deceptive shot-in-the-arm provided by our present little war boom, we shall realize that wars have to be paid for, and that the present staggering appropriations for military purposes carry with them tremendous tax burdens for future years, possible inflation and inevitable financial depressions. Life is going to be a stern poverty-stricken affair as far as we can see ahead.

But it need not be impoverished within! The wealth of the world's literature can still be yours for the reading. Great art and music will continue to bring their message to your soul. Friendships are as warm and rewarding among the poor as among the rich—more so in fact, more certain, permanent and sacrificial. The Bible may come to you with deeper overtones of meaning. It was largely written by people who were poor, persecuted, struggling for a great ideal and bound together by common loyalty to a carpenter of Nazareth! This same fellowship can exist for you with other Christians bound together in the mystical communion of the holy universal church. And God is still yours and Jesus Christ remains your saviour, friend and comrade.

But there is an inner freedom, thank God. About three hundred years ago Richard Lovelace, a young English poet, imprisoned for his political opinions wrote:

> Stone walls do not a prison make,
> Nor iron bars a cage!
> The noblest souls do often take
> These for an hermitage.
> If I have freedom in my love
> And in my soul am free,
> Angels alone that soar above
> Enjoy such liberty.

Those words are still true. If you cannuot speak or act in accordance with your best desires you can still be free to think. He who maintains the inner integrity of his soul and bides his time may yet have a glorious chance to speak in a saner calmer age when fair impartial common sense and universal principles will be honored and appreciated. Meanwhile the whole realm of thought is his. If he feels imprisoned by much of the blind prejudice and shallow partisanship of this age, let him remember Milton in his blindness and John Bunyan in Bedford jail and rejoice that his soul at all events is free!

Amid all the tempests we can also know the peace that comes from constructive service to the needs of men. And, even among wars and rumors of wars, there is a supreme and healing peace that comes from complete and humble commitment to the way of Christ: "Peace I leave with you"; he said, "my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

The war-makers can never build the highways to peace. That task will remain at last for those who in dark and foreboding days have walked in the footpaths to peace in the management of their own lives. Christians must have enough faith and courage to accept the principles of patient understanding, invincible good will, forgiveness and sacrificial service and then work them into the stuff of daily life. To do this is to live by the inner light and to attain an inner peace. So I will not curse the darkness. The light is shining still. The darkness has never put it out and never can!—Advance.

For, be it observed, there is no such thing in the world as evil irrespective of a will, and discoverable in a substance apart from that.—Gregory.

CONFERENCES ON THE LEVEL LANDS

On three consecutive days of last week the Rocky Mount, the New Bern and the Wilmington district conferences assembled in Weldon, at Asbury church in Craven county, and at White Oak in Bladen. Extending from Virginia on the Roanoke to the South Carolina line lies much of the alluvial lands of the state. Both east and west of the old Wilmington and Weldon railroad, which extends from Weldon by Rocky Mount, Wilson, Goldsboro to Wilmington, is some of the finest agricultural land to be found in any state. The Tar, on which are Rocky Mount, Tarboro and Greenville; the Neuse, on which are Goldsboro, Kinston and New Bern; and the Cape Fear, on which is Wilmington, the chief port of the state, are the three rivers that cut across this alluvial plain which is covered by the three districts named.

In the northeastern section of the state, however, are fourteen counties often spoken of as the Albemarle Section. Following the Methodist designation of territory, these counties belong to the Elizabeth City district, sometimes termed the "land of wind and water." But just now we are interested in the section of fine farms and thriving towns with numerous country and town churches that have never yet come to appreciate their possibilities. Some of the finest people and most loyal Methodists belong to this section of the state into which came those circuit riders who rode with Francis Asbury—the great leader who again and again passed this way. But to the story a bit more in detail.

District Superintendents L. C. Larkin of the Rocky Mount, J. A. Russell of the New Bern, and A. S. Parker of the Wilmington had each made careful preparation for the day, and statistical reports from each charge had been gathered and tabulation made of the work in each district. The showing disclosed a healthy state of the work though on certain lines improvement is needed.

Guest preachers from Duke University gave the sermons at the noon hour each day. Dr. F. S. Hickman preached at Weldon, Dr. Albert Outler at Asbury, and Dr. J .M. Ormond at White Oak. Their presence at each place gave great delight. Dr. Outler was not so well known as the other two who had appeared often before N. C. audiences, but he went away having made for himself many friends. His racy humor with a distinctive Georgia flavor was as delightful as a Georgia peach.

The handicap suffered by these ministers was the limited time allowed each without running too far into the dinner hour. The one-day district conference is so crowded that too much haste deprives of the best work for the day. This would not be so serious but for the selfish men on almost all programs who have little regard for others; so they "hog" the time, rendering it most difficult to keep on schedule. Possibly some remedy can be found so as to secure more satisfactory results or else the district conference will die because of undue haste in dealing with important issues.

At each of these three conferences the missionary cause, including the woman's work, was well presented by the secretaries who has charge of the work.

A special hour was set apart for the laymen at each conference with the lay leader of each district to preside. At Weldon Brother W .L. Knight, who for many years has been a familiar figure in the conference is laid on a bed of sickness. We called to see him and found him interested in all the work of the church still.

Major W. A. Graham had charge at Asbury and Brother W. A. McGirt at White Oak. This is sufficient to guarantee real leadership for the laymen. If we are to judge by the reports made the laymen of the Wilmington district have set themselves to become a real force in this vast field in which the churches are so widely scattered. Especially notable has been the work done for the Methodist press.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw is giving fine leadership to the young people. He is stressing especially the summer assemblies to be held at Louisburg and at Murfreesboro. Then, too, he gives much time to the local situations scattered over the conference.

The orphanage, the colleges, the Advocate and other interests were presented, but all details must be left for the efficient secretaries to report.

REV. J. L. REYNOLDS

Sometimes it becomes the privilege of a few people to know a man who stands out among his fellowmen—one in whom are found the qualities which the Christ set forth in his shining example. Such a man was our late pastor, J. L. Reynolds, who died on February 20, 1941. Thus we strive in our own feeble way to find words to do him reverence.

Just what were the qualities which made everyone love him? He was good in the fundamental sense of the word—not as a cloak to be worn on certain occasions, but as a raiment that clothed his every act and deed. Added to this goodness was a simplicity of spirit that found an echo in the hearts of the high and low alike. No man could feel ill at ease in his presence. He felt drawn by an invisible magnet to a great spirit—a spirit that never condemned, but gave a sense of peace and understanding.

He had his convictions and would stand before the world true to his sense of truth and honor, but in him there was no intolerance for any man. He was liberal to the point of letting every man live his own life, yet in the great freedom he showed toward other men he kept his own soul spotlessly clean.

His entire life was given to service—first in the teaching profession and for the past twenty years in the ministry of the gospel. He also found time to be a devoted husband and father to a large family. Life to Mr. Reynolds was aimless unless his big heart could hold and comfort his fellowmen.

Mr. Reynolds has gone away—the flesh that we knew is no more, but his life is enshrined in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. Surely he has taught us that man can walk in the steps of the Master, and that life is good for those who love the Lord.

Board of Stewards, Acton Methodist Charge.

GREAT REVIVAL AT MT. HOLLY

What was thought to be the greatest revival in 25 years closed Sunday night at First church. Mount Holly. The pastor, Dr. Watson O. Goode, did the preaching. The effort ran through a period of two weeks with large congregations that met at the church the last week of the meeting. The first week was given to prayer services held in the different homes of the city and community.

The sunrise service on Sunday morning was attended by the largest Easter Sunday morning service ever held in Mount Holly. The 11 o'clock service which followed was remarkable for not only the greatly crowded auditorium, but for the large number of adults who were baptized and received into the church. Within two weeks 40 members have been received on profession of faith.—Mr. Holly News.

MR. IVEY, IN CINCINNATI, HAS TO CALL CHICAGO TO FIND MEETING IN CINCY

Although Cincinnati is generally recognized as a very important Methodist center, J. B. Ivey believes that further enlightenment of that great urban area in regard to Methodism is in order.

Mr' Ivey, head of the department store firm which bears his name, and a leading lay figure in American Methodism, returned to Charlotte yesterday from a Cincinnati visit during which he had unexpected difficulty in finding the meeting place in that city of the Methodist committee on distribution of overseas relief funds.

As a member of the committee, Mr. Ivey went to Cincinnati to attend a meeting of the body. Promptly on his arrival Mr. Ivey sought the meeting place. He interviewed a number of persons, including several prominent Methodists, but, inexplicably, not one of 'em could tell him where the meeting was to be held.

Not to be outdone, Mr. Ivey telegraphed Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf in Chicago and from him obtained the necessary information. Had Bishop Waldorf been away, he was prepared to telegraph Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Washington, general chairman of the Methodist fund-raising movement, for that information.

On the return trip Mr. Ivey stopped a short time at Lake Junaluska in order to superintend the planting of dahlias. He had no difficulty in finding his gardens at Junaluska, although he is skeptical as to the possibility of procurement of explicit instructions from many Cincinnatians in regard to their location.—The Charlotte Observer.

COMPOSERS' CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

By Louise Y. Workman

Dean Hugh Altvater, head of the music department of Woman's College and chairman of the North Carolina composers' contest of the State Federation of Music Clubs, has announced winners in the annual contests for original compositions.

Annie Marie Choate of Sparta won first place in the song division with her composition titled "Dawn" and will receiver a silver cup as her award. Winners of second and third places in this division are C. Earle B. Robinson of Cooleemee, whose song, "Christmas Glee," won second place; and Maxine Kirch Ljung of Guilford College, whose composition "Music When Soft Voices Die," was judged third.

In the piano composition, Dorothy Jones of Bethel won first place with her "Whistling Tune with Development," receiving also a silver cup. R. Emmett Brown of Chapel Hill won second place in this division with "Ballet for Chickens." Mrs. Elsie Stokes Moseley of Charlotte was winner of third place with a composition titled "Lament."

The winning compositions will be given their premiere at the 25th annual convention of the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs Thursday afternoon, May 8, in Wilmington.

Note: The Dorothy Jones noted in the clipping (from Greensboro News of April 20, 1941) is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O. J. Jones of Madison. She graduated from Greensboro College in 1940 with the B.M. degree. She was a piano pupil of Mark Hoffman. She is in charge of public school music in the Bethel schools of Pitt county this year and has been re-elected for next year to the same work.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CHECK-UP

On April 15 at Central church, Monroe, there was held a Charlotte district check-up and ministers' fellowship meeting. Every pastor seemed to be in the best of spirit and every church activity seems to be making favorable progress. The ladies of the Central church prepared and served a splendid lunch. Dr. G. T. Bond, along with the splendid help of these ladies, was the host of the ministers on this occasion.

At this meeting many important matters relative to the work of the church were discussed. Many outstanding achievements were reported. The following charges made improvements in church property ranging from $200 to $35,000: Bethel-Boger, Central Avenue, Chadwick, Hawthorne Lane, Myers Park, Spencer Memorial, Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Indian Trail-Stallings, Lilesville, Matthews, New Hope-Bethel, Peachland, Pineville, Prospect, Thrift-Moores, Unionville, Wadesboro, Weddington and Wesley Heights.

The Myers Park charge has practically liquidated its debt and will dedicate same in the near future.

John H. Carper.

BROTHER MYERS AND MRS. PREYER COMMENDED

If we had more preachers of the type Rev. E. Myers seems to be something would be done about the liquor situation in North Carolina. His article in the March 20 Advocate was to the point.

Brother Myers no doubt has first hand knowledge of what some of us laymen have long suspected was a fact. We laymen too often take it for granted that the preacher, because of his position, is opposed to the liquor traffic, and not depend too much on learning of his opposition through the pulpit.

Mrs. Ellen J. Y. Preyer, writing in the same March 20 issue of the Advocate, seemed also to hit the nail on the head when she said that a preacher need not turn his pulpit into a political platform when he preaches a temperance sermon, and she most assuredly was correct when she added: "If trying to correct and avert the terrible consequences of the liquor habit is not in keeping with the gospel of Jesus Christ and the pursuit of the kingdom of heaven, I do not know what is."

The drys lost their fight for a referendum this time largely because of the lack of interest shown by the preachers. The drys will lose next time unless the preachers help, and the pastors of the larger churches should help as well as those in the rural sections. Eugene A. Hood.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Time and space simply allow announcement of the Fayetteville district connference at Raeford Tuesday of this week. Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent, was at the helm and Rev. W. C. Wilson kept the log book. He will give a full report of the occasion next week.

The conference followed the usual course of these annual gatherings. The attendance of the laymen was not up to the standard. Doubtless the beautiful spring day kept many of the farmers at home—this being a fine agricultural section.

EMERGENCY OFFERING IS NOW $828,155

The sum of $828,155 had been received through April 14 for the Methodist Emergency Commission's appeal for overseas relief projects, help for British missionary work, and religious work at American training camps, according to Dr. O. W. Auman, Tresaurer, of 740 Rush Street, Chicago. This offering was taken throughout Methodism on March 2, but a number of churches have not as yet reported. It is expected that the total will pass the $900,000 mark.

PHILADELPHIA REGION PLANS CHURCH PROGRAM

A far-reaching program of regional planning that includes evangelism, new churches in rapidly developing areas, aid for strategically located but weak churches, cooperation of other denominations and community agencies, church extension and "big brothering" of weaker by stronger churches has been adopted by the Philadelphia conference of the Methodist Church.

The conference action came as a result presented by Dr. W. Vernon Middleton, executive secretary of the Philadelphia Missionary and Church Extension Society, and the report of the district superintendents, prepared and read by Dr. W. Galloway Tyson. A ten-year program was adopted "to meet the rising challenge of secularism in our midst," with $25,000 to be raised annually for its maintenance.

Advocate Campaign Report

Here is the first exhibit of new subscribers to date. One dollar for six months counts one-half a subscriber. Two dollars counts a full year.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Durham District

Davis St., Mrs. J. W. Holmes ... 14
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe... 7
Orange, Mrs. R. B. Nichols 4
Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt 8
Mt. Hermon Ct. R. L. Hethcox.. 8
Graham, J. R. Edwards 3½
Bynum, K. Y. Duval 3
Yanceyville, J. V. Early 3
Webb Ave.-Fountain, C.J.Andrews 2
Calvary, Mrs. A. I. McKay 2
Alamance, G. L. Reynolds 1½
Davis St., Mrs. H. W. Wade 1½
Alamance, Bessie Coble 1
Davis St., F. W. Paschall 1
Person Ct., F. B. Peele 1
Mebane, First, Mrs. D. A. Pender 1
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton 1
Durham Ct., S. J. Starnes 1
Eno, W. J. Neese 1
Orange Ct., Mrs. E. H. Sykes ... 1
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish ... 1
Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams .... ½
Swepsonville, T. B. Hough .... ½

Elizabeth City District

Windsor, H. F. Surratt 2
South Mills, W. N. Vaughn 1½
Washington, D. A. Clark 1½
Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick 1½
Winfall, Mrs. J. L. Nixon 1
Columbia, Mrs. A. B. Hopkins .. ½
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cown ½

Fayetteville District

Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore 1½
Hay St., Mrs. J. A. Gathrop 1
Jonesboro, D. L. Fouts 1
Person-Calvary, M. W. Warren.. 1
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins 1
St. John-Gibson, W. F. Keeler... 1
Siler City, C. B. Culbreth ..... ½
Stedman, I. J. Strawbridge .... ½

New Bern District

Marshallberg, L. E. Sawyer 36
Seven Springs, Mrs.W.E. Howard 5
Grifton, E. M. Hall 3
Dover, H. L. Harrill 2½
Kinston, Mrs. John Shute 1
St. Paul, W. A. Cade 1
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston 1
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston 1
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens ... ½
Oriental, J. Kern Ormond ..... ½
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ..... ½

Raleigh District

Fairmont, E. C. McLamb 15
Benson, Mrs. W. O. Rackley 8
Vance, A. M. Smith 4½
Moncure, O. W. Mathison 3
Henderson, B. C. Reavis 2
Edenton St., Mrs. Jas. M. Godwin 2
Knightdale, M. M. Walters 1
Four Oaks, J. T. Green 1½
Tar River, J. A. Martin 1
Louisburg, P. D. Woodall ..... ½

Rocky Mount District

Bethel, J. G. Phillips 5½
Whitakers, A. M. Williams 2
Middleburg, T. W. Lee 2
Conway, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson.. 1½
Kenly, G. B. Starling 1
First, E. L. Hillman 1
Conway, J. L. Smith 1
Warren, E. R. Shuller 1
Marvin, Mrs. Wm. Towe 1
Marvin, Mrs. W. M. Towe ..... ½
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall .... ½

Wilmington District

Whiteville, L. V. Harris 11
Grace, J. F. Herbert 3
Fifth Ave., C. D. Barclift 4
St. Paul, Chas. A. Jones 4
Lumberton, E. B. Fisher 2
Lumberton Ct., M. D. McLamb.. 2
Southport, R. S. Harrison 1
Maysville, H. L. Harris 1
Fairmont, Mrs. C. A. Floyd 1
Trinity, R. L. Jerome 1
Wesley Mem., W. A. Tew 1
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. T. Thrift.. ½
Bladen, R. L. Vickery ..... ½

W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Asheville District

Central, F. M. Weaver, Sr. 8
Merrimon, N. G. Bethea 1
Hendersonville, Mrs. W. V. Coston 1
Asbury Mem., R. H. Taylor 1
Old Fort, R. E. Ward 1
Rosman, J. R. Bowman ..... ½
Pisgah, C. M. White ..... ½

Charlotte District

Polkton, J. L. Trollinger 4
Wadesboro, C. P. Bowles 4
Derita, E. O. Cole 2
First, G. Ray Jordan 1
Matthews, Mrs. E. W. Russell ... ½
Brevard St., D. V. Howell ..... ½

Elkin District

N. Wilkesboro, Mrs. W. C. Huss.. 2
Advance, P. L. Smith 1
Bryant Mem., T. W. Bryant 1
Wilkesboro, Jas. C. Stokes ..... ½
Mocksville, W. C. Sides, Jr. ..... ½

Gastonia District

Rock Springs, A. W. Lynch 6½
Dallas, J. G. Wilkinson 5
Fallston, G. W. Clay 2
Stanley, A. L. Rayle 2
South Fork, R. G. McClamrock.. 1
Boger City, E. L. Kirk 1
Mt. Holly, W. O. Goode 1
Bradley Mem., P. W. Tucker ... 1
Mt. Holly, Mrs. Ernest S. Black.. ½
Belwood, J. M. Morgan ..... ½

Greensboro District

Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle 5½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., R. P. Gibbs 5
Danbury, J. L. Love 4½
Glenwood, R. M. Hardee 2
Haw River, C. W. Bates 1½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy ... 1½
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins 1½
Bessemer, Mrs. H. M. Laughlin.. 1½
Ruffin, J. W. Fowler 1
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse 1
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .... ½
West End, R. M. Andrews ..... ½
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright ..... ½

High Point District

Ward St., J. E. McSwain 26
Randleman-Union, I. L. Roberts 6
Farmer, J. O. Ervin 6
Ramseur-Franklinville—
J. E. Pritchard 5
Randleman Ct., J. R. Anderson .. 4½
S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington .. 3
Randolph-Gray's Chpl, H. L. Isley 2½
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge ... 2½
Asheboro, Mrs. L. C. Phillips ... 2½
Rankin Mem., Edw. Suits 2½
Liberty, Geo. R. Brown 1½
Stagrove, Mrs. C. H. Russell 1½
Shiloh, T. G. Madison 2
Why Not, C. H. Hill 2
Lebanon, O. L. Easter 1
Lebanon, O. L. Easter 1
Asheboro, Mrs. W. F. Redding... 1
Linwood, O. E. Croy ..... ½
Archdale, G. E. White ..... ½
Richland, C. L. Grant ..... ½

Marion District

Table Rock, V. P. Crowder 2
Spruce Pine, M. T. Hipps 1
Bakersville, R. C. Nimon 1
Old Fort, R. E. Ward 1
Gilkey, C. R. Ross 1
Connelly Springs, J. N. Randall ½

Salisbury District

Central, Albemarle, Mrs.Z.V.Moss 4
Rocky Ridge, E. B. Edwards ... 3
Westford, T. W. Hager 2½
Landis, C. W. Avett 1
China Grove, W. O. Weldon ... 1

Statesville District

Troutman, J. C. Reichard 12½
Central, J. W. Moore 9
First Hickory, W. A. Rollins ... 7½
Whitnel, D. A. Oakley 6
Shepherds, A. G. Lackey 6
Race St., F. H. Price..... 5½
Newton, C. A. Morrison 5
Statesville Ct., G. F. Houck 5
Lenoir Ct., W. L. Harkey 5
Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate... 5
Harmony, R. V. Martin 4½
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk 4½
Cool Springs, J. O. Banks 4½
Grace-Rhodhiss, J. M. Brandon.. 4
Mooresville Ct., Mrs. H. L. Powell 4
Hiddenite, Elzie Myers 3½
Taylorsville, O. L. Robinson 3
Westview, H. C. Freeman 2
Maiden, J. G. Winkler 2
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole 1½
Mooresville, W. A. Johnson 1
Hudson, R. E. Hunt ..... ½
Uinon Grove-Zion, J. C. Cox ... ½
Broad St., Statesville—
Mrs. G. G. Austin ..... ½
Granite Falls, Reid Wall ..... ½

Waynesville District

Jonathan, R. Odell Brown 18
Webster, J. C. Gentry 12½
Macon, J. C. Swaim 6
Cullowhee, Mrs. Minnie Cole ... 4
Morning Star, G. Bumgarner ... 2½
Bryson City, H. E. Jones 2
Canton, J. B. Tabor, Jr. 1½
Bethel, J. W. Blitch 1
Crabtree, W. H. Neese ..... ½
Hayesville, A. J. Clemmer ..... ½

Winston-Salem District

Rockford, C. E. Williams 3
Thomasville, Mrs. D. L. Wright.. 1½
First, Lexington, Mrs. Fred Cox.. 1½
Forsyth-Maple Spgs, R. A. Hunter 1
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams.... 1
Pilot Mountain, C. C. Washam .. 1
Clemmons, Nealee Lou Scott ... 1
Hiatt-Sedge Garden—
W. B. Thompson 1
First Church, Mrs. Fred Cox.... ½
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles ... ½

BROTHER TO BROTHER

By N. S. Ogburn

Brother, the Lord has made us his,
Bridging all gulfs through common birth;
Why set our selfish boundaries
Shutting from each our common worth?

Each of us has the sun and air;
All of us live and love and grope!
Each needs the other's love and care;
All have to spare some love and hope!

Brother, our God still makes us one.
"Not one should perish"—still his plan!
Lay aside our sword and gun,
Brother to brother and man to man!

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PURE IN HEART

Not in some far-off heaven,
Some vague eternity,
But here and now, in the faces
Of men, women and children,
We may and must see God.
In a world distraught
By racial hate and greed,
Inclusive love and kindness
Are man's greatest need,
God would have us see
His stamp, divinity;
Such vision will preclude
Distrust, suspicion, strife,
And guarantee world peace
And world-wide brotherhood.

Mrs. Ethel L. Kitchell.
St. Louis, Mo.

CHURCH-WIDE SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN

We desire to stress again the world-wide subscription campaign during the week of May 4-11, 1941, when it is hoped to secure 100,000 new readers for the World Outlook. This special appeal ordered by the board of missions and church extension and andorsed by the Council of Bishops culminates during that week. It has already been successful as is shown by the largely increased number of subscribers to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. During this culminating week the magazines ask the support of pastors, church boards of missions and church extension, and Woman's Societies of Christian Service. The World Outlook $1 a year, The Methodist Woman 50 cents a year, the combined price of both $1.25 a year when ordered together. May our conference join in this great campaign with an enthusiasm and interest that means success.

ZONE MEETING, HIGH POINT DISTRICT

By Mrs. A. J. Koonce, Rec. Sec.

Zone No. 1 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, High Point district, held its first meeting of the new year in the First Methodist church of High Point recently with Mrs. W. T. Powell, district corresponding secretary, presiding. A short musical program of hymns played by Mrs. C. R. Hinshaw opened and closed the devotional service, which was led by Rev. J. C. Madison, pastor of hostess church. A roll call of the churches in the district comprising the zone showed 87 present representing 19 churches.

Mrs. Powell explained in detail the work of the organization as outlined at a recent executive meeting at Sunny Acres, giving as our theme for the year, "Unity and Love," based on the selected scripture 1 Corinthians 1:13. 566 societies were reported for the Western North Carolina conference, with a membership of 23,325—63 societies out of 103 churches in the High Point district, leaving almost 40 churches to be organized. Mrs. Powell urged all members to subscribe to the World Outlook, The Methodist Woman and the NorthCarolina Christian Advocate. She also announced as the district pledge for 1941 $4750.

Other announcements were the World Day of Prayer and the annual meeting to be held in Greensboro. High Point district, in keeping with request from executive committee, will share in furnishing a room at Scarritt College at a cost of $150, for which the districts will pay an equal amount, the room to be known as "The Kate Hackney Room," named for Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China.

Mrs. E. A. Lamb, conference secretary of young women and girls' work, gave her report on this department, which embraces the ages from 12-24. She suggested using the Plan Book for organization, dividing age groups according to existing conditions in local churches.

Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, district director of church school and children's work, stated that classes for church membership were being formed for Palm Sunday, and that it was not too early to begin to plan for a vacation Bible school. Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, spoke on the importance of woman's part in Methodism and called attention to the work of the Golden Cross at the Elkin Hospital, and to Mobilization Day with the outstanding speakers, Dr. Patterson, Mr. Edgar Welch and Dr. John R. Mott.

An offering of $8.71 was received. The last week in September was chosen as the date for the fall zone meeting and Hopewell and Trinity churches will be hostesses with meeting at Trinity church. It was announced also that High Point district meeting would be held in May, date to be announced later. Mrs. H. W. McCain as secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities for the district, presented the work and urged the societies to order the study books and take advantage of all information given in study books and church papers and report same to Mrs. Powell.

Mrs. J. A. Eshelman represented the spiritual life work, giving as its purpose the deepening of our own spiritual lives so that we may be able to help others. She urged the organization of spritual life groups in all the societies of the district.

Mrs. Powell read the Efficiency Aim of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, after which Rev. I. L. Roberts of Randleman, missionary secretary of the High Point district, gave an interesting report of the missionary institute in Asheboro, March 30. He offered the loan of his moving picture projector to any society wishing to show missionary films in connection with their meetings.

The meeting closed with solo by Mrs. J. H. Allred, "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated, Lord to Thee," following which the president of each society made the pledge for her society for the year. Meeting was dismissed with benediction by Dr. S. W. Taylor. Lunch followed in the church dining room.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM MOORE MEMORIAL, SHANGHAI, CHINA

The World Outlook for April carries an interesting article about Moore Memorial church of Shanghai, China, from Rev. Sidney Anderson, missionary in China. "At no other time since I have been in China has the church faced such unlimited needs, such opportunities, and such grave responsibilities as it faces today," says Rev. Sidney Anderson, who is in a position to know, having been in China since 1914. In the years since he has given himself wholeheartedly to the development of Christian service at the noted Moore Memorial church in Shanghai—one of the largest institutional churches in the entire Orient. Illustrating the opportunities in China, he reports 55 babies baptized in the church on Christmas, 150 persons received into church membership the following Sunday, "all of whom have come in through extended training." "Every service," Mr. Anderson says, "is flooded with people as is indicated by standing room being at a premium at church services. Our own problem at this church 'is more and more'—all kinds of people—wonderful people—and others. The others, I really believe might be wonderful too, but their chances are low. On Christmas morning we had some 1400 in the auditorium, about 1000 cooked rice buyers stretched clear around the church, and then about 200 beggars came inside the gate and stood quietly waiting, just waiting. We could not do much for them, but gave each of them four rice tickets and they went away considering it a 'fair deal.' The children got a better Christmas—a little meat in their vegetables, a pair of stockings with some candy and peanuts, and after careful investigation by our case worker they are getting a warm cotton coat—and all that is in the realm of the 'wonderful.' "

METHODISM MINISTERS TO KOREANS OF CHICAGO

Among Chicago's population of between 150 and 200 Koreans, Methodism is well established with a church at 826 Oakdale avenue, and a loyal membership of 89 persons. They live in all parts of the city, but on Sunday they come together in their own church for a day of fellowship and worship. One man drives 38 miles to attend church.

The church is well known among Koreans throughout the country, who know "that the latchstring is out" when they are traveling to and from Chicago. A number of young people attending school in Chicago live at the center, as does the pastor, the Rev. Eun Taik Yi, and his family. His wife and children have arrived only recently from Korea.—World Outlook for April.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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"ARE YE ABLE?"

"There are three great costs which we must meet if we would have eternal life: 1. Hard work. People who are truly great achieve greatness by hard work. There are no short cuts to abundant living, it is a pass to hard work, to taking what we want, but paying for it. 2. A long look. Jesus did not want to go to the cross, but for the joy of the goal of attaining what came after the cross, he set aside personal wishes and went to the cross. 3. We must use what we have. That is the comforting thing about the Christian life. What we might resolve that regardless of how many or how few talents we have we will dedicate them to God and his service. Jesus can take our gifts and use them if we will give him the opportunity." Editor's note: The foregoing thoughts are excerpts from the second of the meditations given by Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, at the recent meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S.

WANTED—100,000 NEW READERS

Sponsored by the board of missions and church extension and endorsed by the Council of Bishops, the nation-wide appeal for one hundred thousand new readers is under way. The Woman's Societies of Christian Service are asked to participate in this crusade to place World Outlook in the homes of the people of Methodism. The week of May 4-11 will be observed as World Outlook week, when a special campaign for subscriptions will be made. By special effort during this week 100,000 new subscriptions to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman can be obtained in this one week. Suggestions and helps for the campaign are available without cost from Circulation Department, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, or 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

INTRODUCING

At the recent annual conference in Rocky Mount when Mrs. Gurney P. Hood was elected conference secretary, the vacancy of Raleigh district secretary occurred. To fill this vacancy Mrs. T. R. Smith, Rt. 1, Henderson, was appointed. Mrs. Smith, a member of Plank Chapel church on the Tar River charge, is a former president of the society of that church, has served as Northern zone leader in her district for the past four years. Mrs. Smith knows and loves the work of the W. S. C. S., is a conscientious and untiring worker, a possessor of executive ability, a gentle, lovable personality. The Raleigh district and the North Carolina conference are indeed fortunate in having as Mrs. Hood's successor a woman so capable and Christly in her attitudes and actions. Mrs. Floyd Johnson, having resigned her office as secretary of the Wilmington district, Mrs. N. P. Edens, Tabor City, has been appointed to serve in her stead. Mrs. Edens, wife of a minister of the N. C. conference, has held office continuously in the various churches where her husband has held appointments. She has been president, vice president, secretary of missionary education, secretary of children's work. She has also served as leader of two zones, namely, Lumberton and Columbus. In her every place of leadership the work has prospered much. Mrs, Edens has proved her ability as a leader and her fervent ardor for the work of the Master. Both Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Edens will receive a cheerful and hearty welcome on the conference executive committee, and the prayers and best wishes of all women throughout the conference will follow them as they enter into this larger field of service. —M. E. G.

GOAL FOR N. C. CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S. can ill afford to fail in the quota of subscriptions to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. Our women should and must have the information and inspiration contained in both these publications in order that our conference may go forward in the highest degree of service in the missionary enterprise. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, are asking that each district secretary shall direct a campaign in her respective district, striving for the goal of 100 new subscriptions and all expired or near expired subscriptions renewed. Attaining this goal would mean 700 new readers of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman and countless others containuing in the joy of the pages of both magazines. Subscription price of World Outlook is $1 per year, The Methodist Woman 50 cents per year; ordered together they are $1.25. A bargain if there ever was one.

DURHAM COUNTY ZONE

The Durham county zone meeting was held recently at Calvary Methodist church with Mrs. A. K. Umstead, zone leader, presiding. Mrs. G. P. Whitley gave an address of welcome and Mrs. W. L. Clegg responded. The devotional was presented by Mrs. M. T. Plyler giving the prologue of St. John and closed with prayer. A solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple" was rendered by Mrs. S. L. Hunt with Mrs. G. W. Gilliam at the piano. During the business session splendid reports were given by the various officers and secretaries. A round table discussion, conducted by Mrs. A. M. Gates, was interesting and especially helpful. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, made helpful remarks. Baby life memberships were presented to Daniel Earnhardt, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Earnhardt, the presentation being made by Mrs. A. J. Hobbs. Mrs. C. W. Peppler closed the meeting with prayer. A social hour followed, with the W. S. C. S. serving delicious refreshments.—Mrs. R. C. Yates.

RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETS

Climaxing a fruitful period of nine years as Raleigh district secretary Mrs. Gurney P. Hood presided at the annual meeting of that district which was held in the Methodist church in Cary on April 16. Mrs. Hood spoke feelingly and heart searchingly, urging the women to give all to the work, under the guidance of God, and to keep the work well rounded. Major Leon M. Hall, chaplain at Fort Bragg, told of his work, what the government is doing for the religious life of boys in army camps and emphasized the responsibility of the church toward these boys. Rev. Aubert Smith, pastor Vance circuit, ably discussed "The Challenge of Missions in the Light of Present World Conditions." Rev. J. Doane Stott, returned missionary to Japan, told of the work in that country. Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent, spoke briefly of his appreciation for the work of the women of the district and pledged his support. Mrs. T. R. Smith, newly appointed district secretary, made an appealing talk on her hopes and aspirations for the district. Preceding the noon day message by Mrs. O. W. Dowd, Dunn, Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Raleigh, sang "Jesus Only." Mrs. Weathers was accompanied by Mrs. Caswell Riddle, Raleigh. Mrs. Dowd used 1 Corinthians 13 as a basis for her thoughts upon the subject, "The Mount of Love." Rev. H. B. Baum opened the morning session with a timely message and Rev. S. E. Mercer closed the session with prayer. The afternoon session, following a bountiful and delicious luncheon and a delightful fellowship hour, was devoted to talks on the various departments of work. Participating were: Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, Smithfield, Mrs. R. K. McLean, Henderson, Mrs. G. E. Moore, Oxford, Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, Raleigh, Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, Mrs. Hood and others. Several persons present spoke words of appreciation for Mrs. Hood and her selfless life in the work of the Raleigh district and the congregation stood in a vote of thanks to her. Psalm 19:14 was used as the benedition.

MOREHEAD CITY WOMEN STUDY

An interesting group gathered recently at the parsonage of the First Methodist church in Morehead City, the occasion being the annual school of missions for this church. Everyone brought sandwiches and at noon Mrs. Vickers, the pastor's wife, invited the group to the spacious dining room, where the table was attractively arranged. The book used for the study was "Methodism's World Mission," by Henry Van Dusen. Rev. T. G. Vickers, the pastor, had marked his copy so as to bring out the main thread of the story. He followed these markings informally and brought out a clear idea of the vast undertaking of the Methodist Church in trying to cure the world's dread disease of body, mind and spirit.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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A TWO-FOLD CHALLENGE

It has been repeatedly stated in these columns that the management of the Children's Home has a twofold challenge. One is that of raising a big family of children with proper attitudes and characteristics. Another is that of directing material affairs in such way as to live on a balanced budget. One never gets away from these two challenges. He lives, moves and has his being in the midst of them. They become so enwrapped in his life that not much of anything else can get in nor can he function through much of any other activity. The twofold challenge is tremendously enveloping. Anxiety and satisfaction play hide and seek with one another in alternating fashion. One's psychological feelings are down one day and up the next. Monotonous routine does not thrive in a situation like ours.

TELLING THE TALE

Our Methodist people are determining this year to a marked extent the scope and content of the services the Children's Home will be privileged to give. Our people have come through much of the uncertainty of merging and are becoming solidified into one organization. Changed methods of raising finances have been clarified to a large extent, and our people know what is asked of them and what they expect their reply to be. As we go along through this year we can more clearly determine whether the present challenges can be met and what challenges should be assumed for the ensuing year. In some instances our people are rallying to the Children's Home's cause with gratifying responses. In others there appears to be a hesitancy to assume a fair proportion of the obligation. This year will add its experience to the many others in determining the dependability of our people.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

For the past eight years the Children's Home has lived on a balanced budget, meaning that our financial receipts have been sufficient to pay for our financial expenditures. Indications now point to an unbalanced budget this year. Half of the conference year has passed and we have the benefit of the information it brings to us. Our expenditures have exceeded our income to a rather alarming degree. In spite of the fact that a big majority of the largest paying charges, those who assuredly pay their quotas, have already forwarded their ten per cent apportionment, it is still a fact that not half of the Children's Home apportionment has yet been received. A large percentage of the balance yet to be paid is to come from charges whose assurance of payment carries more doubt than constituency permits through their contributions. We propose to assume only such obligations as can be paid for.

IMPROVING THE SERVICE

It can assuredly be stated that the service rendered the boys and girls who live at the Children's Home is better now than it used to be. The homes in which they live are kept up better than during the early part of the present administration and the personnel of those who do the directing of the children has constantly been improved. The attitudes of our children are better and the results of their efforts are more assuring. There just isn't any doubt in our minds about the Children's Home's becoming more of a real home as the years go by. We are not trying to fool our constituency, nor are we trying to fool even ourselves, in making the foregoing statements.



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UP-KEEP OF PLANT

While we are telling our friends of some of the things that we feel encouraged about we would add that the up-keep of our plant is continually being improved. The construction of new buildings with their splendid facilities has caused such a glaring difference in the appearance and service rendered by the old buildings as to work on the emotions of our children quite perceptibly as they move from one type of building to another. The difference has also worked on the morale of our staff in such a way as to create a sincere desire to even up not only appearances but the services to be rendered. So in the process of several years our buildings have been made more convenient and the health and safety of our children more carefully safeguarded. While not all of our buildings are fireproof, we have tried to fireproof the fire areas of all the buildings.

HER NAME IS JEANNE

Jeanne Williams' picture appears on this page. She will be thirteen years old the 17th of May and about the same time she will be promoted from the sixth grade into the seventh. Jeanne came to us late last summer with the fine group of children from our High Point Children's Home. She has proved to be a good citizen during this year and bids fair to develop into a fine young lady. We have recently given Jeanne to the Susanna Wesley class at Rutherfordton to sponsor. We are glad that Jeanne has such good sponsors and that her sponsors has such a good girl.

STATION IDENTIFICATION

In the ongoing of our continued program of character building we pause every once in a while for station identification. We want our friends to know who our sponsors are, those who make possible the ongoing of our project. Those having paid their apportionment during the past week are herewith listed, the congregation appearing first and the pastor in charge next. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

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Bethpage is a station near Kannapolis. Only a few years ago there was some discussion as to whether this church should not be abandoned. It refused to die and is today an up-and-going organization. J. C. Brown, a living and enthusiastic spirit in this congregation, in forwarding the complete Children's Home quota last week, writes as follows: "We have a fine spirit in our congregation. A large number of our people are tithers. We have built a nice, new parsonage and our next move is to build a new church."

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SELLING THE HOME

Rev. E. L. Kirk, pastor at Boger City, not only believes in the Children's Home but is willing to support it. He and his people are always our good friends. He writes: "With delight I hand you our check for $140, paying in full our apportionment for Boger City. Asbury paid hers in full in November. The total for our charge is $200. We have sold the Children's Home to the entire church school, and I am pleased with it."

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PLUMMING FULL—One of our little girls, who attended the Durham district conference, told me about the large crowd that was present. In the course of her conversation she said the church was "plumming full." It is intensely interesting to hear our children talk about their visits to the district conferences.

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TRAVELING COMPANION —I had the rare pleasure of having Dr. M. T. Plyler for my traveling companion from the Rocky Mount district conference. Mrs. Barnes and I were glad to have him as our guest Wednesday night of last week. I do not think there is any question in the minds of our people about his being pre-eminently fitted as associate editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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GOING STRONG — Our baseball team, coached by Prof. J. O. Sanderson, is adding new victories each week. Last week our boys beat the strong team of Fuquay Springs and the Children's Home of Winston-Salem. Athletics fill a very important place in the lives of our boys and girls. They not only get a big kick out of the games, but learn important lessons that will help them when they have to go out to face the great game of life in the after years.

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THANKS—I deeply appreciate the sincere effort our preachers are making to raise as much of their Orphanage apportionment during the spring as possible. Nearly every mail is bringing checks, and at the district conferences a number of the preachers handed me part of their Orphanage apportionment. I feel confident that others will follow their example during the next month or so. Our preachers and church members love the Methodist Orphanage and what they do for us is a labor of love.

BIG DAY—The fifth Sunday in June has been set apart as Conference-wide Orphanage Day. We are planning to have two or three hundred friends to visit the Orphanage on that day. Gov. J. M. Broughton has been asked to deliver the principal address on that important occasion. Other outstanding men and women will make short addresses. I am making this announcement now so that the friends of the Orphanage may make their plans to be with us on that happy occasion. Details will be announced later.

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AT REST—Tuesday of last week I went to Clinton to attend the funeral of Mrs. Joe Sutton. Before she passed away she expressed the desire that I should attend her funeral. I assisted Brother B. H. Houston and had the privilege of paying tribute to her memory. I was her pastor for four years and learned to esteem her very highly for her work's sake. At the time I was her pastor she was a member of the Goshen Methodist church and was one of the most faithful and consecrated members of Goshen. She was a good wife, devoted mother and a true Christian. She has left a rich legacy to her children and to the cause of righteousness.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES — Durham, Rocky Mount, New Bern and Wilmington had district conferences last week. The funeral of an old friend prevented me from attending the Durham district conference. Mr. A. W. Pridgen, with five of our small children, represented the Orphanage at the Durham district. I had the happy privilege of attending the other three with five of the Orphanage children. At each of the conferences a most cordial welcome was extended to us by the district superintendents, preachers, delegates and the churches, where the conferences were held. Our children always receive the undivided attention of the conferences. They speak far more eloquently and effectively than anything that I can say. I feel confident that their presence at the four district conferences last week made an indelible impression upon all who saw and heard them.

BOY CANES SCHOOLMASTER

When I was learning to be a reporter my editor told me that old definition of "news." "If you see a dog biting a man that isn't news. But if you see a man biting a dog that is!" So, if a schoolmaster canes a boy that isn't news; but if a boy canes a schoolmaster—well, I'm not surprised the papers printed the story. Did you see it?

The master had warned the boys that anyone forgetting to bring his gas mask to school would be caned. "What will happen if you forget yours, sir?" asked the boys. "Then," said the master, you can cane me." And, poor man, the very next day he did forget! He called out the biggest boy in the school, handed him the cane—and took a whacking! That, comrades, is news! —Methodist Recorder, London.

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Rev. Lee F. Tuttle

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DRUNKEN DRIVERS ON THE RAMPAGE IN NORTH CAROLINA

Drunken drivers are on the rampage in North Carolina and constitute one of the factors contributing to the current serious increase in traffic deaths on the streets and highways of this state, the Highway Safety Division reported this week.

Basis for this report was a record number of revocations for drunken driving and a considerable increase in traffic deaths caused by drunk drivers.

Revocations for January, February and March totaled 1809, the highest three-months total on record. Since enforcement of the law relating to drunken driving is more or less constant, an increase in revocations points to an increase in the prevalence of drunken driving, officials said.

Drunken drivers killed 120 persons in North Carolina last year, this being 12 per cent of the total of 990 traffic fatalities. Seventeen of the 87 traffic deaths in the state in February of this year and 10 of the 70 verified March fatalities to date were caused by drinking drivers ,according to records of safety division. Thus, 27 out of the 157 fatalities for the two months period, or 17 per cent of the total, resulted from drinking and driving. This was five per cent above the 1940 average.

"Twenty-seven people were killed in this state in February and March by drivers who were foolish enough to think that they could drive safely after taking a few drinks," declared Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division. "Of all types of traffic accidents, I know of none for which there is as little justification or excuse as those involving drinking drivers.

"To the end that accidents of this type may be eliminated as a factor in our accident problem, I appeal to all North Carolina drivers to refrain from mixing their drinking and driving, and I urge all enforcement officers in the state to be unrelenting and extremely vigilant in apprehending and bringing to justice this ruthless killer—the drunken driver."



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APRIL 27

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Early Church Meeting Human Needs

Acts 4:32 to 7:60

The coming of the Holy Spirit welded the church into the intimacy of a family. They came to have the spirit of Jesus who, when told that his mother and his brethren were standing without desiring to speak with him, took occasion before he welcomed them to say, with a wafture of his hand toward his eager and responsive listeners, Behold, my mother and my brethren! Which, of course, did not mean that he loved his own family less, but that he extended his love and loyalty beyond the limits of his family to all who loved God (Mark 3:31-38).

This inclusion of so large a number into a family involved at once difficult problems. Doubtless there were some who joined the Christian brotherhood in hopes of sharing in the distribution of food (John 6:25-27; Matthew 13:47-50). Later on the church —had to make rules excluding those who preferred to live on the generosity of the disciples rather than to work, and also excluding the widows whose kinsfolk wished to load the responsibility of caring for them upon the church(2 Thessalonians 3:10; 1 Timothy 5:4-16).

There was one case where a man and his wife kept back part of the land which they professed to have given entirely to the church. Peter's terrible sterness was not with the failure to give the whole amount, but for pretending to. He said that to play the hypocrite in the face of the glowing atmosphere of love and sincerity in the church, was more than a lie; it was a lie to the Holy Ghost.

Plainly also that which is perfect had not yet come in the social relationships between the Palestinian and the foreign-born Jews. The widows of the Grecian Jews were neglected in the daily ministration. Doubtless this neglect was unintentional. It was exactly what happens in our churches today when the old families, in spite of their kind intentions, know altogether too little about the foreign-born members of the church.

The apostles saw that if they gave adequate attention to righting this matter they would have little or no time for preaching. So they wisely determined to surrender a part of their authority to a committee selected by the church. Strangely enough all of the seven deacons who were chosen have Greek, not Hebrew, names, as though the church was making honorable amends for any neglect of which they had been guilty. The apostles were now able to put far more energy into their preaching, and cause of friction were removed by the better management of the church's business, and hence the number of the disciples multiplied exceedingly.

And now comes a surprise. The deacons began to develop preaching ability. Responsibility often develops unsuspected gifts.

Stephen full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, preached the gospel with power, and, having in addition to his Jewish training, at least some background of Greek culture, he was more broad-minded than the rest, and proclaimed the truth in a way that was highly irritating to hidebound, traditionally minded Jews. And the worst of it was that his arguments were unanswerable. So, full of wrath, they trumped up false charges against him and brought him before the high court of the Jews. But when he faced the murderous hostility of the court, the Lord did not forsake him. All beholding him saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

Stephen did not attempt to defend himself, but rather to show that the crucifixion of Jesus was no sign that he was not the Messiah. He went back over Hebrew history to point out that like Jesus the pariarchs and heroes who followed the gleam had times of weary waiting, and were often persecuted and rejected. But afterwards God vindicated them. Hence the inference was that the Messiah whom they had crucified was in the exact succession of these ancient men of God.

How interesting it is to note that Luke gives more space to the sermon which he describes to this layman than to any of the speeches of Peter or Paul, and that the most searching modern criticism can find nothing to reject in his argument from prophecy! It is chemically pure of the forced interpretations then in vogue. More than that, Stephen, and not an apostle, had the honor of being the first martyr and of dying like the Saviour with a prayer for his enemies on his lips.

LEGISLATIVE HUMOR

"Several humorous speeches were delivered by members." This sentence is from a newspaper account of doings in the legislature on the day before adjournment. In its issue of Monday, after adjournment, the same newspaper said that the final day of the session was given up largely to horseplay.

All the chronicles show that the proceedings on these two days are much more accurately described by the word horseplay than by the word humor. A reading of some of the so-called humorous speeches leads us to the conclusion that if the listeners laughed at them the listeners were extraordinarily easy to amuse.

We are told of such whimsies as the pinning of signs to the coat-tails of members, and the thought occurs to us that, if only somebody had pulled a chair out from under somebody else, that would have made the merriment complete.

All in all, the session of North Carolina's 1941 legislature was fairly cheerful. There was only one really sad stage in it, and that was when legislators tried to be funny.—Chapel Hill Weekly.

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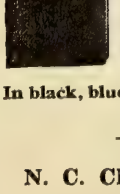
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By Amelia Wofford

"He is not a beautiful dog, but he has rare qualities, and I have made him my companion and friend; he is more worthy of this title than many of those who have taken it, and he has become celebrated at the chateau of Montmorency, for his loving disposition and for the love we have for one another."

So Rousseau pictured his first dog, "Duke."

Duke was his companion. He went with him on his walks, and would lie by his side while he was reading or writing in the shade of a tree.

Remarkable sagacity must have been one of Duke's "rare qualities," and a particularly attractive one to Rousseau; for should he leave behind him a book or a paper, which sometimes happened, he would send Duke for it, and never did the dog fail to bring back in his mouth the forgotten article.

Rousseau gave to "Sultan," his second dog, all the love and care he had given to Duke. It was always Sultan's preference, not his, that mattered. He was fond of boating—drifting at the will of wind and wave. Unfortunately for him Sultan did not share his partiality for this recreation, so he alternated his stay on the water with visits of an hour or two on land.

When Rousseau's writings and charming little operas had lifted him to a high place in the literary and the titled world, he met Hume, the English historian, while in Paris. Hume asked him to go to England with him. Rousseau consented; so to England he went with Hume, and to England Sultan went with him.

Rousseau being a distinguished visitor, Garrick, the great actor, invited him for a special night at his theatre and appointed a box for his occupancy. That night, Hume considering himself Rousseau's host, called at his lodging to escort him to the theater.

Rousseau refused to go.

"What shall I do with Sultan?" he asked.

"You must leave him behind," Hume decided.

"But the first person who opens the door, Sultan will run out into the street in search of me and be lost," Rousseau objected.

"You must lock him up in your room, and put the key in your pocket," Hume proposed.

Rousseau complied. But Sultan's howling when he heard his departing footsteps stayed him.

"I cannot go and leave him in this condition," he protested.

His host stood firm.

"Mr. Garrick has dismissed another company to make room for you. The king and the queen will be present and expect to see you. It will be ridiculous to disappoint them, unless you can give a better reason than Sultan's impatience."

To his host's relief, this argument prevailed. And theatreward he and Sultan's lagging, still reluctant master proceeded.

It must have been after this incident that historian Hume wrote that Rousseau's affection for his dog was "beyond all expression or conception."—Dogdom.

THE FIRST ROBIN

By William G. Murdock

I saw a welcome little friend
Under our old maple today,
Just a cheerful robin red breast,
Which I hope has come back to stay.

Long months ago he disappeared
When the chill winds began to blow;
Far away to the sunny south
He went, fleeing the cold and snow.

Now he is back, and I can hear
Him telling us that spring is here;
No wonder this vivacious bird
Is loved where'er his voice is heard.

I hope he has not come too son,
And that storms and deep snows are past,
For he might either freeze or starve
If these spring-like days should not last.

The robin always makes one feel
The everlasting youth of things;
Year after year he changes not,
As to us his glad song he brings.

—The Presbyterian.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"What kind of pie are you making?" asked Teddy.

"Lemon meringue pie," said mother.

He went out to play, returning some time later and exclaimnig breathlessly: "Mother, what did you say is the pie's middle name?"

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Teacher: "Johnny, why are you so late this morning?"

Johnny (breathlessly): "If you please, teacher, we tuned in on a western station last evening, and mother set the clock by it."

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Reporter: "To what do you attribute your old age?"

Centenarian: "For the first seventy years of my life the motor car was not invented and for the last thirty years I have not been out in the streets."

JUNGLE BABIES

By Blanche Butler

Nearly all the animals we see in the zoo were one day jungle babies, or have lived in a wilderness far away. It is hard to believe when we look at these great, monstrous animals, some of them weighing hundreds of pounds, that they were once tiny babies.

A baby bear weighs at birth only about three-quarters of a pound, and is less than a foot long. When it is a few days old, it is almost hairless, and looks very much like a little, pink-skinned pig.

At an early age bears eat anything from a grasshopper to a deer-steak. They are very fond of honey. The chief diet of the Alaskan bear is salmon. Bear cubs are about the most merry-hearted youngsters you ever saw. They are even more playful than monkeys.

Baby tigers look and act very much like our own tame kittens. Their mother begins to teach them how to behave properly when they are very young. The first lesson consists of learning how to wash their faces and hands correctly, for tigers are extremely clean, and the mother will not tolerate a speck of dirt.

Then come other lessons. They must learn to rustle for their living, and they must also learn the ways, laws and customs of jungle life. The first principle in a tiger's education is patience, and Mrs. Tiger often gives a sound box on the ear to her children for their carelessness in not paying attention to her teaching.

Baby lions are no longer than a small house cat. They cannot walk until they are about three weeks old. Their eyes open on the third day and are of a beautiful, soft brown color, almost like a collie puppy's eyes. Baby lions' eyes are spotted with black spots and resemble the eyes of a leopard.

A baby leopard is very beautiful. It is about as large as a half-grown cat, and is covered with soft, gold-colored fur, marked with black spots. The underneath part of it is cream colored, and its eyes are a deep blue. Leopards are found both in Asia and Africa. They belong to the big cat family, and are remarkable for their grace of movement and beauty of skin.

A baby giraffe is one of the cutest and most interesting of all animal babies. When he is small his neck is not so very long, and does not lengthen to any great extent until the animal enters its second year. His body is pale yellow, beautifully flecked with dark brown spots. The giraffe is the one animal that cannot make any vocal sound, not even the slightest noise, but its hearing is very acute. Baby giraffes can walk when they are only two hours old.—Our Dumb Animals.

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April
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May
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Plymouth, night 4
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W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Roberdel, Steeles, 11 27
Troy Ct., 3 27
Troy, 8 27
May
Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthake, 8 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

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J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
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Seven Springs, Piney Grove, 3 27
Kinston, 7:30 27
May
Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
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April
Moncure, Jones Chapel, 11 27
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Millbrook, Knightdale, 7:30 30
May
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Mamers, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
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Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
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ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
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Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 7:30 30
May
Littleton Ct., Tabor, 11 4
West Halifax, Union, 3:30 4
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 8 4
Weldon, 11 11
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 11
Rocky Mount, First, 8 11
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 11 18
St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 18
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 8 18
Bethel, 11 25
Scotland Neck, Wm. Chapel, 3:30 25
Tarboro, 8 25
June
Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
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Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Roanoke, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Middleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29
July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

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A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
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Swansboro, Queens Creek, 11 20
Maysville, Hopewell, 3:30 20
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlansd, night 20
St. Pauls, Regans, 11 27
Pembroke Parish (Indian Work), Prospect, 3:30.....27
Lumberton, night 27
May
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Swannanoa, 8 24
Saluda, 8 25
Hot Springs, 11 27
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy, Brick Ch., 3..27
Weaverville, 8 28
West Asheville, 8 29
Tryon, 8 30
May
Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Ansonville, Concord, 10 27
Derita, 7:30 27
May
Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Advance, 11 27
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27
Helton, Baldwin, 11 29
Warrensville, Lansing, 3 29
Miller's Creek, Miller's Creek, 11 30
May
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Tabernacle, 11 27
May
Grace, 11 4
Draper, 11 11
Summerfield, 7:30 11
Guilford, Vickery, 11 18
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MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
Old Fort, 11 27
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Marion, First, 7:30 27
May
Cross Mill, 7 4
Sunshine, Pisgah, 11 11
Bostic, Sunshine, 3 11
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 11
North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25
June
Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Elmwood, Elmwood, 11 27
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 2:30 27
Olin, Snow Creek, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Webster, East La Porte, 11 27
Canton, Central, 7:30 27
May
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

April
Green Street, 11 27
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30 27
May
Pinnacle,, Pilot 4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3 4
Thomasville, First, 7:30 4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25
June
Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8

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The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Oak Grove church, Person circuit, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. Cora Chisenhall, wife of S. H. Chisenhall, who passed away February 9, 1941. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society until her death. Mrs. Chisenhall was a splendid Christian character, loyal to her church in every way possible. She truly served the God she loved through great service to others. She possessed those rich qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she came in contact, and we as a group shall cherish her memory through the years.

We thank God for such a life and extend to her loved ones our sympathy and pray that her Christian influence may ever abide with them.

The committee requests that a copy of these words of appreciation and gratitude for her life and service be recorded in the minutes of our society, and that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Zelle Barnette.
Mrs. Alma Clayton,
Mrs. Ivey Cridlin,

RIGGS—Myrtle Cannon Riggs was born April 16, 1894, and departed this life February 23, 1941. On December 2, 1914, she married Richard T. Riggs, who survives her.

When she was 14 she united with the Baptist church; after her marriage she joined the Queen's Creek Methodist church with her husband, and was a faithful member until the time of her death. She will long be remembered for her knowledge, her willingness to lend a helping hand to the needy and her cheerful disposition. She was truly a Christian lady, always considerate of others, and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. She bore her afflictions patiently and would say that Jesus would not put any more on us than we could bear if we put our trust in him.

She leaves to mourn her going her husband, Richard T. Riggs, Swansboro, a niece, Katie Cannon of Newport News, Va., two brothers, Burvel Cannon of Silverdale, and Kenneth Cannon of Washington, D. C., and one sister, Daisy Weeks of Bonita Springs, Florida.

Her funeral was conducted at her home by her pastor, G. C. Wood, assisted by Rev. A. L. Benton, the Baptist minister of Swansboro.

G. C. Wood, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we, the official board of the Jarvis Memorial church note on March 16, 1941, the passing of Mr. Reuben Grant, father of Rev. T. M. Grant. We wish to express to our beloved pastor and his family our heartfelt sympathy for the sorrow which comes to them in the loss of their father. As our devoted pastor has come to us in our afflictions, sorrows and grief to comfort and strengthen us, we would turn to him with grateful hearts of appreciation for the blessings which have come to us, offer in his behalf our prayers, and extend to him our love and sympathy.

That by order of the second quarterly conference this expression be recorded in the quarterly conference records, and that a copy be sent to the family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

WISEMAN—In the afternoon of Sunday, March 23, 1941, Miss Cordelia Wiseman was called to the city of many mansions. Miss Wiseman joined Pine Grove Methodist church early in childhood and has remained faithful since. She was a school teacher and was often away from home long periods of time, but even this did not cause her to forget her obligations to her church.

Miss Wiseman is survived by one brother and one sister, Mr. R. L. Wiseman, and Mrs. Eva Wiseman.

Miss Wiseman was born November 16, 1882. She was 58 years, four months and seven days.

May God bless the great influence for good that she has been in the community and cause the lives of all who knew her to be enriched by that influence. J. L. McGalliard, Pastor.

MANN—Mrs. Harriet E. Mann was born May 29, 1877, and departed this life March 24, 1941. She is survived by her husband, W. Oscar Mann; two sons, Glenn and Gwyn Clark; two daughters, Mrs. Clyde Belcher and Mrs. Loren Moore, all of Candler; three brothers, Henry Heatherly of Cruso, Ben of Waynesville, and Bill of Candler, and two grandchildren.

She had been a member of Davis Chapel Methodist church for many years. She was a faithful worker in the church until her health failed, and was a sacrificing contributor to the church until the end. She was a sufferer for several years, but bore it patiently and uncomplainingly. Her last days were days of agony until near the end, when she quietly fell asleep in Jesus.

Her funeral was conducted at Piney Mountain church by the writer, assisted by Rev. T. A. Groce, and she was buried in the church cemetery by the side of a sister, Mrs. Thos. Stuman.

C. M. White, Pastor.

TAYLOR—Mrs. Julia Daves Taylor, the last surviving child of Hiram W. and Matilda Jones Daves, was born May 1851, and departed this life April 1, 1941. She was married to Rev. Thos. L. Taylor September 12, 1880, with whom she lived happily for nearly 61 years. Four children were born to them, three of whom together with her husband survive—D. L. of Asheville, H. T. and Mrs. Nina Wilson of Candler ;also several grandchildren.

She was a charter member of Brown's View church, leaving her husband as the last of that group. She served many years with her husband and knew well the sacrifices of the parsonage home. She was an invalid for many years, the last six bedfast. Her faith was serene and she endured with a smile while she patiently awaited her release, which came like a calm when she fell on sleep.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer in Brown's View church, assisted by Rev. T. A. Groce and Rev. Gordon Keeler, and we buried her in the family plot in the church cemetery.

C. M. White, Pastor.

CLARK—William T. Clark was born in Haywood county, N. C., July 1, 1870, and departed this life March 9, 1941.

He first married Miss Rebecca Henson November 9, 1897. To this union three children were born: Thurl, Blaine and Blanche. This companion died April 12, 1906. He next married Miss Kitty Penland October 7, 1909, and to this union three children were born, Mabel, James and Wales. This companion died February 9, 1916. He then married Miss Sally Kimsey October 12, 1940. She with four of the children, Mrs. J. C. Gaddy, Mrs. Will Kuykendall, James and Mrs. Bill Morris, survive him; also one sister, Mrs. Alice Henson; three brothers, Weldon of Montana, Wilborn and Lyman of Cruso and Canton, and five grandchildren and a host of friends.

He professed faith in Christ early in life. He joined the Blue Ridge-Atlantic conference in 1905 and located in 1922. He remained a faithful Christian and worker until death.

The funeral was conducted at Meadow Grove Methodist church, Haywood county, by the pastor, Rev. E. Marvin Hoyle, and was buried in Green Cove cemetery near Murphy.

WILLIS—Mrs. Ella J. Willis, aged 77, widow of Edward S. Willis, died February 6, 1941, in Morehead City hospital. She had been in failing health for some time. Mrs. Willis was the daughter of the late John and Jane Nelson of Gloucester, N. C. Her husband preceded her to the grave 38 years ago. She joined the Methodist church in early life and was a loyal member for over 50 years. For many years she was a teacher in the Sunday school and in the missionary society.

She is survived by one son, Edward S. of Wilmington, and three daughters, Mrs. Drew Dixon of Wake Forest, Mrs. Chas. D. Stewart of Edenton, and Mrs. Leolan Whitehurst of Gloucester. Surviving sisters are Mrs. Luola Jackson of St. Michael, Md., and Mrs. Nellie Willis of Morehead City; and three brothers, Stacy G. of Chattanooga, Tenn., Capt. John A. and Charlie G. of Gloucester. There are five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Whitehurst by her pastor, Rev. L. E. Sawyer, who was assisted by Revs. C. B. Harris and Mr. Israel.

For her long years of usefulness and continued interest, when ill health prevented her attendance, we wish to pay tribute to a life well lived in Christian service, and to honor the memory of her whose influence will live on through the years. Marshallburg Methodist church has lost in her one of its oldest members.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The lights are gone out in the mansion of clay,
The curtains are drawn, for the dweller is away.
She silently stepped over the threshold by night
To make her abode in the city of light.

We, the members of the ladies' adult S. S. class of Newland Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to one of our oldest and most loyal members, Mrs. Susan Elizabeth Granger, who passed away March 11, 1941, after a year of suffering, being 67 years old.

She leaves to her family of splendid sons and daughters a good example of godly influence.

We thank God for her life, and bow in humble submission to our Father's will.

We extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessing to rest upon them.

Be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. W. N. Brothers,
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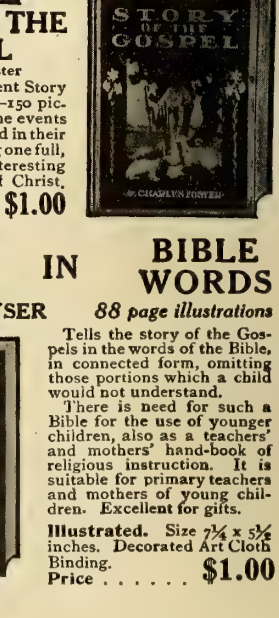
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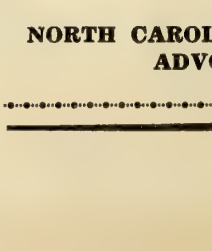
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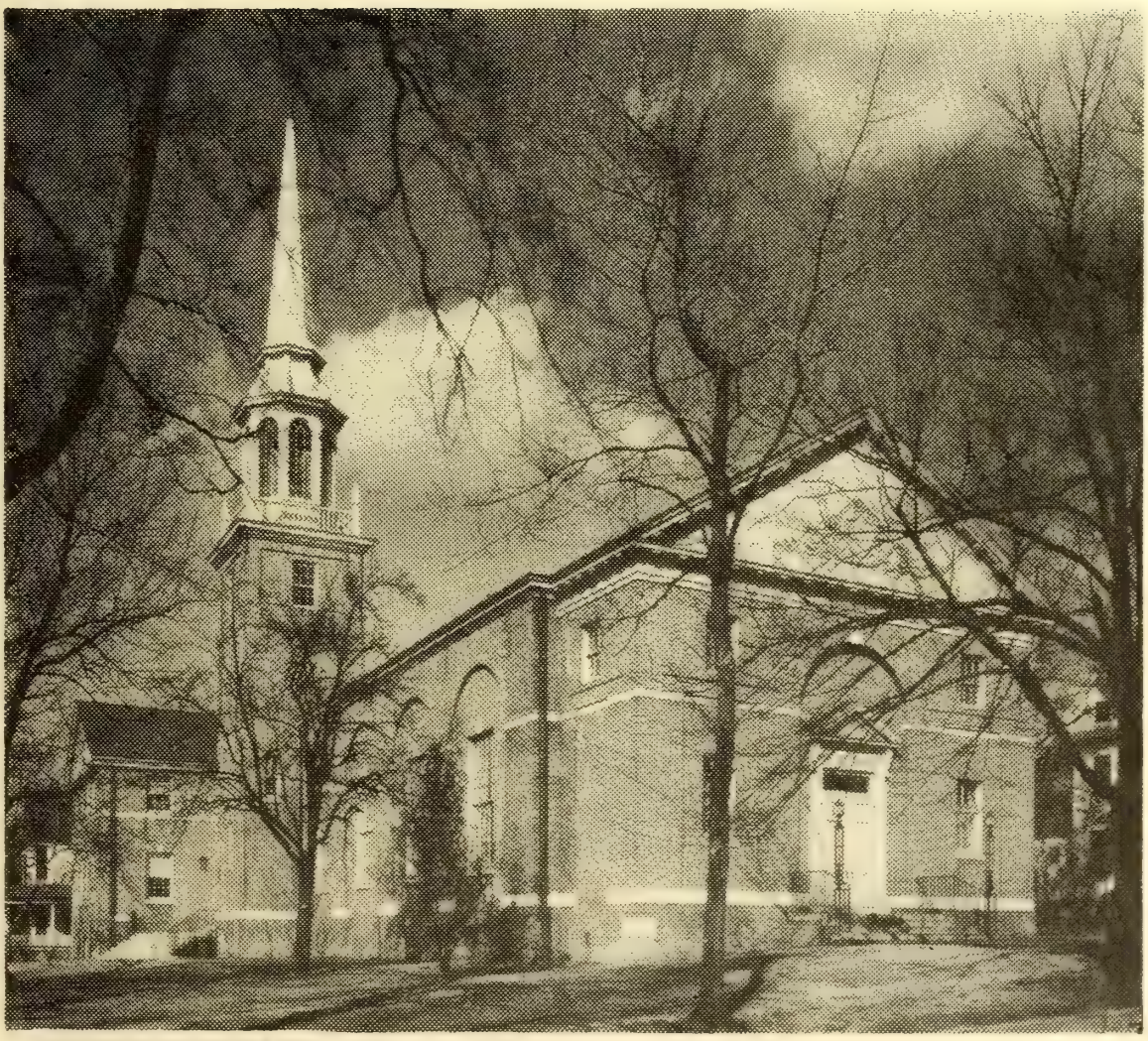
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Bishop Purcell Voluntarily Enters the Advocate Campaign

Before we could ask him Bishop Purcell got into the Advocate campaign in a manner that will gratify all friends of our Advocate. Read what he says:

I wish to call the attention of all of our pastors and members to the special effort now being put forth by the North Carolina CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE for new subscribers.

Our two conferences are most fortunate in having one of the best Advocates in the connection. Its weekly visits to the homes of our people will be the best assistance a pastor can have; and a good conference organ is almost an essential in our Methodist economy.

I shall observe the campaign with great interest and hope to see the list of subscribers increased by many thousands.

Faithfully yours,



A PLEA FOR THE COUNTRY BOYS

The farm people are urged as a patriotic duty to make more food supplies and the local draft boards are ordered to send more boys to the camps, most of whom in North Carolina will have to come from the farms that produce the food. Monday morning dailies of this week carried the following plea:

Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard has asked farm people of the United States to help in the national defense program by producing adequate supplies of pork and poultry and dairy products. As part, the United States Department of Agriculture plans to support prices of hogs, butter, chickens and eggs over the period extending to June 30, 1943.

Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the N. C. State College Extension Service, says farmers of North Carolina have a challenge to co-operate as a patriotic duty, as well as an opportunity to capitalize on the higher prices which will be paid for food products. The extension service is charged with the responsibility of helping farmers to take advantage of the program.

Subject matter specialists of State College and county farm and home demonstration agents have been told to emphasize hog and poultry production in their educational work. "We must remember," Dean Schaub declared, "that 'a hog is only corn on the hoof.' This means we should strive for a bumper crop of corn this year."

The hard working men and boys and women on the farms must be allowed to produce corn and hogs and chickens if they are to "produce adequate supplies of pork and poultry and dairy products" as well as to "capitalize on the higher prices which will be paid for food products." Obviously there is a conflict between the procedure of the Secretary of Agriculture and the authorities of the draft that should be remedied. The local draft boards are expected to do the impossible in some places.

Why not give the hard pressed farm people a chance to help in national defense by feeding the nation and allowing them to profit by any advance in prices? A vigorous young man on the farm can be of far more value in raising corn and hogs and chickens than he can possibly be in a training camp. He is at home in the fields and trained to produce food supplies while there are millions who are acquainted with other lines of activities related to modern army life. Obviously in this entire defense business there is need for more unity with less conflict of demands by various departments of government.

This is a serious situation that confronts the country boys that are being ordered to the camps by the local draft boards. Careful attention should be given to this by men in authority. They have a patriotic duty to perform for these boys.

ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN ON THE MARCH

Some are in the swing, forwarding new subscribers; others are requesting mailing lists so as to get a check on present subscribers; and others are working out the details of their campaign. A number of the women in charge are planning carefully to reach the societies of Christian Service.

Mrs. Helen M. Laughlin, in charge of Advocate for zone No. 2 of the Greensboro district, in a message to the president of each society after a statement of the facts in connection with the campaign, adds these words: "An informed Methodist is a more effective worker in God's kingdom. **Selling the Advocate is a definite part of our missionary program.** Let's show our district what the women can do. Get the women back of anything and it always goes over."

Mrs. Laughlin means to win in her zone by working with an agent in each society.

EMERGENCY FUND PASSES $856,000: MEETING MANY HUMAN NEEDS

Latest reports from the office of Dr. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the Methodist Emergency Commission, are that more than $856,000 had been received by April 21, as a result of the Compassion Day offering in Methodist churches on March 2. It is confidently believed that the final tally will pass the $900,000 mark though it may not reach the million dollars asked. It is reported that a number of large churches did not take the offering until after Easter Sunday and these are still to be heard from.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference will convene at Moore's Chapel on Thursday, May 15, at 9 a. m. In order to reach the conference take the Mt. Holly road leading out of Charlotte and follow it for five miles, then take the hard surfaced road on the left at Thrift and follow it for two miles.

All who have matters of importance to present will receive a cordial welcome. Rev. J. H. Carper, pastor, and his people of the Thrift-Moore's charge are making due preparation to care for all who attend.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

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The spirit of Christ in man; a consuming passion for the salvation of the lost; a definite divine call to the work, are three of the essentials in making a scriptural ministry. Without these qualifications a man does not amount to much in the spiritual conquest.

It is a generally accepted fact that very many people do not recognize an opportunity when it comes their way. And the Christian Science Monitor tells why it is. Here is the explanation: "It usually goes around wearing overalls and looking like hard work."

The overseas news agency says that the German conquerors of Holland are roasting huge quantities of tulip bulbs, mixing them with ground acorns and distributing them throughout Holland as coffee. During the Federal blockade of the Southern Confederacy in the sixties the people made coffee out of parched sweet potatoes.

The truth makes free and the Son makes free indeed. When men reach this stage ready to rely on the freedom born within, we will not have to turn to such slogans as "Buy Defense Bonds" or "Buy Liberty Bonds," as we did twenty-three years ago in the effort to make the world safe for democracy. Security springs from within.

People have money now, and to spare. Already signs begin to appear that a good many folks are at a loss to know how to spend it. A wise pastor will see in this situation an opportunity to turn some of this money in proper channels. Why not do big things for the church now when you can, if you have any capacity for leadership? Put this Advocate campaign over in a way that you can be proud of, while at the same time you are doing other good deeds for the church of God.

If it rains when we desire fair weather, we do not like it. If our plans are upset, then we are upset. If the weather is cold we want it hot, or if hot we prefer it cold. Why will folks persist in being displeased and as a consequence be strangers to happiness most of the time? And then they complain about this being a bad world. When the trouble is primarily within.

Defense for America enlists all the efforts of men and women in the nation. But this attitude belongs not to the Christian church these times with so much stress on the material and the militant. A spiritual offensive, with spiritual aggressiveness embodied in devoted men and women is the chief need of the Christian church in this present hour. The method of the cross wins.

The incident of the wounded man on the road to Jericho would be of slight import but for the fact that the Jericho road passes through North Carolina on out across every land and around the world. The Good Samaritan took the man to a hospital and cared for him there. Jesus in effect said, "Go thou and do likewise." This Jericho road passes through your city and mine and on down all our main streets and highways, over mountains and on the seaside. The lesson of the Jericho road is for all.

Money cannot buy many of the best things of life. The sunshine, the beauty of the stars at midnight, the autumnal sunset, the wild flowers of spring time, are as free as the air we breathe. Many more are in reach, alike of the rich and the poor. A contented mind and heart, the love and appreciation of friends, the pleasures of hope and the victories of an all conquering faith are among these riches of human life. The things that the rich can enjoy that are beyond the reach of the poor are not the great essentials of life.

The Times Are Out of Joint

WE are thinking just now of America and not of the desperate lands beyond the seas. So much is wrong at our own doors that the situation becomes most distressing. Boys are ordered away to camp to be paid about one dollar a day; men in industry refuse to work for less than a dollar an hour. The spirit of the sit-down strike is abroad in this land and Washington does nothing about it. The fine boys from our peace loving homes have no slightest choice in the matter but to submit to military authority. On the other hand masses of men who have the ballot and can exercise the fear of force refuse orders. Moreover, men with little or no training and frail boys unable to pass the physical tests of the draft are able to command big pay in certain lines of defense work. Yet the claim is made that this is a glorious democracy set to the defense of democracy. This procedure is on all fours with much of our present tax system in state and nation.

Ministers of God, teachers of youth, fathers of families must pay their income tax while affairs of government, in both state and nation, are exempted; but church property, school property, orphanage property must go on the tax books though the property of state schools and other property of the state in competition with private enterprise goes "scot free." This is the law enacted in democratic America at a time when we are fighting for world democracy. Something certainly is wrong—the times are badly out of joint, to quote a well known Shakespearean quotation.

Our peril is not the invading forces of mad men abroad but the Hitlerism that thrives in our midst as the nation becomes more and more fully regimented. The militarism of Europe of former times from which the multitudes fled to this land of freedom is being fastened upon us in the name of the "defense of democracy." A free conscience, a free church, a free people are becoming subject to a vast system firmly undergirded by money, by militarism, and the god of Mammon. The church of Jesus Christ in its world wide undertakings for human welfare is fast becoming the victim of Caesar. The sheriff under the law in N. C. firmly demands his tax money even though orphan children go hungry. This, too, at a time when so much is made of "social welfare." We repeat, the times are out of joint.

Eddie Cantor's Sermon on the Church

EDDIE CANTOR some time ago at the close of one of his radio programs said:

"We've had a lot of fun here tonight, ladies and gentlemen, and now, if you'll permit me, I'd like to say something a bit more serious. Here in Los Angeles a few days ago we had a rather disturbing windstorm. I was walking along Sunset Boulevard at the time, and like the other pedestrians, I ran for cover as a gale swept down. There were a number of stores nearby, but something guided me toward a building across the street. I stood there in the archway several minutes, I guess, before I realized where I was. I had taken refuge in the doorway of a church—and it set me to thinking. The world today is going through something far more threatening than a windstorm. Every single one of us needs refuge of one kind or another. And I know of no better place to go for it than a church. You know, the church must be a very strong and righteous thing—for it has survived every enemy it ever had! And the book which embodies the principles of the church—the Bible—is still at the top of the best-seller list. We are extremely fortunate to live in a country where we can worship as we please, when we please. Let's make the most of this blessing. Go to church . . . whatever your race or creed. . . . You'll meet old friends—and make new ones. The greatest calamity that can befall a people is the loss of religion. Don't let it happen here. Go to church."

Select a church and support it with your attendance.

The Negro for Unconscious Humor

THE truth of this headline finds illustration in a story that one of our city preachers tells at his own expense. This pastor was far above the average or he would have made no mention of the incident. Here is the story:

His janitor was an old Negro who was a member of a colored church on the other side of town. "It's too bad you have to miss the services in your own church," the kind-hearted pastor said, rather sympathetically, one Monday morning.

"Well, I doan feel lak I miss much," the old man replied. "Our pastor ain't much of a preachah, and besides, I'd almost as soon hear you anyhow."

Can Methodism Repeat?

DURING the Aldersgate celebration again and again was heard the pleas based on the "heart warming" of John Wesley. Then we felt that something of this kind was certainly needed to secure the union of our American Methodism. At this moment, as the nation walks on the brink of war and we are about to be overwhelmed by gross materialism, we know the need is far more desperate than in those days. Money by the billions, sufficient to overload any people, millions of boys training for a war we were to keep out of, insidious efforts to enlist churches in this present effort for material defense by force of arms rather than to allow the churches to keep to their spiritual mission, should give us pause. Are we Methodists going to be true to the spirit of our founder? John Wesley at the time England was at war with the American colonies opposed war, he waged a fight on the slave trade, and he cried out against the curse of liquor. Now liquor is enthroned in Washington and all across the land; now the effort persists to plunge us into war, and human greed strives to make slaves of us all here in this land of the free. Will every Methodist preacher do his utmost to make secure the flaming heart of Methodism?

Special Weeks and Days

CHRISTIAN Family Week is proposed as a new observance in church circles. May 4-11 inclusive is the time. It starts on May 4, which has been called Child Health Sunday by the Children's Bureau in Washington, and will close on Mother's Day, May 11.

By presidential proclamation Sunday, May 18, has been designated, "I am an American Day."

And there has been a call issued for a day of prayer for peace. And with it is offered the following information which carried with it the "clink of the guinea":

"The Call, the formal prayer, and suggestions are printed in an attractive folder which is available from the Federal Council of Churches, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, or from the Foreign Missions Conference, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, at the following rates." (Prices omitted).

These are only samples and a very few when compared with the total that are set apart for the American church people to observe. Some people who should know better seem to think that the sure way to accomplish good work is to set apart a special week or a special day.

The Little Church

WE sing the praises of the big churches and ambitious pastors long for the day when they may occupy the pulpit of some big church with a group of assistants about him. But who sings the praises of the little church or cherishes an ambition to become its pastor? Yet the little churches through the generations of the past have been effectual builders of our Methodism in every part of this broad land.

For example, in other years there was a little church in the Reims Creek Valley of Buncombe county that one man and his good wife would not let die. In this little church they and their children worshipped God and carried on the work of Methodism in that little community through the years. And out of that little church have come the following Methodist leaders: Rev. E. M. Jones, superintendent of Gastonia district; Rev. H. E. Jones, pastor, Bryson City; Prof. O. B. Jones, Rocky Mount, Va.; Prof. O. V. Jones, Pineville; Prof. T. A. Jones, Polkton; T. L. Jones, Jr., Black Mountain; F. D. Jones, Weaverville; Howard Jones, Weaverville; Mrs. D. A. Clark, pastor's wife, Washington, N. C.

What big church in all this country can equal the record of this unpretentious church of the North Carolina mountains?

An Explanation of Idolatry's Success

IDOLATRY, or the worship of idols, has occupied a conspicuous place in the history of the race. One sometimes wonders why this persistency of worship of silent images of wood and stone, and sometimes these objects of adoration are clothed with flesh and blood.

One sufficient explanation is that all objects of idol worship are dumb, never uttering a word. They are silent in every tongue of the human race. If they were to speak their worshippers would in haste flee from them.

A specific illustration of this truth is Charles A. Lindbergh. He was an idol of the American people for a number of years, but as soon as he went to talking about questions of international policy he tumbled from the pedestal where he had commanded only adoration and praise.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. Arthur B. Coole, treasurer of the Methodist church in Peking, North China, is on the S. S. President Cleveland, due in San Francisco on April 26.

Just previous to, during and following the Easter season, the Boger City charge has received 23 new members, two by certificate and 21 on profession of faith.—E. L. Kirk.

Rev. and Mrs. F. Olin Stockwell, missionaries of the Methodist Church in Chengtu, West China, are arrivng in America on regular furlough on the S. S. President Coolidge on May 9.

Just a line to inform you that Rev. R. M. Hauss is recovering nicely following an operation here at the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital. Guess he will be here a few weeks.—Mrs. R. M. Hauss.

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, minister of Christ Methodist church, New York City, will be the August preacher in the Central Union church, Honolulu, of which Dr. Horace Leavitt is pastor. He will be accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Dr. Guy H. Black, recently elected associate secretary of the Commission on Evangelism, has established offices at the commission's headquarters in Nashville and is planning a nation-wide crusade of visitation evangelism which will involve more than 1,000 local churches in Methodism. In some sections the crusade will be sponsored interdenominationally by Protestant faiths.

Merrimon Cuninggim, son of Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, Scarritt College president, and Mrs. Cuninggim, has been elected head of the department of Bible and director of religious activities for Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va., Dr. J. N. Hillman, president, has announced. His duties will begin with the fall semester. His ministerial affiliation will be with the Holston conference of the Methodist Church.

Our pre-Easter services here at Old Fort were very successful. My father, Rev. J. M. Varner, brought us inspiring messages each evening throughout the week. The spiritual life of the whole congregation was greatly uplifted. We are happy to work with such fine spirited people. Our church is making progress along all lines. We will have a very fine report for our district conference.—Pastor.

The commencement address was delivered at the Beta school on April 22 by Rev. J. C. Gentry. For the past four months he has taught a Bible course to the junior and senior classes in the Webster high school. This class met for one hour period each morning. The senior class chose their teacher, Rev. J. C. Gentry, to preach the baccalaureate sermon, which was heard by the 31 graduates and a large congregation in the auditorium of the Webster high school last Sunday at 2:30 o'clock. The speaker's subject was Love, the Keynote of Life.

Last week's Advocate cover was lovely. It especially interested me since the dogwood tree is my favorite tree, and it is blooming again. And now comes this week's number of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, its b;eautiful cover so timely, and under these words, "Springtime in the Beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina." I have written a poem entitled "Blue Ridge Blues" that I am submitting to you with the hope that you can publish it in your paper this springtime. Each week I enjoy the Advocate; others enjoy it with me. It is a fine paper, doing much good, and I want to see more and more church members reading it.—Mrs. Wm. D. Tuttle.

Bishop and Mrs. John Gowdy are expected to arrive in San Francisco from China, on May 9, on the S. S. President Coolidge. Bishop Gowdy retired from the active ministry at the recent session of the China Central conference. He had been in China for 39 years, during most of which he was president and professor in the Anglo-Chinese College, Foochow, and in Fukien Christian University.

Central Avenue Methodist church has the distinction of being the smallest church in membership in the city of Charlotte. It is also the youngest Methodist church in this city. But this infant is very much alive. We have had a 20 per cent increase in membership since the annual conference. The inside of the church building, which had not been redecorated for nearly 20 years, has been greatly improved by painting the walls and covering the floor with carpet. We now have one of the most beautiful small sanctuaries in Charlotte.—C. C. Benton.

The young people of the Reidsville Lindsey Street church served a delightful supper Wednesday night, April 23, to about 55 guests in the basement of the church, which was beautifully decorated with seasonal flowers, crepe paper and candles. This supper was prepared and served by the girls of this group under the efficient leadership of Miss Margaret Lester. Following the supper Mr. J. H. Allen brought a delightful message to the young folks. After this devotional period the young people enjoyed an hour of jolly recreation.—Margaret McCollum, Rep.

A deputation of outstanding Christian leaders of Japan are now on the Pacific en route to the United States for a conference with representative American citizens on problems of mutual concern to church leaders of both countries. The Japanese deputation includes Bishop Yoshimune Abe of the Methodist Church of Japan; Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, noted social worker and evangelist; Miss Michi Kawai, formerly general secretary of the National Y. W. C. A. of Japan; the Rev. Michio Kozaki, vice chairman of the Japanese National Christian Council; the Hon. Tsunejiro Matsuyama, member of Parliament and a representative of the Japanese National Christian Council; Mr. Soichi Saito, general secretary of the Japanese Y. M. C. A., and Dr. William Axling, honorary secretary of the Japanese Christian Council.



Dr. William Fletcher Quillian, Methodist clergyman and educator, will deliver the baccalaureate address to the Greensboro College graduating class in June.

Leaksville: Fine meeting. Preaching done by district superintendent, who won the love and appreciation of the church. Rev. L. B. Hayes is now a favorite with our people. Budget for the year paid to date; $150 paid to Compassion Sunday fund. Rev. J. W. Clay of Winston-Salem, formerly of our mission field in Brazil, brought a wonderful address to our church Sunday. This historic little town, the lovely little church and the convenient parsonage, the responsive congregation, their generous care of the pastor, the co-operation of the youth and the support of the mature make this a most desirable charge in the conference. Sorry my four years are soon to close.—A. C. Swofford.

Dr. C. L. White, former executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and for several years president of the Home Missions Council of North America, passed away after a brief illness Saturday, April 19. The funeral was held at his home in Hampton Falls, N. H., Dr. Charles S. Detwiler of the Home Mission Society delivering the memorial address. Dr. White leaves a widow and five daughters and a host of friends in all church communions in the the United States, Canada and Great Britain, to mourn his loss. He had served as mission administrator in New Hampshire and president of Colby College before entering upon his work with the Home Mission Society.

The executive staff of the China Central conference and the Board of Bishops for China have joined in a cablegram to the Board of Missions and Church Extension "unanimously urging after extended consideration" that all Methodist missionaries, men and women, formerly stationed in Free China, but now on furlough in America, be returned there immediately for active service. Because of the general war and world situation, the board has been extending the furloughs to a number of West China missionaries beyond the usual year, but will probably now approve of their early return to China because of this cablegram. The cable was signed by Dr. E. Pearce Hayes as secretary of the China Central Conference's executive staff.

Pre-Easter services at Prospect, Yanceyville charge, resulted in ten additions by profession of faith. A training school for Bethel and Shady Grove churches, taught by Rev. F. M. Patterson, resulted in an average attendance of 50 with 31 receiving certificates of credit. Over $300 has been paid on World Service by the charge. A new basement has just been completed at Shady Grove. At Yanceyville the congregation voted almost unanimously to locate the new church on Main street and a lot is being purchased for this purpose. Last Sunday following the service at Shady Grove this pastor returned to his car to find it heavily loaded with a variety of good things to eat. Among other things was 32 pounds of sugar, which indicates the determination of this people for their pastor to "keep sweet."—Joyce V. Early.

MID-YEAR MEETING OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

Fayetteville, May 12; Greenville, May 13. Dr. J. M. Ormond presiding.

10:30. Worship service. F. S. Love.

11:00. Missionary Imperatives. Bishop Clare Purcell. Fifteen minutes for discussion.

11:45. A program of world service in the city church. E. L. Hillman, R. E. Brown.

12:00. World service program in the town and country church. T. R. Jenkins, C. W. Goldston.

12:20. Missions in our time. Dr. F. B. Newell.

1:00. Intermission.

2:00. Spiritual values in world service. H. C. Smith.

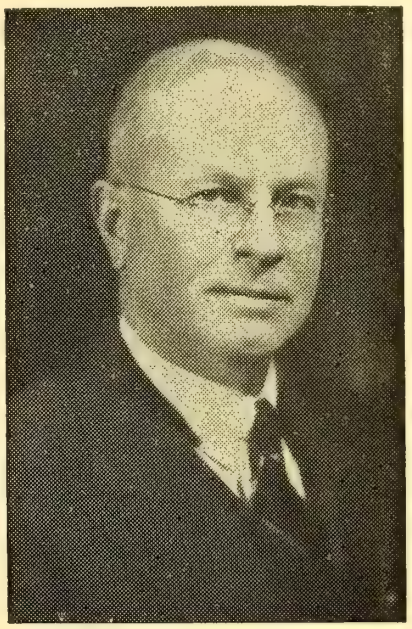
2:25. Missions in our educational program. R. W. Bradshaw.

2:40. Missions in your community. Dr. F. B. Newell.

3:10. Our task and our program. Bishop Clare Purcell.

DR. ALBERT W. PALMER TO PREACH AT WESLEY MEMORIAL, HIGH POINT

Dr. Albert W. Palmer, the president of the Chicago Theological Seminary, will preach at Wesley Memorial church, High Point, Sunday evening, May 4, 8 p. m., according to an announcement by Dr. Embree H. Blackard. Dr. Palmer will speak on "Humanity's Shortest and Wisest Creed."



Dr. Albert W. Palmer

Dr. Palmer has held pastorates in California, Honolulu, and Illinois, before becoming president of the Chicago Theological Seminary in 1930. He has traveled in Europe and the Orient. He was with the A. E. F. in Siberia, where he saw the back-wash of the war as the Kolchak forces retreated before the Bolsheviks. He was a delegate to the Oxford and Edinburgh Conference in 1937.

Dr. Palmer is the author of a number of books. His latest book was published in 1939 under the title, "The Art of Conducting Public Worship."

The officials of Wesley Memorial church extend a cordial invitation to the public to hear Dr. Palmer.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. William Fletcher Quillian, Methodist clergyman and educator, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the 1941 graduating class of Greensboro College at West Market Street Methodist church, Sunday morning, June 1, at 11 o'clock. Dr. Quillian has been active in work of the Methodist church, especially on Christian education committees, and is now one of the secretaries of the board of missions and church extension of the Methodist Church, with headquarters at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City. Dr. Quillian, the author of several books, including "A New Day for Historic Wesleyan," was president of Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga., from 1920-1931, and was general secretary of the board of Christian education of the Methodist Church. He received the D.D. degree from Emory University and the LL.D. degree from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

The Greensboro College school of music presented Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem, in her senior piano recital Tuesday, April 29, at 8 p. m. in Odell auditorium. Her program included numbers by Bach, Franck, Chopin, DeBussy, Griffes, and Tschaikowsky. Miss Angel, who has for two years been pianist for the Irving Literary Society, was recently awarded first place in piano in a contest sponsored by the N. C. Federation of Music Clubs for Student Musicians between 18 and 23.

Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland," presented last week by the Greensboro College Players, was unusually well received, by the audience on Friday evening as well as by the large group of children who attended the special performance on Saturday afternoon.

Love's Chapel and Love's Grove to Be Dedicated



Love's Chapel Methodist Church, organized 1858



Love's Grove Methodist Church, organized 1860

Love's Chapel and Love's Grove Methodist churches will be dedicated on Sunday, May 11, 1941. Both of these churches are on the Stanfield charge in the western part of Stanly county.

Love's Chapel will be dedicated at the 11 o'clock hour. Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent of the Salisbury district, will present to the congregation Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, resident bishop of the two Methodist conferences in North Carolina, who will be the guest speaker. Immediately following his sermon, he will dedicate the new church.

On the same afternoon, following the picnic lunch which will be spread at Love's Chapel, practically the same audience will move over to Love's Grove, only two miles away, to attend the dedication service for that church. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, professor of theology in the Duke University school of religion, will preach the dedicatory sermon, after which Bishop Purcell will dedicate that church.

The formal presentation of each church to the bishop for dedication will be made by the board of trustees who are as follows: Love's Chapel: L. A. Love, chairman, S. J. Furr, J. E. Love, M. H. Love, and Henry Yow; Love's Grove: H. M. Tarleton, chairman, Jonah Little, and John I. Efird.

These trustees, with their pastor, Rev. John R. Hamilton, and district superintendent, Dr. C. N. Clark, are sponsoring these dedicatory services.

Former pastors, friends and the public are extended a cordial invitation to attend these services.

QUAKERS SERVING ENGLAND AND FRANCE

The American Friends Service Committee, working through English Quakers, are furnishing $10,000 per month for humanitarian work in air-raid shelters and among families that have been bombed out of their homes in England. English Quakers have organized about 500 young people as trained units with mobile equipment to rush into devastated areas and organize emergency relief services. They have already done distinguished work in Coventry, Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, and other badly hit areas.

"The British government is trying to expand these relief services modeled on the Quaker experiment," according to a recent report to the American committee.



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL



DR. C. N. CLARK
District Superintendent of the Salisbury District



DR. GILBERT T. ROWE

ROWLAND METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATED

Rowland Methodist church was dedicated Sunday in a beautiful service with the dedicatory sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, Rowland Presbyterian and Baptist and Ashpole Presbyterian churches uniting with Rowland Centenary and Purvis congregations of the Rowland charge in a happy celebration with the pastor of the church, Rev. W. Carleton Wilson presiding over the carefully prepared and faultlessly rendered program for the day of dedication.

The impressive services in the church were followed by a sumptuous dinner in the church grove in rear of the building and all but a few of the large congregation, which taxed the seating capacity of the edifice enjoyed the excellent repast provided by people of the community and the fellowship of a delightful social hour.

It was a perfect day for such an occasion and Rev. Mr. Wilson, serving his second year as pastor, kept the events of the memorable day moving with effortless ease.

Two vested choirs, senior and junior, occupied seats on each side of the chancel,and the anthems and congregational singing were inspiring features of the service.

Occupying a seat in the pulpit with Bishop Purcell and the pastor was Rev. J. W. Bradley, first pastor of the charge, who read the invocation and later reported briefly when presented by the pastor.

Mr. Wilson was happy and informal in his words of welcome ,and among those recognized were two charter members who were present, Mrs. A. E. Watson and her brother, Dr. R. F. Graham.

Then followed the sermon by Bishop Purcell and the act of dedication. This is treated fully in the report of the day as carried by The Robesonian, from which the foregoing excerpt is taken.

LOUISURG COLLEGE MAY DAY

On Saturday, May 3, Louisburg College alumni will return for home coming. At 1:30 o'clock there will be a baseball game between the alumni and the college varsity. At 4:30 o'clock the May Day fete will take place. The queen, Miss Margaret White Byrum, and the king, Mr. James Featherston, will reign over the festival. The maid of honor is Miss Gloria Simpson and her escort Mr. Charles Willimason. The attendants are as follows: Sarah Davis with William Fagan; Dorothy Edge with Howard Mitchener; Genevieve Ellis with Henry Murden; Rachel Fox with Willis Marshall; Catherine Gillis with Borden McCless; Margaret Holmes with George Lumpkin; Ella Lewis with Roy Bailey; Ruby G. Massenburg with William King; Mary McArtan with Jimmy Durham; Edith Pittman with Edwin Robinson; Frances Terrell with Rod Lancaster; Ruth Stallings with Don Bell.

The theme is "An English Country Fair." Others taking part in the program are: Arthur Creig, soloist, "Come to the Fair"; quartet, "Country Gardens," Jean Strickland, soprano; Jane Murphy, alto; Dan McFarland, tenor; Arthur Creig, bass. Those participating in the Villagers dance are: Laura Lytch, Nell Gupton, Oleta Odum, Dorothy Watson, Neva Del Budd, Jean McDonald, Virginia Spivey, Hilda Kilpatrick, Louise Turner, Brooksie Meekins, Jean McKinnon, Mildred Lewis, Beatrice Lewis, Ruth Scott, Stella Aldridge, Emma Dell Dark, Shirley Roberts, and Jessie Mary Wilson. Games and contests will be carried out by Jack Winslow. The Morris dance by May Davis, Kate Davis, Virginia Hedgepeth, Addie Gupton, Betty Vaniford, and Juanita Redict.

Clowns participating are Billie Amick and Edith Amick. Those students in the May pole dance are: Pauline Litchfield, Virginia Spivey, Gene Thompson, Nina Kirkpatrick, Rosalie Allsbrooks, Oleta Odum, Louise Mason, Louise Carter, Jean Sasser, Blanche Rooks, Alice Casey, Frances Manning, Laurel Ballard, Jane Rosser, Ruth Braswell, Martha Wehrenberg, Caroline Davis, Ludema Boone, Pearl McDonald, Myrtle Harris, Norma Spruill, Dorothy Watson, Gaynelle Jordan, Cythia Clay. Piano accompanists are Genevieve Hodkins and Nancy Hayes.

At 6:30 will be the annual alumni banquet with Judge I. M. Meekins fo Elizabeth City guest speaker. At 9:00 entertainment for alumni and students in the college social hall.

College Girls Attend Fashion Show

On Thursday members of the home economics department participated in the style show in Pullen Hall at State College, Raleigh. Jennie Alston received first place for Louisburg College. Students entering the show were: Jessie Mary Wilson, second place, and Ella Lewis, third place; Jane Murphy, Jean McKinnon, Shirley Roberts, Brooksie Meekins, Oleta Odens, Cynthia Clay, Catherine Lewis, Frances Rogers, Irene Vaughan, Ruth Stallings. Mrs. I. D. Moon, instructor of home economics of Louisburg College, accompanied the group.

Following the style show the Sigma Tau Sigma and Tompkins Textile Society entertained for the participants, their faculty members and visitors from co-operating colleges.

Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity at Louisburg College, entertained its new members at a banquet Friday night. The new members are: Evelyn Lowe and Edward Smith, Fayetteville; Virginia Spivey, Sarah Davis and George Lumpkin, Louisburg; Gene Thompson, Franklinton; Ruth Braswell, Princeton; Willis Gupton, Hollister; Irene Vaughn, Rich Square.

CONFERENCE COURSES OF STUDY

Below is a statement from Dr. Huth H. Harris, director of the correspondence school in reference to conference courses of study:

Undergraduates in the conference course of study in the Southeastern Jurisdiction for the current year, follow the materials prescribed in paragraphs 1762-1766 of the 1940 Discipline.

All accepted supply pastors, by the new law, paragraph 1112, are likewise required to follow the same courses.

B. D. graduates are not required to write any further area theses. However, B.D. men who have been admitted on trial are expected to complete the special course on the Discipline, now issuing from the press, during their first year in the conference.

B. D. men who have passed the second or subsequent years in the old system will have no further requirement to meet.

As the Commission on Courses of Study is to meet in Nashville early in May any new enactments will be immediately reported to the church press, but it is not presumed that any radical changes will be made in the course of study during the calendar year 1941.

It is particularly to be noted that the new course on the Disciplne will be available, we think, within the next ten days.

Wm. A. Jenkins, Chairman,
Board of Ministerial Training.

A FINE TRIBUTE

No one could ask for a more beautiful tribute than the one paid the late Dr. John Thomas Gibbs in the April 17 issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This is well deserved and true except a small error. The first wife of Dr. John Thomas Gibbs was Miss Sallie Wallace of Richlands, Onslow county, instead of Bladen county. At the time of her death Dr. Gibbs was a pastor in Wilmington. When she passed away she with her new born infant were brought back to Richlands and buried in the Wallace cemetery. Here is buried her only sister, Mrs. Kate Wallace Shackelford, wife of the late Congressman John William Shackelford, also a native of Richlands, Onslow county. A beautiful marble monument stands erected to his memory in this silent little city of the dead.

Mrs. Nettie deFord.

DEDICATION SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT SHILOH

Bishop Purcell will dedicate our new Sunday school rooms at Shiloh, near Julian, next Sunday afternoon, May 4, at 3 o'clock. Dr. S. W. Taylor, our district superintendent, will also be present to participate in the exercises. For 150 years the gospel has been preached at this sacred and hallowed place. The church work at all four of the churches is moving on in a very fine way.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

ON THE ROLLING LANDS

Last week we carried a story of the Rocky Mount, the New Bern, and the Wilmington district conferences, these being limited to the level lands of eastern North Carolina. This week we would give some attention to the Raleigh and the Fayetteville districts confined largely to the rolling lands extending from Henderson and Oxford on the north to Rockingham, Laurinburg and Lumberton on the South Carolina border. Raleigh, the capital, and Fayetteville, the chief city of the upper Cape Fear, being the chief cities of these districts. Fayetteville just now is being crowded, if not overrun, by the 60,000 soldiers at Fort Bragg.

The Fayetteville Methodists assembled at Raeford in the sand hill country, dominated largely by the descendants of Scotch Highlanders who settled in this country prior to the American Revolution. A fine citizenship is this with its many "God blessed Macs." Not a few Presbyterians remain true to their lineage. The Methodists, however, have won a fine following of influence in both the town and the country churches.

Many of the early Scotch settlers were loyal to the king and the mother country, so many of these hardy Scotch were numbered with the Tories. Consequently, there still linger the stories of those turbulent days when the conflict was on. The "Tory Hole" at Elizabethtown is well known. So are other historic spots in the valley of the Cape Fear. But the present generation, except those who are historic minded, does not give much attention to those far off days. It is a good land with its fine farms and excellent people.

The industries of the Raleigh section are more varied than on the rest of the rolling lands bordering on the Piedmont, but the industrial development does not compare with the manufacturing section farther west—west of Durham, say.

Fully 300 of the followers of Wesley from the Raleigh district assembled at Fuquay Springs in one of the most attractive brick churches in all that region. The delicious luncheon served told us that we were in a land of good cooks and of abundant food. But details must go, since the secretary of the Raleigh and of the Fayetteville have promised full reports of the districts. A word or two, however, should be said about Methodism in the city of Raleigh. Since all currents flow into Edenton Street of which Dr. J .C. Glenn is pastor, unusual reports are expected. Most encouraging also were the reports of Hayes-Barton, Rev. E. D. Weathers, pastor; Fairmont, Rev. H. M. McLamb, pastor; and Person Street, Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor. All three of these churches are recent ventures in most promising sections of the city. Every prospect gives encouragement to the belief that a new and better day awaits Methodism with these three alert pastors to lead the way.

NOW IT IS CHAPLAIN VICKERS

Rev. T. G. Vickers, pastor at Morehead City, N. C., has been ordered to report at Drew Field, Tampa, Fla., May 1, 1941, for a year's extended active duty. pursuant to the fact that he is a member of the Officers' Reserve Corps, United States Army. We are not informed as to the situation, except that at Tampa are located the headquarters of one of the four Air Corps Areas into which the nation is divided and enormous installations as the base of all air corps operations over the southeastern quarter of the U. S., the Caribbean, the Panama Canal Zone, South America, the West Indies, the Middle and South Atlantic. Bishop Purcell has released Brother Vickers from his present appointment. He is taking steps to fill the appointment at Morehead City. Brother Vickers adds this note:

"I shall be out of personal touch with matters in the conference and am depending on the Advocate to keep me informed. As soon as I know my new address you will hear from me. I shall very likely come up for the annual conference in Durham, however. My family will remain here until June and then go to Junaluska, finally settling in the fall somewhere in N. C. or Florida."

NEW BERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The New Bern district conference convened in the Asbury church on the Dover charge on Thursday, April 17. The conference was opened with a devotional service led by Rev. J. A. Russell, superintendent of the New Bern district. The organization of the conference was speedily effected to prepare the way for the usual procedure of reports with speeches to support them.

The reports of the pastors showed that a general effort has been made to raise the World Service acceptances. The payments for this work was perhaps the most encouraging item in the reports of the pastors. It was also noticeable that a number of the pastors are pro-rating the money received for ministerial support under the proper headings, namely, Episcopal Fund, Claimants, District Superintendent, and the Pastor.

The outstanding feature of the morning program was a sermon by Dr. Outler of Duke University. Dr. Outler pointed out in a clear, interesting and convincing way some of the things wrong with our church. By homely illustrations he appealed to the conference to make the church a power house of spiritual dynamics rather than a hospital where the main energy is expended in binding up congregational frictions so as to hold the body together. The church, he said, should be like a family table where the people come to eat such spiritual food as happens to be placed before them, and not like a cafeteria where people come to choose such of the menu as may be profitable to them socially and financially. It was pointed out that a great many people in the church have received a religious shellacing: they are inwardly unchanged. Like a post soaked in creosote the church members should be thoroughly permeated and permanently changed. The members of the churches should become more like a beehive of useful workers rather than a collection of butterflies, beautiful but comparatively useless. This sermon met with general enthusiasm.

Following the adjournment of the morning session the conference enjoyed dinner on the grounds. At two o'clock the afternon session was opened by a short program of poetry and music by four children from the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh.

In accordance with a motion by the treasurer of the district parsonage property the conference voted to transfer the money collected for a superannuate home to the regular district work fund. Each church of the district which paid into the fund to purchase a superannuate parsonage will receive credit on their district work apportionment for this year. As soon as there is sufficient in-

terest in the superannuate parsonage project the trustees will renew the effort to raise sufficient funds to build a home for the superannuates.

The conference ran smoothly so that the program for the day concluded in time for adjournment at 4 o'clock.

There was a general feeling of genuine appreciation for the warm hospitality of the people on the Dover charge.

The conference voted to hold its next meeting in Smith's Chapel on the Mount Olive circuit.

W. A. Crow, Secretary.

OBSERVATIONS ON ALCOHOLISM

By Enoch L. Stamey, M.D.

Of recent date I saw a questionnaire with answers thereto concerning alcoholism and published by a great temperance organization in one of our great church papers. Of course, I have seen other questionnaires of like nature and the answers received, and while I do not for a moment question the sincerity of the questions asked, and the answers received I, nevertheless, would reverse, not in detail, but in a general way, the opinions expressed. I do this after twenty-eight years of experience and observation as physician-in-charge at the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, North Carolina, from which service I retired one year ago because of the feebleness of age. During these twenty-eight years I treated approximately ten thousand patients from Maine to California and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, and in some instances patients beyond the borders of our own land. I made personal examinations of every patient treated, and I am writing this article not from statistics, and the many quotations heard, and in which I take little interest, but from my own individual observations and studies.

Alcohol is not a stimulant but on the other hand it is a great depressant. It is not a therapeutic remedy but taken into the stomach becomes a deadly poison, and there is not an organ or a function of the human body that is not adversely affected by the use of alcohol. It has a bad effect upon the stomach, producing congestion, gastritis, ulcers, hemorrhages and predisposes to cancer. It has a bad effect upon the heart, producing hypertrophy or enlargement of the heart, then dilatation, the stretching out like a balloon, and with that, valvular disease. It affects the kidneys, causing Bright's disease, diabetes, degeneration, and loss of function followed by dropsical conditions. It has a bad effect upon the liver, causing cirrhosis of hypertrophied form as well as atrophied form, and it affects the spleen in about the same way. Alcohol affects the entire alimentary canal, producing enteritis, colitis, muco-colitis, hemorrhoids and other troubles that might be mentioned. Alcohol affects the entire respiratory organs, producing pharyngitis, laryngitis, bronchitis, and it predisposes to pneumonia and tuberculosis. It affects the entire nervous system, especially the brain, which is the great center of the nervous system, producing alcoholic frenzy, alcoholic delirium, acute alcoholic persecutory insanity, in which the alcoholic takes up a notion that his best friends are against him, and are persecuting him, especially his wife. She might be a woman of spotless character and yet he enters upon a campaign of persecution and mud slinging and renders her life unbearable. It produces acute alcoholic melancholia and many other troubles that might be mentioned. It affects the entire nervous system, and the so-called neuritis of the limbs may be nothing more or less than a form of progressive paralysis caused by alcohol.

When we come to the moral side of the picture, my observation has been that it casts the darkest shadow upon the earth of anything else and has done more to damn the world than most evils put together. It has caused more briny tears to trickle down the pallid faces of women, and sent forth more piteous wails from half-fed and half-clad children than anything else. It is one of the greatest curses that has ever opposed the advancement of the kingdom of God, inasmuch as it destroys every hope and higher aspiration that belongs to a religious and successful Christian life.

repeat, therefore, that there is not an organ or a func- f the human system that may not be adversely affected by alcohol. It is first a vicious habit and then a disease and should be treated as such.

As I have already intimated, this is written from experience and personal observation for the good it may do the temperance cause and not as an advertisement for Keeley Institute, however well I may think of that good institution. I am glad, however, of my years of service at that Institute which I consider perhaps the most outstanding years of my life, and I am passing on these observations for the additional good I may do some otherwise good man from the devastating drinking life.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT CONFERENCE HELD APRIL 23

The reports made by the pastors to the district conference reveal the following facts: Accessions on confession of faith 237, by letter of transfer 254, total accessions 491. Charges reporting 100 and over, one; 75 and over, one; 50 to 75, one; 25 to 50, four; 1 to 25, eighteen. Number of charges reporting accessions, 25.

On 16 charges there are 19 youth organizations. The local board of education has been organized on 23 charges and in 39 church schools. Twenty-three church schools have children's, youth, and adult divisions. An offering is taken on the fifth Sunday for the Children's Home in 26 churches. World Service Sunday (fourth Sunday) is observed in 37 churches. Race relations Sunday was observed by seven churches, and church school rally day by 10. The W. S. C. S. has been organized on 31 charges. There are 54 societies in the district. The Wesleyan Service Guild has been organized in four charges. Four charges have missionary specials. On 21 charges the local board of missions and church extension has been organized. Finances: Salaries are paid in full to date on 14 charges; district superintendents by 22 charges; Episcopal fund by 25 charges; conference claimants by 20 charges; World Service by 15 charges; Children's Home by 13 charges; district work, 21 charges. The administration fund is paid in full for the year by 2 charges; district work by 5; World Service by 1; Children's Home by 6. The following causes have been paid in full to date by 7 charges: Salary, district superintendent, Episcopal fund, conference claimants, World Service, Children's Home, district work. The Episcopal fund, district superintendent and conference claimants are paid 42 per cent to date; World Service, 62 per cent; Children's Home, 52 per cent; district work, 40 per cent; pastors' salaries, 45 per cent. Amount paid on church debt, $4059; for church building, repairs, furnishings and beautifying grounds, $3413; for parsonage buildings, repairs and furnishings, $1859. Total for these causes, $9331. Subscriptions to N. C. Advocate by 24 charges, 116; general Advocate by 20 charges, 85.

Vacation schools are being planned on 29 charges and training schools on 11 charges.

The membership of the district conference is 335. Members answering to roll call at this conference, 135.

S. W. Taylor.

RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE MEETS

The Raleigh district conference met at Fuquay Springs Methodist church Thursday, April 24, at 9:30 o'clock. The district superintendent, Rev. H. I. Glass, was in the chair as presiding officer and dispatched the business of the conference according to schedule, giving due time to the major interests of the church work of the district.

All of the pastors of the district were present and gave a good account of themselves and their work. Their reports revealed the following facts: New church members received to date, 880; 342 by vows and 338 by certificate. The district as a whole showed a marked increase in church school attendance and also attendance at public worship services. The financial reports were most encouraging, indicating quite an increase over those of last year.

The following causes of the church was given special attention and emphasis as the committees made their reports: Evangelism, Christian education, missions, laymen's work, temperance and social service, the Golden Cross, church publications and institutions.

The inspirational speakers of the conference were: Rev. J .A. Martin of Kitrell, Rev. S. E. Mercer of Franklinton, and Dr. W. K. Green, conference lay leader of Durham.

Mr. A. M. Noble of Smithfield was re-elected as district lay leader and Mr. F .E. Parrott and Mr. L. A. Doub associate lay leaders.

The conference came to a close with all feeling the time spent in Christian fellowship and gleaning information and inspiration was most profitable.

E. D. Weathers, Sec.

ALL PASTORS IN NORTH CAROLINA TAKE NOTICE

Rev. George Daniel, who represents himself to be a graduate of Emory University, has been speaking in the Methodist and Baptist churches of Lexington, N. C., which has led Dr. A. M. Faulkner of the Candler school of theology to send us the following letter:

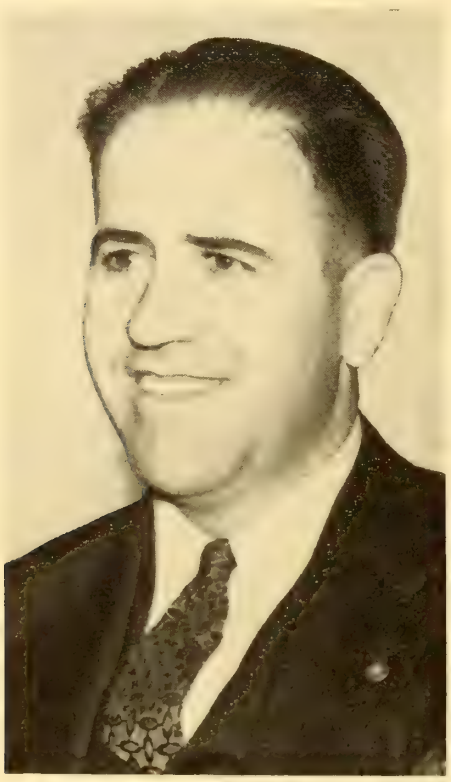
"Mr. Daniel is advertising himself as a student in the Candler school of theology. Dean Trimble has authorized me to write you that Mr. Daniel is not a student in our school and would not be permitted to take work in any department of the university. He feels that you may want to publish this for the information of our ministers throughout the state.

Fraternally yours,

"A. M. Faulkner, Candler School of Theology.."

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF GRACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

Grace church, pictured on the front page of this issue of the Advocate, is this week celebrating the first fifty years of its existence. The ceremonies of this celebration began last Sunday morning with a sermon by Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University and will conclude next Sunday at 11 o'clock with the anniversary sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte.



Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, Pastor of Grace Methodist Church

Grace Methodist church was organized on the first Sunday in May, 1891. Founders' night was observed Wednesday of this week, honoring the five living charter members of the church and beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

History of the church was read by Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor, after which short talks were made by each of the charter members, Miss Charlie Hunter, Mrs. Ernest W. Teague, J. Norman Wills, Richard T. Wills and E. S. Wills.

Friday evening at 6:30 o'clock a banquet will be held at Masonic Temple at which F. R. Stout, chairman of the anniversary committee, will be toastmaster. The principal address will be delivered by R. L. Pope, Thomasville. Special music will be furnished by the church choir.

Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte, will bring the anniversary sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, after which the charter members will again be honored with a luncheon at Jefferson Roof restaurant. Besides Stout the anniversary committee is composed of F. R. Hutton, Mrs. J. R. Dodson, Mrs. W. A. Hornaday, B. R. Clapp, Ernest Scarboro, Allen Johnson, W. H. Hunter and Rev. Mr. Carroll.

The beautiful church building that stands diagonally across Gaston street from the Advocate building was erected fifteen years ago and was the third house of worship. The two that preceded it were in different sections of the city. The first was on East Lee street and the second on the corner of Washington and Green streets. The present church is one of the most beautiful churches in all this section of the country. Rev. J. Elwood Carroll has been the pastor since 1933.

Able pastors have served the congregation, namely: Rev. W. F. Ohrum, 1892; Dr. J. S. Williams, 1893-1896; Dr. J. F. McCulloch, 1897; Dr. T. M. Johnson, 1898-1902; Dr. R. M. Andrews, 1903-1907; Rr. T. J. Ogburn, 1908-1912; Dr. R. M. Andrews, 1913-1917; Dr. C. W. Bates, 1918-1919; Rev. R. C. Stubbins, 1920-1923; Dr. S. K. Spahr, 1924-1926; Rev. R. J. Tamblyn, 1927-1932; Dr. G. I. Humphreys, 1932, and Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, 1933. Dr. Spahr retains the continued relationship of pastor emeritus. Rev. Lawrence C. Little, 1924; Rev. N. M. Harrison, 1926, and Rev. E. Lester Ballard, 1932-1933, served as associate pastors.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR PASTORS AND OTHER CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Some of us can recall the day when we thought that the word "commencement" was the wrong word for the close of school. Time and experience have taught us better! When a person completes his formal course of study, he is then just ready to begin the real task of learning. The young man who took his diploma from the hands of the president, went out on the campus, clapped his feet together and said, "Thank the Lord, I am educated at last," might well be called by a name that would not be becoming in a religious paper. On the other hand, many of us have come to see and feel keenly the wisdom of the aged apostle when he said, "I press toward the goal," and if there was ever an age that called for men who are forward-looking and alert to the best that is in the world, that age is the one in which we are now living. If I may be allowed a personal word, it would be this: I am seventy-four years of age, and have tried to make fairly good use of my time during these years, but I feel most deeply and strongly the force of every word that I have said.

These remarks are preliminary to calling attention to a great opportunity that is offered at Duke University each summer for a week of intensive study, of wide and rich Christian fellowship, of hearing many highly inspirational addresses, and of sharing in numerous open forums and services of deeply spiritual worship. The opportunity in question is summed up in what we are calling the Duke Institutes and Bible Conference. These meetings will be held this year June 2-7 at Duke University. They will be opened by a special address in the Duke Chapel by Dr. Albert W. Beaven, president of Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, on Monday evening, June 2, at eight o'clock. Bishop Clare Purcell will conduct a season of worship each morning in the chapel. Dr. James Moffatt, author of the well known and widely used Moffatt translation of the Bible, will be present, teach two classes each day, and conduct one of the open forums. Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, the author of Highland Shepherds, will be present, teach two classes each day, and make one of the evening addresses. Perhaps most of our pastors have read Highland Shepherds and will readily agree that it is, to say the least, one of the best books ever written on the country pastorate. Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Dickinson of the Brick Presbyterian church, New York City, will be with us, conduct a course in church worship, and talk to special groups. Dr. Dickinson will give an organ recital one evening. Besides these, something like fifteen or

twenty other religious leaders will be present, teach classes, conduct forums, make addresses, and help in various ways to make this what is in my judgment one of the richest and best of the summer conferences. Besides providing such an inviting menu for the mind and the soul, the body is by no means overlooked. Good room and good board are to be had at a nominal cost. Those who are interested should write a card at once to Dean J. M. Ormond, Duke University, Durham, N. C., and ask for a copy of the Bulletin.

Dr. W. R. Cullom, President,
Board of Directors Rural Church Institute.

HISTORIC EVENTS CONTEMPORARY WITH THE BEGINNING OF LOVE'S METHODIST CHURCH IN 1791 AT WALKERTOWN, N. C.

Compiled by Sarah Booe Hurdle

Salem, N. C., now Winston-Salem, was 25 years old.

The first President of the United States, George Washington, visited Salem, N. C., May 31-June 2. This was during his third year in office.

Alexander Martin, six times Governor of North Carolina, was in office during this period.

Data for the so-called Census of the United States of 1790, the first census taken, were actually gathered in 1791. The population of North Carolina was recorded as 288,204 whites, 100,572 slaves, 4,975 free blacks.

The site for the Federal Capital was selected at Washington, D. C., then swampy, uninhabited woodlands.

The first United States Bank was incorporated, though it did not begin to function until three years later.

The Legislature of North Carolina appointed a commission to buy land and lay out a capital city for the state.

At Pawtuckett, R. I., Samuel Slater and Moses Brown successfully applied power-driven machinery to the spinning of cotton yarns. This is commonly taken to date the introduction of the factory system and the beginning of the Industrial Revolution in the United States.

John Wesley, founder of Methodism, died March 1. but the news did not reach Bishop Francis Asbury until April 29.

Bishop Asbury spent the month of January preaching in eastern North Carolina. He also made a complete circuit of South Carolina, Georgia, central North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Masachusetts, ending the year in Norfolk, Virginia, and ready to begin another astonishing itinerary in North Carolina.

RURAL LIFE SUNDAY, MAY 18

The Home Missions Council of North America has set May 18 as Rural Life Sunday, to be observed by both rural and urban centers. Since North Carolina Methodism is rural, by a large majority, and the welfare of the church is determined by what happens in its rural constituency, it is important that the day have wide observance in the state. The April number of The Pastor's Journal carries valuable suggestions for those planning special services for this day (p. 17ff.) and an article on "The Religious Needs of the Village Family." An order of service in leaflet form is available through the office of the Home Missions Council (297 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.) for three cents or $1 a hundred. Visiting speakers and desired spiritually-minded agricultural leaders may be invited to make the address or urban and rural ministers may "exchange pulpits." In any case, the observance of this day can be very meaningful not only for the local congregation but for the strengthening of our Methodism.

"FEEBLE COERCION"

"Feeble Coercion' is the subject of a sermon by Mr. W .T. Bost on the editorial page of Sunday's Greensboro News. The text is "And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain, Matthew 5:41." Having taken his text, Mr. Bost preaches from his pulpit to a great congregation of people. We attend his weekly meeting and read his sermons. This one is unusual and leaves one wondering. He highly commends Dr. S. L. Stealey, pastor of the First Baptist church of Raleigh, "who would not join the dry crusade by pitching his pulpit into these political and secular debates . . ." Having commended Stealey for not taking liquor into his pulpit, Mr. Bost proceeds to take barrels of it into his pulpit and devotes his whole sermon to the liquor question. It is fine for Dr. Stealey to keep liquor out of his pulpit and seemingly for Mr. Bost to devote his whole Sunday morning sermon to that very question. In other words it is wise not to preach against liquor but wise and good to preach for it. With Mr. Bost it is always in order to cuss the drys. He is instant in season and out of season. When Mr. Bost turned wet, he turned rabidly wet. He evidently forgot to mention the fact that Dr. Stealey appeared before the legislative committee in behalf of a referendum. We throw that information in just to keep history straight. Mr. Bost was not the staid Episcopal preacher whose sermons we have learned to read every Sunday. He degenerated into a rabid, ranting, fanatical so-called evangelistic preacher whose stock and trade is to hold up some prominent churchman to scorn and ridicule. He did what no ethical preacher would do. He held up a prominent member of his large congregation to public ridicule and scorn. He singled out "Dry Saint John A. Oates" for his scathing ridicule which is not only unethical but cheap. Liquor does curious things to a man when he messes with it either by drinking it, lobbying for it before the ligislature or being its press agent.—Charity and Children.

COUNCIL MEMBERS OF WESLEY FOUNDATION

New council members for the Wesley Foundation at W. C. U. N. C. were installed Sunday morning, April 27, at a special service of installation held at College Place church. Preceding the installation ritual, the council received the Lord's Supper which was administered by the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney. The following girls will serve on the council for the coming year:

Margaret Tucker of Ahoskie, president; Martha Medford, Canton, first vice president; Jean Von Cannon, West End, second vice president; Reba Young, Rosehill, secretary; Emileigh Maxwell, Pink Hill, treasurer. Frances Glaze of Charlotte was chosen president of Wesley Players, dramatic group.

The committee chairmen were chosen as follows: Ruth Leonard, Cumberland, Md.; worship; Daris Murph, Salisbury, extension and alumnae; Mildred Crowder, Shelby, music; Callie Vick Farrell, Pittsboro, publicty; Myrle Lutterloh, Pittsboro, recreation; Mary Moling Kirkman, Pleasant Garden, reporter; Frances Luttrell Brown, Gatesville, service; Maude Middleton, Walnut Cove, study and training.

PASTORS WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Please have the quarterly conference records for your charge ready as you arrive at Midway church May 8. Unless this is done the committee cannot have its report ready before adjournment. Thanks! We knew we could count upon you. W. J. Plint, Chm.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

During the month of May the district meetings of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service will occupy a prominent place on the missionary program of our conference. These meetings, which are always of much interest and profit, are looked forward to this year with exceptional interest, being the first district meetings under the new set-up of our woman's work as the Society of Christian Service.

Much valuable information concerning the new work will be available and it is hoped that large delegations will attend each of these 11 meetings. Interesting programs are being arranged and among the speakers listed are conference officers and several missionaries who will add to the enjoyment and interest of the occasion. The dates and places for these meetings were carried in the issue of North Carolina Christian Advocate, April 17.

ZONE MEETING AT WALNUT COVE

Mrs. I. L. Sharpe, Secretary

Zone number three of the Winston-Salem district of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met at Walnut Cove April 16 with Mrs. A. B. Macon, zone chairman, presiding. Rev. W. R. Harris, pastor of the hostess church, led the morning worship service, using as his theme Worship, with Hebrews 11:12 as a scriptural basis for thought.

The first item on the day's program was the presentation of The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman—the two missionary periodicals so necessary in the woman's work. Subscriptions to both were urged by those presenting these helpful publications.

An interesting account of the recent annual meeting of the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, held in Greensboro, was given by Miss Willie Vogler. The work of the Wesleyan Service Guild was presented by Mrs. W. J. Miller of Mt. Airy.

Mrs. A. C. Payne of Rural Hall told of the new plans for the young women and girls' organizations.

Attention was called to the coming district meeting to be held at Thomasville May 20 by Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district secretary, who also urged the securing of new report books by each of the societies in the district.

After the noon hour Rev. C. C. Washam of Pilot Mountain led the group in a brief period of worship and meditation. Mrs. L. V. Scott spoke of the urgency of the passage of the Morris-Sheppard bill and told of the training school for colored women to be held in Winston-Salem July 1-12, to which each district is asked to send representatives.

Rev. Charles Clay, missionary to Brazil, now on furlough, made an interesting talk, telling of his work.

Officers chosen for another year are Mrs. A. L. Payne of Rural Hall, chairman; Miss Willie Vogler, Tobaccoville, secretary. The meeting adjourned to meet at Mt. Airy (Central church) in the fall.

EVERY WOMAN A MEMBER OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY

Among the closing words of our conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, in her report at the annual meeting in Greensboro were these: "The last church organized and the last woman enrolled." If we make the gains in membership and organizations as suggested in these words we will have to be busy during the coming months. We find in the Methodist Woman for April some "Pointers on Winning New Members" which we are giving with the hope that they may be helpful to some of our workers in securing the goal given us by our president.

(1) The membership secretary should be enthusiastic and well informed, with a strong committee appointed to work with her.

(2) Survey the church record for names of new members, divide names among the committee, exchanging names frequently, and keep working on the list.

(3) Set up this standard: Every member inviting at least one new member to each monthly meeting. "Called for and delivered" is the best expression of real interest.

(4) Make personal visits and more personal visits, and seek out new comers at the church services.

(5) Distribute literature at meetings, and when doing home visiting. Be "winsome" and friendly, showing such love and enthusiasm for the work that your spirit will prove contagious.

(6) Keep constantly in touch with your new member until she feels thoroughly integrated into the work of the society. Each member should be given a task according to her interest. Remember "impression minus expression equals depression."

A PRAYER

Lord, make me a channel of thy peace
That where there is hatred—I may bring love;
That where there is wrong—I may bring the spirit of forgiveness;
That where there is discord—I may bring the spirit of harmony;
That where there is error—I may bring truth;
That where there is doubt—I may bring faith;
That where there are shadows—I may bring light;
That where there is despair—I may bring hope;
That where there is sadness—I may bring joy. —Selected.

INTERESTING TOUR OF MISSIONARIES

From the Asheville Citizen of April 22 we have the following, which we feel sure will be of interest to many of our readers:

"Making a ten day tour through the Southeast, a group of persons, all excepting four of them returned missionaries, spent yesterday in Asheville studying the Farmers' Federation and particularly the Lord's Acre Movement here. The group represented seven denominations: The 31 returned workers from foreign fields have been on duty in Africa, China, India, South America, Malaya, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Syria and Burma. They are making the travel seminar as a part of the short term course for rural workers at Scarritt College for Christian Workers at Nashville, Tenn. While here they visited the Federation plant, heard talks by the president of the Federation, the men in charge of the hatchery, the seed department and the the implement department, and were luncheon guests of Rev. Dumont Clarke, in charge of the Lord's Acre movement, and Mrs. Clarke at their home on Charlotte street. During the afternoon they visited three Lord's Acre projects—an individual project at Horse Shoe, where a group of workers from Mills River Presbyterian church related some of their experiences in the work; the group project at the Calvary Baptist church at Hendersonville, which not only raises crops for the benefit of the church, but also has a booth where the things are raised and sold; and finally went to Dana Baptist church, where individual and group projects are both in operation. The Dana church has raised $8000 during the past four years through the Lord's Acre project. Members of the group voiced their conviction that the plan is sound and expressed the belief that they can take it to the foreign fields and accomplish much with it. Among those in the tour we noted several of our missionaries from the former M. E. Church, South—Miss Annie Peavy of Osaka, Japan; Miss Dora Ingram of Coahuila, Mexico; Miss Nina Stallings of Soochow, China; Miss Helen Seally of Shanghai, China; Miss Reid and Miss Sarah McCracken of Nashville, Tenn."

THE EFFICIENCY AIMS

1. At least ten monthly meetings based on the prescribed program materials of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.
2. Net increase in membership.
3. A spiritual life committee functioning in the society.
4. Committee promoting study and activity each quarter in some area of of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.
5. Three study courses, selected from list of approved courses.
6. Net increase in subscriptions to the Methodist Woman and World Outlook.
7. Observance of the week of prayer as planned by the Woman's Division of Christian Service.
8. Increase in offerings sent conference treasurer.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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"FEED MY SHEEP"

"What would happen if every Woman's Society of Christian Service in the North Carolina conference should go out following the Easter season with these words of Jesus, 'Feed my sheep,' burning in her soul and life? Would we be content with ministering to only those in our own church? Would Jesus be content with that? Jesus did not talk about making the world safe for democracy or saving people in masses, but he did touch individual life. He touched them one by one and helped them. We must, in our new church, touch men individually. It is the personal contact that we find difficult, but the kingdom of God will never come by masses but by the slow process of the leaven that Jesus talked about. How shall we meet the task? The only way to find the answer to that is by first being with Jesus. We can never make Christ real to others until he is real to us." Editor's note: These timely and heart searching thoughts are excerpts from the third of the meditations given by Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, at the recent annual meeting in Rocky Mount.

A MERITED TRIBUTE

At the luncheon meeting of the N. C. Conference Ministers' Wives' Association on March 26, the members paid the following beautiful and sincere tribute to Mrs. E. L. Hillman: "When Francis Asbury came as a missionary to America in 1771 and later to North Carolina, he dreamed a dream. In this dream he saw churches rising in the forest where often he was chased by wolves. He saw churches of every description, the country church, the small town church, the city church, each having its place in the saving of souls.

In this dream Asbury looked many years ahead. He saw the womanhood of these churches coming into its rightful place. Here he found good leaders and good followers launching out into a great missionary program. This dream meant organization. In this organization he saw the 60 years work of the women of North Carolina conference and the day that unification would come, which meant the need of a leader with every quality necessary to guide the merging of the Woman's Missionary Society into the Woman's Society of Christian Service. One on whom the mantle of the beloved Mrs. Gates could fall. Without any hesitation the finger of the conference pointed to our own Estelle Hillman for the task. As our conference laid hands on her and claimed her as president, the dream ended with these words: "With Estelle Hillman at the helm the missionary ship is safe."

We, the members of the Ministers' Wives' Association, had seen Estelle lead when she served us as our president. We knew of this fine leadership in the churches that she had so graciously served with her husband. We knew that she'd be tops as Jurisdictional president, but really wanted to keep it a secret for a while, for we needed her in our own conference. The secret somehow got out and we lost a president, for as you know the church needed her in a place of even higher leadership.

Estelle, you in your work as president of our conference have challenged us to higher ideals, bigger thoughts, more zeal for the Master, and you have given us a greater desire for service. Your efficiency in handling the many duties involved in the office as president of the North Carolina conference is more than a dream come true. It is a fact. You have given us wise counsel. You have encouraged our faithfulness by your faithfulness. You have made us strong by your strength. By your own self effacement you have challenged us to higher Christian ideals, and by your sacrificial service you have inspired us to dare more for the cause which we love. We are proud of you! Our love, our good wishes, our prayers will go with you in your larger field of service. Here and also in our conference we pledge to you that we will carry on in all that you have begun.

Mary Glass, Chm.
Laura Boone,
Rebecca Weathers.

NEW BERN DISTRICT TO MEET

Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, announces that her district meeting will be held at Mount Olive on May 9, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Speakers will include: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S.; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, president N. C. Conference W. S. C. S.; Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess, East Laurinburg; Miss Elizabeth Titsworth, student worker E. C. T. C., Greenville; Miss Ida Hankins, missionary to Korea; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary spiritual life groups; Rev. J. A. Russell, and others. Group meetings will be held by leaders in each department of work. It is hoped that each society will be represented with a large delegation.

LITTLETON WOMEN STUDY

The Methodist and Episcopal auxiliaries of Littleton, in an all day mission study of "Dangerous Opportunity," were most fortunate in having Mrs. William Alfred Thorne of Roanoke Rapids review the book for them. Mrs. Thorne was conversant with the subject and her first hand impressions and information for the personal experiences of her sister, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, missionary to China, greatly intensified the interest. The Woman's Society of Christian Service also studied with Rev. H. L. Davis, pastor, Methodism's World Mission.

ORANGE ZONE MEETS

The women of Orange zone, Durham district, were interested recently in seeing and hearing one of the Lambuth family, a family about whom we have been taught for many years. Mrs. D. L. Sheretz, the fifth generation of the Lambuth family, a missionary to China, talked to the group at Efland Methodist church. Mrs. Sheretz wore a Chinese costume given her by Miss Mary Culler White, another veteran missionary to China. Mrs. Sheretz, who has always lived in China, said that her greatest sacrifice was in leaving there and coming to America while her husband returned to his work in China. The Christian church has more influence in China than any other organization, Mrs. Sheretz said. Another treat and inspiration for those present was the devotional led by Rev. J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill, on the subject, "We Are God's Workmanship." He threw out this challenge: "Give God time with yourself, for God is more concerned with individuals that make up society than with the output of society." The presidents, speaking on the outstanding work of each society, spoke of spiritual life, the interest in the World Day of Prayer, the Week of Prayer, fellowship suppers and making the efficiency aim. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, gave special emphasis to Durham district specials and called on all the officers to study and work together to help her make the work as effective as possible. It was a pleasure to meet in the lovely church in Efland and with the cordial people there. Mrs. C. P. Norris extended a hearty welcome and Mrs. S. F. Nicks responded. Mr. Spence, pastor of the Mebane church, closed the meeting with prayer.—Mrs. J. A. Warren.

CARTERET ZONE

The spring meeting of Carteret zone, New Bern district, was held in Oak Grove Methodist church on March 11. Mrs. W. M. Webb conducted the devotional. A solo, "Was That Somebody You?" was beautifully sung by a member of Oak Grove choir. Mrs. Joel Davis presided over the meeting. Ten societies and 110 members responded to roll call. The reports were gratifying and showed much improvement in the activities. Harlowe received the loving cup for having the largest number of members pesent in proportion to membership. Mrs. C. E. Herrington, Jr., spoke on World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, gave an interesting outline of the past year's work. Baby life memberships were presented to Darden J. Eure and Brenda Smith. Two Wesleyan Service Guilds were reported, one at Morehead City, the other at Marshallburg. $5.50 of the offering was sent to help furnish a room in the new dormitory at Scarritt College. The guest speaker was Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, who made an inspiring talk. At the close of her message she conducted the pledge service. Rev. M. O. Stevenson pronounced the benediction. Lunch was served in the Sunday school rooms by the ladies of Oak Grove society.—Mrs. Guy Daniels.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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'TIS MONDAY MORNING

Well, we have come through another week end with our family. Over 400 children and youths, with their desires, their whims and their ambitions, or lack of them, have associated with their directors in living through Saturday with its work and its recreation, and through Sunday with its religious services and its opportunity for socializing. That's a lot of living. The challenges connected with directing our youngsters when they are off duty are more enveloping than when school and work schedules command their attention. The week end has passed. Now it is Monday morning. Things are humming. The sun shines brightly and there is much to revive us as well as to encourage us.

TUBERCULIN TEST

All our children below the high school grades, together with a number of us workers, were given the tuberculin test Saturday. Readings on these tests are being made this morning. Positive indicators will call for such additional treatment as our specialists think necessary. Every one in the family will go through this process and from it gain such assurance as medical science can direct. All of us do not have the best material in our heads, but we can celebrate over good health, sound body and a splendid physique.

TOOTIN' TATERS

While walking around with some of the boys over the week end it was observed that our early vegetables are coming through the ground and growing off nicely. Radishes have been dwarfed by the dry weather but the lettuce and garden peas do not show any worse for wear. The Irish potatoes are pushing through the ground in fine fashion. It appears that there will be a good stand and we shall hope for a good season. A good Irish potato crop means a great deal to us. The early corn and beans are growing off well. The strawberries are in full bloom and the onions and carrots, as well as the spring salad, are enjoying good health. The recent rain was a godsend.

MONEY MATTERS

The morning mail brings "The Guardian," the monthly paper published by the Virginia Conference Orphanage, at Richmond. In this paper are listed the ten per cent apportionment remittances from the various charges of the Virginia conference, showing over three-fourths of the total conference apportionment has already been paid. Some districts have overpaid. Last year the Virginia conference paid a hundred and six per cent of its ten per cent apportionment. When a fellow looks at what our Methodist friends to the north of us are doing in the way of paying their orphanage apportionment he wishes with some degree of intensity that the same morale and willingness to pay would permeate some of the charges in the Western North Carolina conference not having gotten in the habit of joining the hundred per centers. Money matters are important matters with us this year.

RINGING THE BELL

One of the finest ways to celebrate over joy that comes to us is to ring a bell. Our bell rings when meal time comes, bringing joy to our children. It rings them into school, out of school, in from work and in for rest and study. It also rings on special occasions when there is an opportunity for some celebration. It always rings the new year in. In our minds it is this week ringing in celebration of the following charges for having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full. Note them with their pastors in charge and join us in listening to the joy bell:

First church, Asheboro, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr.

Main Street, Belmont, Rev. P. W. Townsend.

First church, Rutherfordton, Rev. F. C. Smathers.

Mt. Mitchell, Kannapolis, Rev. H. H. Robbins.

Rhodhiss, Grace-Rhodhiss, Rev. J. Max Brandon.

Savannah, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.



A leader in her grade

HIGH SCHOOL CANDIDATE

The picture this week is that of Joyce Leonard, 13 years old and in the seventh grade. In less than a month Joyce will have completed her grammar grade course and will be eligible for high school enrollment in the fall, she being one of the leaders in scholastic attainment. Joyce is sponsored by Miss Carrie Ridge of Greensboro, a good friend of the Children's Home.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

Rev. S. W. Taylor, superintendent of the High Point district, has started the 1941 edition of district conferences rolling. His conference, held in the auditorium of High Point College, and fed in the dining room of the same institution, was well attended and well directed. The reports of the pastors of the district were very encouraging. Much care was used in getting the information from the charges to the conference and then in tabulating the information thus presented. Business matters in our church work are much more effectively done than in years gone by. About the only indefinite statements now being made have to do with the spiritual state of the church. Obviously such cannot be measured by figures. Brother Taylor and his district are on the march and are getting somewhere.

ABSENTEE OPINIONS

When a fellow makes an emphatic statement about some matter for which he is not directly responsible it is always interesting to guess what he would say if the responsibility were thrust upon him with all its directness and implications. Sometimes the fellow who makes the most dogmatic statements about a matter is the one who has not carefully surveyed all the angles of the question at issue. Sometimes orphanage people can make the most exaggerated statements when they are away from home and are removed by time and distance from some of the situations that challenge them. This scribe recently attended an orphanage conference in which statements were made which we believe would not be made at home. One speaker spoke with much emphasis on the importance of an orphanage superintendent forgetting his budget in his effort to serve childhood. The fellow made a good speech. But it was just a speech.

ADOLESCENT DESIRES

Yesterday we called our high school boys and girls together for consultation and mutual understanding. The meeting was held at the quiet hour but our hour was not very quiet. A bunch of adolescents is hardly ever quiet when privileged to give expression to that which is within them. Among other things our boys and girls were asked to write on a given piece of paper the thing they wanted most of all. That was all the direction they had and that was all they needed. They wrote and the papers are in. One cannot draw a summarized conclusion from the reports, but he does have a good opportunity to know a bit more about the individual youngster. What a youngster expresses when off guard and without restraint tends to indicate the inside workings of his mechanism. Having asked the youngsters what they wanted most, many of them are now asking whether their wants are going to be supplied. A fellow ought to have more sense than to open such a Pandora box.

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MOST COMMENDABLE — A large number or our boys and girls have received their spring and summer clothes. Indications are now that within the next week or two all the children will be supplied with their spring and summer outfits. The Methodist Orphanage is greatly indebted to the good women of our conference, organized classes and individuals for supplying our children with such nice, serviceable clothes. Our boys and girls appreciate such altruistic service in their behalf.

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HOLLAND CHURCH — The third Sunday in this month I preached for Brother D. D. Traynham at Holland church. The membership is composed of substantial and cultured people who are devoted to the cause of our orphan children. It is gratifying to know that Brother Traynham is so greatly appreciated and loved by the members of Holland church. Brother Traynham has the reputation of doing his work in a quiet, but effective way. He gives close attention to every detail of his work.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES — During the coming week I shall have to be on the road four days attending district conferences. It is my plan to take a group of small children with me who will render a short program at each of the district conferences. I have been asked by the district superintendents to conduct the afternoon devotional period. Due to the fact that all these four conferences will be in session only one day, I will necessarily have to make the devotional services very brief. I am looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to mingling with many of the friends who are giving devoted service to the cause of our beloved Methodist Orphanage.

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BRASWELL ATHLETIC FIELD — Last summer Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage, very graciously gave $500 for a new athletic field on the Methodist Orphanage campus. Some work was done on the field last summer, but had to be postponed until this spring. Recently we completed the grading of the field. It was a big undertaking, as is evidenced by the fact that we had to remove eight thousand cubic yards of dirt. Now we have got to level it off and surface the field, so that we can sow permanent grass on it next fall. There is a great deal of work to be done now, since it must be leveled and a large quantity of soil put over the entire field. This new field will take care of our baseball, softball and football activities. Mr. Braswell has rendered a distinct service to our children, and we are happy over the prospects of having such a fine athletic field by next spring.

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A BIG OCCASION—Plans are being formulated for a conference-wide Orphanage Day on the fifth Sunday in June. We are confidentially expecting three or four thousand friends on that happy occasion. We especially invite all Sunday school superintendents, teachers of men's and women's adult classes, chairmen of all boards of stewards, chairmen of all boards of trustees, all church leaders, and all presidents and secretaries of societies of Christian service. In addition to these especially invited guests we want to ask other interested persons to be with us. We expect everybody to bring a basket dinner. Our three hundred children will be guests at the picnic dinner. Prominent speakers have been invited to address the large gathering which will assemble that day. The Orphanage glee club, composed of 40 of our largest boys and girls, will render several selections. We expect to have a loud speaker, so that all visitors can hear the addresses, several of which will be broadcast over one of the local radio stations. A large stand will be built under the spreading oaks in front of the administration building. A table several hundred feet long will be arranged on the campus for dinner. I am asking all the trustees of the Orphanage to be present, and a big day is in store for everyone who comes. More information will be given from time to time concerning this conference-wide rally day at the Methodist Orphanage.

SMOKE SCREEN!

It is encouraging to note that one or two college newspapers have had the pluck to resist the efforts of a cigarette manufacturer's advertising agency to compel editors to print "news stories" boosting the advertised product. The publications were told that they must agree to the free publicity or they would not be given advertising.

When the New York daily, PM, exposed what the editor of the Columbia Spectator called "a blackmail stunt," one tobacco company executive said it would never withdraw an ad from a college paper because of not getting enough free space, and another official said it was not his company's policy to influence college editors about what they should print. Possibly, since the expose, the rebels are safe.

Scholastic publications might find it to their advantage to organize for their own protection. No advertiser would dare propose such an unethical scheme in the face of united opposition—especially cigarette companies who, as PM said, want to reach "500,000 potential boy and girl smokers between 18 and 22 at least once a week." Moreover, it ought to be possible for college papers to finance themselves without advertising a product over whose effects there is, to say the least, a controvery. —The Christian Science Monitor.

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CHARGE-WIDE WORKERS' CONFERENCES

Pastors, district superintendents and board of education are jointly sponsoring a series of workers' conferences for certain charges in most of the district.

The conferences are one night (or afternoon) meetings of all officers, teachers, and interested persons from each of the churches on the charges involved. The purpose is to discuss plans for better church school work (vacation schools, better teaching, youth activities, young adult activities, camps and assemblies, observance of special days, reaching those outside the church, etc). Special attention will be given plans for the coming summer.

Leadership for these meetings will be provided by a Christian education team composed usually of the district superintendent, one member of the conference board staff, and two or more members of the district staff.

These meetings have already been held in many of the districts, with fine interest and attendance.

Salisbury district, April 15-18.
Charlotte district, April 21-25.
Gastonia district April 20-25.
Statesville district, April 27-May 2.
High Point district, April 27-May 2.

Meetings scheduled for other districts are as follows:

Greensboro District, May 4-9

Guilford: Vickery, May 4.
Stokesdale and Flat Rock: Gideon, May 5.
Haw River: Midway, May 6.
St. Paul: St. Paul, May 7.
Reidsville circuit: Salem, May 8.
All of these meetings will be at 7:30 in the evening, except the one at Vickery, which will be at 2:30.

Elkin District

Laurel Springs: Nathan's Creek, May 11.
Green Valley: Green Valley, May 12.
Creston: Creston, May 13.
Dobson: Dobson, May 14.
Ararat: Hunter's Chapel, May 15.
Farmington: Farmington, May 16.
These meetings will all begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Winston-Salem District

Pilot Mountain and Pinnacle-Mt. Zion: Pilot Mountain, May 18.
North Davidson: Canaan, May 20.
Winston circuit and West Forsyth: Elm Grove, May 21.
Walnut Cove: Stokesburg, May 22.
Thomasville circuit: Fair Grove, May 23.

The meeting at Pilot Mountain will be at 3 o'clock and all of the others will be at 7:30 o'clock.

Workers' conferences will also be held in Asheville district May 25-30, and in Waynesville district, June 15-20. Charges and places for these meetings will be carried in future issues of the Advocate.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Vacation Schools

Within the next few days suggestions and helps for vacation school workers will be sent to pastors and children's division superintendents. Extra time for religious training of children is one of the most urgent needs of our church schools, and the vacation school is an excellent means of securing this added time.

Last year more than 25,000 children received this added time in the church. There were 484 vacation schools held in our conference, as follows:

District	No. V.C.S	Enrl'd
Asheville	44	1716
Charlotte	31	1854
Elkin	39	1586
Gastonia	43	2244
Greensboro	33	2045
High Point	35	1648
Marion	48	2577
Salisbury	55	3204
Statesville	51	3276
Waynesville	60	2171
Winston-Salem	45	3106

This was an excellent record, but we can reach even more children, with more vacation schools. There were 654 churches in which there was no vacation school held, and in which there are children who need the best we can give them. The vacation school is part of our best service to children.

LET'S GIVE OUR CHILDREN THE BEST WE HAVE FOR THEM!

Conferences on Children's Work

Where? When?

Camp Carlyle, near Hendersonville, May 26, 27, 28, 1941.

High Point College, High Point, May 29, 30, 31, 1941.

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Cost?

$3.50 per person. This includes board, room, registration feet.

Further Information?

Write to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisuury, N. C.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Church school rally day was observed by many churches on Sunday, April 20. Others have selected more appropriate dates. The following persons have requested programs in the past few weeks:

Asheville District—
Miss Mary Banner, Azalea.
C. Moody Smith, East Flat Rock.
Sam Rhodes, Edneyville.
A. A. Prestwood, Fruitland.
Robert Johnson, Mountain Grove.
Frank Capps, Upward.
F. P. Roberts, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District—
Lucy Sullivan, Belmont Park.
Mrs. E. R. Stuckey, Mineral Springs.
J. K. Evans, Bethel (Bethel-Bogers).
Mrs. E. W. Russell, Harrison.
I. M. Dotson, Chadwick.
M. H. Love, Homestead.

Elkin District—
Mrs. Hoyt Wood, West Jefferson.
E. M. Stewart, Fulton (Advance).
Mrs. W. R. Beeding, Smith Grove.

Gastonia District—
F. E. Ellington, South Point.
Mrs. Margaret N. Lattimore, Polkville.
Mrs. J. A. Howell, Salem (Lowesville).
R. C. Goforth, Lafayette Street.
R. C. Goforth, West Shelby.
J. G. Wilkinson, High Shoals.
H. L. Davidson, East End.
J. Z. Martin, Ebenezer.
P .J. Hovis, Asbury.
Eva Wright, Friendship.

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Mrs. L. A. Wharton, Gibsonville.

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V. C. Marley, Ramseur.
Mrs. I. L. Roberts, St. Paul.
J. A. Lindsey, Wesley Memorial.

Marion District—
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Mrs. Ralph Harbison, First, Morganton.
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Wm. E. Andrews, Whittier Charge.
Wm. H .Neese, Crabtree Charge.
R. Odell Brown, Hazelwood.
R. Odell Brown, Shady Grove.
C. O. Newell, Dellwood Charge.

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"He is a self-made man, is he not?"
"Yes, except for the alterations made by his wife and her mother."—Ex.

"What should I do first in trying to teach my wife how to drive a car?"
"Insure the car."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 4

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Church Enlarging Its Fellowship

Acts 8

When a Jew of Philip's day came to the border of Samaria he seemed to see a sign, Detour. Samaria was so detested that one went around it rather than through it. But a fierce anti-Christian persecution chased Philip out of Jerusalem into this despised land, and all at once the Samaritans looked good to him as over against his fellow country men who were on his track to kill him. So he shared with them his chief treasure, the knowledge of Christ, and to his amazement they received the gospel eagerly—perhaps all the more so because the Jews were against it.

As he violated the tradition of the elders and ate with these people, and baptized them into the fellowship of the new Israel, doubtless his Jewish conscience gave him a twinge. But perhaps he reassurred himself by remembering our Lord's gracious references to the Samaritans (Luke 10:33-37; 17:11-19; John 4:1-42). And then how could he resist the impulse of love and sympathy that welled up in his bosom? And when he laid his hands on the sick and spoke to the insane, the power of God mysteriously reinforced him, and they were restored.

The news of the great revival spread to Jerusalem, and Peter and John were sent down to look into the movement. And when the apostles prayed for the Samaritans God attested his favor upon this broadening of the missionary field by giving the Samaritans the Holy Spirit. This, by the way, is the decisive test of the divine approval on any new departure of the gospel program. Does God bestow his Holy Spirit upon those we are seeking to reach by our disregard of traditional ideas and methods?

When Peter and John saw that the work was plainly of God, they were great enough to take the cue from Philip the layman, and on their way back they also evangelized many villages of the Samaritans. Inspired leadership is always glad to learn from the experiments of irresponsible parties whom they have not appointed on the committee, nor in any way authorized, but who have gone ahead and secured results.

And now a strange thing happened. The angel of the Lord commanded Philip to leave this prosperous work and go to Gaza, where today you can see little but heaped up desert sands. It seemed an absurd commission. And yet it brought him in contact with the Ethiopian secretary of the treasury, and when he was preaching the gospel to this key man of his country he was preaching to more people than when he was addressing the Samaritan multitudes. If we are much given to prayer, the Holy Spirit will sometimes give us unmistakable commands to do unusual things. And all the more so if we are notably sensible, for the Spirit can only use sensible people in delicate and difficult tasks. Would that all Christians like the policeman's car were equipped with radios tuned in on headquarters so that they might be sent swiftly on the errands of God!

Divine providence would have it that the eunuch was reading the prophet Isaiah, and fortunately he was reading aloud. As Philip heard the words, He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities, he ran unto the chariot and with a smile said,, Understandeth thou what thou readest? The eunuch answered, How can I, except some one guide me? So he besought him to come up with him into the chariot, and Philip, beginning with that Scripture, preached unto him Jesus. Oh, to be able to begin anywhere, and see from that point a pathway to Christ!

The eunuch was a business man, and like business men today he seems to have had for his motto, Do It Now. So when they came to water—a rarity in that region—he said, Here is water, what doth hinder me to be baptized? From the standpoint of Jewish prejudices and scruples, a great deal hindered the baptism of an Ethiopian eunuch into the kingdom of God. But as Philip looked into those eager eyes he knew that the Spirit of God saw no hindrance. So they went down into the water and Philip baptized him, and the great man went on his way rejoicing.

What a tragedy it would have been if Philip had not known his Bible, and had not been a man of tact and intelligence, and if he had allowed his narrow Jewish scruples to keep him from baptizing this high-souled seeker after God?

SET YOUR CLOCK

"Daddy, why do we go to church?" said a little lad to his father.

"Son," answered his father, "you remember the observatory clock down town where we stop to see if your watch is slow? If so, we set it by this clock because it is connected by electric wires to the big telescope that watches the stars in the heaven and thus we get the time from the star. In like manner we go to the church to see if our lives are keeping time with God's commandments or laws."

We study the Bible to learn how we should live and the sermon helps us to understand "What manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called sons of God.'"—Christ Church Visitor.

An elderly woman was noted for her good humor, especially for having a good word for everybody. One day her husband said, "Mary, I believe you would even have a good word for the devil himself!"

"Well," she replied, "he's a very industrious person."

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Children's Storyland



HIS FIRST BUFFALO

By Greta Gaskin Bidlake

"Tell us a story, Aunt Nan!" cried the children, crowding around my knee.

"An adventure story," begged Billy.

"No, an animal story," pleaded Ruth.

"Ruth and Billy always want them about boys having adventures or about animals," said Peggy. "Tell us one about a girl, Aunt Nan, do!"

"Well, well!" said I, "so each of you wants something different. Still, I think I know one that will please you all. It has a boy, a buffalo, and a little girl in it. How's that?"

"O, tell it to us!" exclaimed a chorus of three.

"Years ago," I began, "pioneers who lived on the Western plains saw buffaloes in plenty—Indians, too, and outlaws. A very hard time they had of it. When traveling from the East or from place to place in the West on the lookout for a good spot on which to build a new home, they journeyed in wagon trains. Each wagon was of the prairie schooner kind covered with canvas and drawn by several teams of horses or oxen. The men traveled on horseback or sat on the high seat in the front of the wagons and drove the horses while the women and children rode inside."

"I know; I've seen them in picture books," put in Billy wisely.

"So you have," I answered. "Well, one day a band of three wagons going to Kansas joined a caravan, or wagon train, going to the same place in order to have greater protection if they should be attacked by Indians. There were signs of them lurking about; and as for the buffaloes, immense herds of them thundered away a few miles in the distance every day or so. One night when the wagon train made camp on the bank of the Platte river and everybody was busy, some unharnessing and caring for the horses, some bathing in the stream, some cutting wood, some making fires ,and some cooking food or preparing to eat, little Mamie Perkins' brother began crying for a drink.

"Bring up a bucketful from the river," said the mother.

Mamie had just time to reach the water and fill her wooden pail when a monster buffalo came charging into camp. He was bellowing and snorting with rage and upset everything that stood in his path. He leaped over boxes and bales, he overturned wagons, and he smashed through whatever lay on the ground like a cyclone. People hurried behind the wagons as he came. The men fired at his huge, swiftly moving body, but the shots went wild. Little Mamie was on her way back just as he tore through the camp and, swerving to one side, rushed down the trail leading to the river. She knew nothing of the terrible visitor till he had swept through the astonished camp and was coming straight at her. She dropped her bucket and stood still, too frightened to move. With head down, tail high in the air, and hoofs pounding out a terrible tattoo on the hard earth of the plains, the buffalo came toward her at furious speed. Not one of the men knew little Mamie was at the river ,for they had neither seen her go nor missed her from the camp, so none of them tried to follow and save her from the maddened creature."

"Oh, don't let him get her, Aunt Nan!" begged kind-hearted Ruth.

"He didn't get her, dear. A boy saved her, a boy who happened to be riding as an extra hand to help with the freight. He had heard Mr. Perkins send Mamie for the water as he lay tired and half asleep under a wagon behind her. His name was William Cody"—

"Buffalo Bill! Buffalo Bill!" cried my wee Billy.

"That's who it was," said I "though he wasn't called by that name yet. He ran out, rifle in hand, and, sure shot that he was, steadied his gun coolly, aimed, fired, and the great buffalo lurched, staggered, and fell to the earth not ten feet away from the little girl, who broke out sobbing in relief."

"Goody!" cried the children.

"Didn't every one think Buffalo Bill was very brave?" asked Peggy.

"Yes, dear, they did. I suspect he feared he might be thanked quite a bit for what he had done, because he picked up Mamie's pail and went back to the river to fill it with water again, while some men who had run down carried Mamie to camp. When he came back with the water, men and women were loud in his praises, you may be sure Mamie mother was; he just set the bucket down and went away to his tent, where he stayed till morning. That was his first buffalo, and of course he must have been proud of his skill; but though he was brave and manly, he was modest too, and no one that day or ever afterward heard the great scout of the plains boast."—The Lutheran.

BIRD AND CHILD

By H. R. Smedes

What you talkin' 'bout,
You funny little bird?
Perched up there so busy,
Chatterin' away.

I would give a pretty—
Sumpin that you'd like—
If you'd only tell me
What it is you say.

Nobody's payin' 'tention—
Nobody 't all 'cep me—
But you don't care a penny
S' far as as I can see!

THE GUINEA PIG'S TAIL

By Robert B. Pattison

Did you ever see a guinea pig? Did you ever see its tail? This is a curious animal, it is not a pig, and it does not have a tail. It is really a kind of rat, and it comes from Brazil.

That tail! It is the strangest part of it all. You may have heard it said: "If you hold a guinea pig by its tail, its eyes will pop out." And so they will, as you can prove for yourself. Nor will it hurt the little fellow at all, eyes or no eyes, tail or no tail. No tail! That's just it, there is no tail. Then why speak of its tail? It has no tail to speak of. Yet it has a tale to tell. And this is why we write about it now.

So many things are like the guinea pig's tail. They are not really so. Do you believe in ghosts? Of course not, for there are no ghosts any more than there are tails to guinea pigs. Do you think there are any small sins, little lies, tiny thefts, half-hates, small meannesses? No, these are not little sins. They are all big and strong and bad.

Such things are like the boy's description of the giraffe. He took a good look at its long legs, funny ears, stretched out neck, and short horns, and all spotted over as if someone had upset a pot of dauby paint on its skin. Then the boy said: "There just ain't no such animal!" Bad grammar and incorrect idea, for there is such an animal as the giraffe. But he would have been correct if he had been speaking of a small sin, for there is none anywhere, any time, anyhow. Just like the guinea pig's tail, you see.

There was a servant who helped the prophet Elisha. His name was Gehazi. He had the silly notion that he could do a small sin, and no harm done. He told a lie, one lie! But then he had to tell others to cover up the first. And his first lie led to stealing. He asked for a few things, he received much, and none of it belonged to him. So all of his future life was unhappy because he told a lie, told another lie, and one small sentence grew long enough to shadow all his lifetime with gloom and misery (2 Kings 5).

You have learned something about the guinea pig's tail that makes it useful, even though there isn't any really. It is a sham. It is not genuine; there isn't any! There are no small sins either. Better to be honest, genuine, true, real! What do you think about this?—Watchman-Examiner.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Carrboro, Orange, 11 4
Efland, 7:30 4
Calvary, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 11
Orange, Hebron, 3 11
Graham, 7:30 11
Front Street, 7:30 14
Hillsboro, New Sharon, 11 18
West Burlington, 7:30 18
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River, 11 25
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 2:15 25
Cedar Grove, Carr, 7:30 25
West Durham, 7:30 26
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 28
Lakewood, 7:30 29

June

Swepsonville, Salem, 11 1
Mebane, Central, 7:30 1
Mebane, First, 7:30 (uniting with Central) 1
Brookstown, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Leak's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Manning, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Benton, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July

Davis Street, 7:30 2
Balcony, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 4
Creswell, Rehobeth, 3 4
Plymouth, night 4
Aloskie, 11 11
North Gates, Kittrells, night 11
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15
Windsor, 11 18
Williamston, night 18
Hertford, 11 25
Wanchese, nights 25-28
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 30

June

Mowock-Pilmoor Memorial, Pilmoor, 11 1
Currituck, Hebron, night 1
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 3 8
Kilmakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July

Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11 4
Carthage, 3 4
Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 4
Goldsboro Ct., 7:30 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Garner, Mt. Zion, 11 4
Manners, Spring Hill, 7:30 4
Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Bailey, Simms, 7:30 14
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Littleton Ct., Tabor, 11 4
West Halifax, Union, 3:30 4
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 8 4
Weldon, 11 11
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 11
Rocky Mount, First, 8 11
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 11 18
St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 18
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 8 18
Bethel, 11 25
Scotland Neck, Wm. Chapel, 3:30 25
Tarboro, 8 25

June

Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Middleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
M'Kendree, M'Kendree, 8 29

July

Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence 10 4
Roseboro, McGhees, 3:30 4
Clinton, night 4
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Ivy, 11 4
Weaverville Ct., 3 4
Mills River, 8 4
District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Myers Park, 11 4
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Monroe, Central, 7:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 4
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 3 4
Yadkinville, night 4
Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Lindsay Street, 11 4
Guilford, Vickery (Church School workers), 2.30..... 4
Pine Hall (school house), 7:30 4
Gideon's Grove (Church School workers), 7:30..... 5
St. Pauls-Carraway (Church School workers), 7:30... 6
Reidsville Ct., Salem (Ch. School workers), 7:30.... 8
Haw River, Cong. Ch. (Ch. School workers), 7:30..., 9
Mt. Pleasant, Q.C. and Ch. School workers, 7:30....10
Draper, Wayside, Q.C., 10 11
Draper, Leaksville and Spray, at Draper, 12..... 11
Haw River, Q.C., Fairfield, 2:30 11
College Place, 7:30 12
West Market, 11 18
Gibsonville, 7:30 18
District Conference, Greensboro College, 9:30..... 21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornelt, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Cross Mill, 7 4
Sunshine, Pisgah, 11 11
Bostic, Sunshine, 3 11
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 11
North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25

June

Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 11 4
Sylva, 7:30 4
Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference, Hayesville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

	May
Pinnacle,, Pilot	4
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 3	4
Thomasville, First, 7:30	4
Davidson, Good Hope, 11	11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30	11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11	18
Central Terrace, 7:30	18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30	25
	June
Community, 11	8
Winston Ct., 7:30	8

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

BLUE RIDGE CONFERENCE MEETS JUNE 16-22

Many religious leaders in the South are looking forward to the conference on "The Task of the Church in Community Building," to be held at Blue Ridge, N. C., the week of June 16-22. This conference is an annual event and is sponsored by more than 60 Southern aducational and religious leaders, including the presidents of most of the state universities, bishops of the Methodist and Episcopal churches, deans of theological schools, ministers of various denominations and others. The secretary of the committee announces that the program for the conference is nearly complete, presenting the following outstanding leaders.

Dr. Walter Horton of Oberlin College will deliver an address each morning on "The Foundation of Our Faith"; Dr. Arthur Holt of the University of Chicago will follow with a series on "Social Emphases of the Christian Faith"; Dr. H. Paul Duglas of the Federal Council of Churches will lead a daily discussion on "Church Co-operation in Community Building"; and Dr. W. J. Hutchins, former president of Berea College, now director of the Danforth Foundation, will speak every day at vespers. In addition to these daily features, there will be special institutes in the afternoon and lectures every evening by some outstanding leader, followed by an open forum.

The sponsoring committee is greatly pleased with the prospect of a conference of unusual interest and significance, and does not hesitate to urge that all ministers, educators and others especially interested make their plans to attend if possible. Further information may be had from Dr. W. D. Weatherford, secretary of the conference, Third National Bank Building, Nashville, Tenn.

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The lights are out in the mansion of clay,
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She silently stepped o'er the threshold by night,
To make her abode in the city of light.

It was with sad hearts that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mt. Vernon Methodist church, Siler City charge, record the passing of Mrs. Mary Perry Ray on February 11, 1941, from this life to life eternal While we miss her presence and helpfulness in the society, we all realize that we must humbly submit to the will of our heavenly Father.

This deceased member's beautiful character and sweet smile she had for all will forever be cherished in our hearts. She was a true Christian woman, possessing the virtues of love, kindness and sympathy, always willing to lend a helping hand to those who were in sorrow or need.

Be it resolved, that we shall cherish her memory and that we hereby express our appreciation for having known her and served with her. We commend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him who knoweth best.

That a copy of this memorial be placed in our minutes, a copy sent to her family and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Miss Catherine Whitehead,
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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church of Lexington wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Miss Alice Earnhardt, who died April 1, 1941. Miss Alice was the oldest member of the church, to which she had belonged from early childhood. This church is located on the site presented for that purpose by Miss Alice's father. As long as she was physically able Miss Alice was at church, giving her support to its program. Her life was one of interest in and love for other people.

Therefore in love and honor, we resolved that we shall cherish the memory and example of this one who was faithful to the end of her life.

We further resolve that a copy of this tribute of respect be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy to the Lexington Dispatch, and a copy be placed on the records of our society.

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A SERMONETTE

With times as good as they are now, with mills running full time and stores taxed to capacity to take care of their customers, we ought to remember that good times can come to an end.

Remember when our mills were running only two and three days a week That time may come again sooner than some of us think.

We had big headlines a few weeks ago telling of wage increases and mills going to three shifts. It was big news and good news, cheerful, optimistic.

Quite different will it be when the reverse has to be told, of mills cutting off help, shutting down for want of orders, and of possible wage cuts, probably. We shall have then entered upon what might be called another "depression." Or, it might be called just another "recession."

The point we are driving at is that while these times are good and folks seem to be making money, we ought to be laying by for the rainy day. We ought to keep in mind some of the simple economic facts of life, viz: that there is always a period of hard times after a period of boom times.

It will not hurt us to remember this. It may be old-fashioned doctrine, but it is true. The man who is out of debt when the next depression rolls around, as come it will, will not feel it so keenly if he has a little laid away to tide him over the worst, and if he is out of debt. The men who were hurt worst in the other depression were those who were in debt the deepest.

Follow the example of the ant.—Gastonia Gazette.

ANOTHER LITTLE COUNTRY CHURCH

In your editorial page last week you were giving just praise to "The Little Church." There are many so-called "little churches" which have contributed largely to the kingdom's work, among them Wesley's Chapel in Davidson county.

From this little country church have come Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald, who served as a missionary in Mexico, now superannuated and living in Huntington Park, Calif; Revs. J. B. and J. W. Fitzgerald of the Western North Carolina conference; Rev. C. O. Kennerly of the Western North Carolina conference; Rev. J. P. Lanning, Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald and Rev. J. H. Lanning, all of the North Carolina conference; and Mrs. J. P. Lanning, Mrs. J. A. Sharp, Mrs. W. H. Townsend and Mrs. E .W. Downum, who are wives of ministers. E. W. Downum.

MARION DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Marion district conference will convene at Pleasant Grove on Wednesday, May 14, at 9 a. m.

Pleasant Grove church is located on the highway between Forest City and Spindale.

All who have matters of importance to present will receive a cordial welcome. J. C. Cornett, D. S.

PASTORS' WIVES MEET AT LUNCHEON

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district will hold its second luncheon meeting Monday, May 12, at the S & W Cafeteria in Asheville. The time is 12 o'clock. All the ministers' wives are cordially invited to attend this occasion. A fine program has been planned.

Mrs. George M. Schreyer, Pres.

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We are told that money, much money, accounts for the increased fatalities on our highways. Money is so abundant that hell holds high carnival. Yet in many places the church is lagging. It was ever thus when Judas begins to trade. Only men who have the keys of the heavens can hope to win. Elijah unlocked the heavens and the fire came down.

Did you ever notice that the fellow who shouts longest and loudest about the glory of one dying for his country is the very same fellow who has never even enlisted in a military company? Frequently he is some old fellow who has lived through frequent wars but he was all the while trying to get someone else to secure that sort of glory. Such men are contemptible.

We are thrilled at the possibilities latent in our churches in this state. We are also humiliated when we begin to count our resources. Hundreds upon hundreds of churches and ministers, thousands upon thousands of members, and millions upon millions of money in Methodist hands, yet so little done for saving the cities and towns and country places of the state. Do we actually believe in the power of Christ to save? Preachers, teachers, leaders must not compromise with the pagan spirit of our society.

Eric Tipton, one of Duke's immortals in athletics and now outfielder with the Toronto Maple Leaf ball club, was assaulted and robbed last Monday night of a wrist watch he had received from Kate Smith for his selection on an All American football team. The police arrested two soldiers and was in search for a civilian who were believed to be the guilty parties. Tipton reported that three men accosted him and one of the soldiers tore the watch from his wrist. We will watch with interest to see what Canadian justice does with these ruffians.

Arthur Garfield Hay tells of a liberated slave who met his former master on the street. The master asked, "Are you as well off as before you were free?" The negro admitted that his clothes were frayed, his house leaked and his meals not as good as on the old plantation, "but, massa, there is a sort of looseness about dis freedom dat I likes."

Think on these two ideas that may be helpful in sermon making: (1) A Yorkshire English parishoner said to his pastor, "You preached a goodish sermon tonight, but if it had been cut short at both ends and set aflre in the middle, it wad a dean us mair good." (2) "Some folks uses big words de same as a turkey spreads his tail feathers," said Uncle Eben. "Dey makes an elegant impression, but they don't represent no real meat."

These are no ordinary times. Ordinary efforts and methods will not go in this chaotic world. Especially true is this in the church of God. Old sermons useful in ordinary times should be junked. A more vigorous gospel must be brought to the front. The dust that gathers about pious platitudes is blown away when bombs are bursting and men are dying. Bring the church up to the level of the heroic, of the extraordinary. Then something will happen.

Two urgent matters before our North Carolina Methodists just now are our Advocate campaign and our benevolent collections. Are we lagging? The urgency of the secular press and of all those about Washington in pressing for defense should certainly arouse our church folks to the most heroic efforts for the defense that is spiritual. Our enthusiasm and efforts for this should put to shame the efforts at Washington. The mundane, the earthy, are not to be compared with the heavenly, the glory of the celestial. Such is the business of the church.

What Are We Going to Do About It?

EVERY man eager for a job can get one at the present hour. The preparedness program and the consequent quickening of business in all other industries are responsible for conditions that gives every man a job with increased wages. But with all this hum of industry and with billions being poured out for the production of armaments for national defense we have not heard much about a shortage of labor.

Any man who can see an inch beyond the end of his nose need not be told what will happen when the war is over, and the soldiers now in camp and those yet to enter return to civil life and all this production of armaments has come to an end. There will be a recession or depression in business that will leave a very large part of the people without work, as was the case following the World War.

Why not prepare as far as possible for such an eventuality by staying out of debt and by laying by something for the times of enforced idleness that are sure to overtake the country?

The federal government is now offering stamps and bonds that will serve a double purpose in providing material resources for the proverbial "rainy day" and at the same time assist with the preparedness program.

How to Visit the Sick

DR. JOSEPH PARKER, the son of a stone mason and a self-educated Englishman, built the great "City Temple," London. It was completed in 1874 at a cost of $350,000. Its pulpit became his throne and he soon became known far and wide as the world's greatest preacher. (City Temple was destroyed a few weeks ago by German bombs).

This matchless preacher, whose sermons are crammed with eloquent utterances and practical truths, has spoken on this wise in regard to visiting the sick. Listen to what he says:

"It is a common notion that any man can visit the sick. Let me tell you that very few ministers can enter a sick chamber with any probability of doing real and lasting good. They can read the Bible and they can pray, and yet, when they have gone, the room seems as if they had never been there. There is no sense of emptiness or desolation. Other men, probably not so much gifted in some directions, will enter the sick room, and there will be a light upon the wall, summer will gleam upon the window pane, and angels will rustle gently in the air, and it will be a scene of gladness and a vision of triumph."

The Birthplace of Woodrow Wilson Becomes a National Shrine

THE old Presbyterian manse in Staunton, Virginia, where Woodrow Wilson was born 85 years ago was formally opened as a national shrine Sunday, May 4, 1941. President Franklin D. Roosevelt delivered the address. Among those on hand to greet the President were Secretary and Mrs. Hull; the Secretary of Commerce, Jesse Jones; the British ambassador and Lady Halifax; Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Governor James H. Price of Virginia, and Senators Glass and Byrd of Virginia.

Woodrow Wilson was worthy of such a distinction. Seven cities claimed the birthplace of Homer, but this shrine should prevent any counter claims on the part of other cities in the distant years. Woodrow Wilson belongs to Staunton and to Virginia, "the birthplace of Presidents." He was a man of unusual intellectual gifts and an idealist of the first rank. "The League of Nations" will forever stand as the prime achievement of his mind and heart. It now appears to be dead and buried, but there may be a resurrection in some far off day even if it arises with a different body. Tennyson dreamed of the "Parliament of man and the Federation of the world." Wilson actually tried to establish a federation of the world. But the world was not ready for it. Such a federation is in the lap of the gods.

Woodrow Wilson was greatly mistaken when he thought that war could end war. And any man who now thinks so is as greatly mistaken. There is an older and higher law that runs in this fashion: He that takes the sword shall perish with the sword.

And those who think America can solve Europe's problems is as greatly mistaken. England and the United States may put Hitler out of the picture, and we think they can, but Europe must solve her own problems if there be a solution for them. These Europeans must learn to put away the things that divide them and enter into a brotherhood of which they have had little knowledge hitherto.

We say these things in explanation of the fact that Woodrow Wilson is not to blame for the failure of his League of Nations.

Our Vigorous Rural Churches

THE people of the rural churches in North Carolina fail to appreciate the favorable lot which is ours. We Methodists are especially fortunate to have the Duke fund which makes possible church buildings in the country districts that are far above the average. In many sections of the nation the currents run strong against the country churches. In fact, the people are leaving the country and many of the preachers keep shy of the country work.

In North Carolina most of the country churches have a strong and vigorous citizenship devoted to religion. Many of these churches are far more promising fields for lucrative service than the town and city churches. Most of the young ministers come from the country and these furnish the strongest laymen for the city. The salaries are usually lower but there are valuable compensations which are too often overlooked. Our best preachers got their ability and training largely in the rural districts.

May 18 is designated Rural Life Sunday, which certainly should not be neglected, but better than all else is for us to make every Sunday rural life day, for in the country places repose the hope of the future for town and country and mission field. Especially is this true right here in the Tar Heel state.

Bombs—Blockade—Union of Hate

RAYMOND DANIELL, who has been in London from the beginning of the war till a few weeks ago, says that in the opinion of British and allied military leaders with whom he came in contact there is agreement that Hitler's defeat will depend upon bombs, blockade and uprisings among the peoples among whom the Nazi conquest has created a legion of hate.

Mr. Daniell concludes his article in last Sunday's New York Times with these paragraphs:

"Each time another country falls beneath the Nazi jackboot Hitler's army, which probably numbers some 250 divisions, is spread out thinner, for conquered countries must be garrisoned as well as conquered. An idle army is a restless army and the families of the soldiers at home get tired of having their men away. When there are no countries left in Europe to overrun, what will Hitler do? He cannot sit still. The war is entering its decisive, if not its final, phase. It can be won or lost by Great Britain this summer, but it may be years before the last battle is fought and peace comes again to Europe and the world. But if Britain can get through the summer—as she can with American help—her leaders are convinced that Hitler's doom is sealed."

After Death What Is the First Question?

IF the man holds a public office the question is, "Who will succeed him?" If he has property people ask, "How much did he leave?" If he is pastor of a Methodist church "the brethren" ask, "Who will be appointed to take his place?"

In the good old days of "the proprieties" these things were not discussed till after the funeral, but now such questions add interest and attendance to the funeral. When Mr. Folger was killed in an auto crash at Mt. Airy, the papers report that the same day long distance telephone wires were hot lining up the faithful in behalf of candidates.

We are lodging no complaints in regard to all this. We are only recording what is reported to happen and it is in harmony with the usual procedure of these present times.

If any man thinks that he will offend somebody by throwing up his job, he should think again for more people will be glad than sorry.

Why Worry?

WITH some to worry is chronic, with others it is acute, and with still others to worry is both chronic and acute. One man is reported to have worried over the war news his morning paper brought to the breakfast table, and when the paper was seven hours late one day he worried because he would have to wait till the afternoon to worry over the news that his morning paper brought him. This was an instance of acute and chronic worries united.

A housewife's first view of Niagara Falls reminded her that she had left the faucet running in her kitchen sink. That was worry of the acute variety. We have all heard of the woman who was constantly worried when she had nothing to worry about, and we will all agree that she had a chronic case.

Why worry at all? "Never trouble trouble till trouble troubles you" is very good advice.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor at China Grove, is leading the religious services this week at Brevard College. This is religious emphasis week in the college.

Rev. W. K. Goodson, associate pastor of West Market Street church, Greensboro, is the preacher this week in religious emphasis week of High Point College.

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district will meet for a short business session in Plymouth on May 15, the day of the district conference. All the "wives" of the district are urged to be present.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Received for general and conference benevolences to April 30, $44,907.90. I must have $17,903.18 on or before May 31 to reach the total of that date last year.—E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

Rev. E. M. Avett has completed his canvass for renewals to the Advocate in Mocksville and sent us a check for $22. This alert pastor adds that he is now ready to round up new subscribers. We certainly thank Dr. Avett for his fine services in behalf of the Advocate. He is doing a great work in Mocksville and is appreciated by those elect Methodists.

Last Sunday the church debt stood at $3200. Since then it has been rapidly reduced, and now is under $750. Pledges covering this balance will no doubt be paid in the next few days, which means that the goal toward which we have been working is now close by. All praise to every one who has had part in making this achievement possible.—Church Bulletin, Myers Park, Charlotte.

Other adjustments agreed on but unannounced place Rev. George Needham in charge of the church at Brown Summit and Rev. R. G. Tuttle, Jr., in charge of Whitsett for the remainder of the year. Brother Needham continues to serve Mitchell's Grove and Brother Tuttle carries on in Gibsonsonville a pastorate of remarkable achievement. It is hard to overload real good men.—L. B. Hayes.

The Harmony circuit had a call meeting of the trustees at the Harmony Methodist church April 24. The trustees sold part of the parsonage lot and the parsonage. The parsonage is already being moved to make room for a new parsonage to be built where the old one stood. The new parsonage is to have six rooms and bath. The women's class of the Harmony church held their monthly meeting April 25 at the home of Mrs. Ralph V. Moore. The class voted to name the class "The Fannie Harmon Class" after one of their faithful members who has been sick for a number of years.—Mrs. Ralph V. Moore.

Thomas Edgar West, faithful servant of God and friend to man, passed to his heavenly reward from his home in Ramseur on April 24 at the age of 86 years. Brother West was born in Chatham county but had spent the most of his life in Ramseur. From his boyhood days he had been a member of the Methodist church but transferred his membership to Ramseur in 1895. He had been a steward, Sunday school teacher, Sunday school superintendent, and at the time of his death was a trustee, even though he had been confined to his bed for three years. A good man has gone to his reward. Funeral was conducted by his pastor, assisted by Rev. V. L. Andrews of the Baptist church, at the Ramseur Methodist church April 25. He is survived by his wife, who was the former Miss Nancy Waddell, and by four daughters, Miss Ida West, Mrs. F. C. Craven and Mrs. Millard Teague, all of Ramseur, and Mrs. Olivia Thompson of Asheboro; also one son, W. J. West of Elon College.

Dr. S. W. Taylor, the alert superintendent of the High Point district, has sent to his leading officials the following timely note: "The campaign to secure 3,000 new subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate is now in full swing. The High Point district is next to the top in this effort, with 71½ new subscribers. The price is regular $2.00 for a year's subscription and $1.00 for six months."

Everything going good on the Grace-Rhodhiss charge. Salaries and all claims paid up to date and plus. Expecting to complete a ten thousand church plant in thirty days. Bishop Purcell is to dedicate some time this summer. This building is located at Rhodhiss. Grace Chapel renovating and painting their building. Parsonage has received a complete water system; cement walk laid; yard leveled and planted with grass. On our district's honor roll with Advocate subscribers.—J. Max Brandon.

Rev. E. W. Fox writes: "I'm almost as busy as when in the active pastorate and am happy to be used so much. I counted up to determine just how many Sunday mornings I preached for the first twelve months of residence in our own home in Statesville and found that I preached just 39 out of the 52 Sunday mornings beside many other times on Sunday nights and during special meetings. You are giving us a better paper than ever, I think. How the news of the church and the progress we are making thrills me. It is great to be living and greater to know that we shall live forever.—E. W. Fox.

Dr. Paul Tillich, professor of philosophical theology at Union Theological Seminary, gave the Swander lectures this year at the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical and Reformed church, Lancaster, Pa. In his five lectures Dr. Tillich covered the main outline of his theological system. The topics were: "Reason and Revelation," "Being and God," "Existence and the Christ," "Life and the Spirit," and "History of the Kingdom of God." Dr. Tillich became a citizen of the United States last year. One of the early refugees from Nazism, he has been on the faculty at Union since his arrival in this country.

We just closed a real old-time revival in Rockford Street last Sunday night. God really helped wonderfully in answer to prayer. The service last Sunday morning was one we see only once, or a few times, in a lifetime. There was a depth of spirit and conviction seldom seen. People kept coming to the altar without much persuasion. There was real repentance, weeping, consecration, and believe it or not, some shouting. It sounded good. We have had conversions in the regular Sunday night services and the crowds are increasing. Twenty-nine have come into the church since conference, most of them on profession of faith, and other good prospects in view. To God be all the glory. Pray for us.—C. E. Williams.

Moriah, Shady Grove Charge: Our former pastor, Rev. Les Pittard, and wife, have moved to Little Rock, Ark., where Mr. Pittard was called as chaplain in military service. We extend to him our best wishes. The people of Moriah gladly welcome our new pastor, Rev. and Mrs. John Cagle (and small daughter) to our church. Under their leadership may our church accomplish much good, and to this end let each member strive to live a life that has more spiritual gifts to share. Living in the Moriah church parsonage with Mr. and Mrs. Cagle are Rev. and Mrs. Miller. Mr. Miller is pastor of Midway and Liberty Grove. Services at Moriah, first Sunday, 10 o'clock; other Sundays at 11. First Sunday, Shady Grove has 11 o'clock service. Mr. Cagle and Mr. Miller are both students at Duke University. A Bible school and young people's training school is being planned for Moriah some time in June.—Mrs. J. W. Sharpe.

Bibles by the train load are being shipped into West China over the Burma Road, and among the contributors to gifts to provide for them is Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, according to information received from the Rev. W. H. Hudspeth of the China Bible House. Says Dr. Hudspeth: "It may interest you to know that within the last few days we have shipped five-and a half tons of Scriptures to Rangoon whence we trust they will find their way to Yunnan and other West China provinces. During this same period of time we have sent by post five tons of Scriptures to a point from which we hope they will find their way into the northwest.

Miss Joan Lee Cole, daughter of a recent president of the Methodist church of Ireland and granddaughter of a long time editor of the Irish Christian Advocate, left Trinity College, Dublin University, for America last spring loaded with honors. She had earned her degree in biology and was the winner of the Walter Hines Page Fellowship for travel and study in America. After completing a tour of the States she took up study in Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass. She has just accepted a teaching position in a private school in Petersboro, N. H. Meanwhile, according to the betrothal columns of New York papers, an Episcopal divinity student in General Theological Seminary, N. Y., John H. Parke, persuaded her to become both an American and a rector's wife. Mr. Parke, a Princeton man, is a kinsman of Bishop Ralph S .Cushman, both being descended from Robert Cushman of the Plymouth Colony, whose sermon to the colonists was the first one delivered in America to be printed.

Baltimore, West Forsyth Charge, Rev. A. Burgess, pastor: Our pastor filled his regular appointment Sunday morning. His text was taken from Matt. 11:28-30: Jesus said, "His yoke is easy and his burden is light." In this text we find two rests—"I will give you rest," "Ye shall find rest unto your souls." Every school has its ideal. The ideal of Christ's school is service. Every servant is yoked with Christ; every pupil in Christ's school should strive daily to become more like him. Jesus brought into the world a radically new ideal: "I do my Father's will; I finish the work which he has given me to do." Our Sunday school is taking more interest as the spring has opened. The devotional each Sunday morning is conducted by the different classes, which we hope to train our young people and children to work for Jesus. Our superintendent, Mr. O. G .Griffin, had to undergo an operation and is in the hospital. He is greatly missed by each one. We hope for him a speedy recovery and return to his school. Mr. Ernest Long, a local preacher, will fill the pulpit the third Sunday night in the absence of Mr. Burgess. The Lord's Supper was also observed at the Sunday morning service.—Josephine Phillips, Reporter.

The annual home coming day will be observed Sunday, May 25, at Mt. Zion church, Cornelius. All former pastors are cordially invited to attend this event as are the editors of the Advocate and the friends of the church. Two outstanding speakers will be with us on the date named. We are indeed fortunate in securing two of Methodism's leaders in North Carolina. Dr. G. T. Rowe will preach at the morning hour and former Governor Hoey will teach the men's Bible class and probably speak during the afternoon. The appearance of things will be considerably changed over what it has been in years gone by. The old school building which stood to the rear of the church is no longer there. Instead we now have a new educational building of brick veneer. We began work on the new building last October, and by March we had a building of 11 class rooms, an assembly room for the intermediate department, a pastor's study, three rest rooms, and a large basement. Come down and see our new building and rejoice with us that we have such a nice place for our Sunday school. We also offer you a day of fellowship with some of the finest people to be found anywhere and, chickens will be ripe. If you do not remember the day because of any of the other things, you will long remember it because of the fine picnic dinner which will be served by some of the best cooks that ever boiled water.—W. S. Smith.

An audience of 3,000 is expected to attend the Inter-Faith Convocation, sponsored by United China Relief, at Carnegie Hall on May 15, at 8:30 p. m. As testimony of the sympathy of the religious minded for the suffering of China's millions in their fight against aggression, representatives of three faiths, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, will deliver addresses. Tsune-chi Yu, consul general of China in New York, also will speak. The speakers will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr, Francis W. Walsh, pastor of St. Gabriel's church, Manhattan College, and vicar-delegate to Catholics in the U. S. Army and Navy; Rabbi Edward L. Israel of Har Sinai Temple, Baltimore, and president of the Synagogue Council of America; and Dr. E. Stanley Jones, well known Protestant missionary to India, head of the recent National Christian Mission.

BISHOP PURCELL PREACHES AT THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF GRACE CHURCH

On the first Sunday in May, 1891, Grace church, Greensboro, was organized and on the first Sunday in may, 1941, the golden anniversary service was held with Bishop Clare Purcell delivering the sermon of the hour. The sermon was eminently appropriate, the music of the excellent choir was beautiful, the congregation large and appreciative, and the pastor received two young Methodists by church letter from Atlanta, Ga., but he could not tell whether they were the last members of the first half century of the church or the first members of the second half century. Anyhow this young husband and wife enjoy a unique distinction.

DEDICATION OF HAMMOND MEMORIAL ORGAN AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, CHINA GROVE

On May 4 the church was filled for the 11 o'clock service, at which time the new organ was dedicated to the memory of the late Willliam J. Swink, who loved this church and who participated so deeply in its program. We are grateful to the members of his family who have contributed one-half of the organ fund: Mrs. Anna Hearne Swink, Mrs. Frances Swink Hardin, Mrs. Louise Swink Fitch. Messrs. Hearne and Caleb Swink.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor, had charge of the service. Mrs. W. V. Bright, organist, presided most effectively. Both senior and junior choirs sang. They were directed by Mr. Harold Bassinger. The soloist for the morning was Mr. Joseph Parkin, singer and steward from Centenary church, Winston-Salem.

K. A. Shinn, chairman of the organ fund, presented the memorial plate, which was accepted by the pastor. Dr. C. N. Clark, our district superintendent, brought the sermon of the hour. Mrs. K. A. Shinn.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Asheville district conference will be held in our West Asheville church on Wednesday, May 14—a one day conference.

This is to invite the brethren who represent the causes and interests of Methodism to attend. Dr. W. A. Stanbury of Winston-Salem, chairman of the Conference Board of Christian Education, has been invited to deliver the educational address, and opportunities will be given representatives of the institutions and causes of the church to be presented to the conference, and arrangement will be made whereby they will have opportunity to confer with prospective students. M. T. Smathers, D. S.

SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Salisbury district conference will be held May 22 at Granite Quarry, Rev. C. G. Isley, pastor. The conference will convene at 9:30 and adjourn at 4:30. All representatives of the various interests of the church will be gladly welcomed. C. N. Clark, D. S.

GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Gastonia district conference meets with Friendship church, Fallston charge, May 14, at Fallston. Representatives of all interests of the church are expected and will be welcome. We always expect visitors, so come right along.

Geo. W. Clay, Pastor. E. M. Jones, D. S.

DR. PAUL NEFF GARBER BECOMES DEAN OF DUKE UNIVERSITY DIVINITY SCHOOL

President Robert L. Flowers of Duke University has announced the election by the board of trustees of Dr. Paul Neff Garber as dean of the University Divinity School. Dr. Garber succeeds Dean Elbert Russell, who has asked the trustees to release him from his administrative duties in order that he might give more time to teaching, preaching and research.



Dr. Paul N. Garber

It was also announced by President Flowers that the name of the School of Religion has been changed to that of the Divinity School.

Dr. Garber has been connected with the Duke School of Religion since its organization in 1926, serving as professor of church history and as registrar. He is a native of Virginia, and his academic training was secured at Bridgewater College, Crozer Theological Seminary and the University of Pennsylvania. He was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by the Univeristy of Pennsylvania in 1923. After serving for one year as instructor at Brown University, in 1924 Dr. Garber became a member of the faculty of Trinity College.

Dr. Garber is the author of a number of books relating to church history, and is a recognized authority of Methodist history Two of his works—"The Legal and Historical Aspects of the Plan of Unification" (1938), and "The Methodists Are One People" (1939)—are credited with having played an important part in the successful consummation of the union of three major branches of American Methodism to form The Methodist Church in 1939. In 1937 Dr. Garber also published the biography of Bishop John C. Kilgo, who was president of Trinity College from 1894 to 1910. Other books by Dr. Garber are "The Gadsden Treaty" and "The Romance of American Methodism."

The new Duke dean occupies a position of intimate and active relationship with the work of The Methodist Church. He was a member of the Uniting Methodist Conference, held at Kansas City, Missouri, in 1939, and of the first General Conference of The Methodist Church, held last spring at Atlantic City. At the latter conference Dr. Garber was chairman of the Committee on Publishing Interests, which merged the seven official weekly periodicals of the three former Methodist churches into a national Methodist weekly known as The Christian Advocate.

Dr. Garber is president of the Association of Methodist Theological Schools, vice president of the Association of Methodist Historical Societies, and secretary of the Ecumenical Methodist Council. He is a member of the Board of Publication and of the Commission on the Course of Study of The Methodist Church. He is a member of the Western North Carolina conference.

Dean Russell has been dean of the School of Religion since 1928. During Dr. Russell's deanship seven hundred students have enrolled. These alumni are to be found in many parts of the world, serving as pastors, missionaries, teachers, chaplains, and secretaries of boards of Christian education, missions and church extension. Dr. Russell will continue his relationship with the School of Religion as dean emeritus and professor of Biblical Interpretation, and as one of the University chapel preachers.

SHALL WE ENTER THE WAR?

Whereas, the repeal of the Embargo Act was argued for and secured by the President of the United States and Congress in 1939 on the grounds that repeal would make for "American neutrality, American security, and American peace"; and

Whereas, in 1940 Congress worked for public support of the Draft Act upon the claim that the draftees were to be called for but one year's service and that in the Western Hemisphere; and

Whereas, the President of the United States in seeking re-election, at a time when the European war was raging, made the direct promise that "we will not send our men to take part in European wars"; and

Whereas, many of the supporters of the Lease-Lend bill in Congress sought to label it a bill to keep America out of war rather than a bill threatening involvement; and

Whereas, in the face of all this, strong pressure is being brought to bear in Washington to the end that the American Navy, operated by American men, be used to convoy war material in danger zones;

Resolved, therefore:

1. That the military activities be confined to the Western Hemisphere.

2. That the citizens of America, in view of the staggering sacrifice that they are being asked to make, call upon Congress to speak more specifically of the objective to which this sacrifice is to be made.

3. That in the event our sympathies, our prayers, and all the material aid that we can give the democracies, short of war, does not save democracy in Europe, then we prefer fighting the issue out in our Western Hemisphere, burying our boys in their native soil where they can be honored by their children as men who died in defense of their own country, rather than having the bodies of our boys buried in two oceans and scattered over European battlefields in an effort to do something that the loss of the lives of 130,000 boys and the expenditure of 40 billions of dollars did not do just 23 years ago.

4. That we call upon the people of North Carolina to let their representatives in Washington know whether they wish to enter the second stage of the European war or remain at home at the risk of and in preparation for the ills that may come later.

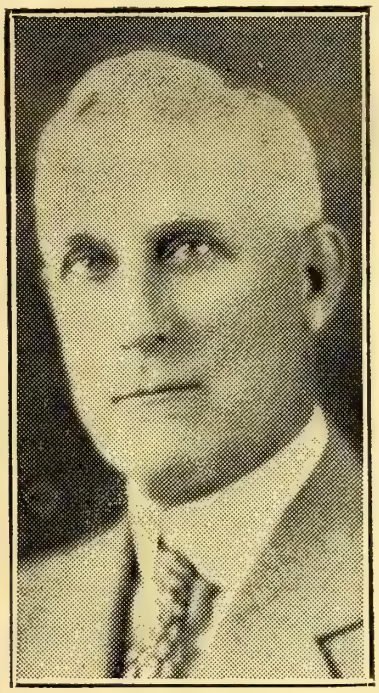
W. C. Wilson, Secretary,
Fayetteville District Conference.

DEATH OF NOBLEMAN'S FAMILY GREAT LOSS TO BRITISH METHODISM

Lord and Lady Josiah Stamp, who with their eldest son, the Honorable Wilfred, were killed while taking refuge during an air raid in a reinforced shelter under their home, were perhaps the most distinguished members of the British Methodist Church. They were buried in Elmers End cemetery, Beckenham, Kent, following a memorial service in the Beckenham Methodist church. Lady Stamp was president of the National Free Church Women's Council and a governor of University College, Aberystwyth. Lord Stamp, first Baron of Shortlands, has been the recipient of honorary degrees from 25 of the world's greatest universities, in eight different countries. He was the author of nearly a score of books, principally in the field of economics, two of them bearing on the Christian aspect of this subject, and has been the lecturer on at least eight foundations. The list of his governmental, political and social honors is almost endless, and includes the conferment several times of knightly orders.

CHAIRMAN GREENSBORO COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Greensboro College, always fortunate in the persons who have served as members of its board of trustees, and especially in those who have served as president of the board, is particularly blessed in the long and faithful service of the incumbent, Mr. Charles S. Wallace of Morehead City and Jacksonville, Fla., who has been a member



Charles S. Wallace

of the board since 1915 and its president since 1918. The college has had only nine presidents of its board in the 103 years of its chartered history. Mr. Wallace, whose 23 years in the presidency of the board gives him the distinction of serving in this capacity longer than any of his eight predecessors ,is still going strong; and all friends of the institution appreciate his devotion and leadership in the affairs of the board and wish for the college the benefit of many more years of his service. His predecessors were: George C. Mendenhall, Esq., 1838 to 1855; Dr. James E. Williamson, 1855 to 1873; Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, 1873 to 1878; C. P. Mendenhall, 1878 to 1882; Julian S. Carr, 1882 to 1901; W. R. Odell, 1901 to 1903; J. A. Long, 1904 to 1915; J. B. Blades, 1915 to 1918.

"THINGS WHICH CANNOT BE SHAKEN"

It was my privilege yesterday after having been absent for four consecutive Sundays, meeting personal obligations, to sit in the pew in my own church and listen to my own pastor, Rev. E. M. Avett, deliver a most timely and wholesome sermon. The message steadied my soul and did me good. It remains with me still to give me courage as I go, this week, into another evangelistic campaign.

The preacher did not talk to us about soaring taxes, blasting bombs, sinking ships, crumbling democracies, and tottering civilizations. He talked about "Things Which Cannot Be Shaken."

What an opportunity the pulpit has, in these days of distress, to lift troubled, anxious souls into the unshakable realities of the spiritual realm where God is, and where the eternal verities of truth, love, peace and moral values shall continue to reign long after the last vestige of physical might shall have beaten itself to smithereens in its hopeless onslaught against the Gibraltar of right! How great the responsibility of the preacher. Hungry hearts are groping after certainties that abide. As preachers, let us at least once a week cut out the news, which is out of date anyway before we can announce it, and point to "Things Which Cannot Be Shaken"—Jesus Christ and his gospel. That's our job.

H. C. Sprinkle.

NEWS ITEMS FROM STATESVILLE DISTRICT

In the Statesville district 512 members had been received at the time of the Easter reports.

The past winter has been a period of improvement in church property on many charges in the district. New furnaces have been installed at both the Catawba and Claremont churches where W. Q. Grigg serves. J. P. Hornbuckle has a new heating plant at Fairgrove on the Highlands charge. The people of Granite Falls put a modern heating system in their new educational building; and Broad Street, Mooresville, where V. R. Masters is pastor, has a new heating system.

The Lenoir circuit bought a new parsonage in Lenoir for their pastor, W. L. Harkey. Bob Martin and the Harmony people are finishing a nice new parsonage, and Everett Loman at Bethel, Hickory, is about to start his second new parsonage in the three years he has been a pastor.

The parsonage to be built at Grace Chapel has been made complete with the installation of water and modern plumbing by Max Brandon. Max is now building a beautiful church on a commanding hilltop in Rhodhiss. It will be ready for dedication, along with the Granite Falls educational building, when Bishop Purcell comes in the fall.

The Bob Hunts have a complete water and plumbing facilities in the new parsonage at Hudson.

To these add W. S. Smith's new educational building completed at Mt. Zion, renovation of the Elmwood parsonage, and the new church A. G. Lackey is ready to build at Shepherds, and you will see that Joe Hiatt and the Statesville district Methodists take real pride in their church property.

Reid Wall.

ACTIVITIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

On Saturday, May 3, Louisburg alumni returned to the college for home coming and they attended the May Day festival at 4:30 o'clock. Miss Margaret White Byrum of Edenton was crowned queen of the fete and Mr. James Featherston of Roxboro was chosen to rule with her. Miss Gloria Simpson of Vanceboro was maid of honor and her escort was Mr. Charles Williamson of Weldon.

At 6:30 o'clock Saturday alumni were guests in the college dining hall with Dr. Sadie Johnson, president of the alumni association, presiding over the meeting. Dr. Walter Patten welcomed the alumni and Representative Moss of Elizabeth City was guest speaker of the evening. His address included that part that colleges must play in the reconstruction of the world after the close of the present conflict.

The Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College, held its annual alumni banquet and business meeting on last Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Louisburg College will send three representatives to the All-Carolina International Relations Club conference. The conference is to be held at the University of North Carolina for the week-end of May 9-10. The representatives are as follows: Jean McKinnon of Mount Gilead, Jane Sanderlin of Elizabethtown, and Dan McFarland of Asheville.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT CALVARY CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The young people of Calvary Methodist church, Greensboro, Rev. R. C. Stubbins, pastor, are to promote a series of evangelistic services May 11-18. Rev. Aubert M. Smith of Henderson, is to do the preaching and Mr. Fenton L. Larson of Greensboro is to direct the music. Thorough preparations are being made for the meeting and young people of various organizations and denominations are being invited to attend and take part in the services. The meeting will not be confined to young people alone, but will welcome everyone to help in these evangelistic efforts.

Dedication of Granite Quarry Church Sunday, May 11



Granite Quarry Methodist Church, Organized in 1884

Dedication service will be observed by the Shiloh Methodist church on Sunday, May 11, at 7:30 p. m. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon.

About the year 1884 a small group of people had a meeting place in the school building that was located on the Faith road. From that group Shiloh M. E. Church, South, was organized, and in 1889 Devault Klutts and Carson A. Brown deeded two tracts of land to the trustees of Shiloh M. E. church. In that same year Shiloh M. E. church was built. In 1911 this building was burned down and in 1912 rebuilt in the same location. The building committee at that time was: L. J. Kluttz, chairman, R. M. Brown, secretary and treasurer, A. L. Peeler and D. A. Hodge.

In the year 1931 J. O. Cox, the pastor, and the people had a vision of a new church and began quarrying the stone. The building was started in 1937. Rev. T. B. Huneycutt was pastor during this period and had the distinction of leading his people through the building program without any outstanding indebtedness on the church when it was completed. A great achievement of both pastor and people. The church is beautifully situated in a grove on the Main street of Granite Quarry. The trees on each side greatly enhance the beauty of the building. The approach is made by a walkway. The structure is gray stone, English design, with stained glass memorial windows. A two-story educational building connects with the auditorium. It is equipped with the latest facilities including the departmentalized class rooms, assembly halls, which may be quickly converted into a dining room or used for recreational purposes, and a modern kitchen and rest room.

The service will be in charge of Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, the trustees, stewards, and the pastor, C. G. Isley. The trustees are R. M. Brown, chairman; J. A. Bames, J. S. Melton, L. J. Kluttz, J. M. Lyerly, and J. W. Hudson.

We extend an invitation to all friends of the church and former pastors to be with us and enjoy the service.

The pastors who have served this church are: W. S. Creasy, B. A. York, H. M. Blair, C. M. Gentry, W. L. Cutch-



Bishop Clare Purcell



Dr. C. N. Clark
Salisbury District Superintendent



Rev. C. G. Isley, Pastor

en, A. L. Coburn, J. J. Brooks, W. F. England, J. P. Davis, P. W. Tucker, J. T. Stover, J. C. Mock, E. M. Avett, R. C. Kirk, J. H. Brendall, R. K. Brady, C. R. Allison, W. B. Thompson, R. L. Melton, E. N. Crowder, J. O. Cox, W. S. Smith, T. B. Huneycutt, and C. G. Isley.

THE METHODIST COMMISSION ON CAMP ACTIVITIES

The Methodist Commission on Camp Activities is the new name selected for the former Methodist Emergency Commission at the meeting in Washington, D. C., on April 29. Bishop A. W. Leonard, chairman of the commission, presided, and presented a statement of facts he had gathered from interviews with chaplains and visits to camps. The resignation of the secretary, the Rev. George M. Bell, was accepted with regret, and the Rev. Jacob S. Payton, the recently chosen executive secretary, was named to succeed him.

Mr. Charles P. Taft, assistant co-ordinator of health and welfare and related defense activities, outlined for commission members the scope of the work of the united service organizations for defense, and the provisions for welfare work adjacent to camps to be made from federal funds.

No allocations of funds were made for work in naval and military establishments. It was thought advisable first to secure from the Council of Bishops a statement of the duration of the period across which the offerings of the Day of Compassion were to be expended.

The following resolution was adopted: "After the budgets and the programs and the procedures recommended by the areas have been approved by the Methodist Commission on Camp Activities, the executive administration, including choice of personnel, shall be the responsibility of the area bishop and such organization as he may set up."

The commission authorized that $500 be appropriated, same to cover cost of 50 copies of The Upper Room to each Methodist chaplain for issues of that periodical during the last half of 1941. The chairman and the executive secretary were authorized to investigate and formulate recommendations for supplying naval and military establishments with Methodist literature and present them at the next meeting. The commission requested the Council of Bishops to take under advisement the wisdom of considering that all appeals for funds by the church during this emergency shall be united.

The Council of Bishops was asked to name Bishop Bruce Baxter to the commission, and it was further requested that the name of a woman be added to the membership.

Under consideration of "alternative service" camps or conscientious objectors, the commission voted it to be its declared policy to render service in all camps without discrimination. The chairman was authorized to appoint a sub-committee to study and analyze the area and askings submitted to the commission and report the same to its next meeting. Bishop William W. Peele, Dr. E. D. Kohlstedt, Dr. F. B. Newell were named to serve with the chairman and the executive secretary. The sub-committee will meet in Washington on May 20, and the commission on May 21. Both meetings will be held in The Methodist Building, Washington, D. C., beginning at 9 a. m.

Jacob S. Payton,
Secretary.

A SERMON FOR OLD MEN

By Jeff D. Ray

Introduction: Let no one refuse to read this sermon because he is not old. If old age has not come it will if you live long enough. And you need to be reinforced against that day. If it has already come you need to determine seriously what use you will make of it:

Text: "Behold thou art old" (1 Sam. 8:5).

I. Three Classes of Old Men

1. Those who grow hard. Become static and fossilized. Trees never petrify so long as they keep on growing.

2. Those who grow soft. Mushy sentimentalism.

3. Those who grow soft. A benediction, an encouragement, a help to all.

II. Three Dangers for Old Men

1. Abnormal egotism. Thinks everybody wants to hear about great things he has done.

2. Sneering cynicism. Sees sinister motive for every noble deed.

3. Ultraconservatism. Everything must be done as it was done when he was a boy.

III. Three Joys of Old Men

1. Reverence from the young. Every respectable, high-class old man has it, except when he sometimes meets a young fool.

2. Reviewing a past well spent. Only one who is and has been a good man can have this experience.

3. Awaiting a crossing to the other side. He says with Stonewall Jackson, "Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade."

IV. Three Duties of Old Men

1. Keep in touch with current life. He must live with people and not merely with books and memories.

2. Keep learning new things. Some old men known to me have not felt a new microbe wiggle in their gray matter for twenty years.

3. Realize and sing, "The old man ain't what he used to be." No use playing the ostrich—trying to hide facts by hiding the calendar and strutting like a youth.

V. Three Ways to Keep from Growing to Be an Old Man

1. Keep close to the kiddies. They can learn some things from you but you can learn a lot more from them. I knew an old man who accounted for his youthfulness by saying "boys and buttermilk," and another who accounted for his by saying "kids and clabber."

2. Trust God and fret not. Faithless fretting and unbelieving anxiety shorten life, destroy happiness, and prevent usefulness.

3. Look outward and upward and forward, and not inward and downward and backward. Putting the ball between their own goal posts is not the way for a football team to win a game.

Conclusion: What better conclusion can we find for this sermon than these sensible and at the same time beautiful lines:

Let me grow lovely growing old!
So many fine things do.
Laces and ivory and gold
And silks need not be new.
And there is healing in old trees:
Old streets a glamour hold.
Why not I as well as these
Grow lovely growing old?

—Biblical Recorder.

PASSING OF WILLIAM WASHINGTON FLOWERS

The following news item was sent out this week from New York by Methodist Information:

"William Washington Flowers, brother to President Robert L. Flowers of Duke University, died in Durham, N. C., May 1. Like his brother he has long been connected with the university, having been first a student of Trinity College, later a professor there, and more recently a benefactor of the university. Mr. Flowers, a business associate of James B. Duke and for the past five years chairman of the board of Liggett and Myers Co., contributed liberally to a notable collection of Southern Americana given to the Duke University library as a memorial to his father. Services were conducted by the Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of the Duke Memorial church in Durham."

This funeral service was from the home of Judge and Mrs. Marshall Spear, where he died, having recently returned from St. Petersburg, Florida. Mrs. Spear is an only sister of the deceased. In the home for the service were assembled the family, the friends and the business associates in Durham, New York and elsewhere. These filled the house and overflowed into the yard. An impressive feature of the burial was the five brothers and other intimate relatives acting as pallbearers: Robert Lee, George Horace, Fred and Claude are brothers, Judge Spear, a brother-in-law, Lieutenant George Horace Flowers, Jr., a nephew, W. D. Carmical, Sr., and Edgar S. Tombs, intimate friends.

This was a most representative gathering, dominated by the family idea. The family and other relatives had a part in this final tribute to one worthy of their best love and esteem. The service of song, scripture reading and prayer was beautiful in its simplicity. No words of eulogy were spoken, and this now is no place for an estimate of the man whose life was so largely spent in the nation's metropolis; yet one whose loyalties held true to home and the memories of his early days.

As the evening shadows lengthened and the fading light of the sun fell across the beautiful Flowers mausoleum in Maplewood, the large group of relatives, friends and leading citizens of Durham and elsewhere returned to their normal rounds of life. To some of us, however, this afternoon, with the Duke towers hard by, and the memories of the years crowding in on us, the end of the day was not so appealing as were those far away morning hours of young Will Flowers when he, fresh from the foothills of Carolina, entered "Old Trinity" with the freshness of morning on his brow and the bouyancy of youth in his blood. Most of us prefer the morning and the springtime to the sunset and "the sear and yellow leaf."

Strikingly handsome in face and form, alert in mind and of friendly disposition, Will Flowers won friends and admirers among every class and condition of student groups. Surrounded by a group of youngsters engaged in idle jest and empty conversation this bright, alert youth would glance at his books and let fall some bright remark or friendly jab as he continued his lessons. The wonder to all was how he could do this and then go to class able to lead all the rest. Certainly, the "grinds" could not understand. His was an eager, alert mind! We all knew that Will Flowers was a wonderfully talented young man able to win in class room and on athletic field.

But the pressure of life in New York was too great even for that fine body and noble mind. After the stress and strain of more than four decades he was forced to surrender.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, wife of former Gov. Clyde R. Hoey and an outstanding Methodist lay woman, will deliver the commencement address at Greensboro College Monday, June 2, in Odell Memorial auditorium at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Hoey, whose most serious interest outside of her home is education of young people, is a member of a distinguished North Carolina family and is a sister of former Governor O. Max Gardner. She is an active member of the Shelby Woman's Club, the D.A.R., the U.D.C. and the Twentieth Century Book Club.

Preceding the graduating exercises on Monday, Dr. William F. Quillian, New York City, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at West Market Street church on Sunday, June 1, at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel addressed the graduating class of Staley high school at Staley on Monday, April 28, and the graduating class of Randleman high school on May 1. Dr. Gobbel also spoke at Central Methodist church in Mt. Airy May 4 at 11 o'clock at the Surry County Temperance Field Day, while on Tuesday, April 29, Dr. Gobbel with Mrs. Gobbel, Miss Mary Brock, alumnae secretary, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McEntire, and Miss Margaret Neal, alumna of Greensboro College, attended a dinner meeting of the Winston-Salem alumnae chapter in Winston.

The Greensboro College art exhibit will open with a tea on Sunday afternoon, May 11, from 4 until 6 p. m. The exhibit, sponsored by the art department and supervised by Mrs. Mary Braeme Seasholtz, acting head of the department, will continue through May 21, with hours for visitors from 9 a. m. till 9 p. m. Visitors are welcome.

On Tuesday, May 6, the Greensboro College school of music presented Miss Gwen Holler, Greensboro, in her senior piano recital in Odell auditorium. Miss Holler, who is a candidate for the B.M. degree, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. N. Holler.

On Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock Miss Mae Cooper, Statesville, will be crowned May Queen at Greensboro College by Miss Susannah Wimbish, Greensboro, her maid of honor. The annual fete will consist, in addition to the crowning of the queen, of several dances, all based on the theme of Spring.

Some 300 high school seniors have been invited to be guests of the college on May Day. A special chapel program has been prepared for their entertainment and they will be given a taste of college life.

Miss Hilda Somers was presented in her junior voice recital on Friday, May 2, in Odell auditorium. Miss Somers is a candidate for the B.M. degree. She is from Burlington.

Miss Helen Shepherd of East Shore, Md., spoke to the Greensboro College student body on "The Effects of Alcohol" on Tuesday, April 29, at the regular assembly hour.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF DURHAM CITY-WIDE UNION

The city-wide Epworth League Union held its annual banquet Thursday evening, May 1, at Duke Memorial Methodist church. Rev. A. J. Hobbs was the speaker of the evening and the topic of his address was "Make Youth Last." About 120 young people attended.

Tommy Hobbs was "pilot" for the evening. Rev. Harold Simpson gave the invocation ,followed by a greeting by "Union Pilot" president, John Cline, and a welcome by the Duke Memorial young people. A toast to the outgoing officers was followed by a response by Sadie Lee Mumford. The Glymp sisters then sang "Flying High," and a toast to the incoming officers was followed by a respense by "Union Co-Pilot" vice president, Stoker Williams. Sidney Crumpton took over the controls for five minutes of magic, and Sarah Dameron gave a solo which was followed by a fellowship song by Linwood Blackburn. Hazeline Vickers introduced the speaker, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. C. Smith.

New officers are as follows: President, John Cline; vice president, Stokes Williams; secretary, Mary Frances Wilson; treasurer, Rebecca Stallings; publicity chairman, John Parrish.

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THE N. C. CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Many pastors and church school workers are making plans for vacation church schools to be held this summer. It has been inspiring to learn of the provision and preparation being made for the children in the various churches and communities in the North Carolina conference. The conference board will be glad to assist in any way possible in planning for the schools.

Because there has been a definite need for more time for boys and girls in the church school ,the vacation school has provided time well spent, where the children participating could worship, study, work and play together.

For the past several years there has been a growing interest in and more thorough planning for the schools, and last year 353 schools were held. It is hoped that many more churches will make this provision in 1941.

About Vacation Schools

The following statements were sent pertaining to schools held in 1940:

1. From helpers in this school we got two very good and regular Sunday school teachers.

2. We know the vacation church school helped to stimulate interest in the whole church.

3. The whole community was astonished at the number of children who attended the vacation church school. Many wondered where we found them —but they found the church—and the whole community has been blessed, we feel.

4. Next year the school will be held for at least two weeks and there will be at least three more workers. The children are delighted with the prospects.

5. This was the first vacation school for ——— church. The children, the regular church school teachers, and the parents were delighted with the school and are looking forward to another next year.

6. I feel that the Bible has seemed more real to the children and that they will make better citizens by having had this time for study.

7. The Sunday school has been, I believe, perm;anently helped.

Workers

Regular church school workers are in a position to meet the needs better than outsiders.

Interested parents are often willing to work whole heartedly in a vacation school.

Public school teachers who are at home for the summer can often be enlisted as helpers in the vacation school.

Students at home from college during their vacation time may be willing to give their best effort at this undertaking.

A few carefully chosen young people may be challenged by the opportunity the vacation school offers.

Others who have special ability may be willing to take the place of teachers who find it impossible to work in the vacation school.

The number of workers needed will depend upon the age groups provided for and the number enrolled in each. Often the grouping will be practically the same os it is in each department on Sunday morning.

The Daily Schedule

The daily sessions are usually two, two and a half or three hours in length. The essential elements to be included are work, study, worship and play. A daily schedule is quite flexible and the leaders would use the hours each day as they feel best. It is well to plan very thoroughly the schedule for each day so that the best use may be made of the time. A suggested distribution of time for a two hours school might roughly be this:

Work and study, 9:00-9:40 o'clock.
Worship, 9:40-10:00.
Play, 10:00-10:20.
Work and study, 10:20-11:00.

Materials

In a recent page of the N. C. Conference page in the Advocate there were statements made concerning choice materials to be used in the schools. A list of the suggested materials for 1941 has been sent to each pastor and to each children's division superintendent. From this list the workers may make a choice, thinking over the matter with regard to interests of children and their needs, what was used in previous schools and other factors of the individual group. Too much cannot be said about ordering the texts at an early date and putting them into the hands of the workers so that they might make a thorough study of the material. In most instances there are other materials which the leaders will want to make available for the children's use which she would collect after studying her text. All the texts may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House in Richmond, Va.

Cost of School

Many folk ask about the cost of a vacation school. This will depend on several things, such as the number of pupils attending, the length of the term and the materials purchased. Much of the material with which the children work can be secured with little, if any, expense.

Records and Reports

Careful record of the attendance of each child during the school should be kept. Since the vacation school is an integral part of the church school, there seems to be no need for vacation school promotion card or certificates.

The report blank which will be mailed to each pastor from the conference office should be filled out immediately at the close of the school and returned to the conference office. These blanks will be mailed early in the summer. It is well for each church to keep a record so that the information may be shared with the church board of education and to be used as a basis for planning for the school in the following year.

Vacation Church School Institute

In April Miss Elizabeth Oliver, conference director of children's work with the Western North Carolina Conference Board of Education, and Miss Alma Louise Cade of the North Carolina Board met with the men in the Duke School of Religion who will be particpating in schools this summer. Several hours were spent discussing the vacation school and it is felt that these young men will make a very splendid contribution as they work throughout the conferences.

The program was as follows:

Monday

12:30. Group worship based on the junior level.

3:00-5:00. Display of materials and projects.

7:30. Forum.

Tuesday

8:00. Lecture, "The Nature and Value of Vacation Church Schools."

9:00-11:15. Private conferences.

11:30. Discussion. of methods and materials.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

I went to church last Sunday,
But I decided not to stay;
So, when Sunday school was over
I quietly went away.

And just as I was leaving
I looked around to see,
And several of my scholars
Were following after me.

I had taught them of Jesus,
And the "Golden Rule."
But still, I didn't stay for preaching,
Just after Sunday school.

So now, I see I'm teaching them
An awful, awful thing:
To leave the church after Sunday school,
And preaching, and everything.

I felt ashamed of myself
When first I dared to go,
But since I've gone so often
My conscience feels no woe.

But I know it's wrong
To practice such a rule—
To leave the church and go straight home
Just after Sunday school.

For once my conscience did hurt me,
Though now it feels no woe;
Yet I'm sure the dear Lord Jesus
Would not have it so.

So I've made a new resolution,
And this shall be my rule:
I'll stay each time for preaching,
Just after Sunday school.

C. J. Winslow.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MOTHER'S DAY—MAY 11, 1941

An Indelible Picture

I have no picture of my mother,
Engraving fine or canvas rare,
And though at times I wish I had,
I need no paper image fair;
Engraven on my grateful heart
I find the cinema of years,
That neither time nor shifting scene
Can ever take away; it bears
A stamp indelible! what could erase
The beauty of my mother's face!

—Ethel L. Kitchell.

In a tribute to Mother, Dr. D. A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, has said: "Call her Intuition, for she has the sense of future events; call her Courage, for she is braver than the bravest; call her Comfort, for even God could find no richer figure than "as one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you." Call her Sacrifice, for she gives her all—body, mind and spirit—gives all gladly and weeping only that having given all, she has nothing else to give; call her Patience, for in her this grace has its perfect work; call her Forgiveness and into forgiveness blend the fadeless colors of unchangeableness. She is the same always. Call her Faith, at last and to the last—faith when all others fail. Intuition, Courage, Comfort, Sacrifice, Patience, Forgiveness and Faith —these are the seven perfect parts of mother love, which next to that of the love of Christ is most sublime."

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The first of the eleven district meetings to be held in the Western North Carolina conference, within the next few weeks, was that of the Asheville district which was held in Central church, Asheville, Wednesday, April 30, with Miss Amy Hackney district corresponding secretary, in charge. An ideal spring day, a large representation of the district women (250 or more), a number of prominent visitors, who participated in the day's program, contributed to the enjoyment of of the day's meeting.

The opening session held at 9:30 a.m. was presided over by Mrs. C. S. Brown, district president, who announced the hymn, "More Love to Thee" as the opening selection. Mrs. F. A. Walton, district leader of spiritual life, gave the devotional message on the theme, "God's Love"—a most inspiring and impressive message. Visitors and speakers introduced at this time were Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, Miss Leila Epps of Kinstree, S. C., missionary from Brazil, Miss Ruth Diggs of Honea Path, S. C., and Miss Mabel Cherry of Brevard, both missionaries from Korea; Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central church; Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of Asheville district, Mrs, M. T. Smathers and Mrs. F. R. Baker, president of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Officers of the district and two zone leaders were also presented and each gave a report of the work of her department.

In a message fraught with much interest, Miss Hackney told of the work of the district for the past year, giving some of the outstanding achievements and announcing the attainment of the efficiency aims by five of the district societies—Central, Fletcher, Haywood Street, Weaverville and West Asheville. She also made the cheering announcement that the pledge of $5050 for 1940 was overpaid, the full amount contributed on pledge being $5300. One young woman from the district had volunteered for service and was now at Sue Bennett College, sponsored by the W. N. C. conference. A problem stated by Miss Hackney was the "unfinished task of organization" which with the help of the ministers who are most co-operative she hopes to solve during this year.

Miss Ruth Diggs, missionary from Korea, was presented and made an interesting talk on her work in Korea, where for 14 years she did a most faithful and effective work at Carolina Institute. She also brought interesting information concerning Scarritt College, which is now an international center. She urged the societies to secure Associate memberships of the institution, expressing the hope that 5000 may be enrolled in the Southeastern Jurisdiction this year.

A vocal solo by Mrs. B. E. Cole, "God So Loved the World," was dedicated to Mrs. C. C. Weaver by Mrs. Cole, and her sisters of the Gaston family.

The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Weaver, who, after a prayer, read two appropriate scriptural selections, making fitting comments thereon. She stressed tithing, giving three reasons why we as modern Christians should tithe: (1) Because it is scriptural (a responsibility in proportion to our opportunity); (2) it is a method suggested for giving; (3) it makes us better Christians. Thirty-six society presidents came forward, and each quoting a verse of scripture, made the pledge for her society for 1941. A volunteer for service, Miss Mary Williamson of Oakley church, was introduced.

Miss Leila Epps from Brazil had for the theme of her interesting talk "Open Doors for Service" and gave some wonderful thoughts on God's love. She told two most interesting stories of Brazilians showing their love, devotion and loyalty to Christ under most trying circumstances—one of the lily bulb planted by a Christian woman, through which she showed the power of God exhibited by a Christian life. Another story of tithing by consecrated Brazilian Christians was heard with great interest.

Lunch was served in the dining room of the church and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. J. J. Stevenson, district vice president, and opened with hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee," which was followed by an inspirational talk by Miss Sarah Orr, whose theme was "A Victorious Life."

The service remembrance honoring the 16 society members of the district who passed away in 1940 followed this impressive message. As the names were called by the secretary, white carnations were placed in a bowl of white flowers and greenery, which were later carried to a sick member of the society, Mr. H. C. Johnson—the only male member of the society at Central church. This service closed with a vocal solo touchingly sung by Mrs. M. B. Tilson, "When They Ring Those Golden Bells."

Another message of interest was given by Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary to Korea, who spoke first of the beautiful Christian spirit existent in Korea and expressed regret that "the curtain is down in Korea," but fully hopeful that ere long "the curtain would be raised" in that land where Christianity has transformed the lives of so many.

Mrs. Weaver in an acrostic on the word Aims (from the Efficiency Aim) brought out fully and interestingly the explanation of the requirements of each of the items in the Aim and made a number of announcements as to securing helps and literature for the progress of our work. Resolutions committee reported through Mrs. W. G. McFarland, and collection of $57 was also reported, a part of which goes to the furnishing of the Kate Hackney room at Scarritt College.

Miss Epps closed the program by responding to a request for another story, telling of a visit to a Brazilian woman who in her anxiety to learn to read her Bible was taught by Miss Epps while in her home to read the one sentence, "God is love," her daughter later teaching her mother until now she can read her Bible with ease. Prayer by Miss Hackney closed this great meeting.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Missionary Society of Crouse Methodist church, Crouse, N. C., wish to pay tribute to the memory of our loved member and friend, Mrs. Lona Hauser Mauney, who passed away in Crouse on February 25, 1941. In her going our society has lost a faithful friend and loyal member, and in appreciation of her devotion to the Christian life, we offer these resolutions:

First, That in her passing we have lost a most beloved and valued member.

Second, That members of this society express to her family our heartfelt sympathy at their great loss.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society, a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy to the family.

Mrs. L .C. Beattie,
Mrs. Wayne McLurd,
Miss Wilhelm Boring.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

VISION VS. ACTION

"Isaiah had the eyes to see a vision. The purpose of the vision was to commission Isaiah to be a prophet. Isaiah was able to see the vision because of his closeness to God. Are we near enough to God for him to speak to us in a vision? This is a day when we need prophets—men and women who will speak out. Isaiah was a man who had the ability to see the sinfulness of his own life and he realized that he was a sinful man because he was in the presence of God. Sometimes we seem to have lost our sensitiveness to sin because we have lost our sensitiveness to God. Isaiah was a man who had the ability to do the task that God had given him. Do we find ourselves with the ability to do the task that God gives us to do? De we say with Isaiah, 'Here am I, send me'?" Editor's note: The foregoing thoughts are excerpts from a meditation given by Rev. H. B. Baum, pastor Cary Methodist church, at the recent meeting of the Raleigh district W. S. C. S. in that church. Are not these challenging statements applicable to missionary minded women who are concerned with the task of building a world Christian community?

CARAVAN ENLISTMENT

Some interesting information has come from Mrs. George Halton conference secretary of student work, which our readers in general and our secretaries of student work in the local societies in particular, will wish to note. Mrs. Halton writes: "The department of student work is especially anxious to complete all enlistments for the Caravan project as soon as possible. College students are planning their summer schedules. The Methodist Church is calling for 400 young men and women to plan their summer service work in 632 local churches in 49 annual conferences in 30 states. Since so many young men are called in the defense program and are finding work during the summer vacation, we are especially in need of men for the Caravans. The summer service project offers: An unexcelled opportunity for service; a motive and methed for enrichment of personality and character; a constructive summer of study, fellowship and work. The Methodist Student Movement and the Youth Department, through its summer program of creatively developed activity and service, are training youth in local church situations and in skills of intelligent churchmanship. Send applitions to The Student Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Halton also announces that report blanks for student work be available and are in the corresponding secretary's book. She is requesting that each secretary of student work in the local societies fill out the report blank for the first quarter's work and send it to her at once. Her address is Star, N. C.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

The time has come when missionary minded women shall become conscious of and plan for attendance upon the annual school of missions at Lake Junaluska. This year the dates of the school will be July 24-August 5. Courses in the two mission themes, "Christians and World Order" and Christianity and American Democracy," a course in Bible, one on "The Christian Home" and a method course will be offered. In addition to the helpful courses there will be conference periods on various departments of the work of the missionary enterprise, vesper services, chapel hours and missionary addresses. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education and service, is working to the end that many women of the conference shall take advantage of the wonderful opportunities offered at this school. More detailed information will be given later.

THE MBO TOWNSLEY FUND

Mrs. B. B. Slaughter shares with us the following reminder which will be interesting news to many folk in the N. C. conference: Friends of Inman and Pattie Dimmette Townsley, who are missionaries in Africa, were delighted to know of the coming of Inman, Jr. (Mbo, in the native tongue) and no doubt firmly intended to send a gift. They wondered if, in these troublous times, a gift would reach him so neglected to remember our friends. It occurred to me that it might be a friendly thing if we would send our love gifts in money to Pattie's mother, Mrs. J. W. Dimmette, Rockingham, N. C., to be placed in the Farmers Bank and Trust Co. for Mbo. Any person or society is invited to participate in these gifts.—Mrs. B. B. Slaughter.

HEBRON SOCIETY MEETS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Hebron Methodist church met on April 9 at the home of Mrs. Will Moore with 12 members and six visitors present. Mrs. George Wilkins presided. Mrs. Will Moore conducted the devotionals. Mrs. W. B. Warren conducted the spiritual life groups. Mrs. W. Moore was in charge of the program, the topic of which was "Investing Our Heritage for Christian Education." Mrs. L. E. Phelps, Mrs. A. M. Kimbro, Mrs. H. L. Warren, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Eugene Warren, Miss Ida Warren and Miss Nellie Warren participated in the program. Special guests were Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary; Mrs. J. Ernest Murphy, Burlington; Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Lupton, Leasburg. Miss Robertson displayed the Korean urn, the Korean candlesticks and the study jewel recently won by the Durham district. Mrs. Eugene Warren, local treasurer, reported $38.06 in the local treasury. Mrs. Mabel Warren was welcomed into the group as a new member. Miss Florine Robertson closed the meeting with prayer. During the social hour Mrs. Moore served a delicious salad course and a sweet course consisting of strawberry shortcake, jello and iced tea and lemonade.—Mrs. W. B. Nicks.

DUPLIN-SAMPSON ZONE

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service of Duplin and Sampson counties met at Warsaw on March 19 with Mrs. B. Whiteside, Clinton, presiding and Mrs. Charles Carroll, Warsaw, secretary. Rev. C. T. Thrift opened the meeting with a devotional. Mrs. C. T. Thrift spoke words of greeting and Mrs. Guy Ross, Clinton, responded. Christian Social Relations was discussed by Mrs. Slocumb, Roseboro. Student work was given by Mrs. H. C. Marshall, Rose Hill. Mrs. R. C. Merritt of the Ruth Walters society, explained the use of our periodicals. Mrs. Sterling Marriner, Warsaw, and Mrs. Tine Fussell, Rose Hill, told of the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Reports of societies showed all of the 16 in the zone represented, with the exception of one and much good work accomplished. Mrs. Whiteside read a letter fom Mrs. Floyd Johnson, district secretary, who was prevented from attending by illness. Mary Margaret Carroll, baby daughter of Mrs. Norwood of Iloilo, Philippine Islands, was given a life membership. Upon resignation of Mrs. Whiteside, Mrs. P. T. Long, Goshen, was elected zone leader. Mrs. Charles Carroll was reelected secretary. Clinton was selected as the next meeting place. The meeting which was instructive and inspirational with more than 100 members and several pastors and other visitors present was closed with devotional by Mrs. H. J. Faison of Faison, who used as her subject "Waking Up." The ladies of Warsaw church served lunch.—Miriam M. Carroll.

BEECH GROVE SOCIETY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Beech Grove Methodist church, New Bern district, is doing good work with Mrs. Clem Ipock, president; Mrs. Herbert Beaman, vice president; Mrs. Tull Richardson,, secretary, and Mrs. Roland Kilpatrick, treasurer. This society has recently completed the spring mission study class with Mrs. Joe Ipock, study leader, in charge. The course was "Methodism's World Mission." Dr. Lula Dissoway, missionary to China, whose home is in New Bern, gave a very interesting talk on China at the last meeting of the study course.—Mrs. Lena D. Tripp.

GUILD HANDBOOKS READY

Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, announces that the 1941 Wesleyan Service Guild handbooks are off the press and that they may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. The price is ten cents each. Mr. Gary is urging that all the Guilds have these handbooks.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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IN COMETH

In cometh the truck farmer with a smile on his face. We discussed the vegetable prospects, what is being planted, what is coming up, the allocation of space for tomatoes and sweet potatoes, what to do to keep the land in improved condition, the rotation of crops and the proper direction of the boys as they work along with their directors. The course of the conversation ran smoothly, and there was much to encourage the conversationalists. Then the truck farmer said, "It has been a long time since I have had a raise. What about an increase in salary? You know we work long, hard and late, paying no attention to the clock." Then there was a pause in the conversation. One thinks of the accumulating debt on the one hand and the hard working truck farmer on the other and postpones a decision.

DOWN COMETH

In a conversation last week with a member of our finance committee, who has much to do with the investment of the Children's Home endowment, the suggestion was made that careful thought be given to plans for reducing our expenses. It was predicted that endowment income receipts would be further reduced as time elapses and that we had better plan our operations in the light of what seemed to be inevitable. It was recounted that city and county governments are now taxing our revenue producting property, that which had to be taken over by foreclosure to save loans on same. This item gives the Children's Home a heavy blow. The conversation ended with the suggestion that fewer children be admitted.

UP COMETH

Word is just received that a large order of summer dresses placed in January cannot be delivered for the simple reason that they are not obtainable. This has become an old story with us. Careful plans for early purchases have gone awry and now we must go out on the market and pick up what we can at double the anticipated cost. Regardless of general statements to the contrary, prices are going up and commodities are harder to get. We are not in a very enviable position with our income going down and our outgo going up.

SATISFACTORY SOLUTION

In order for the Children's Home to use its plant in relieving distress to children who on Mother's Day, or any other day, cannot appeal to mother, is to appeal to our Methodist people for a more liberal sharing with them. No one of us has very seriously strained ourselves at helping our orphan children. Our plant has been given to us and a good part of the maintenance cost has been provided for us. Now we are called upon to do more than ever before. We have more to do for. We can assume the responsibility or run away from it. The satisfactory solution is that of meeting the issue. An amount equal to only fifty cents per member per year from our Methodist people will provide this satisfactory solution.

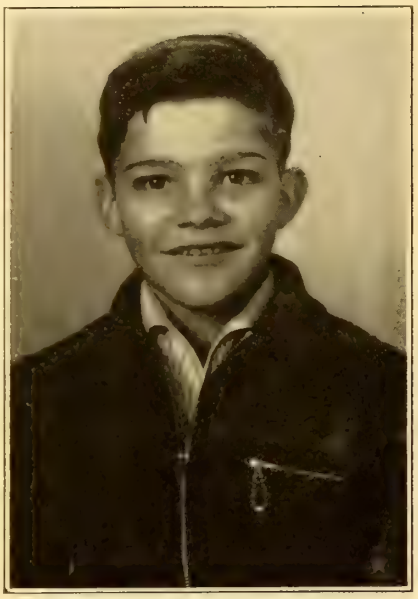
FACING FACTS

About 450,000 Baptists in North Carollina pay over $200,000 a year to support their 600 orphan children.

About 90,000 Presbyterians in North Carolina pay over $100,000 a year to support a little over 300 orphan children.

About 200,000 Methodists in the Western North Carolina conference pay less than $75,000, all contributions included, to provide for their 486 orphan children.

This is something that ought not to be published.



Blessed are they that seek for they shall find

"WHY CAN'T YOU?"

"Why can't you take these children? Don't you see that they are needy? Can't you understand that they have no home to live in? Their mother is dead and their father has run away. Why don't you do something about it?" The Children's Home representative listens, squirms and hesitates, gets his words all mixed up in his mouth and his ideas all mixed up in his head as he tries to state that the Children's Home is full and that when some of the children are placed elsewhere there is no assurance of sufficient funds to fill their places. Then the interrogator says, "Well, we have been paying our part at our church lo these many years, and haven't asked for any children to be placed in the Children's Home until now. We think that our destitute children should have some share in what we have been doing throughout all these years." The Children's Home man twists and squirms some more.

"GOD BLESS YOU"

Our good friend, Dr. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the High Point Children's Home, hardly ever writes a letter to us without putting somewhere in it, "God bless you." It is making an impression on me. A fellow has to have a good deal of religion to have a "God bless you" feeling in the midst of a merger which does away with an institution he has lived with through a dozen years. Dr. Dixon closed his last letter as follows: "With all good wishes and praying that God may direct you in the multitude of responsibilities which are yours. These responsibilities are very taxing at this season because of the goodly number you must place and then the sifting out from among the many applications the few that you can take. During our experience here we have only been able to take one out of the five or six applicants. God bless you and direct you in your selections."

"I WANT SOME LADIES"

Look at Vance Mullis. His picture is right here on this page. Vance is 11 years old and in the fifth grade. He is a good dependable boy. Recently he came up and said, "Can't you find me some ladies?" My brothers, Billy and Charles, have some and I wish I had some." Vance is yearning for some sponsors. He would like to have somebody to claim him, to send some money over to buy his clothes and to write him a letter now and then. And surely to send him a little birthday greeting and a little Christmas remembrance. Who wants Vance?

WHO RANG THE BELL?

Listen to the bell. What was it rung for? Who rang it? It is the ten per cent apportionment bell we are talking about. It was run in celebration of some complete apportionment givers for the present conference year. Join us in grateful thanks as we list the celebrating congregations and their pastors one by one:

Pisgah, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt.

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Bethlehem, Statesville circuit, Rev. G. F. Houck.

Unity, Landis circuit, Rev. C. W. Avett.

First church, Newton, Rev. M. Q. Tuttle.

Shooting Creek, Shooting Creek circuit. Rev. D. H. Dennis.

TEN TO ONE

It has often been said that it is better for a leader to put ten men to work than to do the work of ten men. Rev. C. W. Avett, pastor of the Landis circuit, in forwarding the ten per cent apportionment for his Unity congregation, says: "I am not responsible for this. Brooks Edwards took the initiative and raised it."

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WORTH WHILE UNDERTAKING—Under the leadership of Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary of the Society of Christian Service, the women of the conference are urged to collect hundreds of thousands of coupons, with which to buy battleship linoleum for our large dining room. It will take approximately $1500 to secure the battleship linoleum. The desired goal can be reached by early fall if every Society of Christian Service will co-operate with Mrs. Hood in securing coupons for the Orphanage. Mrs. Hood is expecting an enthusiastic and successful campaign. I want to thank our many friends for their efforts in this worth while undertaking.

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A BITTER DOSE—Last week we had to go into our limited resources and pay two thousand, five hundred and eight dollars and seventy-two cents to Wake county and the city of Raleigh for taxes. This is the first time in history that orphanages have been called upon to pay taxes. It would not be such a bitter dose were it not for the fact that the Methodist Orphanage lacks thirty-five thousand dollars of having a balanced budget. We now lack thirty-seven thousand, five hundred and eight dollars of having enough to balance our budget. We have no other alternative but to make the best of this trying situation. In its last analysis, it seems that North Caolina Methodism has got to shoulder this additional responsibility.

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PRISON FARM—One day last week I visited the Caledonia prison farm, in company with Rev. L. A. Watts, state prison chaplain. Brother Watts invited several ministers and outstanding laymen to meet him at the Caledonia farm to discuss religious services for the prisoners. A good dinner was served to the visitors ,and an opportunity was given to inspect the buildings and to ride over the farm. I was very much pleased to find the buildings comfortable and absolutely sanitary. After talking with the officers, I am sure the prisoners are treated most humanely. Brother Watts has entered upon his responsible position with enthusiasm and deep interest. He has already demonstrated his fitness for this responsible position.

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SMITHFIELD—By special invitation I filled the appointment of Brother J. J. Boone in Smithfield on a recent Sunday. Several of the smaller children accompanied me and gave a short program preceding my talk. Both the children and I were received most cordially by Brother Boone and the large congregation that assembled for the service. Centenary church, Smithfield, holds a very peculiar interest for me, since I served that church shortly before becoming superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. I had the honor of being the first pastor to spend four years as the minister of that splendid congregation. During my four years' pastorate the membership built the present beautiful church. I shall always cherish the many happy memories that cluster about Centenary church. During my sojourn in Smithfield some friendships were formed that only death will efface. I am deeply grateful to Brother Boone and his people for the opportunity to be present on the third Sunday in April.

BLUE RIDGE BLUES

By Louise Jennings Tuttle

This world is full of many wonders—
Ocean waves and roar of thunders,
The birds, the bees, the summer showers,
The lovely trees, the springtime showers—
But 'tis a mountain towering high,
Stretching even into the sky,
That gives me strength from day to day
To follow along life's highways.

Traveling far you may see Mount Hood;
Too, there's a hill in our own wood.
'Tis neither reached by bus nor train,
In blistering sun nor blinding rain.
But when the sun sinks in the west,
Then Table Rock's clear blue is best—
There 'mid colors so bright and gay,
In beauty at the close of day.

Pike's Peak is wonderful to see—
A long, steep climb for you, for me.
Many go there—the people grand—
To see that piece of noted land;
For strength is found in such a sight—
An upward look, a guiding light.
Peace and rest. I found on a hill,
Looking at the blue of Hawk's Bill.

McKinley, Everest and the Alps—
Most beautiful of all perhaps.
So, the world for beauty we roam,
Ever seeing treasures at home.
And there in the summer's bright weather—
Earth and sky giving all together—
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Newton, M. Q. Tuttle 2½
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Olin, P. F. Snider ..... ½

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Macon, J. C. Swaim 6
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Morning Star, G. W. Bumgarner 2½
Fines Creek, J. T. Shackford ... 2½
Bryson City, H. E. Jones 2
Canton, J. B. Tabor, Jr. 1½
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N. Davidson, O. B. Williams 1½
Forsyth-Maple Spgs, R. A. Hunter 1
Pilot Mountain, C. C. Washam .. 1
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Hiatt-Sedge Garden— W. B. Thompson 1
First Church, Mrs. Fred Cox.... ½
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles ... ½
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby ..... ½

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION OF CHAPLAIN VICKERS

At a meeting of the board of stewards held in the ladies' parlor of the church at 8 o'clock, p. m., Monday, April 21, 1941, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, our pastor and friend, Brother T. G. Vickers, faithfully and efficiently has served this church for the past 18 months and during that period of service has endeared himself not only to his own parishioners but to the general public as well; and whereas ,it is the feeling of the board of stewards that the church itself has been greatly enriched through his ministry and that individual blessings have been brought to all those who have come into his felllowship; and whereas, answering the call of our country during this period of world crises, Brother Vickers has resigned his pastorate with us to rejoin the chaplaincy with the armed forces of the United States, and with which he formerly served with great honor and distinction and on foreign fields during the first World War, and in the very near future will take up his new assignment at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida; and whereas, we have been peculiarily blessed through the inspiration of the presence of Mrs. Vickers, through her loyalty and devotion to the Christian cause and through her invaluable services rendered the church and its various departments, and have been happy in the association with and fellowship of the other members of the family of our beloved pastor; now, therefore, upon motion, be it resolved by the board of stewards:

That it is with genuine and heartfelt regret that we relinquish further claim to the pastoral services of Brother Vickers; that we express to him and Mrs. Vickers our deep gratitude for their faithful and efficient services rendered; that it is the sense of this board that their lives among us have been a great benediction to the church as a whole, and that during their absence from us our memories of them will remain an inspiration to us; and that with their departure they and theirs always will have with them the love and best wishes of this official body and the fond hope and prayers that all the rest of their journey of life may be accomplished with every blessing they may wish for themselves.

Be it further resolved, that the church congregation at its meeting of Sunday, April 27, be apprised of this official action and that it be given opportunity for such expression as it may deem appropriate.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be furnished Brother and Mrs. Vickers; that a copy be forwarded the North Carolina Christian Advocate for the information of its readers; that a copy be furnished the local papers for publication, and that this action be made a part of the permanent records of this church.

I certify the above a true copy.

Daisy Morris,
Secretary to the Board.
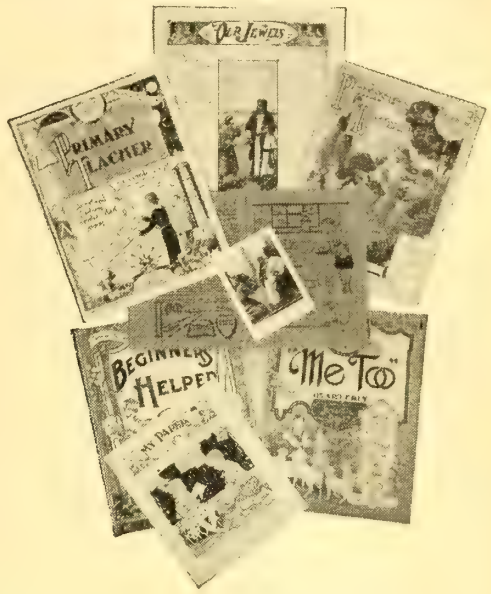
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Sunday School Lesson

MAY 11

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Responsibility of the Home Regarding Beverage Alcohol

Deuteronomy 6:4-7; Jeremiah 35:5-10

It is fortunate that our temperance lesson is linked to the two great commandments: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself, for when a man loves God with all his heart and his neighbor as himself, he is always happy and full of life, and hence his temperance teaching will be attractive to young and old.

Few articles exposed for sale today have such lovely labels as bottles of whiskey. Take, for instance, the brand known as "The Four Roses." We must not allow the distillers to outdo us. Let a beauty and perfume richer than that or roses characterize our teaching. To that end it must of course be positive, as well as negative. You cannot very well perfume a "Don't."

First of all, the teacher himself must live in the exhilaration of the heavenly stimuli which he recommends as a substitute for alcohol. A sheer joy in life is a primary qualification for the teachers of temperance and religion. And of course in connection with this joy in life there must be a joyful interest in the children themselves. That gives them a great thrill and if you associate truth with a thrill "the flavor lasts." More than this, if the teacher heartily loves God and those whom he teaches, he will be not only happy but sensible. Nothing insures good sense like love.

It is fortunate also that our temperance lesson is in connection with the injunction to all-sided religious education. The command to keep sober is more impressive in connection with the command to love God ,honor your father and your mother, and to be truthful, pure and kind, and it is doubly impressive in connection with the promise of the wine and milk that is without money and without price (Isaiah 55:1).

How strikingly applicable to our immediate situation is the command, Thou shalt teach these things diligently to thy children. Hear that incessant loud speaker in every village in Germany and Russia, teaching the children the doctrines of the dictators. How these propagandists shame us by their zeal! And doubly so because we have a glorious gospel to teach, and they have only a tissue of lies. We expect thirty minutes a week in the Sunday school to do the work, and they see to it that a child is incessantly taught their doctrines 7 days a week.

If we kept the commandment of Moses we would employ as much advertising genius in the spread of temperance as is now employed in advertising liquor and cigarettes.

It has been a recent fad among certain leaders in religious education to say that we should not indoctrinate children, but should allow them to work out a moral code for themselves. We certainly ought to encourage children at all hazards to think for themselves. But to say that indoctrination when it is sincere, earnest and persistent, is ineffective, is disproved by the amazing success of the Nazi propaganda which has raised up a whole generation willing to sacrifice their lives at the command of the dictator. A sane authority on religious education recently said to the writer, "The results of the propaganda in the totalitarian states has shown that we could have a generation of loyal young Christians in ten years if we were only in earnest about it."

It goes without the saying that if we are constantly to talk about the things of God when we sit in our houses, and when we walk by the way, we must have a rich and varied storehouse of religious knowledge. The decalogue of pedagogy contains the command, Thou shalt not bore the children. Fortunately the Bible is a book of abounding variety in stories and moving pictures, and we must pay the price of being familiar wtih it, and also of gleaning numerous illustrations from literature and modern life. Jeremiah staged a drama when he took the sons of Jonadab to the temple and set wine before them, and showed how they would not drink it, and then rebuked the spectators because these total abstainers had more respect for their ancestor than they had for the word of the living God.

The day is coming when all the resources of modern science and teaching skill will be utilized to make religion attractive and the laws of God understood and obeyed.

YOU CANNOT

You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.

You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.

You cannot help small men by tearing big men down.

You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.

You cannot lift the wage-earner up by pulling the wage-payer down.

You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than your income.

You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.

You cannot establish sound social security on borrowed money.

You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence.

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.—Selected.

THE VERDICT

By Rev. N. S. Ogburn

Wherever Good and Evil meet
They meet around a mercy seat!
Wherever Good and Evil vie,
The one must live, the other die!
Of strife with Evil this the sum:
The Good already hath overcome!

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Children's Storyland



ANIMALS IN THE WAR

By E. M. Buchanan

That animals' instinct of danger is keener than humans' has had many proofs during the present war in England.

A donkey had been some little time in a London shelter for animals, awaiting removal to a place in the country. I was walking along this street one day, when the donkey began to "Hee-haw" loudly. Someone seized my arm and dragged me quickly down into an air-raid shelter.

"What's the hurry?" I panted. "I didn't hear the final warning."

A bomb exploding horribly near prevented an answer. When the noise subsided somewhat my rescuer nodded wisely, and explained, "That donkey is the best air-raid warning I've ever known. Never fails to tell us when danger is near." And so it proved.

Then there is the old lady who sleeps peacefully in her bedroom, in her London home, yet is always down in her shelter before the bombs come too near. Congratulated on her bravery, she laughed. "I'm not brave. It's this clever old parrot of mine." She pointed to a knowing-looking gray bird in a cage near her. "That bird warns me in plenty of time, so I can sleep in peace."

Then there is "George." A common alley cat. When his family take to their shelter under the stairs, they listen, and if the patter of paws is heard, running down the stairs, they say, "Here's George." And faces are buried in blankets, and hands over ears, while George takes his place under a chair. Without fail, no sooner is George settled, than a very near crash is always heard. And though the "All clear" may not have sounded, if George leaves the shelter, the family know they can safely do so.

"Harry Tate" is a ginger cat, belonging to a little girl. It was Harry who came and woke his little mistress when an incendiary bomb had set the house on fire. Aroused, they were able to throw the sand, that is always ready in a pail, over it. Probably lives and property were saved by that animal's instinct.

Dogs, too, have contributed their share in saving life and property in this war.

Mike is an old Irish roof-spotter. He allways has "Paddy," his Irish terrier, with him on this job, for that dog always barks ahead of the explosion, giving Mike time to reach safety himself, as well as ring the warning to the people in the building he guards. "Duke" is a Great Dane, who has won a row of pots, medals, and blue ribbons, at peacetime dog shows. One night as he and his master were running to an air-raid shelter, he suddenly caught hold of his master's trouser leg and pulled him to the ground, where he stood guard over his prostrate body. A moment later a mass of debris fell and buried the shelter and spot where they would have been but for that animal's instinct.

Hens, too showed they sense danger, for a flock of these birds flew from their roosts, just before their houses were smashed to smithereens. The chicken farmer said the birds were safe, but some of them were so frightened that they laid an egg no bigger than a twenty-five cent piece.

Bravery, too, is a quality of animals as well as humans. A house was bombed, but a mother bird sat bravely protecting her young ones, in their nest under the eaves, and remained there in spite of all the noise and the fact that practically all the wall fell around her. An A. R. P. warden, patrolling a devastated area, heard the loveliest trilling bird song among the debris. He called a rescue squad, who dug out seven people and a canary in a cage whose song had saved them.

Another warden, after an explosion, saw a cat come out of the debris, carrying a kitten which she laid at his feet, and with a little "meow" she ran off and brought out another. In this way she saved her whole family of five. I can assure you they had the safest and most comfortable home that could be found.

A little girl was grieving in the shelter because her pet mouse was left behind. She had tried to save it, but its cage was empty. What was her surprise when her little cocker spaniel came to her and laid the little damp mouse at her feet. It was quite unhurt. The soft trained mouth of her dog had carried it safely.

Is it any wonder that England has so many animal lovers? We know our dumb animals are worthy of the best we can give them.—Our Dumb Animals.

LATE FOR SCHOOL

By Ernest C. Durham

There goes again that boy to school—
  That is, I s'pose that's true;
And yet he's slow as any mule
  That e'er had work to do;
He pokes along and stands about,
  Observing everything,
Not caring if he's counted out
  When last school bell doth ring.

He's got to watch the passerby,
  He's got to see each bird,
And airplanes must, while fast they fly,
  Be seen as well as heard.
He's got to take the whole world in
  'Twixt home and school each day—
E'en though he gets there after ten,
  And misses class and play.

Now, I can't tell you what he'll be,
  Nor if he'll have a plan
To lead him on to victory,
  When he becomes a man;
But though he keeps folks in suspense
  While now he pokes and looks,
I'll bet you then he'll have some sense
  That men don't get from books.

THE ONE WHO WAS BRAVE

"Elton Tilton is just the bravest boy you ever saw, mother," said Winifred. "One day a big dog came along with his tongue hanging out,,and we thought he was mad and scrambled over the fence; but Elton walked right along as calm as ever. He says he isn't afraid of bears or tramps or anything. I wish I were as brave as Elton, but I'm afraid I never will be."

"I heard a story about two boys the other day," said his mother, "and I thought one of them was very brave. They went to school together, and one day they thought it would be great fun to hide a frog in the teacher's desk; but the frog tipped over an ink bottle and spoiled a number of examination papers and other things, and the teacher was very angry. He asked the guilty boy to own his fault like a man and take the punishment he deserved. He put him upon his honor, you see. Well, the older boy, who found the frog and first thought of the joke, sat still in his seat without a blush; but the little boy, though he trembled with fear, went to the desk before the whole school and owned his fault. And he sat for an hour on the dunce's stool, a target for fifty pairs of eyes."

"O mother," cried Winifred, "I was so ashamed! I'll never do anything so mean again as long as I live. How did you know?"

"I heard two boys talking about it as I rode in the car. I was proud of my boy, Winifred; and I pitied Elton Tilton's mother, for I said to myself: 'My boy was brave, but her boy was a-coward.'"

"Why, I never thought that was being brave!" said Winifred.—Youth's Companion.

Teacher—Johnny, what are the seasons?

Johnny—You mean in the United States?

Teacher—Yes, of course.

Johnny—Baseball and football.—Michigan Farmer.

A little boy was saying his go-to-bed prayers in a very low voice.

"I can't hear you, dear," his mother whispered.

"Wasn't talking to you," the small one answered firmly.

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THIRD ROUND

May

Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 11
Orange, Hebron, 3 11
Graham, 7:30 11
Front Street, 7:30 14
Hillsboro, New Sharon, 11 18
West Burlington, 7:30 18
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River, 11 25
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 2:15 25
Cedar Grove, Carr, 7:30 25
West Durham, 7:30 26
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 28
Lakewood, 7:30 29

June

Swepsonville, Salem, 11 1
Mebane, Central, 7:30 1
Mebane, First, 7:30 (uniting with Central) 1
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July

Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Aloskie, 11 11
North Gates, Kittrells, night 11
District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15
Windsor, 11 18
Williamston, night 18
Hertford, 11 25
Wanchese, nights 25-28
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 30

June

Movock-Pilmcor Memorial, Pilmoor, 11 1
Currituck, Hebron, night 1
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 5 8
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July

Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Mt. Gilead Ct., Sardis, 11:30 11
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 11
Biscoe, Star 11
Stedman, Tabor, 11 18
Person Street, Gardner's, 3 18
Fayetteville Ct., Cumberland, 8 18
Hemp, Smyrna, 11 25
Glendon, Carbonton, 3 25
Johnson Memorial, 8 25

June

Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 1
Aberdees, Roseland, 3 1
Parkton, Cotton, 8 1
Rowland, Centenary, 11 8
Maxton, 4 8
Raeford, 8 8
East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 22
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July

Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Rockerdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August

Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30 11
Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Four Oaks, Corinth, 10 11
Erwin, Erwin, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Bailey, Simms, 7:30 14
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Weldon, 11 11
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 11
Rocky Mount, First, 8 11
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 11 18
St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 18
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 8 18
Bethel, 11 25
Scotland Neck, Wm. Chapel, 3:30 25
Tarboro, 8 25

June

Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July

Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 11 11
Whiteville, Wootes's, 3:30 11
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

District Conference, West Asheville Church 14

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Davie, Salem, 11 11
Cooleemee, night 11
Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May

Boger City, Boger City, 11 11
Rock Springs, Bethel, 3 11
Bradley Memorial, night 11
Shelby, Central, 11 18
Belwood, Kedish, 2:30 18
Bessemer City, Bessemer City, night 18
Polkville, Polkville, 11 25
Cleveland, 2:30 25
East End, night 25

June

Belmont, Park Street, 11 1
Mount Holly, night 1
South Fork, 11 8
Vale, Macedonia, 2:30 8
Lincolnton, First Church, night 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July

Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Reidsville Ct., Salem (Ch. School workers), 7:30.... 8
Haw River, Cong. Ch. (Ch. School workers), 7:30.... 9
Mt. Pleasant, Q.C. and Ch. School workers, 7:30....10
Draper, Wayside, Q.C., 10 11
Draper, Leaksville and Spray, at Draper, 12....11
Haw River, Q.C., Fairfield, 2:30 11
College Place, 7:30 12
West Market, 11 18
Gibsonville 7:30 18
District Confeference, Greensboro College, 9:30....21

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Sunshine, Pisgah, 11 11
Bostic, Sunshine, 3 11
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 11
North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25

June

Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8

Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Hickory, Westview, 11 4
Statesville, Race Street, 11 11
Ball's Creek, Shiloh, 11 18
Catawba, Hopewell, 2:30 18
Maiden, May's Chapel, night 18
Mt. Zion, 11 25
Davidson-Williamson's, 2:30 25
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 25

June

Stony Point, 11 1
Taylorsville, Marvin, 2:30 1
Hiddenite, Pisgah, night 1
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 8
Hickory, First, 11 8
Hickory, Bethel, night 8
Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July

Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Murphy Ct., Reid's, 11 11
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 11
Waynesville District Conference. Haresville 13

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

May

Davidson, Good Hope, 11 11
Kernersville, South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 2:30 11
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 11
Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25

June

Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8

District conference will be held at Midway, Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 o'clock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Sunday morning, March 30, 1941, Brother John T. Henderson closed his earthly pilgrimage. He was born January 31, 1852, thus making him 89 years and two months of age. He joined Tabernacle Methodist church in 1874 and was elected to the office of steward that same year. In this capacity he served his church 67 years. He also served as Sunday school superintendent and trustee.

John T. Henderson was a quiet and unpretentious soul. Truly it may be said of him that he learned to put first things first, to do justly, to love mercy and walk humbly with his God. He rejoiced in the work of the Lord and was glad to lend his every strength to the promotion of that work. Friends and neighbors knew and loved him for his goodness of soul and kindness of heart. His passing at that particular hour on Sunday morning when he was accustomed to go to his Father's house was most fitting and appropriate.

We, the members of the board of stewards of Tabernacle church desire to express to the family our genuine sympathy and pray that we all may be inspired by his godly example to a more consecrated life, a more dedicated service to the God whom he loved and served.

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy filed with the permanent records of the church.

(Signed) J. D. Coston, J. S. Morris, W. D. Collins, W. H. Mallard, C. B. Melville, J. H. Gillette, H. L. Harris, P.C.

Submited to and adopted by the quarterly conference of the Mayesville charge, Hopewell church, April 20, 1941.

A. S. Parker, Pres.
J. H. Gillette, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Brevard Street Methodist church (Charlotte), wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. H. B. Stokes, who passed away March 27, 1941. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society, and we now realize a vacancy which will be difficult to fill.

She was indeed a Christian woman, and in no place outside her home will she be so sadly missed as in her church and Sunday school class. She was a loyal worker and always ready and willing to serve the God she loved through unselfish service to others.

She possessed those qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she was associated; we shall always cherish her memory.

We thank God for her life and we know that her leaving has made heaven nearer, "as journeying friends bring distant countries near." To her loved ones we extend our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

Mrs. R. H. Crane,
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In Memoriam

WORSHAM—John B. Worsham, 89, passed to his eternal reward April 12, 1941, and was laid to rest Easter Sunday afternoon in the Locust Hill cemetery. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Berta Yarborough and Mrs. J. F. White of Caswell county.

Mr. Worsham was a beloved and faithful member of Locust Hill church, where he served as Sunday school superintendent, steward and trustee until recent years. Many looked upon him as their spiritual father and his influence for righteousness can never be measured. His memory will long be held dear and sacred by his loved ones and friends. Joyce V. Early, Pastor.

MORGAN — Joseph Morgan was born in Wilson county March 10, 1878, and departed this life January 26, 1941. At an early age he joined the Methodist church in Wilson, N. C., and later moved his membership to the Edgerton Memorial church when he became connected with the mill at Selma. He served as a steward for nearly 30 years in the church. He was living out his religion in his daily life. He was faithful to his task, loyal to his church and devoted to his family.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lucy Morgan; one son, John Wesley Morgan; and five sisters, Mrs. Minnie Pridgen, Mrs. Zyphia Pridgen, Mrs. Martha Morgan, Mrs. Mary Edwards, and Mrs. Pydia Blackman.

The funeral service was conducted at the church by his pastor and assisted by Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Person Street Methodist church in Raleigh. C. L. Hathaway.

SHOFFNER — John Shoffner was born in Greene township, Guilford county November 22, 1875, son of John Hilary and Mary Coble Shoffner, and died February 10, 1941. He was first married to Cora Brothers, to whom were born two children, Richard and Villa (Mrs. A. E. Staley). In 1904 he married Davie Curtis who survives. To this union was born Lillian (Mrs. Worth Trogdon) and Curtis. He was a good husband and father, and he manifested his Christian ideals in living the life of a good neighbor. There wasn't a day during his illness when he did not plan the farm work and show concern for the welfare of his family. Interment was in the cemetery at Mount Pleasant Methodist church, where he went with his family to worship every Sunday as long as health permitted. May we follow the example he set for us and abide by the Golden Rule that he so often advocated.

Lillian Shoffner Trogdon.

BLANTON—In the death of Jim K. Vance Blanton, which occurred Sunday, February 26, 1941, at his home in Seventy-First township, the community and the church sustained a great loss.

Mr. Blanton was born in Duplin county December 6, 1879. He was the son of Jacob Owen Blanton and Mrs. Catherine Elizabeth Blanton. He moved to Seventy-First township when he was a boy and lived there the rest of his life. On January 13, 1909, he married Miss Hattie Cameron, daughter of the late Neil T. Cameron and Mrs. Rebecca Johnson Cameron. Mrs. Blanton and the following children survive: Four sons, James D., Samuel G., Nathan Coolidge, and Charles L. Blanton; four daughters, Mrs. W. D. Thompson, Mrs. Ralph S. Stewart, Mrs. Clifford Overby, and Miss Katie Doris Blanton, all of Fayetteville. Two sisters, Mrs. Hector Hair, Dunn, and Mrs. Hattie Blanton Wood, Fayetteville, also survive.

Mr. Blanton was a faithful member of the church and a faithful attendant at church services, and always ready to devote his time and means to promote its worth. He was devoted to his family, counting no sacrifice too great for the welfare of its members. He was a kind neighbor, a loyal friend, and an honorable man in all his dealings. An outstanding characteristic of this good man's life was his generosity to those in need. The needy was never turned away, but he gave to them willingly and cheerfully far beyond his means. The passing of this Christian gentleman who in his quiet, unassuming way meant so much to his community, renews an appreciation of his virtues and sharpens the grief caused by his death.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Yadkinville Methodist church wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. (Rev.) M. H. Vestal, who passed away January 24, 1941. She was the oldest member of our society and a faithful and devoted member, and though her health would not permit her to attend the meetings in her last days she never lost interest in the society and enjoyed talking about the activities of the group. Often she requested the meetings to be held at her home. The radiance of her face was expressive of the joy of fellowship of her co-workers. Her devotion to her Saviour grew deeper with the passing years. It is true we shall miss her and we offer in love and appreciation the following resolutions:

First, That in the passing of Mrs. Vestal we have lost one of our most loyal members, and not only will her society and her church feel the loss but the whole community as well.

Second, That we wish to extend our sincere sympathy to her family and pray that God ,who is too good to be unkind, may comfort and guide them in his way.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be filed in the minutes of our society, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christain Advocate.

Mrs. L. D. Kelly,
Mrs. R. B. Cheek,
Mrs. F .C. Hobson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Newland Methodist church, wish to express our deep sense of loss in the passing of Susan E. Granger. Mrs. Granger was a charter member of each woman's organization the church has had. For many years she served loyally and faithfully wherever she was needed.

Therefore, in appreciation of the years of devoted service which she so willingly gave to her church and its organizations, be it resolved:

First, That we express to the members of her family our deepest sympathy and love.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be placed on our records, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Eugene Sharber,
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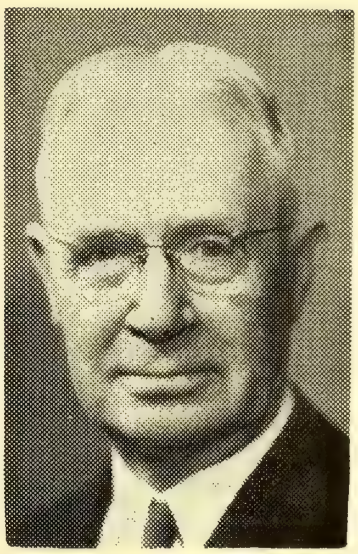
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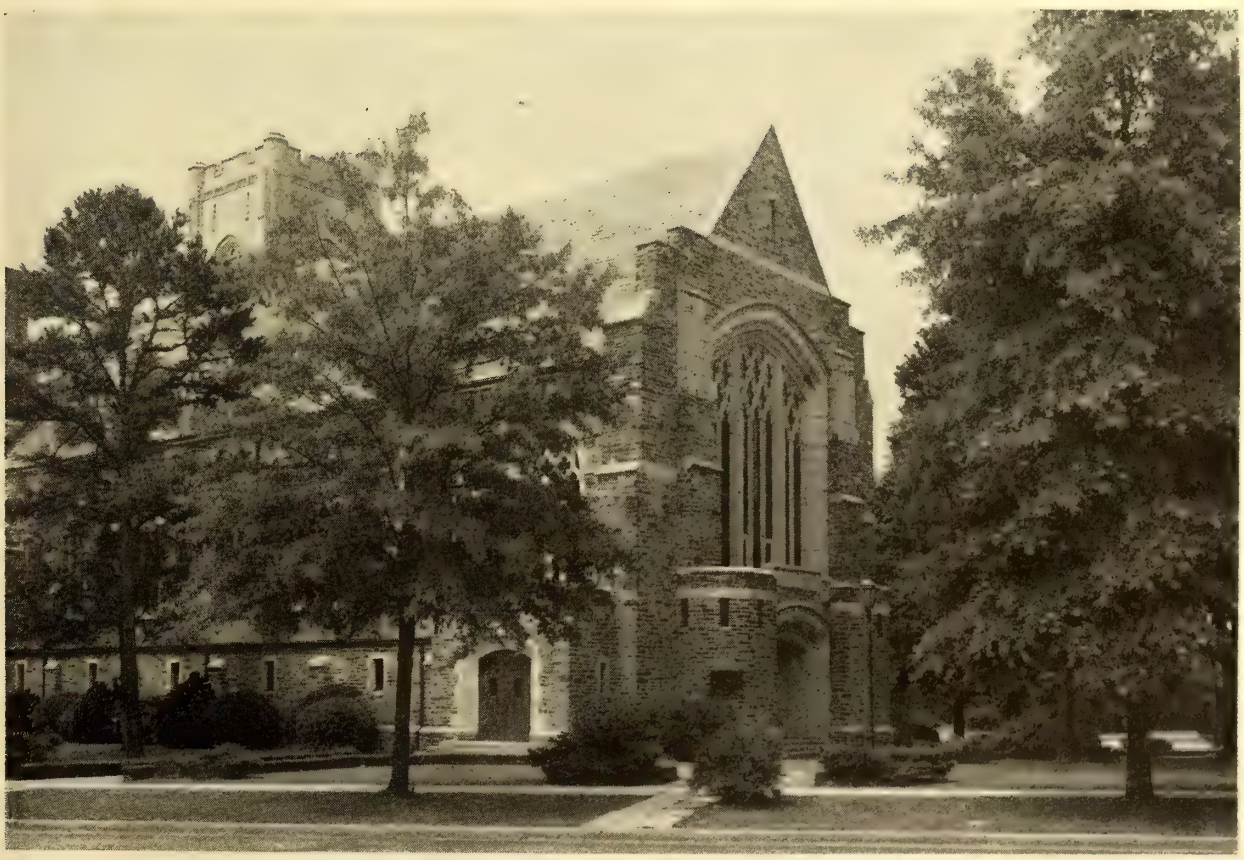


Bishop Clare Purcell

Myers Park Methodist Church, Charlotte Will Be Dedicated Sunday



Dr. R. L. Ownbey, Pastor



Myers Park Methodist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

THE PRIVILEGE OF RARE FELLOWSHIP

Dr. W. R. Cullom, president of the board of directors of the Rural Church Institute, called attention last week to the rare opportunities that are in store for those who attend the approaching session of the Duke Institutes and Bible Conference, June 2-7. It is not possible to measure the worth of a week spent in sharing the crystalized wisdom of a lifetime study and devotion to some subject or field of service. This will be available to all who may attend.

We would, however, call attention to another rich blessing which has been ours in former sessions. We refer to the fellowship with other ordinary "run of the mine" ministers like unto ourselves. It is fine to hear the specialist expound all the theories relative to his subject. But sometimes when the conference is over, we are not quite sure how to apply the theories in the special situation which confronts us. Of course, modern programs attempt to provide ample time for "discussions." But discussion periods sometimes are used up on irrelevancies and minor phases. When four or five earnest pastors take the issue under consideration, they are apt to find a way to make the theory practical, if such a way is to be found. Perhaps the experts might profit if they could participate in the unofficial discussions.

Then there is the joy and inspiration of coming in contact with the pastors who have encountered all the problems and trials of the minister in this modern age, and who are still vitally alive. Their faith, hope and courage have not been dimmed by any of the difficulties which they have encountered. To share fellowship with such men is the surest way in all the world to come to a realization of the worth whileness of Christian service. If you do not believe this is true, just come and see for yourself.

Stanley C. Harrell,
Member Board of Directors
Rural Church Institute.

THINK, SPEAK, ACT—NOW!

Every citizen in America now faces a great patriotic duty and responsibility. The first duty of every American now is to let the President and Congress know his desire concerning the entry of his country into war. For a long time we have been thinking of measures short of war. Now the President and Congress are thinking and talking of actually entering the war. And as representatiaves of the people, elected in a democracy by the people, they will appreciate hearing again of the wishes of every father, mother, son and daughter in America before they decide on the final policy.

So write the President today. Write Senator J. W. Bailey and Senator R. R. Reynolds ,and every member of the House of Representatives from North Carolina. And remember that there is but one of two things to be said now.

First. We may say: "Mr. President, we leave the matter in your hands. We will follow you! Congressmen, follow the President."

Second. We may say: "Mr. President and Congressmen, see to it that all military activities are confined to the Western Hemisphere. Send neither men nor war material in American vessels outside the waters of the Western Hemisphere."

It is too late now to say that we will leave the matter to Congress, for Congress has already turned over to the President, in the lease-lend bill, the power to enter the war when, where, and as he pleases. I think he is hesitating for the moment to see if possible what the people of America want him to do with that power. We should tell him at once what we want done now.

It is also too late now to say to the President or Congress, "Keep us out of this war." For we are already involved in the war. Men and ships are already on the battlefield. Firing may begin any day. But the people still have some power in limiting th participation of their country in this war. We may say: "Enter the war now to the limit in an effort to—" let us say, "to save democracy in Europe." Or we may say: "Give all aid possible to the democracies of Europe while defending democracy in America first by keeping our army and navy in the Western Hemisphere, a little nearer our own shores than the European shores."

I am writing the President today and every member of Congress from North Carolina. It is also your duty to make your wishes known to them.

E. C. Crawford,
Post Dept. Chaplain, American Legion,
North Carolina.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

All alumnae, former students and friends of Greensboro College are invited to attend the commencement exercises May 31-June 2.

According to the Dix plan of class reunions the following classes will have reunions this commencement: 1895, '96, '97, '98, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.

1891—Golden Anniversary Class.
1916—Silver Anniversary Class.
1941—Graduating Class.

Commencement Program, 1941—Saturday, May 31

1:00 p.m. Alumnae-Student luncheon. College dining room.

2:30 p.m. Annual business meeting of the Alumnae Association. Student Activities building.

5:00 p.m. Class Day exercises. Front campus.

6:00 p.m. Reunion class suppers. (These are to be arranged by the classes preferring the 6 o'clock supper to the 7 o'clock banquet).

7:00 p.m. Reunion class banquets. (These are to be arranged by the classes preferring the 7 o'clock banquet to the 6 o'clock supper).

Sunday, June 1

11:00 a.m. Baccalaureate sermon. West Market Street Methodist church. Dr. William F. Quillian, New York City.

4:00 p.m. Musical program. Odell Memorial Hall.

Monday, June 2

10:30 a.m. Graduating exercises. Odell Memorial Hall. Annual address. Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, N. C.

A STORY IN FIGURES

Methodists in the United States have contributed $3,061,-048.60 to the World Service work of the church during the first 11 months of the fiscal year, according to a report made by Rev. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the World Service Commission, but that is $556,236.29 below the amount given in te same period of last year by the three uniting Methodist churches.

This decrease of 15.38 per cent in general benevolences from June 1, 1940 ,to April 30, 1941, means that the eight million Methodists must contribute $1,239,355.79 this mnoth in order to equal the income for the previous fiscal year. Last year the three denominations gave in May a total of $683,119.50.

"Extra special efforts must be made this month to turn in every cent for World Service, if the great, new, united church is to equal its givings of last year," stated Dr. Auman in announcing the figures. "Every church treasurer should send all benevolence payments to his conference treasurer before May 31 so that the World Service share may be forwarded to the Chicago office by that date."

Contributions of special gifts, annuities, bequests, etc., amounted to $350,963.63 for the first 11 months of the fiscal year, an increase of $76,204.88, or 27.74 per cent, over last year, Dr. Auman's report shows.

FOUR GROUP MEETINGS FOR CHURCH SCHOOL WORKERS IN RALEIGH DISTRICT

There are being held in the Raleigh district this week four group meetings for church school workers.

Beginning on Monday night, the first of these meetings was cheduled for Henderson First church, the second at Raleigh, Edenton Street, the third at Smithfield, the fourth at Dunn. The groups met at 6:30 for a Dutch treat supper, the host church furnishing the light refreshments. Following this period of fellowship, the whole group met for 30 minutes in a general session. This was followed by four group meetings lasting for an hour, and arranged for the general superintendents, all workers with children, all workers with young people, all workers with adults.

The district superintendent, district staff and the conference staff provided the leadership. Those composing these are: Rev. F. D. Hedden, director of young people's work; Miss Mabel Merritt, director of children's work; Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, Miss Alma Cade, Miss Elizabeth Myers.

We expect much good to be accomplished.

H. I. Glass, D. S.

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The district conferences will soon be over, the schools will have closed and the zone meetings held. We ought now to be able to do some effective work in our local churches.

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Many people are much distressed about how all this chaos and confusion is going to end. We certainly do not know how all of this is coming out, but we do know that the future belongs to Christ and Christ belongs to God. Since Christianity centers in Christ our religion is rather secure.

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A man recently was giving his opinion on Sabbath observance, and as was to be expected he was discoursing upon liberal notions of the Sabbath. With great gusto he proclaimed himself in favor of the "Continental Sabbath." One of the group who heard him, replied: "Now look at the continent of Europe and see what you see."

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This sentence of dedication should be on the wall of every church: "We dedicate this church to the cure of souls that doubt and to the persuasion of those that have not yet believed; to the comfort of the discouraged, the relief of the distressed, the consecration of the strong, the guidance of the bewildered, and the consolation of the dying; to the ennobling of this life and to confidence in the life eternal."

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Eleven o'clock came but the preacher had not yet arrived to fill his Sunday morning appointment. Eleven-fifteen came, but no preacher. At 11:30 the congregation was still "waiting at the church," but the pulpit continued vacant. Ten minutes later the superintendent of the Sunday school said: "Will somebody sing something?" Immediately the congregation joined in singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

The late Hon. Albert J. Beveridge wrote: "In our formative period when books were few and time to read and think was ample, everybody had the Bible and everybody read it and pondered over what they read. Thus the Bible entered into American national life in a manner not experienced by any other people. Unlearned as Andrew Jackson was, he hit upon an American fundamental when he dogmatically asserted that 'The Bible is the rock upon which our Republic rests.' "

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When it comes to dealing with war and all that goes with it the keeping of facts separate from propaganda is most difficult. Last year when the draft bill was pending one would have thought that Hitler would invade America unless the bill passed and millions of soldiers were in training. Now we know all that was propaganda. Of late the effort has been to secure the order for convoys so as to save England from the consequence of sinking our supplies on the way over. It begins to appear now that most of that outcry was and is propaganda with little basis of fact such as we were led to believe.

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What book would you say was the best seller last year in Chicago and in Cook county, a city and a county with a wide reputation for a number of things, but not for high morals and the reading of the best books. The answer is not some ephemeral best seller with a spasmodic sale that runs its course in a few months. But according to the Chicago Daily News the Bible led all the rest. At least 700,000 copies of the "world's best seller," including New Testaments and single Gospels went into the homes of the 3,847,000 people of the city and county during 1940. Nearly half a million were placed by the Chicago Bible Society. The others were distributed by miscellaneous religious agencies, by denominational headquarters and by book stores and mail order houses.

He Dwelt Among Us

THE most revolutionary event in the record of the race is the coming of Jesus to dwell among men. Vast ecclesiasticisms resulted as the Christian movement spread among the nations. All the world knows what has happened in Russia, in Italy and in Germany when the Christ ceased to be a living power and presence among men. Pagan governments now hold sway. Materialism, rationalism and vast ecclesiasticisms failed to meet the needs of these lands, ending in the horrors of this present world cataclism.

During all the pioneer decades in our own land the hundreds of thousands who came from Europe to our own shores exalted Jesus as one who came from God to dwell among men and to be in man as a living presence. They relied on no powerful church arganization or trusted in a vast ecclesiasticism. The Bible and a love for freedom and the right to serve God according to the dictates of conscience were at the center of their life. Our fathers' God was disclosed in the living Christ. This was their gospel that could be preached in the cabins of the wilderness and proclaimed on the farthest fringe of pioneer life. As followers of the world's greatest democrat they all became democratic. The early American democracy found its security in the presence of One who became flesh and dwelt among us.

Our abiding conviction is that fundamental to the security of our democracy is the proclamation of the same gospel that gave us American democracy, as they preached and prayed and sang, with "Jesus going on before." Notwithstanding our enforced reliance on military defense, the future security of democracy and the freedom of men rests with the spiritual security that came to this land in which our fathers trod. So it is well for the church of Jesus Christ of all creeds and of whatever name to throw overboard much of the luggage they carry and to push aside the non-essentials and exalt Jesus as the only one able to save individuals and nations. Christian platitudes and the social gospel so esteemed by some are worthless in such days as these of upheavals when bombs are bursting out of hells over land and sea. Only a man in the pulpit able to speak as never man spake is worth his room. A new order of Christians in the pulpits and in the pews can make the church of real value for saving our American democracy. The multitudes do not go to churches. The songs and sermons can not be heard above the din and confusion of war and they are not able to compete with the voice of the money changers so they sell defense bonds. The material seems more potent than the One who dwells among men. The Christ is the only one able to save our democracy—our Christian democracy—from the fate of Russia, Italy and Germany, the lands once numbered among the Christian forces of the world.

The Day That Changed the World

MORE than three decades ago appeared a book with the above title. The conclusions of the author were expressed in the statement that "for one day those who believed in God lived as if their belief was true. And the result of that one day changed the face of the whole world."

To believe in God—that is to say, to believe in the God of love revealed to humanity by Christ—is the first necessity of the religious life. And the next, to do his will as revealed to us by Christ, are for the author the essentials of religion. A Christian is one who lives and works to bring the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is not brought by thinking. It is brought by doing the will of God—a God who is a reality—a God that actually exists. What is needed is the man who actually believes this. Let some great and earnest man preach the reality of spiritual things and then mankind will rise from the calm of torpidity and, like a great tidal wave, sweep everything before it. The author insists: "The misery and the havoc and the confusion of the world are caused by the doubt of God's existence. Remove that doubt and the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Think of what would happen in this state were even the leaders among the Methodists to put into practice—would do the will of God—as set forth in the "Day That Changed the World." Then we would have Methodists who live and work to bring the kingdom of God. Then we would change North Carolina in a day instead of "living at this poor dying rate."

Tampering With Mother's Day

FOR spontaneity and beauty of observance of all the special days of the year, none equals "Mother's Day" on the second Sunday in May. As usual it was gladly and beautifully observed last Sunday. Everywhere one saw red and white roses in the lapels of men and

boys' coats worn in honor of mother. By mail and wire thoughtful sons and daughters sent messages to mother, or a little love gift of some sort. And all this was without ballyhoo.

But like everything that succeeds in a fine way there arise imitators or efforts to modify what needs no modification. The first imitator was an attempt to institute "Dad's Day." But it got nowhere. Poor old dad could not command even a pair of sox or a red necktie. Then there arose those who thought to improve "Mother's Day" by making it a day to collect funds for poor children and needy mothers. Like Judas when the rich ointment of a passionate devotion was being poured upon the feet of Jesus, they desired to convert this mother's day, set apart to the holy purposes of a great affection, into taking a collection for the poor. But this plea went unheeded.

The latest attempt to tamper with the primary purpose of this sacred Sunday in May has been an effort to make it a family day. That means the personal element be removed and an institution be substituted therefor. The church press has been urged by impractical theorizers to advocate the change. The thing is ridiculous. Some people have no idea how stupid they can be.

Men and Brethren, by Their Fruits

WHY not use the proper yardstick in measuring results? Why not employ the test of Scripture? "By their fruits" is the one test laid down by Jesus. The tree is not known by its leaves, or by its bark, or by its roots, but by its fruits.

Too many good church folks lay down the tests that are largely human. The record of the past year, the record made by a neighbor, the approval of some one in anything are the accepted standards instead of the answer of a good conscience made to the kind of fruits turned into the storehouse. Many churches ought to be ashamed of themselves for the record made from year to year. Many of the church demands are not met—and not even a tinge of conscience is felt. "By their fruits" is the test.

"Do you suggest that he is a thief?" asked the prosecuting attorney of the negro on the witness stand. "I couldn't say he is a thief, suh," replied the adroit son of Ham, "but if I was a chicken I'd sure roost high."

Are We Going Pagan Too?

RUSSIA, the land of the Greek church, Italy, the home of the Roman church, and Germany, the land of the Protestant Reformation have all become pagan. The Czar was the head of the Eastern church, Italy furnished most of the popes for the West, and the Protestant world turned to the land of Luther. Now the governments of these three great divisions of the Christian world are entirely pagan as the Triune God is relegated to the rear; if, perchance, he has a place at all.

In this western hemisphere we are set to the defense of democracy by the use of money, guns and airplanes. Are we, too, going to rely so entirely on money and the power of might as to become thoroughly pagan in the defense of democracy? We certainly are in great jeopardy with the shameful use of our materialism and our present reliance on physical force. Billions of money spent with reckless abandon and millions of men trained for war is no sure guarantee of a secure national defense. The peril of Hitler's invading our shores is not half so imminent as the threatened outbreak of Hitlerism right here in this our own land where our fathers died in an eager effort to be free from the militarism of the old world. America, the land of our fathers in heart and conscience free, is the America that God can bless.

The chief consideration uppermost with the church of God in this our own land is for the church to be committed entirely to a spiritual conquest. The military lords can make arsenals of old England and of free America in dealing with the military lords of Europe given over to their paganism, but all these will soon have their brief day and cease to be. The world, however, is not going to smash so long as God is on his throne. His is an everlasting kingdom. It outlives the dust and ashes of pagan empires. Still we have devoted followers of Jesus Christ who would link up the Christian church with the war machines.

What the end of the present struggle will be no one knows, but we can be sure that modern Russia, Italy and Germany with their papanism are doomed to be numbered with the pagan empires of the ancient world. The church of God will certainly remain the one hope of mankind through all the ages. One greater than Julius Caesar or Adolph Hitler has given us the assurance that they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. This is the doctrine of Jesus.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. Paul R. Rayle announces that Rev. John R. Church will assist in the services at Draper Methodist church May 18-30. Mrs. C. E. Williams of Mount Airy will work with the children.

People's Bible School has some good evangelistic singers ready for help in revivals where needed—the young men's quartet and others. If you need such help address Jim H. Green, Rt. 3, Greensboro, N. C.

Mrs. Glenn and I are proud grandparents. The grandson, Gary, was born May 5 in the Goldsboro hospital, Goldsboro. Mr. and Mrs. James Glenn are the happy parents. They reside at 211 East Spruce Street, Goldsboro.—John C. Glenn.

A good brother requests: "Will you please announce that the first $15 received will buy my automatic feed Speed-O-Print duplicator which is in first class shape." Send the check for $15 to this office and we will forward with order.

The ministers' wives of Charlotte district are having a fellowship luncheon to which the ministers are invited Monday, May 19, at 12:30 o'clock, at Efird's Dining Room. An interesting program is being arranged.—Mrs. M. G. Ervin, Sec.

Rev. John Paul, D.D., one of the ablest, best known and best loved preachers in all Methodism, is to preach at People's Bible School 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. daily, May 21 to 25. All invited. Meals free to preachers. Jim H. Green in charge, Rt. 3, Greensboro.

There will be plenty of room and welcome for all who wish to attend our district conference at Greensboro College, where we assemble at 9:30 on May 31. Those who carry responsibilities for our Methodist work will be gladly greeted and patiently heard—for a little while.—L. B. Hayes.

The Walstonburg Methodist church is desirous of obtaining a used, medium size church bell of good quality. Any church having such a bell and wanting to dispose of it, please communicate with the undersigned, giving description of bell and place.—Key W. Taylor, Pastor.

Rev. A. L. Latham, pastor of Newlyn-Lee's Chapel, Greensboro, has begun his Advocate campaign and at the first "pass out of the box" sends in $15 and eight new subscribers. Brother Latham is now in his fourth year on that charge and he is doing a wonderfully successful work. If he were to be moved war would likely break out in North Greensboro.

Letters from Lovetch, Bulgaria, indicate that Miss Mellony Turner and Miss Esther Carhart, Methodist missionary teachers, are remaining at their posts in spite of war clouds. They write that the American School for Girls, an institution of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, is carrying on as usual and that the other American schools in Sofia are still open.

New officers have been elected by the Asheville Methodist Young People's Union and will be installed at the next regular union meeting, May 19, at Hillside-Merrimon church. Those elected are as follows: Prseident, Guy Birchfield, Oakley Methodist church; vice president, Glen Penland, Woodfin Methodist church; secretary, Juanita Melton, Asbury Memorial Methodist church; treasurer, Laura Kate Weaver, Hillside-Merrimon Methodist church; publicity superintendent, Nell Parsons, Oakley Methodist church; adult counselor, Rev. Ralph H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial Methodist church.—Richey, Reporter.

Dr. Walter K. Greene, dean of undergraduate instruction and professor in the department of English at Duke University, will be the commencement speaker for the graduating exercises at High Point College, May 26 ,according to the commencement program released by the administration of the college.

Colegio Bennett, Methodist school in Rio de Janeiro, inaugurated in March, 1941, the first junior college for girls in all Brazil. This school will offer a college degree in three major subjects—home economics, nursery school education, and social service. The college has opened with 15 students in the freshman class.

The conference will be interested to know that the $5000 assigned to the Western North Carolina Conference on the Parker Recognition Fund has been subscribed. To date $5035 has been subscribed. In behalf of the central committee, the conference committee, and the district chairman, I want to express our heartiest appreciation to all who had any part in this undertaking.—Cecil G. Hefner, Conf. Chm. Brother Hefner deserves highest commendation for the hard work and fine success in securing the Parker Recognition Fund.—Ed.

The congregation of Ardmore church of Winston-Salem surprised its pastor on Sunday evening, April 27, by filling the church for him. A few members decided too many good sermons were being delivered to empty pews, so got on the telephone and invited the members to join in this surprise. It went over with a bang and Joe Brendall got the shock of his life when he came into the church. Everybody there got a great satisfaction out of this event—and it has started a movement which is producing results. Try it at your church.

There will be a union home coming and memorial day service of the Methodist churches of Haw River on Sunday, May 25. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, our district superintendent, will preach at 11. This service will be followed by the third quarterly conference and then by dinner on the grounds. At 2 o'clock we will observe layman's day with Mr. R. W. O'neal, our associate lay leader for the district, as the speaker. All former ministers of both churches and all friends are invited to worship with us on this day.—Joseph Coble, Pastor.

The Asheville Methodist Young People's Union sponsored an Epworth training conference, held at Central church, April 21-24. Approximately 80 young people took part, 27 securing credit. Rev. James B. McLarty taught the course in "Music in the Small Church" and Rev. Rollin Gibbs taught "Friendship and Marriage." Another course, "The Life of Christ," was to have been offered but was omitted because of the instructor's illness. The union appreciates the fine services of the two instructors and recommends them most highly to other unions wishing to have Epworth training conferences. Eleven churches had representatives in the conference.—Richey, Reporter.

Brother T. H. Redman, a devoted reader of the Advocate for more than thirty years, dropped into the office this week "to pass the time of day." He was so full of good words for his pastor, Rev. J. W. Vestal, that there was no time for idle chat. Well may a good layman be full of praise for a pastor who spent his full four years at Farmington. Then after 20 years this faithful pastor returned, and he is now in his third year this time, with the people eager to keep him until his retirement from the active work. He has completed an up to the minute parsonage, with lights, water and all other modern fixtures. Farmington expects to report all in full to date at the district conference. Brother J. W. Vestal is a four year man—sometimes more.

Bethlehem Church, Prospect Charge, Will Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell Next Sunday



Bethlehem Methodist church on the Prospect charge will be dedicated Sunday, May 18. Rev. Claude H. Moser will preach at 11 o'clock in the morning, dinner will be served at the church and Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at 2:30 in the afternon and dedicate the church. We invite all former pastors and friends to be with us.



Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, Pastor

The city-wide Knoxville evangelistic crusade with messages in stores, factories, and on the streets and over the radio is supported by 65 churches and 14 denominations. The whole city is moved in a great way. In the church where I am speaking the pastor announced yesterday that 34 had joined the church and that the congregation was the largest in three years.—Sam Maxwell.

We have just closed a very successful revival at Bethel, Hickory. Rev. H. G. Allen assisted in the preaching. One of the most unusual features was a children's service conducted at the church at three o'clock in the afternoon, just 15 minutes after the close of the nearby community graded school. An excellent response was given by the children both in attendance and interest. On Friday afternoon there were children representing 11 different Sunday schools in town. We had a list of fifteen to be received by profession of faith on Mother's Day.—E. H. Lowman.

A host of friends gathered at the Methodist church Monday morning, to pay a final tribute to one of Washington's most prominent residents, Elijah Rayfield Mixon, who died at his home on West Second street Saturday night at 9:15 oclock after an illness of six months. The services were conducted by Rev. D. A. Clarke, pastor of the church, and interment was in Oakdale cemetery. Mr. Mixon was born at Campbell's Creek on June 1, 1869, a son of the late Martha Mayo and Jesse B. Mixon. He spent his entire life in Beaufort county and in early manhood moved to Washington, where he became prominently identified in many civic enterprises and where, throughout the years, he maintained himself as one of Washington's most prominent business men and outstanding citizens.—Washington Daily News.

Vaughn Marley in Asheboro paper writes: "I arrived just in time to hear Bishop Purcell at Shiloh Methodist church near Julian last Sunday afternoon. It was a dedication service, the church having built class rooms recently and improved the church by painting. This is probably the oldest Methodist church in the Western N. C. conference, being 151 years old, worship beginning at that place in 1790. It is a beautiful location and the folks are justly proud of their church property and progress they are making under the leadership of Rev. Mr. Isley. The dedication service was impressive and the sermon was the best I have heard our bishop preach. Dist. Supt. S. W. Taylor, Dr. Geo. R. Brown, and a former pastor, Rev. Mr. McCulloch, had part in the service. We enjoyed worshipping with these good people."

N. C. CONFERENCE OF WORLD SERVICE

As provided in the Discipline, Paragraph 846, beg to submit the following facts and figures, compiled from returns received from the district superintendents for the conference year 1941:

Amount apportioned by the General Conference to and accepted by the N. C. Conference.....	$ 92,284.00
Amount apportioned by N. C. Annual Conference to the several districts	77,578.00
Total amount apportioned	169,862.00

Amounts paid by the districts last year, amounts apportioned by the district stewards for this fiscal year and the amounts accepted, as follows:

District	Pd. last yr.	Appor. by D.S.	Accepted
Durham	$18,178	$ 28,230	$17,211.92
Elizabeth City	9,545	18,630	10,630.00
Fayetteville	13,802	25,584	12,046.00
New Bern	11,615	22,753	10,036.00
Raleigh	13,668	26,700	11,877.00
Rocky Mount	14,875	26,350	12,519.00
Wilmington	11,608	21,615	11,156.00
Total	93,291	169,862	85,475.92

The foregoing does not include the following: Episcopal fund, $11,225; conference claimants, $17,960; general administration fund, $2,878. See conference journal 1940, pages 51-52.

Add to acceptances 1941	$85,475
the sum of the last foregoing items	32,063
	117,538
An improvement is promised over amt. paid in 1940	93,291
(Presuming full payments in 1941)	24,247

This April 26, 1941.

John F .Bruton, Chairman,
M. J. Cowell, Secretary,
Commission on World Service in Finance.

Note: This report delayed by failure to receive earlier returns from certain of the district superintendents—last return in hand April 19, 1941.

DOGWOOD NAMED OFFICIAL FLOWER OF NORTH CAROLINA

The dogwood has been designated by legislative statute as North Carolina's official flower. A bill naming the flame azalea was introduced in the State House of Representatives by Rep. Carroll P. Rogers of Tryon and passed the lower chamber, but the Senate amended it in favor of the dogwood. Another law makes the dogwood a protected plant and sets up a maximum fine of $50 for unauthorized removal of the tree or its blossoms from public or private land. North Carolina has never had an official state flower, although the goldenrod often was listed unofficially.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Midway, a large country church on the big road halfway between Lexington and the Twin-City, was the place of assembly for the Winston-Salem district conference May 8, and as fine a day as this month of flowers ever brings to Piedmont North Carolina. Promptly at 9 o'clock the conference began its big day's work. When this writer entered the church Grady Hardin was being elected secretary. Immediately afterward, Dr. C. C. Weaver, the presiding officer, announced the membership of a few necessary committees, which were elected. It was not a long list of cumbersome committees for which there is no need. This little incident pointed to a good conference to be conducted in simplicity and with gratifying directness. And so it was.

By request of Dr. Weaver, C. O. Kennerly, the pastor, made a brief statement in regard to conference entertainment. Then the presiding officer called to the platform E. H. Nease, the secretary of the annual conference, to explain to the pastors how to make out correctly their reports to the annual conference. At the request of Bishop Purcell, Secretary Nease is visiting all the district conferences of Western North Carolina in the discharge of this important duty. He was followed by E. O. Cole, who emphasized a thing or two concerning the conference treasurer. A. W. Plyler spoke a brief word about the Advocate campaign, O. V. Woosley presented the claims of the Children's Home, and upon request, B. F. Womble, a trustee of the Home, spoke commending its management. H. G. Allen gave information about the Conference Brotherhood, which has grown with remarkable rapidity under the leadership of Brother Allen.

All these speeches required little more than 30 minutes and it was an interesting half hour.

The next two hours were devoted to education and missions. Carl H. King had prepared the program and presided during the educational program. It was an interesting hour. Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University was the principal speaker. Seven young ladies from Greensboro College charmed the conference with their presence and their singing.

The hour set apart for missions was in charge of J. C. Auman, who presided and directed the program. Walter H. West, pastor of First church, Salisbury, was the principal speaker.

This is not a complete story of the morning session; only a few features. We were not present at the afternoon session. The complete story awaits the pen of Grady Hardin, the secretary.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The special religious emphasis meetings were held here last week. Speakers for the services were Rev. Kenneth Goodson of Greensboro, Dr. I. G. Greer of Thomasville, and Dr. H. P. Powell of Charlotte. The messages were exceptionally fine, and the response was splendid. Attendance increased each succeeding night. The meetings were sponsored by the religious associations on the campus. A similar series will be held next year, no doubt much earlier in the season.

May Day, which was also high school day, was celebrated here Saturday, May 3. The beautiful program was built around the story of Cinderella, Helen Crowder of High Point being the queen, Cinderella, and C. A. Watts of Winston-Salem taking the role of Prince Charming. Thousands of visitors, including many high school seniors, enjoyed the colorful event.

The dramatic department gave two performances of "Stage Door," the tremendous hit that ran for a full season in New York, in the high school auditorium last week. The show was promoted by the local Kiwanis Club and attendance was exceedingly gratifying each evening.

The college band received recognition again as twelve members received their emblems of merit in chapel Monday. The awards are given each year to musicians who have met requirements and rendered two years' service to the organization. The presentation was made by the conductor, Olin R. Blickensderfer.

"A QUEST FOR SOULS"

Jesus preached his chiefest sermon on the new birth to just one man. . . . And when Jesus came to preach his sermon on eternal life, he preached it yonder to a woman at the well of Samaria—a poor drab of a woman, about whose character the less said the better, and yet she had a soul that was to live forever, and when she came to that well to draw water therefrom, Jesus had his opportunity, and with words tactful and honest and faithful, he found his way to that woman's conscience, and at the right time revealed hmiself the forgiving Saviour to her. Jesus gave his best service for one soul. Listen to him yonder as he tells the story of the shepherd leaving his ninety and nine sheep safely housed in the sheepcote. Ninety and nine of them were safe, but one was missing, and he left the ninety and nine safely housed in the sheepcote, and went out after that missing sheep, over the hills and mountains, with his feet pierced by stones and thorns, searching, looking for that one missing sheep. Nor did he give up his quest until that sheep was found, and the shepherd brought it back and put it in the sheepcote with the others. What is Jesus saying in this pungent parable? "Oh, my church," the compassionate Saviour says, "go out and seek earnestly until that lost sheep is found!" He is saying just that.—George R. Truett.

MEMORIES

I thank thee, Lord, for memories
That drift on quiet wings
Into my busy, troubled mind
So filled with wonderings.
The memory of a friendship true,
A hand-clasp or a smile;
The word of love from dear one's lips
That made all life worth while.
The day when thou and I first met
In consecration sweet;
Another hour when a loved one knelt
In rapture at thy feet.
And e'en the dark rememberings
That fill the eyes with tears—
These make the tender memories
More blessed through the years.

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.

MYERS PARK CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, DEDICATED MAY 18, 1941

Church organized in Queens College chapel, and first service held there on October 25, 1925. Charter members 85. Present site of church purchased November, 1925, and first occupied December 16, 1925, the first building being a converted "community store" of one room.

Present sanctuary cornerstone laid on March 6, 1929. Sanctuary opened March 9, 1930. First sermon by Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon. Membership then, 350.

In April, 1937, J. Luther Snyder proposed to build educational house if congregation would agree to raise debt of $100,000 on the church. The erection of Snyder Memorial was begun in June, 1937, and was completed in January, 1938, at a cost of $112,000. First occupied by church school on January 27, 1938.

By April 1, 1940, the debt had been reduced to $55,000. A campaign to raise this amount during the next year was successfully held, and pledges to cover that amount secured. At the beginning of this conference year the debt was $45,000. At the beginning of the calendar year it was $37,000. On May 5 anouncement was made that sufficient funds were in hand completely to liquidate the debt, and May 18 was set as the date for the dedication of the church.

Following is a list of pastors serving the church from the beginning: Rev. C. Excell Rozzelle, 1925-1927; Rev. Carlock Hawk, 1927-28; Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, 1928-1931; Rev. R. Dwight Ware, 1931-1933; Dr. Richard L. Ownbey, 1933.

Present membership 900, 632 members having been received during the present pastorate. During this time, since December, 1933, a total of $415,500 has been raised for all purposes. The church school enrollment is 702, and the membership of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is 243.

R. Grady Rankin, of the Duke Power Company, is chairman of the board of stewards, and has been a most effective leader in the work of raising the money to liquidate the debt. In the campaign for this purpose last year Geo. M. Ivey was general chairman, and was assisted by W. Lester Brooks, chirman of the finance committee, John H. Vickers, chairman of the canvass in the congregation, and J. J. Akers, treasurer of the church.

George A. Westbrook has been general superintendent of the church school for twelve years. Mrs. Henry E. Fisher is president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. J. Luther Snyder is president af the board of trustees.

The present church property represents an investment of more than $350,000.

GOOD NEWS FROM GIBSONVILLE METHODISTS

Union is becoming more firmly established. In addition to the 11 per cent, Gibsonville has accepted and will pay her full apportionment on benevolences. She will be able to report one-half of this paid by the district conference. Gibsonville was asked $100 on Compassion Sunday and gave $106.

Just following Easter, Hermon Duncan, with splendid preaching, led the church in a fine series of revival services. Both children and adults have been received into the church by profession of faith. On Mother's Day the church remembered the mothers of the community by a beautiful special bulletin in which the names of 250 mothers were inscribed. At this service five infants were baptized. The pastor is now conducting a school of missions, discussing "Methodism's World Mission."

Gibsonville Methodism is still hoping and working for a new church and educational building.

HOME COMING IN LOVE'S, WALKERTOWN

Home coming day will be observed in Love's church, Walkertown, on the first Sunday in June. Members of the church are requested to come and answer to their names during a roll call service at 11 a. m. Lunch will be served on the church grounds, and at 2 p. m. Rev. W. M. Curtis, the first pastor Love's church had after becoming a station, and under whose pastorate the present church edifice was erected, will preach. Those who in times past have belonged to Love's church are invited to attend all the services on home coming day, and all former pastors of the church who are able to attend this occasion are cordially invited to come. Home coming day is a part of the sesqui-centennial celebration in Love's church this year.



Rev. W. M. Curtis

During almost half the 150 years since the church was established, Love's Sunday school has functioned. It was formally organized May 11, 1879, though it has held sessions prior to that date. Last Sunday, May 11, rally day was held in Love's Sunday school, after an inspiring service of worship, led by the general superintendent, Mr. P. C. Idol, during which all phases of the school were represented from the different age groups, the scholars presented Love's Sunday school with a birthday present. This present was the gift of more than $300, apart from the regular church school day offering, for laying brick walks about the church property. Friends of Love's church are cordially invited to come to the church and see the memorial gifts and improvements that have been given as a part of the sesqui-centennial program.

BISHOP PURCELL COMMENDS GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Intelligent fathers and mothers have long recognized their duty to give their children the advantages of the schools. The idea that a son should be given higher education than a daughter has been exploded. Women have clearly demonstrated that they can take just as high an education as men. In fact in nearly every co-educational college they lead the men in scholarship. Therefore, there should no longer be raised the question as to whether our daughters should be sent to college. It is now the universal opinion of intelligent persons that they should be given every opportunity to develop their minds in higher institutions of learning.

Experience has taught that the most important consideration in higher education is its quality, i. e., whether it is Christian or pagan. A great American editor recently wrote, "Unless those who believe in Christian civilization are willing to sacrifice of their good, hard-earned cash to educate Christian leaders they will find a few generations that their dream has vanished." For this reason the church has built many splendid Christian colleges in which to impart not only knowledge, but a Christian spirit to growing youth. The church believes that this can be done by educating the future mothers in Christian ideals. America will be saved from crass paganism only as the influence of gracious women is released over the land.

To such a task Greensboro College is dedicated. More than a century ago far-reaching pioneers established it, and its graduates have been a benediction of gentility in this and other lands. Greensboro College offers men of means a fine opportunity to inves tin character and to type the next generation's spirit.

Greensboro College offers young women unexcelled advantages in higher education. Her graduates are "polished after for similitude of a palace."

Clare Purcell.

Teaching Bible in the Public Schools of North Carolina

The past several years have brought much activity on the part of Bible-conscious school men, pastors and parents. This year, as never before, North Carolina is recalling its religious obligation to the lives of boys and girls. In almost forty towns and cities in North Carolina there is some attempt at teaching a course in Bible. Heretofore, it has been a down-hill struggle. However, with the great evidences of success, which comes from cities like Charlotte, Wilmington, Asheville, and many more, there is proof that such a study is of intrinsic value to the religious and moral well being of high school boys and girls.

Bible teaching has been sponsored by many different organizations: secular and ecclesiastical; ministerial associations, women's clubs, missionary societies, and civic organizations. A desire to contribute to such a cause has led to small contributions by thousands of consecrated, zealous Christians who see in the neglect of the Bible the moral degradation of America. In almost every instance there is a baffling struggle in order to meet the salary requirement and material perquisites of such a course. The state has supplemented and condoned the work with some finances, but with more well-wishing. All alike realize that it should be included in the regular curricula of the schools. What was once a weak, clerical demand is now a mighty chorus proclaiming the need of moral and religious guidance of our youth. We call on the governor, the state superintendent, the legislators, and all free religious thinking North Carolinians to do something about consistent support for this great cause.

In the Burlington high school this year one hundred eager students have relived the great lives and stories of the Old and New Testaments. In one brief year many have returned to their churches to reconstruct their religious and moral lives; others have joined churches; and all have received religious guidance that should be as important as any of the educational guidance programs of North Carolina. It would be tragic, indeed, to give a course in Bible with emphasis placed only on facts and nothing else. Guidance of pupils along religious lines is the highest goal that arises from this area of the course. Consequently, the aim of all such instruction should be an earnest endeavor to integrate the boy and girl into an effective relationship to the religious life of the community. In more graphic terms, the aim is to lead every open-minded boy and girl to evince some interest—no matter how meager—in the total program of an ecclesiastical group; or, if there are moribund or convalescent members ,to restore them to their place of service and harmony in their respective churches. This aim can be realized only by acquainting the student with the loftiest standard of faith and practice; by providing a familiarity with the incomparable literature of the Bible which embodies both precept and example; and by enabling the student to apply such knowledge to problems of character and conduct. One need not be told that such success with spiritual and moral welfare will ultimately influence all the areas of youth's life—moral, economic, industrial, social. If Americanism and democracy are to live, this aim must be transformed into reality; or else the morals of American youths will lead us to the same pitiable plight that the once flowering nation of France is in at the present moment in history.

There have been many attempts to formulate some definite aims for programs of week-day religious education. No single set of aims will cover the entire field. However, for any such course the aims should not be confused. In the first place, one must remember that a course in the Bible is mixing religious and secular education. The emerging personality and life pattern in our youth must reflect both of these integral areas of life. However, in any religious effort one must not go too far afield. Consequently, the aim of all such instruction is to teach and interpret facts and lives from the Bible—not as some presume, to effect instantaneous conversion (this is still a matter for the churches). This, in turn, parallels the aim of secular education, i. e., to teach boys and girls how to live a well rounded life. To find this integration of life processes, a community must add religious instruction to vocational, economic, industrial, civic and social teaching.

From this part of the question we turn to more pressing aspects. The state is providing certificates for teachers of Bible. With competent teachers in the schools a natural result is that units be given for completed Bible courses, which are recognized for credit not only by high schools but by colleges as credit for entrance. This step in education has already been taken.

The North Carolina Council of Churches is doing a remarkable work in trying to make people conscious of the need for Bible teaching and to stimulate interest from the secular world. The committee for week-day religious instruction is composed of Mrs. Walter P. Sprunt, Dr. Clyde Erwin, Dr. F. H. Garinger and Rev. Carl King. This committee, however, is composed of members elected from the North Carolina Council of Churches. There are thirteen other great courses sponsored by this organization. This makes it evident that sympathy, moral support and financial aid must be brought about by the law-enacting body of North Carolina—the legislature. The interest and support of the taxpayers have been secured. We now await the action of the state. Will the whims, cynicisms and prejudices of a few stop this concerted desire of thousands, or will North Carolina take this momentous step—now?

The teachers of Bible met at the last session of the N.C.E.A. at Asheville, and there was some attempt at organization. This part of the work is still nearly ineffectual because of the few represented and the lack of funds with which to bring all Bible teachers into a cooperative, functioning unity. The future fields of endeavor lead into a study of the curricula for Bible teachers in North Carolina. With such importance being attached to this effort it should have a more secure foundation from which to work; a foundation which has to be erected by those who wield such power. The outcome, though not clearly defined, is anticipated by all North Carolinians who have the welfare of our boys and girls at heart.

IMPELLING MEMORIES MOTHER'S DAY TOPIC

In part, Professor McDermott of Duke law school spoke in Duke Chapel on Mother's Day:

The story of Samuel's dedication to the Lord's service by his mother, Hannah, was used as the Scripture lesson.

"The chief concern of this generation," the speaker told his hearers, "is that it shall produce and shall protect a motherhood that can give to the children of men impelling memories."



Professor Malcolm McDermott

"It is easy today to be cynical," said Professor McDermott. "Youth, looking out upon a thoroughly disordered world, must be thinking in terms of the futility of all we have been wont to call civilization. It seems as if the great house itself were tottering, while the inmates are flying at one another's throats with barbaric ferocity. It's very foundations of decency, justice, mercy, honor, compassion, appear to be vanishing from the face of the earth.

"It is to this grim conclusion that the gospel of the cynic drives us. I venture the assertion that the paramount problem of the hour is to save youth from that gospel. Once this poison gets well established in the bloodstream of the rising generation, we are lost; for then the very life force that has kept humanity going will become paralyzed.

"Running down through the midst of humanity's foulest depths is a sort of golden thread. Sometimes it has held by the barest strands, but always and somewhere and somehow it is there. Strangely magical in its quality, it has at times pulled the race to higher levels, and in periods of sinking it has broken the fall.

"More than that, there seems to have emanated from it a remarkable purifying quality that has served to keep alive in humanity enough of the good to save the race from utter self-destruction.

"This is not something vague and intangible; it is with us even at this dark hour—a bright, shining, inspiring force in the life of the world, apparently in the divine scheme of things.

"Men in whom there are implanted those impelling memories—love for goodness they have seen and know, love for an ideal transmitted to the love for purity, decency, honor, uprightness—to such men it matters not that all the world is shattered and falls round about them. They know the eternal truth.

"A significant quality of that knowledge is its impelling power. Men in whose lives memories have let loose the power of love cannot be static. Somehow, and in some degree they are carried forward. This is the golden cord of which we speak.

"Whence come such impelling memories? It goes without saying that in large measure they have their origin in that first love the child comes to know, the love that the mother who bore him sheds round about him. The pictures that he gets of her noble, virtuous life he hangs in memory's hall, and there it will in time of temptation and stress support and sustain and impel him."

Referring at length to Hannah and her son Samuel, the speaker pointed to the self-sacrificing love of the Jewish mother. "This is the sort of thing that has been taking place in obscure places down through the history of man's existence," he said. It has served as something to which men and women could cling in the desperate hour when faith had weakened to the breaking point and hope had fled.

In conclusion, Professor McDermott told his young listeners:

"In the dark days that lie ahead, your faith and your hope may well nigh be lost. There is only one answer in a time like that: that is to keep ablaze with floodlights in your heart of hearts these impelling memories that are the product of love, the love of the finest things you know. For that is the carrying on of this eternal, divine plan, it would seem, whereby the race is to be saved.

"If you can do that, it is my conviction that you will not be concerned so much about that which is happening and trembling and falling round about you. Nay, your chief concern is that your generation shall produce and shall protect a motherhood that can give to the children of men impelling memories. That seems to be the divine plan, expressed in these words of one of our poets:

> "Do not poets know better than others,
> God couldn't be always everywhere,
> And so he invented mothers."

DISTRICTS AVERAGE THIRTY-SIX CHARGES IN UNITED STATES METHODISM

District superintendents, at least, will be interested to know how their "case load," as the social workers call it, compares with the general average. Statistician Thomas P. Potter has carefully computed that the average district superintendent has 36 pastoral charges under him. Northeastern Jurisdiction superintendents administer the largest number of charges, 51 on the average; Southeastern (28) and Central (22) jurisdictions have the smallest number of charges per superintendent. It should be kept in mind that a charge may include several preaching points. Here are the figures by jurisdictions:

Northeastern: 95 districts, 4869 charges, average number of charges per district, 51.

North Central: 103 districts, 4875 charges, average charges per district, 47.

Southeastern: 149 districts, 4220 charges, average charges per district, 28.

South Central: 129 districts, 3994 charges, average charges per district, 31.

Western: 36 districts, 1458 charges, average charges per district, 40.

Central: 84 districts, 1812 charges, average charges per district, 22.

Dedication of Smith's Chapel Church



Smith's Chapel Church, dedicated May 11, 1941. Rev. R. G. Dawson preached the sermon

Sunday, May 11, 1941, was a most unusual day for Smith's Chapel and the people of all that section of the state. This church with seatings for 400 is situated in a prosperous section of Wayne county, a few miles west of Mount Olive on highway 55. Many fine, well-to-do citizens, such as the Kornegays, the Parkers, the Hoods, the Barfields, have contributed much in many ways to this section through the years.

Notable this dedication day, this beautiful day in May, was the presence of Mrs. Sallie Kornegay, the oldest member of the church. Last February 15 she passed her 92nd milestone. She spent this entire day giving the closest attention to all that was said and done at both services morning and afternoon. Her presence was a benediction to all. Mrs. L. W. Parker, her sister who is approaching 80, was present and about as alert as any on the grounds. A number of the ladies of this section who knew well most of that assembly said that fully two hundred of that crowd of five hundred were related by blood or marriage to these two sisters. So this day of dedication was indeed a real home coming for them.

The pastor, Rev. J. L. Joyce, who has pushed this building enterprise to such a happy conclusion, had the services so well arranged that all passed without a hitch. The sermon by Rev. R. G. Dawson, pastor at Mount Olive, at 11 o'clock and the sermon in the afternoon by Professor J. M. Ormond of Duke were most appropriate to the occasion and fully appreciated by all. Rarely do the sermons, the service of dedication and the ample provision made for the noon hour contribute so effectively to the success of the occasion and the demands of the hundreds as on this day at Smith's Chapel. Here, too, was a glorious illustration of the far-reaching influence of some of our old country churches whose families have scattered far and wide. From Jacksonville, Fla., from Asheville and Greensbro, and Wilmington and Goldsboro, to say nothing of nearby points, friends and relatives had turned this way. Well could the alert grandmother Kornegay rejoice on this day with the remnants of four generations gathered from far about her.

Much might be said of the present generation that remains and the fine young people on the grounds but we refrain. (All photos courtesy of Mt. Olive Tribune.)

MISSIONARY RALLIES HELD AT FAYETTEVILLE AND GREENVILLE

Two missionary rallies for the North Carolina conference were held Monday and Tuesday, May 12 and 13, at Fayetteville and Greenville. Dr. J. M. Ormond, chairman, presided, and was assisted by several speakers at each place. Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary, played a very important part in arranging these programs and took part in each meeting. The guest speaker was Dr. Fred B. Newell, executive secretary of the New York City Missionary Society of the Methodist Church. Dr. Newell captured the attention of all who heard him from the very beginning and held it throughout his address. Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte spoke at each of these meetings and was heard with pleasure and profit. Others appearing on the program at Fayetteville were Rev. F. S .Love, Rev. H. C. Smith, Rev. R. E. Brown, Rev. T. R. Jenkins, Rev. E. C. Crawford, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, and Miss Bessie Oliver, a returned missionary from Korea.

At Greenville those on the program beside Bishop Purcell and Dr. Fred Newell were Revs. F. S. Love, H. C. Smith, E. L. Hillman, Wade Goldston and R. W. Bradshaw. These meetings were arranged and held under the auspices of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension. The sessions began at 10:30 in the morning and were concluded with the afternoon meetings. A most excellent program was presented at each place. S. J. Starnes, Sec.

CALL FOR LOCAL PREACHES

The local preachers of the Greensboro district will please meet the committee Wednesday morning, May 21, at 9 o'clock, Odell building, Greensboro College, with a written report. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Chm.
J. P. Hipps, Sec.

APRIL IN CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH, ASHEVILLE

April was a full month in Central church, Asheville. The month began with the preaching services of Bishop H. Lester Smith of Cincinnati, who preached in the church Sunday, March 30, morning and evening, and each evening through Friday; and in the Imperial Theater each noon during the week, as one of the speakers in the co-operative pre-Easter services sponsored by the First Presbyterian, First Baptist, Central Methodist, and Trinity Episcopal churches the four weeks before Easter. Bishop Smith's ministry was rich and fruitful.

On Palm Sunday 29 children and young people and one adult were received into the membership of Central church. Two of these came by letter, ten by vows, and the other 18 by baptism and vows. Four infants were baptized in the afternoon. Several others joined the church on Easter Sunday. Those received on Palm Sunday had received two weeks of instruction by the associate pastor.

Dr. Edwin Mims of Vanderbilt University was guest preacher on Palm Sunday morning, and brought a fine message. Dr. Mims also taught the men's Bible class.

From Monday through Thursday, April 21-24, Central church was host to the Epworth Training Conference held under the auspices of the Asheville Methodist Young People's Union.

On April 30 the first session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the entire Asheville district was held in Central church. This was an all-day meeting, beginning at 9:30 a. m. and closing at about 4 p. m. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president of the woman's society; Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil; Miss Ruth Diggs, representing Scarritt College; and Miss Mabel Cherry, representing Brevard College, were speakers. The last two mentioned are missionaries, returned from Korea. Meetings were presided over by Mrs. C. S. Brown, district president; Mrs. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., district vice president; and Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary. About 200 attended the meeting. At noon a luncheon was served in the dining room of the church by the woman's society of Central church.

On Sunday, May 4, Gov. J. Melville Broughton addressed the men's Bible class of Central church, with several other classes as guests of the men, and spoke briefly in behalf of the Community Chest in the church service. Central church was honored to have North Carolina's great Baptist governor as guest.

Richey, Reporter.

FIRST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, REPORT TO QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Our report showed that we had actually collected during the first half of the year to May 7, the sum of $19,174.92. One half of our approved budget for the year amounts to $19,150. This is the first time in a number of years that we have been able to report one half of our budget items paid in full one week before the district conference. In addition to the regular budget items raised, our church raised $1,100 for World Day of Compassion, and around $700 for parsonage furniture.

Our report on new members for the first half of the year to the district conference will show that we have taken in 281 new members. I believe, also, that this is the largest number of members taken in during any six months' period since the organization of First Methodist church.

This good report is due largely to the able and efficient leadership of our pastor, Dr. G. Ray Jordan. Dr. Jordan is preaching inspiring sermons every Sunday, and it is encouraging to worship in our large church auditorium with practically every seat occupied.

H. B. Simpson,
Business Manager and Treasurer.

Scenes at Dedication of Smith's Chapel Church Last Sunday



(1) Smith's Chapel on day of dedication. (2) Rev. J. L. Joyce, pastor; Mrs. Salle Kornegay (92); Mrs. L. W. Parker, sister. (3) Reverends R. G. Dawson, Wm. Culp, J. L. Joyce, J. M. Ormond, M. T. Plyler. (4) About the tables.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY C. S. R. & L. C. A.

Mrs. E. M. Andrews, conference secretary C. S. R. & L. C. A. finds from her recent reports that "65 of the 207 reports from her local secretaries of C. S. R. & L. C. A. for the past quarter were practically useless, because they were made on blanks of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and did not carry the information needed by the division and jurisdiction of this department of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church." She is requesting her district secretaries of C. S. R. & L. C. A. to assist her in getting things right with reference to these reports:

(1) "By publicising the fact that two reports must be made each quarter by each local secretary of the C. S. R. & L. C. A. and sent to the district C. S. R. & L. C. A. so that she may send one each to the district and conference secretaries. Only in this way can our district and conference organizations function properly. This procedure makes the work of the conference secretary much simpler. The division of our Woman's Society of Christian Service means it to function in that way."

(2) Insist that any reports hereafter made on blanks of the former M. E.C.S. for secretary of C.S.R. will be cast aside as no report. The secretaries' books of the W.S.C.S. contain the two blanks to be torn out, besides one to be retained in the book as local record."

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY OF SUPPLIES

To Local Secretaries of Supplies:

The leaflet I have sent you explains our supply work under the new set-up. You will note two great changes. (1) All money for needy ministers and for home and foreign institutions and projects must be sent to our conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, 316 S. Fulton Street, Salisbury, N. C., plainly marked where you want it to go. These funds are not credited on your pledge. (2) With each shipment of goods to the institution or minister, a letter enclosing supply blank entitled "Shipment of Goods," with a record of all articles, should be sent the superintendent of the institution or the minister. I have also sent you one of these blanks and if you should need more, get them from your district secretary of supplies.

The institutions we are helping this year are:

1. Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, N. C.

This is a school where worthy students who, for financial reasons, are not in school elsewhere are enabled to obtain a Christian education by working their way through school. Money, blankets for single beds; quilts, size 56x88; sheets size 63x90; pillow cases; dress lengths for school girls; bath towels and wash cloths; library books (recent fiction); games for recreation room and canned goods.

2. Behlehem House, Third and Caldwell Streets, Charlotte, N. C.

Money, books suitable for children, young people and adults; vegetables for soups and fruit juices.

3. Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem.

Money, Quilts size 45x60; sheets 45x 72; canned soups, juices, vegetables; coupons from the Octagon products, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Health Club baking powder and Rumford baking powder. The Bethlehem House in Charlotte will share in the coupons.

4. Allen Home and School, 331 College Street, Asheville.

This is a school for negro girls who come from communities where accredited high schools are not provided. Sheets and spreads for single beds; pillow cases, curtains, either made or material for them; table lines, scissors, crayons, chalk and construction paper.

If you care to contribute to a foreign project send money to our conference treasurer marked either "for refrigeration in hot countries" or "for medical supplies in China." Send your reports as usual to your district corresponding secretaries and let them include (1) amount sent conference treasurer as "cash supplies"; (2) amount expended by society for new supplies sent ministers or institutions; (3) amount expended by society for postage, freight or express, in sending packages.

My prayer is that we may each take advantage of the great opportunity that is ours to minister to the "least of these" through our department of supplies.

Mrs. J. W. Harbison,
Conf. Sec. Supplies.

DISTRICT MEETING AT BRYSON CITY

"A great meeting" was the consensus of opinion as to the district meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for Waynesville district, held at Bryson City, Thursday, May 1, with an attendance of more than 250 representatives from the societies of the district, and a number of prominent visitors, including the conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, three missionaries, Miss Leila Epps of Brazil, Miss Ruth Diggs and Miss Mabel Cherry, both of Korea, and several of the district's ministers.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, district president, and Mrs. John Ashe acted as secretary. Hymn 381 was used as the opening and was followed by an impressive worship service by Mrs. G. L. Hampton, district spiritual life group leader. A vocal solo by Rev. H. E. Jones, pastor of the local church, was enjoyed.

The report of the district corresponding secretary, Mrs. F. E. Branson, was heard with interest as she reported the activities of the past year showing the splendid record made by the district in 1941, with progress in all departments of the work. Four zone chairmen and ten district officers were introduced and each made a brief statement of her plans of work for her department during this year. One hour, from 11 to 12, was given over to messages from the following: Miss Ruth Diggs, who spoke on Scarritt College; Miss Mabel Cherry, who brought a message from Korea, each of which was most interesting; Mrs. W. L. Lanier, conference secretary of student work, who gave a report of her new work; and a message, "Open Doors for Service," by Miss Leila Epps of Brazil, who brought impressive human interest stories showing how the power of God had transformed lives of many of the Brazilians with whom she had come in contact during her years of service there.

The pledge service was in charge of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who spoke on giving, stressing especially tithing, offering a most fervent prayer for God's blessing upon the work. Thirty-five socities through their presidents made their pledges for 1941, which were most gratifying. A memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Thomas Seawell of Waynesville, honoring the five district members who had passed away since the last meeting. Mrs. J. G. Huggin was soloist, and as the names of deceased were called representatives from the five societies placed flowers in a holder in their memory, these flowers later being carried and placed on the grave of Mrs. M. D. Cowan, a former secretary of the Waynesville district. "Our Aims for 1941" were given by Mrs. Weaver, bringing out much information that was most helpful and followed by an open forum, also in charge of Mrs. Weaver.

A contribution of $14 for the Kate Hackney Room at Scarritt College was secured and also an amount for the Junaluska Leadership School. Three district officers were elected: Miss Vivian Moore of Andrews, secretary young women and girls; Mrs. Carl Slagle, Franklin, secretary literature and publications; Mrs J. Robert Long, Bryson City, vice president.

Meeting for 1942 will be held at Andrews. Benediction by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, the district superintendent, closed the meeting.

COURTESIES TO DISTRICT SECRETARIES

It is interesting to note that at the two district meetings from which we have heard—the Asheville and Waynesville—the district corresponding secretaries, Miss Amy B. Hackney of Asheville and Mrs. F. E. Branson of Canton were elected as delegates to the Assembly Meeting of Woman's Society of Christian Service to be held in St. Louis in December, 1941. And also as an expression of their love and appreciation of the splendid service rendered by Mrs. Branson, her district women presented her with a beautiful gold watch at the meeting on Thursday of the past week, which was a great surprise and most highly appreciated.

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OUR TIMES A CHALLENGE

Mrs. F. V. DeVinny, New York, secretary of organization and promotion of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, speaking at the annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. in Rocky Mount, challenged her hearers with some pertinent statements. Said she: "We are in the most exciting and significant time in Christian missions. It is a dangerous time for our Christianity and missionaries, but here we stand united. Any woman who does not do all she can for the cause is dead to her opportunities. We are the largest group of organized women in the world—surely more will be expected of us. Woman's power is a potential force. We haven't even scratched the surface of what we shall do in the work. Under united Methodism we have a budget of more than $4,000,000 for missions and an equal amount for local work. We have 21 mission fields; 700 missionaries; 281 projects of home and foreign work; 1700 missionaries and deaconesses. The withdrawal of missionaries from China, Japan and occupied China and Korea does not mean that we are withdrawing our support. There are ways that we can help. We can trust our Japanese, Korean and Chinese Christians and the finest way we can help them is to continue our support. We have an obligation also to our missionaries who have returned home. Some will go to Philippines and other foreign fields, and others will work at home. A particular piece of work being planned is that among the underprivileged Chinese and Japanese in America. In addition to the rural work we have 92 institutions in 70 cities in 31 states in America and we are doing some outstanding work among refugees in America. In our work there must be a spirit of Christian unity. We have united in a World Federation of Methodist Women in 31 countries around the world in a prayer—we must continue that prayer."

40 GUILDS—LET'S HAVE MORE

A roster of Wesleyan Service Guilds in the N. C. conference reveals that there are 40 organizations with more than 1,000 members. Raleigh district is leading with ten Guilds. Churches where Guilds are now organized and presidents are: Raleigh district, Edenton Street, Mrs. Frances Hoffman; Hayes-Barton, Mrs. O. S. Anderson; Fairmont, Mrs. J. W. McGee; Henderson, Miss Lucy Jones; Apex, Mrs. G. W. Farrar; Fuquay Springs, Miss Sue Senter; Smithfield, Miss Mary Sanders; Louisburg, Miss Lillie Mae Braxton; Erwin, Mrs. Gordon Ennis; Oxford, Miss Rachel Jordan. Durham district, Trinity, Durham, Miss Mary Shuford; Duke Memorial, Mrs. W. R. Mattox; Calvary, Mrs. Harry Woods; Ebenezer, Miss Thelma Rhyne; Chapel Hill, Miss Alice Gattis; Burlington, Front Street, Mrs. David Griffin. Elizabeth City district, First church, Rocky Mount, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter; Washington, Miss Eva Ballard; Cedar Grove, Mrs. Lessie White; Windsor, Mrs. M. B. Gillam; Williamston, Mrs. H. L. Swain. Fayetteville district, East Laurinburg, Mrs. Ruth Frazier; Laurinburg, Mrs. A. W. Hampton; Red Springs, Mrs. J. T. McNeill, Jr.; Hay Street, Fayetteville, Miss Myrtle Lane. Rocky Mount district, First church, Rocky Mount, Mrs. B. J. Stone; Tarboro, Mrs. J. W. Taylor; Wilson, Mrs. N. B. Thomas, Jr.; Farmville, Mrs. C. H. Flannagan; Spring Hope, Miss Katie Wood. Wilmington district, Elizabethtown, Miss Margaret Smith; Grace, Wilmington, Miss Olivia Presson; Warsaw, Mrs. D. J. Middleton; Fair Bluff, Mrs. S. C. Scott; Rose Hill, Mrs. Reid Russell; Clinton, Mrs. C. C. Alexander. New Bern district, Morehead City, Mrs. W. M. Webb; St. Paul, Goldsboro, Miss Alma Bizzell; Jarvis Memorial, Greenville, Mrs. J. D. Simpson; Marshallburg, Mrs. Roy Brown. An excellent list—yes. Let's have more. There is a potential Wesleyan Service Guild in every church where there are as many as six business women. Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, is conference secretary of W. S. G. work.

A NOTABLE RECORD

The first quarter's record of the W. S. C. S. of First Methodist church, Henderson, under the able presidency of Mrs. R. C. Gary, shows fine progress under the new set up. The membership is approximately 200. The addition of a group from the former Methodist Protestant church swelled the number and the transfer was made with a fine spirit of loyalty shown by all. The Wesleyan Service Guild numbers more than 60 and is doing very effective work. The Christian social relations committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Green, does outstanding work. Of special note are the visits to the county home, the sanatorium and the jail. Prayer services are held regularly in these places; 100 copies of The Upper Room are distributed in the church each quarter. These are then gathered up and distributed in the hospital, the sanatorium and to the negro Methodist church. A special effort is being made by the secretary of literature and publications to popularize the Methodist Woman and World Outlook. Up till April there were 50 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and 14 to World Outlook. Special effort is being made to bring the subscriptions to 100 during the campaign week of May 4-11. At the April meeting of the society Mrs George Carver of the First Baptist church, a recently returned missionary to China, a teacher of English literature in the University of Shanghai, was guest speaker. Mrs. Carver, a gifted speaker, held her audience spellbound as she earnestly spoke on "China Carrying Her Cross." She gave a vivid picture of occupied and unoccupied China, giving a sympathetic understanding of the wonderful spirit of China, so bravely carrying her cross, the while looking forward to the establishment of a free republic, a new democracy in the making. Mrs. Carver's message made her hearers aware, as Christian women, of their responsibility toward helping this great Chinese people to find their place in the great brotherhood of nations.—Mrs. A. B. Deans.

ONSLOW-JONES ZONE

The Onslow-Jones zone meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met with the Swansboro society on April 9 with a fine attendance. The meeting was opened by Rev. G. C. Wood, pastor, who conducted the devotionals. Mrs. J. P. Godwin gave the address of welcome, which was followed by a response by Mrs. Farnell of Jacksonville. Mrs. Godwin talked on local church activities as embraced in the department of Christian Social Relations. Mrs. H. L. Harris gave a report on student work. Mrs. J. F. Foster played an instrumental solo during the offering, which amounted to $6.40. Miss Ida Hankins, a missionary to Korea, made an excellent talk, comparing the local W. S. C. S. to the planting of an acorn which grows to be a mighty thing, stressing the thought that we must learn to do the humble things and work up to the big things. Following this talk lunch was served in the Sunday schoool auditorium. Upon reassemblying at 2 o'clock, the committee on nominations for new officers brought the following report: President, Mrs. Aaron Farnell; secretary, Mrs. Orni Weeks. Mrs. N. P. Edens made an interesting talk on her plans and hopes for the Wilmington dsitrict. She especially asked that the women dedicate a year of study in honor of Mrs. Floyd Johnson; that more societies try to have more study courses and urged that each president help her society make the efficiency aim. Mrs. Edens presented subscriptions to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman to those societies. Mrs. Richardson made a report on the annual conference in Rocky Mount. Jacksonville invited the zone to hold the next meeting there.—Mrs. Orin Weeks, Sec.

DURHAM DISTRICT WILL MEET

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, announces that a meeting of her district will be held on May 21 in Duke Memorial church, Durham, beginning at 9:30 o'clock. Principal speakers will be Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, member of the National Board of Missions and Church Extension; Mrs. D. T. Sherertz, returned missionary to China. Mrs. A. M. Gates will conduct a round table discussion and those attending are urged to bring written questions. Many other worth while and interesting features are being planned. Women who will attend are asked to bring a light lunch.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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WHY AN ORPHANAGE

"So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs." One of the characteristics of good discipleship is the feeding of the lambs. One of the characteristics of good Christian stewardship is providing for orphan children. One reason for having an orphanage is to give Christian people an opportunity to "feed the lambs."

Does Jesus have to say three times to you, good disciples, "Lovest thou me?"

THE OTHER REASON

Another reason for having an orphanage is that there are so many children who would not otherwise have a home to live in, a place to learn, an opportunity to work and a chance to develop after the fashion of Jesus, increasing in wisdom and in stature and in favor with the God and man. Very young children can be placed in receiving homes to be let out for adoption, but older children, whose home has been broken up and whose relatives have disappeared for one reason or another, cannot fit into such a situation. Childless homes desire young children, those who can grow up without having to make such a decided adjustment, children whose relatives, if they are known to have any, will not interfere with the upbringing of the children. There are many other children whose relatives will not provide for them and yet who would prevent a happy adjustment in a foster home. In such situations innocent children suffer. The orphanage comes in to help in such cases,. In many other cases the orphanage comes in for temporary care, pending the time the father who has lost his wife can re-establish his home. In all too many instances family strife, desertion and negligence force groups of children to be without the protection of a home. For these and other reasons the church home, the orphanage, offers security to children and an opportunity for sharing discipleship.

IN COMES DOT

Just as this scribe gets ready to dictate these notes a young lady, abounding in health and full of promise, comes in. It is Dorothy Griffith, one of our girls who three years ago went to Appalachian State Teachers College as a freshman. During each summer she returns to the Children's Home, her only home ,to help us along, pending the time that the city recreational program starts, in which she has served with conspicuous success. In the midst of the conversation it is learned that Dorothy has been elected president of her class next year, a group of over 200 seniors, including both boys and girls. So an orphan girl will lead, not because of pity or sympathy but because of personality and ability.

YOUNG ANGELLS

When Helen King, our young secretary in the intermediate department of our Sunday school, read the report yesterday morning it was noted that Mr. B. L. Angell's class of early teenage boys had contributed $9, with the direction that it should go to the Winston-Salem milk and ice fund. These boys, under the encouragement of Mr. Angell, have taken much interest in giving of their little earnings to this fund to be used in buying milk and ice for underprivileged babies who live in and about Winston-Salem. Every



The ever ready kind

summer, under the guidance of the city newspapers, this fund is contributed to in a liberal way. Our children take great pleasure in sharing their earnings with this fund. The young Angells have led the way.

FLOWERS FOR HOME MOTHERS

Our younger girls and boys, those in the primary department of our Sunday school, took great interest during the latter part of last week in securing flowers from their gardens for the leaders of the primary department to make into corsages for all the home mothers whose children go to that department. The operations were carried on in a sort of a secretive fashion, thus adding more interest to the youngsters. Some 75 enthusiastic little youngsters got a thrill yesterday morning, Mother's Day, in presenting to their home mothers the lovely corsages, homemade productions but all the same beautiful and lovely.

FOUR BELL RINGINGS

The ten per cent apportionment bell has rung four times during the past week. It certainly does give us joy to hear it ring. The tones are sweet and the sense of satisfaction is assuring. The bell does not toll because of death. It peals forth the assurance of life. The ringings were caused by the following charges and pastors having sent their Children's Home quota in full since last report:

Cooleemee, Rev. F. J. Stough.

McKendree and Wesley Chapel, Shepherd circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Olin, Olin circuit, Rev. P. F. Snider.

Harrison, Pineville circuit, Rev. J. L. Rayle.

These payments complete the entire charge allotment for both the Shepherd and Pineville circuits.

ALWAYS READY

The picture this week is that of Charles Schrader ,ten years old and doing well in the third grade. Charles came to us from Greensboro along with his older sister, Charlotte, both of whom are not only happy members of our family but promising members of the family. Charles takes great delight in doing something for somebody else. He seems to be always ready to help. He is sponsored by Mrs. Carolyn Dunklee of North Wilkesboro.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Midway, on the Welcome circuit, half way between Winston-Salem and Lexington, was the scene of the recent Winston-Salem district conference. An attendance of over 500 was recorded, the church not accommodating all who came. The Midway people, asssisted by Center and Vernon, other congregations on the charge, as well as Bethesda and Canaan, nearby congregations on the North Davidson circuit, former Methodist Protestant congregations, gave a great picnic dinner in the public school gymnasium close by. The entertainment of the conference was not the only feature of a good day. Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent, directed a well planned program, but not so rigidly as to rule out important matters that needed attention. Great art is required in directing a district conference in such a way as to provide for details and at the same time encourage inspiration. The Winston-Salem district conference provided for all and ended in a blaze of inspiration and good feeling.

OVER AND OVER AGAIN

We are repeatedly having to state that there is no room at the Children's Home for additional children. Numbers of applications are filed each week for such future consideration as can be given. Some of the applicants are repeaters, those who have been pressing their claims for a number of months. In every case we are having to say there is no room here. Our first consideration is the providing for the 50 boys and girls who are to be transferred from our High Point Children's Home to us on or about the first of July. These children are already with us and we cannot turn them away. The acceptance of such additional children will depend on our ability to house and to finance them. It now appears that a large number of deserving chlidren who have a right to look to the Methodist Church for a chance cannot be accepted this summer. As crowded as we are, we have more room than we have money.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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CHAMPION—Durnig the the latter part of April Maurice Roberts, a 13-teen-year-old youngster in the sixth grade, won the marble tournament at the Orphanage and the right to represent the Methodist Orphanage in the district tournament which was sponsored by the Raleigh Times, published by Mr. John Park. Maurice won the first place in this tournament which included contestants from six counties. On May 23 and 24 young Rogers will take part in the Greensboro tournament and again in June he will represent this district in the state tournament in Asheville. If successful in the state tournament, Maurice will go to New Jersey to represent the state in the national contest.

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A GOLD MINE—Many of our church members find it difficult to visualize the fact that there is a rich gold mine in our conference. The Baptist Orphanage, in Alabama, has received more than ten thousand dollars in the last ten years from Octagon soap coupons. The societies of Christian Service can easily raise fifteen hundred dollars between now and conference to provide a suitable covering for our large dining hall. I want to thank all the societies for their diligent and faithful efforts in collecting all the coupons they possibly can throughout the bounds of the conference.

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COMMENCEMENT — The school year at the Methodist Orphanage is drawing rapidly to a close. On the night of June 4 twenty of our boys and girls will receive their high school diplomas. In many respects we have had the most successful school in many years. Under the principalship of Prof. J. O. Sanderson, the Methodist Orphanage high school has been placed on the accredited list of the state, and on the accredited list by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. As far as I have been able to ascertain, ours is the only Methodist Orphanage in America with such high scholastic rating.

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HOME FIRES BURNING—For more than forty years the North Carolina conference has kept the home fires burning brightly at the Methodist Orphanage. Pastors and church members have made many sacrifices to build and to maintain our institution. It is encouraging and reassuring, as we face the future, to know that our board of trustees can count on the generosity and sacrifices of our people to maintain a high standard at the Methodst Orphanage. There is no cause that lies closer to the great heart of North Carolina Methodist than their church home in Raleigh. I wish to assure all the ministers and church members that I appreciate the beautiful, altruistic spirit manifested in such a concrete way by our host of friends.

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OIL PAINTINGS—At the approaching annual meeting of the board of trustees, oil paintings of Mr. Joseph G. Brown and Mr. S. C. Vann will be presented to the Methodist Orphanage. Mr. Brown was trustee, secretary and treasurer of the Methodist Orphanage from the time it was established until his death. He was an outstanding citizen of the state, and was devoted to the Methodist Orphanage. Mr. Vann was trustee for many years and was our largest benefactor. During his lifetime he gave nearly two hundred thousand dollars in providing buildings and establishing an educational loan fund. In view of the long and distinguished service that these two outstanding laymen rendered the Methodist Orphanage, it is fitting that their oil portraits should be placed on the walls of our auditorium.

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CONFERENCE-WIDE OCCASION—It has been announced previously that the Methodist Orphanage is planning a conference-wide rally day on Sunday, June 29. We want all of our friends to feel free to come and enjoy a wonderful day on our campus. I want to ask and urge the following repre-representatives to be our guests: Chairmen of boards of stewards, chairmen of boards of trustees, church lay leaders, superintendents of Sunday schools, presidents of men's Bible classes, presidents of women's Bible classes, presidents of woman's societies of Christian service, secretaries of woman's societies of Christian service. We are asking everybody to bring a basket dinner, and we will spread it on a long table, so that our friends and the orphan children can enjoy a bountiful dinner together. I am expecting representatives from every church within the bounds of the North Carolina conference. The days will be long, so our friends from the extreme southern and eastern sections of the conference will have ample time to come to the Orphanage and return home by late afternoon, or early evening. We expect to have a few outstanding speakers, and a concert by our Orphanage glee club composed of forty members. A big stand will be erected under the shade trees of the campus; and with loud speakers everybody within a wide radius will be able to hear distinctly the addresses. Our beautiful campus is covered with large shade trees, and with plenty of ice water everybody will be made comfortable. I want to urge that every church and Sunday school in the conference begin to make preparation to have a large delegation present on the fifth Sunday in June.

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CONFERENCES ON CHILDREN'S WORK

The two conferences for workers with children are being offered this year in response to many requests from local churches and as a result of a long felt need for such opportunities on the part of conference leaders. Detail announcements concerning both conferences have gone to every pastor and to superintendents of children's divisions whose names are on our mailing list. Additional programs are available on request.

Camp Carlyle, May 26-28

Programs at both places are practically the same. The two conferences are planned for the convenience of persons who attend. Those people who attended Carlyle last year will surely want to return and bring others with them. Ask your pastor for information or write the conference office.

High Point College, May 29-31

Dr. G. I. Humphreys has graciously made the fine equipment and beautiful grounds at High Point College available at a reasonable cost. The same printed program gives all necessary information about both High Point College and Camp Carlyle.

Who Should Attend

Accommodations are available for interested pastors, all workers with children—whether men or women, secretaries of children's work for woman's society, parents and friends of children. The cost is only $3.50 at each place. For additional registration cards or further informa;tion write Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

N. C. PASTORS' SCHOOL AND RURAL CHURCH INSTITUTE

Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University has arranged an excellent schedule of courses and has secured a fine group of speakers for this annual school held in Durham each year. The pastors' school opens with an inspirational address on the evening of June 2 and closes the following Saturday morning, June 7. For further announcements read the North Carolina Christian Advocate or write Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke University, Durham, N. C.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

The editors of our Advocate are now engaged in a campaign to extend the circulation of their paper and to increase its usefulness to the cause of united Methodism. Members of the staff in Salisbury and all persons aligned with the cause of Christian education are interested in and are supporting this movement.

Every church school superintendent and other church school workers should take the Advocate. Each issue during the weeks ahead will be filled with helpful information to all persons responsible for the program of Methodism.

EXCELLENT BEGINNINGS FOR RACE RELATIONS

Forty-three churches of the conference made an excellent showing on the first observance of Race Relation Sunday, February 9. Each pastor who led his people in this worthy enterprise deserves most hearty commendation. When this opportunity presents itself again next February surely many more churches will respond with a still larger total. Contributions received by Mr. H. A. Dunham to May 7 were as follows:

Asheville District	
Oakley	$ 5.95
Haywood Street	10.05
Charlotte District	
Dilworth	6.99
Duncan Memorial	4.25
First, Charlotte	20.00
Hawthorne Lane	17.35
Matthews	3.75
Thrift	5.50
Elkin District	
Liberty (Davie Ct.)	1.00
Gastonia District	
Dallas	6.20
High Shoals	4.25
Puett's Chapel	.55
Fallston Charge	8.00
Greensboro District	
E. R. Allen	5.51
Bethel, Greensboro	3.50
Calvary	3.00
Muir's Chapel	5.30
Mt. Pleasant (Liberty Ct.)	14.15
Pleasant Union (Liberty Ct.)	3.05
Moriah-Midway	5.56
High Point District	
Calvary	5.00
First, High Point	13.16
Bethel (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	2.00
Bethany " "	1.00
Gray's Chp. " "	2.00
Shiloh " "	1.00
Ramseur	10.00
Marion District	
Bethel (Morganton Ct.)	4.25
North Forest Charge	4.40
Salisbury District	
Albemarle Ct.	6.50
Palestine	1.00
First, China Grove	5.00
Concord	4.00
Bethpage	3.33
Mt. Mitchell	4.00
Landis	4.10
First, Salisbury	36.00
Statesville District	
Central, Mooresville	9.58
Mt. Zion	3.00
Waynesville District	
Andrews	7.00
Rockwood	5.00
Franklin	2.78
Highlands	1.00
Long's Chapel	4.10
Winston-Salem District	
Trinity, Lexington	3.16
Welcome	9.00
Centenary, Winston-Salem	85.45

WORKERS' CONFERENCES

A series of charge-wide workers' conferences will be held in the Asheville district as follows:

Emma: Emma, May 25.
Weaverville Ct.: Clark's Chp., May 26.
Hot Springs: Hot Springs, May 27.
Barnardsville: Democrat, May 28.
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, May 29.
Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, May 30.

The meeting at Emma will be at 2:30 o'clock; others will be at 7:30.

The schedule will be given later for the meetings to be held in the Waynesville district, June 15.20.

PUTTING THE RALLY INTO CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

In former years many churches have been loyally observing Church School Day. United Methdism requests that we do some "rallying" on this occasion. This might well be a time to work for the largest attendance in the church school for the year. About one-third of the churches of the conference have made plans for this observance. Programs and offering envelopes are still available and it is not yet too late to rally. The churches listed below have had their programs and have sent their offering to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville. These churches have led the way; others should follow the next few weeks:

Asheville District	
Oakley	4.00
Charlotte District	
Calvary	8.06
Dilworth	57.50
Spencer Memorial	3.07
Indian Trail	2.00
Matthews	5.47
Elkin District	
Bethel (Mocksville Ct.)	5.00
Gastonia District	
Friendship (Fallston)	6.40
Main St., Gastonia	50.00
Maylo	7.00
McKendree (Lincoln Ct.)	2.30
Denver	3.71
Greensboro District	
Muir's Chapel	4.81
Madison	3.63
Lindsey St., Reidsville	5.50
High Point District	
Bethel (Randolph-Gray's Chapel)	3.00
Marion District	
Bethel (Morganton Ct.)	1.00
Spindale	7.08
Salisbury District	
Kerr Street	3.75
Friendship	2.00
Liberty (Gold Hill)	1.63
Bethpage	5.02
Statesville District	
Boulevard	2.20
.... Waynesville District	
Central, Canton	35.50
Franklin	2.86
Sylva	7.50
Winston-Salem District	
New Hope (Doubs)	5.48

CAMP ADVENTURE (Formerly Camp Cheonda)

Harold M. Patrick, Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, will operate Camp Adventure, Lake Junaluska, this summer. He will take boys and girls ages 12-15 from July 1-29, and boys and girls 8-12 years of age, July 29 to August 26. For information write Harold M. Patrick, Box 822, Charlotte, N. C.

Advocate Campaign Report

Here is the exhibit of our new subscribers to date. One dollar for six months counts one-half a subscriber. Two dollars counts a full year.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Durham District

Davis St., Mrs. J. W. Holmes	14
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	7½
Yanceyville, J. V. Early	7
Front St., F. S. Love	6
Orange, Mrs. R. B. Nichols	4
Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt	8
Mt. Hermon Ct. R. L. Hethcox	8
Graham, J. R. Edwards	3½
Bynum, K. F. Duval	3
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	3
Webb Ave.-Fountain, C.J.Andrews	2
Calvary, Mrs. A. I. McKay	2
Alamance, G. L. Reynolds	1½
Davis St., Mrs. H. W. Wade	1½
Alamance, Bessie Coble	1
Davis St., F. W. Paschall	1
Person Ct., F. B. Peele	1
Mebane, First, Mrs. D. A. Pender	1
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton	1
Durham Ct., S. J. Starnes	1
Eno, W. J. Neese	1
Orange Ct., Mrs. E. H. Sykes	1
Mt. Tirzah, E. L. Hill	1
Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams	½
Swepsonville, T. B. Hough	½
Hillsboro, S. F. Nicks	½

Elizabeth City District

S. Quarter-Fairfield, E. G. Cowan	2½
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	2
South Mills, W. N. Vaughn	1½
Washington, D. A. Clark	1½
Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick	1½
Winfall, Mrs. J. L. Nixon	1
Columbia, Mrs. A. B. Hopkins	½
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	½
Aulander, J. R. Poe	½

Fayetteville District

Sanford, A. P. Brantley	6
Person-Calvary, M. W. Warren	4½
Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore	1½
Hay St., Mrs. J. A. Gathrop	1
Jonesboro, D. L. Fouts	1
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	1
St. John-Gibson, W. F. Keeler	1
Pine Bluff, Wm. A. Parsons	1
Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer	1
Siler City, C. B. Culbreth	½
Stedman, I. J. Strawbridge	½

New Bern District

Marshallberg, L. E. Sawyer	36
Seven Springs, Mrs.W.E. Howard	5
Grifton, E. M. Hall	3
Dover, H. L. Harrill	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	2
Mt. Olive, R. G. Dawson	2
Kinston, Mrs. John Shute	1
St. Paul, W. A. Cade	1
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	½
Oriental, J. Kern Ormond	½
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.	½

Raleigh District

Fairmont, E. C. McLamb	15
Henderson, Mrs. W. B. Hight	9
Benson, Mrs. W. O. Rackley	8
Vance, A. M. Smith	4½
Moncure, O. W. Mathison	3
Edenton St., Mrs. Jas. M. Godwin	2
Knightdale, M. M. Walters	1
Four Oaks, J. T. Green	1½
Tar River, J. A. Martin	1
Erwin, I. S. Richmond	1
Louisburg, P. D. Woodall	½

Rocky Mount District

Bethel, J. G. Phillips	5½
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2
Middleburg, T. W. Lee	2
Conway, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson	1½
Marvin, Mrs. Wm. Towe	1½
Kenly, G. B. Starling	1
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Conway, J. L. Smith	1
Warren, E. R. Shuller	1
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall	½
Littleton, H. L. Davis	½

Wilmington District

Whiteville, L. V. Harris	11
St. Paul, Chas. A. Jones	7
Grace, J. F. Herbert	3
Fifth Ave., C. D. Barclift	4
Lumberton, E. B. Fisher	2
Lumberton Ct., M. D. McLamb	2
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. T. Thrift	1½
Southport, R. S. Harrison	1
Maysville, H. L. Harris	1
Fairmont, Mrs. C. A. Floyd	1
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Wesley Mem., W. A. Tew	1
Bladen, R. L. Vickery	½

W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Asheville District

Central, F. M. Weaver, Sr.	8
Merrimon, N. G. Bethea	1½
Rosman, J. R. Bowman	1½
Hendersonville, Mrs. W. V. Coston	1
Asbury Mem., R. H. Taylor	1
Old Fort, R. E. Ward	1
Pisgah, C. M. White	½

Charlotte District

Polkton, J. L. Trollinger	4
Wadesboro, C. P. Bowles	4
Derita, E. O. Cole	2
First, G. Ray Jordan	1
Morven, P. T. Dixon	1
Matthews, Mrs. E. W. Russell	½
Brevard St., D. V. Howell	½
Waxhaw, N. A. Huffman	½
Central, G. R. Combs	½

Elkin District

Cooleemee, F. J. Stough	4
N. Wilkesboro, Mrs. W. C. Huss	2
Advance, P. L. Smith	1
Bryant Mem., T. W. Bryant	1
Bryant Mem., T. W. Bryant	1
Wilkesboro, Jas. C. Stokes	½
Mocksville, W. C. Sides, Jr.	½

Gastonia District

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Sunday School Lesson

MAY 18

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By Rollin H. Walker

Broadening Christian Horizons: Saul's Conversion

Acts 9:1-31

Doubtless the transfigured face of Stephen had haunted Paul in spite of his efforts to forget it. Perhaps in his dreams he would hear Stephen's dying cry, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge; and wake with the sweat on his brow. Each patient martyr whom he dragged to punishment would say something that added to his uneasiness. But instead of hesitating in his persecuting zeal it was according to his nature to be more and more aggressive in his war against Christ. He did everything thoroughly. He became a foreign missionary of persecution. The high priest began to rest easy after he had driven the Christians out of Jerusalem, but Paul realized the vitality of the Christian movement and knew that the scourge would spread as long as any Christians were out of jail. So he started for Damascus to seize any of the refugees he might find.

Damascus with the means of travel then available was a wearisome six days journey from Jerusalem, but Paul knew how to sacrifice for a cause in which he believed. Perhaps he would be quoting as he journeyed the words of the psalmist about hating them that hate thee with a perfect hatred, and treading down the enemies of the Lord like mire in the streets. And yet, on the other hand, in the depths of his nature were those still small voices of protest that kept saying, How can these Christians whose eyes as they face death shine with the peace of God, be enemies of the Lord? How can men be bad who will die with a prayer for their enemies on their lips?

We see in Paul two consciences contending: his hereditary, Pharisaic conscience, and that other conscience that spoke in his deeper and better nature, and was inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Suddenly as they drew near to Damascus a great light appeared, and he heard the pitying voice, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? it is hard for thee to kick against the goad. If a skeptic were to say, I don't believe that the donkeys in the party reared up with fright at the sight of the great light, or that a dictaphone would have recorded the voice, we would not be eager to contradict him. But that is not equivalent to admitting that the experience of Paul was an hallucination. Because neither donkeys nor dictaphones have spiritual sensitivity, does not argue that Paul could not have received a message from God. His experience was real enough to start him on one of the greatest careers of human history. Can anything but a manifestation of Christ make a man Christlike?

Secret messengers had warned the Christians of Paul's coming and they were all praying passionately that God would put a bridle in his mouth. Perhaps Ananias had even dared to pray for his conversion, but when he was told that this fiercest of all enemies of the church was ready to receive the gospel, it was hard for him to believe. Why does not the whole church take courage from this incident, and pray day and night not merely for the downfall of the dictators, but for their conversion? What great missionaries Hitler and Mussolini would make!

It is fortunate that the spiritual telephone of Ananias was in order so that the Lord could call him up and send him to minister to the humbled persecutor.

Ananias imposed no penace on Saul. The Lord hath sent me unto thee, Brother Saul, says he, that thou mightest receive thy sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit. And so Paul arose and was baptized, and his missionary career was forthwith begun. Acts 9:20.

It is interesting to note that Paul's theology was largely an interpretation of his experience at his conversion. It was the appearance of Christ to him that had made all the difference; hence Christ was the center of his teaching. Christ spoke to him in transforming power from the heavenly glory; hence he was the Son of God. The Saviour came to him when he was on an errand of persecution; hence salvation was not something earned by pious performance but was an undeserved gift of God's grace (Ephesians 2:8-10). In gratitude for his mercies men ought to give themselves unreservedly to God's service (Romans 12). As Christ had suddenly revealed himself to him in blinding glory, so in due time he would suddenly appear in glory to judge the world (1 Thessalonians 4:16). Blessed is the man whose theology is based on a vital experience of God!

DAWN

The night was dark, the shadows deep
On the path her feet had trod;
No light to cheer her aching heart—
Lonely and without God.

The stones of doubt and thorns of fear
Beset the rugged way;
With bruised feet and laboring step
She walked ,and longed for day.

And then from out the darkest hour
Came a voice divinely clear—
"Come walk with me, O child of mine,
I'll dry thy falling tear.

"I gave my life for thee, dear heart,
That peace thy soul should fill.
Lay down thy burden, lift thine eyes—
This is thy Father's will."

And in the stillness of that hour
Beside the lonely road,
She knelt, and at the Father's feet
Laid down the weary load.

Then as a gleam of light dispelled
The darkness she had known,
She rose transformed, her hand in His,
and cried, "Behold the Dawn."

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.

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Children's Storyland



WHY THE CAT EATS BEFORE WASHING ITS FACE

Philip was staying with grandmother in the country; and at grandmother's house there was a cat. Philip had never lived in the same house with a cat before, so of course he was very interested. When Philip came in from playing in the garden at dinner time, he washed his hands and had his dinner. Then he fetched a saucer with a blue line round its rim; and in the saucer grandmother poured a little milk. Philip then carried the saucer very carefully in both hands, and put it down on the floor near the fireplace; that was the cat's dinner. Philip watched her lap it with her small, neat curving tongue.

Afterwards, the cat would sit up straight, curl her tail neatly round beside her, and wash. First, she would wash her paws by licking them; then she would wash her face, by licking a clean paw and rubbing it over her head. What interested Philip was that the cat and he arranged the time of their washing so differently.

"Grandmother," he said, "I wash myself before dinner, and the cat washes herself after dinner. Why?"

"I'm not sure that I know why," she said. "But my grandmother told me a story about it when I was so small as you are. She said her grandmother told it to her when she was small; so it must be a very old story.

Once upon a time (said grandmother) there was a cat who was hungry. This was in the days before people gave cats milk in saucers, and this hungry cat had to go out and find food himself.

"I'm hungry," he said to the Cow.

"Try grass," said the Cow.

So the Cat tried grass; but it was stringy, and the Cat did not like it.

"Try worms," said the Blackbird.

So the Cat tried worms. But worms were wiggly, and the Cat did not like them any better than grass.

"Try turnips," said the Sheep.

So the Cat tried turnips. But the turnips were hard, and the Cat did not like them any better than grass or worms.

And the Cat was quite right, you know; for neither grass, nor worms, nor turnips are the right food for cats.

Suddenly across the path in front of the hungry cat ran a little gray Mouse. That suddenly reminded the Cat that the right food for cats is—Mouse! So the Cat ran after the Mouse, and caught it.

"Oh, dear," squeaked the Mouse, "what are you going to do now?"

"I'm going to have you for dinner," said the Cat, holding the Mouse in her paws.

The Mouse did not at all want to be dinner for the Cat. But she knew it was no good saying so. "The only hope," she said to herself, "is to think up a trick."

So aloud she said, "Thank you, dear Cat; it is a great honor for a little mouse to be chosen to be the dinner of such a noble cat as yourself. May I ask when dinner is to be served?"

"Now," said the Cat, "if that suits you."

"Perfectly," said the Mouse. "But, of course, most noble Cat, you will do as all polite people do, and wash your hands and face before dinner."

The Cat had not known, before this, that polite people wash before dinner. But he did not want the Mouse to know this, or to think he was badly brought up.

"Of course I shall wash before dinner," he said, and at once prepared to do so. This was exactly what the clever Mouse wanted. The moment the Cat lifted his paw to wash himself, the Mouse darted away like a flash, and whisked into his hole, safe and sound, and out of the hungry Cat's reach.

Then the Cat realized that the Mouse had tricked him.

"I shall never wash before dinner again," said the hungry Cat. "And one day when I am King of Cats, I shall make a law that all cats are to wash themselves after dinner, and not before it."—Southern Christian Advocate.

Teacher—"Johnny, give a sentence with the word 'sphere.'"

Johnny—"I have a sphere cold."—The Evangelical-Messenger.

A COUNTRY TOWN

By Carl S. Weist

If I could ever settle down,
I'd choose a cozy country town,
A town that lies just in between
The throbbing world and fields of green.
There folks would know me as I am,
Without pretense, false pride or sham.
No mad crowds milling everywhere;
Soft drowsiness hangs in the air.
With friends enough to pass the day
And while the winter nights away.
Few strangers wander down the street,
You speak to every one you meet.
I like the friendliness that chats
In the gardens on the ways of cats;
The kindliness that gives and takes
Raisins and flour, fresh pies and cakes.
One day a week in Sunday clothes
The whole town seeks divine repose:
Then peace and silence o'er me brood
And make me feel that life is good.
If ever I should settle down,
I'd find a friendly country town.

—The Congregationalist.

MOTHERHOOD IN ANIMAL LIFE

By Ella McElligott

When Mother's Day comes around each year, I always think that we could very properly stretch our observance of the day to include animal motherhood ,in order to pay tribute to the many fine animals who care for their young as devotedly as do human mothers.

Many stories are told of the courage and tenderness of mother animals. They have sympathy and understanding, it seems, for they often adopt and raise animals, not of their own kind in many instances, when the rightful mother was taken, perhaps by the wanton shot of an unthinking, socalled sportsman. Mother cats will take little puppies and chicks, and dogs and other animals, including the wild beasts, play foster mother, too.

An animal mother and her young are always an inspiring sight. The traffic officer will stop a line of cars on the boulevard to let a mother cat, or duck with babies, cross to the other side when she suddenly finds herself on the busy highway.

Pictures of animals are always of great interest, but those that include the mother animal surrounded by her young have greater human appeal.

The cats and dogs that are such companions are usually the mother animals, ample of form and sedate of manner. Motherhood adds a touch of wisdom to the faces of animals, and gives them character and stamps them as individuals, rather than just cats, or dogs, or whatever they may be.

Of course, when we talk of motherhood in animals, we cannot omit saying a word for the birds and the lowly fowl. A mother hen scratching the ground and fighting for her chicks is always a sight that takes the attention, and the industry of the mother bird in her task of feeding ever-open mouths is well known.

I am sure many children unconsciously learn lessons of kindness and tenderness while observing the way animals, birds and fowl treat their young, and I imagine many human mothers take courage to go on with their tasks in spite of obstacles, when they see how patient and loving the mother animal is with her babies.—Our Dumb Animals.

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THIRD ROUND

May

Hillsboro, New Sharon, 11 18
West Burlington, 7:30 18
Glen Raven Haw River, Haw River, 11 25
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 2:15 25
Cedar Grove, Carr, 7:30 25
West Durham, 7:30 26
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 28
Lakewood, 7:30 29

June

Swepsonville, Salem, 11 1
Mebane, Central, 7:30 1
Mebane, First, 7:30 (uniting with Central) 1
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July

Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

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B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

District Conference, Plymouth, 9 15
Windsor, 11 18
Williamston, night 18
Hertford, 11 25
Wanchese, nights 25-28
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 30

June

Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Pilmoor, 11 1
Currituck, Hebron, night 1
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 5 8
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July

Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

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THIRD ROUND

May

Stedman, Tabor, 11 18
Person Street, Gardner's, 3 18
Fayetteville Ct., Cumberland, 8 18
Hemp, Smyrna, 11 25
Glendon, Carbonton, 3 25
Johnson Memorial, 8 25

June

Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 1
Aberdees, Roseland, 3 1
Parkton, Cotton, 8 1
Rowland, Centenary, 11 8
Maxton, 4 8
Raeford, 8 8
East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 22
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July

Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August

Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Grifton, Sharon, 11 18
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 18
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 20

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 16
Oxford, 11 18
Franklinton, Franklinton, 7:30 18
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 25
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 25

June

Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 1
Louisburg, 11 8
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 8
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8 11
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Elm City, Mt. Zion, 11 18
St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 18
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 8 18
Bethel, 11 25
Scotland Neck, Wm. Chapel, 3:30 25
Tarboro, 8 25

June

Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July

Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 18
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 3:30 18
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

June

Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11..... 1
Southport, 8 1
Wilmington, Grace, 11 8
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 8
Whiteville, 11 15
Pembroke Parrish, Pleasant Grove, 3:30 15
Lumberton, 8 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 29

July

Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June

Burgaw, Herrings, 10:30 10
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 10:30 11
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 10:30 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Marysville, Pollocksville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July

Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

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ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Farmington, 11 18
East Bend, night 18
West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

District Conference will be held at Boonville on the Yadkinville charge, May 28, beginning at 10 o'clock.

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May

Shelby, Central, 11 18
Belwood, Kedish, 2:30 18
Bessemer City, Bessemer City, night 18
Polkville, Polkville, 11 25
Cleveland, 2:30 25
East End, night 25

June

Belmont, Park Street, 11 1
Mount Holly, night 1
South Fork, 11 8
Vale, Macedonia, 2:30 8
Lincolnton, First Church, night 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

West Market, 11 18
Gibsonville, 7:30 18
District Conference, Greensboro College, 9:30.....21

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

May

Archdale, 7:30 21
Asheboro Ct., C.F., 7:30 27
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 28
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 31

June

Denton First, Denton, 11 1
Farmer, Eleazer, 3 1
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 1
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45 8
Trinity, Fairview, 7:30 8
Asheboro First, 7:30 11
Richland, Union, 7:30 12
Seagrove-L. J., Seagrove, 2 14
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 15
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 7:30 15
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 16

Ward Street, 7:30 18
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

June

Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 31

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

North Morganton, Oak Forest, 11 18
Table Rock, Linville, 3 18
Valdese, 7:30 18
Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25

June

Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Ball's Creek, Shiloh, 11 18
Catawba, Hopewell, 2:30 18
Maiden, May's Chapel, night 18
Mt. Zion, 11 25
Davidson-Williamson's, 2:30 25
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 25

June

Stony Point, 11 1
Taylorsville, Marvin, 2:30 1
Hiddenite, Pisgah, night 1
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 8
Hickory, First, 11 8
Hickory, Bethel, night 8
Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July

Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
SECOND ROUND

May

Welcome, Mt. Vernon, 11 18
Central Terrace, 7:30 18
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25

June

Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8

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Forsyth-Maple Spgs, R. A. Hunter	1
Pilot Mountain, C. C. Washam	1
Clemmons, Nealee Lou Scott	1
Hiatt-Sedge Garden—	
W. B. Thompson	1
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles	1
Ardmore, J. H. Brendall	1
Rural Hall, I. L. Sharpe	1
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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with profound grief that we, as members of the Ramseur Woman's Society of Christian Service, chronicle the passing of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Alton Watkins Craven.

In her quiet, unassuming way she lived a life of love and service, and her faith in God was an inspiration to all who came in contact with her. It was her chief joy to serve in any capacity, her home, her church, and the town in which she lived. Before her always was the commandment of our Lord, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as our Father in heaven is perfect," and the memory of her consecrated Christian life will inspire us to higher endeavor in our Master's work.

In the midst of our sorrow we can rejoice with her, for well we know that she has indeed received the coveted "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Therefore be it resolved:

That in the passing of Mrs. Craven our society has lost a faithful and beloved member, whose place cannot be filled.

That we hereby extend our deepest sympathy to her husband and children.

That we send a copy of these resolutions to her husband, a copy be put in the minutes of the society and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. John Riehm,
Mrs. H. M. Kivette,
Mrs. N. E. Marley.
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the ladies' Bible class and the Sunday school of the Methodist church, Plymouth, wish to pay tribute to one of our most loved and loyal members, Mrs. C. V. W. Ausbon, who passed away March 10, 1941. Her death came as great shock to her family and friends.

She was in deed and in truth a Christian woman, ever loyal to her church and always ready and willing to serve the God she love through unselfish service to others.

She possessed those qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she was associated. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the passing of such a life proves a great loss to our church and community.

Second, That we thank God for her life and bow in humble submission to our Father's will.

Third, That we extend to her loved ones our deepest sysmpathy.

Fourth, That a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, a copy be recorded in the records of the Sunday school and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

CRUMPTON—Robert W. Crumpton, 80, died in Memorial hospital, Danville, January 28, 1941. Funeral services were conducted from the home in Caswell county by his pastor, and Drs. J. B. Winn of Danville and Stanley Harrell of Durham.

Mr. Crumpton was first married to Miss Rosa Pleasant, who died in 1923. Sixteen years ago he was married to Miss Anna White of Caswell county, who survives him. He was identified with progressive movements and active in the religious life of his community, being a staunch member of Locust Hill Methodist church. He was loved and respected by all who knew him.

Joyce Early, Pastor.

WOODARD — Mrs. Clarice Woodard was born August 14, 1879; passed to her reward February 5, 1941. She was the daughter of the late John Lewis Jones and Levada Cabe Jones. She was married twice. Her first husband, Alphus Beck, died March 13, 1909. Her second husband, W. W. Woodard, died March 18, 1926.

Sister Woodard was a faithful member of the Wesleyanna Methodist church at Gay, N. C. She possessed a steadfast hope in God and eternal life. She bore her sickness with great patience and fortitude. She is survived by the following children: Roy and Ovied Beech of Gay, Lewis Woodard of of Anderson, S. C., Ray Woodard of U. S. Army, stationed in Honolulu, Mrs. Lavada Gibson, Gay, and Miss Fay Woodard of Gay.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

WALL—Brother D. D. Wall, a member of Speedwell Methodist church, Webster circuit, passed over the river of death on the 14th of April, 1941. He lived among his friends here for 60 years, six months and 25 days.

On September 30, 1909, he was married to Miss Cora Emaline Taylor, and to this union were born five children: Eddie, Fate, Ada, Kenneth, and Dorothy. Brother Wall was the first member of his family to be called from the family circle. He professed faith in Christ and joined the Speedwell Methodist church in 1914.

His many friends will always remember him as one who was a friend in times of need. We are grateful to Amighty God for the priceless memory of the life of this cheerful and unselfish husband, father ,neighbor and friend.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

MARION—J. R. Marion was born January 11, 1867, at Siloam in Surry county, lived there during his life of 73 years, and died the first day of April, 1941.

Not only will his devoted wife, who was Miss Swanson of Pilot Mountain, and his two sons miss him greatly, but in every way the whole community where he lived his full and useful life will also miss him. He stood for the moral and industrial betterment of his town and county. While in many ways a modest and retiring man he was a man of such energetic activity that he was busy to the very end of his life. He had large business interests but found time to be a helpful and sympathetic friend to anyone in distress. As a good citizen in the business and civic life of his county he was a real leader.

But it was in his home and in his church that he found his greatest happiness and lived his best life. He was a steward and trustee in the Methodist church for more than 30 years and one of its most liberal supporters. He was loyal in his attendance at all regular and official meetings of his church. For many years he was lay leader in the group of churches making up the Dobson charge and often attended the annual conference as a delegate. He gave liberally not only to his own church and the needy causes of his own county, but many of the institutions of our church have been blessed by his benefactions.

We who knew him and loved him in his home and in his church will sorely miss him, but we shall see him again in the better land of endless life.

E. W. Fox.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of Clarksbury church, wish to pay our tribute of respect to one of our oldest and most faithful members, Dr. Bell Gaither, who passed away on March 27, 1941.

Dr Gaither was born and spent practically his entire life of fourscore years in the vicinity of Clarksbury church, where he practiced dentistry and later ran a general store. He taught the adult class and also served in the capacity of steward and trustee. Because of this faithful service we resolve to keep a record of his passing in our quarterly conference record.

Robert V. Martin.



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OPPORTUNITY FOR LIBERAL AND GENEROUS ENLARGEMENT

Dr. W. R. Cullom and Dr. Stanley C. Harrell have written inspiringly about the approaching Rural Church Institute at the Duke Institutes and Bible Conference in Durham, June 2-7.

It may be helpful for one who has had a part in the North Carolina Pastors' School during its 23 years and in the Rural Church Institute for eight years, to indicate something of the liberalizing and enlarging tendencies of these generous years when men of thought and vision led us into a larger and fuller and freer life. At first some in attendance were afraid of the message of the radical, and others were shy of the ultra-conservative, whenever a speaker presented a new angle or used a different language on the platform or in the classroom. They trembled for the Ark of the Lord. But all that fear and apprehension passed away as outstanding men of the nation were heard and preachers of various schools of thought met and mingled on the campus.

The tendency of those decades has been to bring together men and women of all denominations to enjoy the opportunities of classroom and of platform as well as to make generous contributions to the life and interest of the occasion. Out of this desire came the move to set up the Rural Church Institute which has led to the more generous name for this year, "The Duke Institutes and Bible Conference." So the results of these two decades have been a more generous attitude of soul, a marked liberty of thought, and an enlargement of our efforts to make a more and more helpful contribution to all the religious forces in North Carolina. The ample equipment of Duke University which has been placed at our disposal and the atmosphere of the University are most favorable for this work.

Anyone who will give careful consideration to the faculty and speakers of this year and will visualize the personal qualities of the men and women who will gather on the campus, assemble in lecture rooms and chapel, and mingle in social intercourse in dining room and under the trees will be able to appreciate the unusual opportunity for liberal culture and delightful fellowship. It seems to be written in the stars that this is to be the best of the twenty-three. Why not? Generous provision has been made for personal enlargement of soul and enlightenment of mind.

M. T. Plyler, Chairman,
Board of Managers, N. C. Pastors' School.
Member Board of Managers of the Rural Church Institute.

THE WOMEN OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AT WORK

The reports from the Woman's Society of Christian Service are beginning to come in. Some of the leaders in the several districts tell us they are getting organized for work in the Advocate campaign. Forty-three have made reports thus far. This is just a beginning. The district secretaries, along with the pastors, are the leaders.

Mrs. Maie Dennis of Main Street Society of Christian Service, High Point, N. C. Williams, pastor, sent $18 this week for new subscribers. This is what we call more than a good beginning. Let the good work go on.

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It is useless to argue with prejudice. Willful ignorance is another hard nut to crack. But limited knowledge that results from want of opportunity to know the truth provides a fruitful field for a faithful and capable teacher..

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Old Dobbin has been the object of numerous jibes ever since the demise of "horse and buggy" days. But here is one good word for him: "Old Dobbin has his faults, but you never saw another horse hitched in front pulling him to the barn for repairs."

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The many Methodist ministers who feel they should undertake the impossible is one of the most hopeful stirrings in our American Methodism. Some of these are among us here in North Carolina. The former dull, languid rounds must give place to men on fire for God.

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The village simpleton when offered his choice of a penny or a sixpence always took the penny. When asked why, replied, "If I took the sixpence they would stop offering me anything. Dr. W. L. Watkinson, the great English preacher, when asked how he would use it in sermonizing replied: "There's your story. The subject would be, perhaps, 'The Enduring Values of Restraint,' and of course your text would have to be, 'Let your moderation be known unto all men!'"

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Hamlet cried: "The times are out of joint; O cruel spite! that I was born to set them right." The President of the United States found the times out of joint and sought to set them right by moving up national Thanksgiving Day one week. But the same President is now big enough to say that this is not a remedy for anything and he is going back to the traditional Thanksgiving Day. A glad new hour is at hand when we begin to return to the traditions of our early history which have made this a great nation in less than 200 years.

J. B. Duke was a poor farmer's boy, Henry Ford was a machinist's helper, Thomas A. Edison was a newsboy, John D. Rockefeller was a clerk. Yet we hear it said that a poor boy has no chance in the world. It is frequently the rich man's son who makes the most stupendous failure in life.

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The many undertakings in behalf of peace, the crusades against our getting into this war, the provisions of camps—22 at present—for installing conscientious objectors, and the exaltation of the Prince of Peace in many pulpits indicate the widespread and deep-seated desire for peace in the hearts of Americans.

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Plans for a no-war crusade in key cities developed from the retreat led by Dr. E. Stanley Jones and President W. Palmer at Chicago Theological Seminary recently. Methodists scheduled to speak in opposition to our entrance into war include Dr. Harold Bosley, Baltimore; Prof. Georgia Harkness and Dr. E. F. Tittle, both of Evanston, Ill.; Bishop Wilbur F. Hammaker, Denver; Dr. Henry H. Crane, Detroit; Dr. Albert E. Day, Pasadena, and Prof. Halford E. Luccock, New Haven. Dr. Chas. F. Boss, Jr., of Chicago is secretary of the ministers no-war committee.

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Someone has said a woman does not make a fool of a man, as frequently charged. She only gives him a chance to show what are his natural capacities. This is a truth of wide application. A doting mother sometimes laments, "bad company ruined my boy," when in fact that company only gave him an opportunity to reveal his natural capacities. Some young men say "a poor boy has no chance in this country," when it is about the only country in which he does have a chance. Furthermore, the history of our American life reveals that the poor boy has the best opportunity of anybody if he has the right sort of stuff in him.

The American Way

MUCH is being said these days about the American way of life in our present defense of democracy. Most present day Americans know little about the democracy won by the founders of this Republic. Vast multitudes in our city populations, especially, know more of the European ways of life than they know of the American way. The struggle for this continent is a long and heroic story out of which came our American democracy.

The Spaniards came with the soldier and the priest to take possession of this western world and South America remains largely Spanish. The French moved up the St. Lawrence and took possession of all that section, later to press on along the Great Lakes and down the Mississippi to New Orleans. This became the new France to enter into fierce conflict with the English along the Atlantic. As Wolfe fell victorious on the Heights of Abraham in 1759, the English won supremacy over the French and the continent finally became English instead of French. From the Atlantic coast the English were gradually pressing westward for the conquest of the land, developing the constitutional government which we have.

The attempt of Feudalism, Monarchy, and Romanism to master a continent as tried out by France and Spain failed. The soldier with his armed bands and the priests with their formal religion built their forts and planted their emblems as they claimed the lands as their own. The story of new France is a story of war and conflict. The growth of New England was due to a hardy people with the Bible, the school, the town meeting and heroic living, putting into practice the principles of democracy and freedom.

The marvel of this Republic has been the wonderful way in which the untold thousands from every land across the water have become a vital part of our own democracy. Most of these emigrants came to escape the autocracy and militarism of the monarchies from which they fled. In all this defense of democracy are we going to be saved from the militarism and regimentation of Europe as we struggle to keep our free institutions? The church as a vital force, the free school for the masses, the open Bible, the Christian Sabbath, free enterprise by free men in this free land, free from entangling alliances, gave us our American democracy. We are fully persuaded that these securities must save us from our present peril, if we are to have our American way of life. Some one has said, "No Mayflower ever sailed from a port of France." The salvation of our democracy will not fly across the Atlantic. Its security is in the soul of America.

"Mountains Dancing Like Rams"

RELIGION has always needed poetry. Logic, philosophy, science, however effective, cannot do for religion what poetry has done. As one has said, "The poet is the only spokesman for that inner sanctuary of the spirit of man in which the Lord of heaven and earth delights to dwell." This explains why the Bible is full of poetry. The poet makes straight for some high hilltop where he can look all around and the valleys become enchanted and the mountains clap their hands with joy. Religion then goes forth with singing and the church puts off its grave clothes.

Dr. Hugh Black, the great Scotch preacher, once when preaching in New York City declared:

"I am tired of the decency of the Christian church, which hasn't enough joy to imagine mountains dancing like rams and the little hills like lambs, as the Hebrew poet did upon their liberation from Egypt. Modern Christians are too quiet, too sober and respectable to go out and win a world. Worlds are won by enthusiasm, but who of us can be carried away enough to look up Fifth Avenue and see the tall buildings dancing, attuned to our own joy? . . . . The unfailing secret of a happy world is a glad heart. . . . The poet who can see mountains dancing and trees clapping their hands is much nearer to the truth than is the 'pure scientist' who sees facts so barely that they are no longer facts."

A First Class Sermon

THE colored farmer was not a preacher, but he could get at the gospel truth in a very effective way, as the following incident discloses most clearly:

A white man asked our farmer friend what church he belonged to and the old man replied: "Bress ye, sah, dah's fo' roads leading from hyah ter town—de long road, de hill road, de sho' road, and de swamp road—but when Ah goes ter town wid er load er grain dey don't say ter me, 'Uncle Calhoun, which road did yo' come by?' but, 'Cal, is yo' wheat good?'"

Wise Men Sometimes Poor Prophets

IN 1822 Thomas Jefferson wrote: "I trust that there is not a young man now living in the United States who will not die an Unitarian." A few months earlier John C. Calhoun observed that Unitarianism would be the religion of the whole country within fifty years. These are the opening sentences of Clarance Gohdes in an article that deals with the liberalizing influence of Unitarianism in the South. This has a place in "American Studies in Honor of William Kenneth Boyd" issued by the Duke University Press.

Standing on our vantage ground one hundred and twenty years after the days of Jefferson and Calhoun we can realize anew how far wise men can go wrong when they turn prophets. About the same time Unitarianism in New England and Methodism in America began their work. Now Methodists are numbered by the millions and the Unitarians by the thousands. True, these apostles of liberalism have exerted a much wider influence in American life than their numbers indicate, but even then they have trailed the Methodists. The one have labored to unfetter the mind of man; the other have sought to set free the soul of man in Christ. Jesus as their leader went out to "spread scriptural holiness over these lands." Evangelism, Christianity in earnest, has been far more effective in this Republic than has the plea for liberalism.

Experience the Great Teacher

A CELEBRATED teacher of Latin in discussing method in teaching the language insisted that 99 per cent of the ability to teach a subject lies in the knowledge of the subject. If this is true in teaching Latin how much more true is it in teaching religion? The stress on methods and the emphasis on credits doubtless account for much of the indifference, if not open opposition, to Christian education as it is practiced in the churches. Too many persons with little experimental knowledge of religion—with little experience with God—are called upon to teach religion in the church school. About all such are able to do is to discuss incidents of life about them or, perchance, to recite the historic records of Christianity. Books about the Bible and ethical comments on conduct take the place of our one book of religion —the Bible. A teacher with such an experimental knowledge of religion that the Bible becomes a living message to his own soul, even though his methods may be faulty, speaks with authority and becomes a leader of his class. He knows the subject to be taught. He is 99 per cent a success to start with. Then there are open ears to his message.

Jacob and Ikey

JACOB and Ikey, father and son, went to Edinburgh with a view to locating in business. While walking along one of the principal streets of the city, their attention was drawn to a Scotch farmer who drove up to the curb, got out and took the bridle off his horse preparatory to feeding the animal his noon day meal. After carefully attaching the feed bag to the horse's head, he went to the back of the wagon and took a chicken from a small coop. The chicken had a string tied to its leg. This he fastened to the foreleg of the horse so that the chicken would eat the oats that spilled out of the bag. The Hebrew father turned to his son and gravely remarked: "Ikey, dis is no place for us to do business." Do our readers generally know that Charlotte, N. C., while inhabited most largely by the Scotch, had few Jews in it? "A Scotchman keeps the Sabbath and everything else he gets his hands on."

A Free Commonwealth

IN the years of Spanish and French and of early English adventures this was a land of romance, adventure and gold. Such was the case even when Sir Walter Raleigh's colony came to our own shores; and it remains such to this day beyond the seven seas. But with the landing of the Pilgrims on the shores of Massachusetts, the stern, hard-won independence of America began. Instead of military colonies we have a free commonwealth.

Not in the long years of our struggles when we could sing of "the land in which our fathers died" did this appear to be any more than a free commonwealth in which free men might enjoy a land of freedom as an asylum for the oppressed. But of late some are beginning to glory in this commonwealth among the nations as a world power. With our two navies in prospect and our fifty thousand bombing planes in the making of which we boast no one can make us afraid. We can dominate the world. If we are to retain our democracy of free men in a free world, would we not do well to avoid any such boasting of our might?

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. and Mrs. Floyd M. Paterson, Milton, N. C., announce the birth of a son, James William, at Duke hospital, Monday, May 19, 1941.

Write both Senator Bailey and Senator Reynolds insisting that they give their strongest support to the Shepherd Bill, S-860. Do not fail to thank them for their support of the bill in getting it out of committee with a favorable report.

The spring meeting of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Statesville district will be held at 3 p. m. Friday, May 30, at the home of Mrs. C. A. Moser of Lenoir, with the ministers' wives of Caldwell county as joint hostesses.—Mrs. R. V. Martin, Sec.

Receipts for General and Conference Benevolences on May 17 lacked only $2,243.68 of reaching the total of May 31, 1940. Remittances must reach me on or before May 31, as my accounting must be in Chicago by June 4.—E. O. Cole, Treas.

On May 2, at eight o'clock in the evening, at Shiloh Methodist parsonage, Miss Kate Edna Leather and Selby Boyd Harris were united in marriage. Mrs. Harris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Britton Leather of Lexington, Route 4. Mr. Harris is the son of Mrs. W. R. Harris of Lexington. They are both active and useful members of our young people's organization at Shiloh. Their many friends wish for them a long and happy life.—T. G. Madison.

The High Point district youth organization of the Methodist church will hold its quarterly meeting at South Main Street church, High Point, on May 30 at 7:30 p. m. George Needham, president, will preside over the meeting. A group of young people from Main Street church, High Point, will present a play for the worship service. "Seek and Ye Shall Find" is the name of the play under the supervision of Lena Davis. At the social hour in the basement of the church pictures of Lake Junaluska assemblies will be shown by motion picture. A large attendance is expected at this district rally of Methodist youth.

Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, has been appointed Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of North Carolina and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of North Carolina. Frank C. Abernethy, recently elected Grand Commander of North Carolina at the convention of affiliated Masonic bodies at New Bern, announced his appointment of Rev. Mr. Rozelle as Grand Prelate and simultaneously the Gastonia minister's appointment as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter was announced by the Grand Chapter's newly elected Grand High Priest, Dr. C. H. Pugh.

Basnight Memorial Methodist church in Ahoskie has recently closed the first daily vacation church school in the history of the church. Sixty-three children were enrolled and there was an average attendance of 52. The pastor directed the school, and his helpers were Miss Mickey Boyette, Mrs. J. W. Bozeman, Mrs. W. H. Bryan, Miss Verna Corey, Miss Zephna Hill, Miss Ruth Fike, Miss Harriet Tucker and Miss Jean White. The school was a great success and already the church school is looking forward to a bigger and better one next year. The church reported its budget balanced at the district conference last week. One-half of the total budget for the year has been paid.—A. L. Thompson.

One Negro was worrying about the chance of his being drafted for the army. The other consoled him. "There's two things that can happen, boy. You is either drafted or you ain't drafted. If you ain't you can forget it; if you is, you still got two chances. You may be sent to the front, and you may not. If you go to the front, you still got two chances, you may get shot and you may not. If you get shot, you still have two chances, you may die and you may not! And if you die, you still has two chances."—The Uplift.

We closed a week's revival on Mother's Day. Attendance was very good and the interest was such that there were conversions and reconsecration of lives from the first service. The pastor did the preaching, except for the excellent closing message by Dr. G. T. Bond. Fourteen have been received on profession of faith and two by vows as a result of these services. Five others came to us on profession of faith during the Easter season, and 12 have been received by certificate to date. We love our folk and are enjoying our work at Spencer Memorial greatly.—C. E. Murray, P. C.

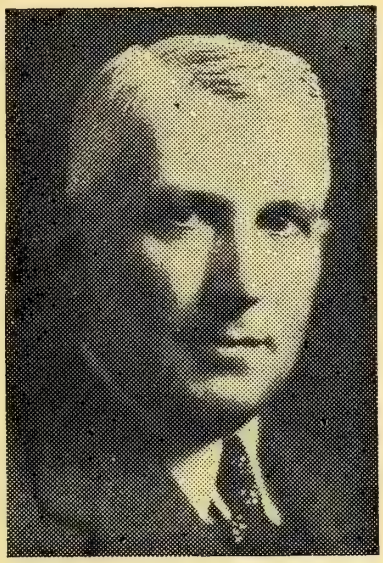
Rev. G. W. Vick, pastor of Proximity Methodist church, Greensboro, closed a ten day revival meeting Sunday, May 18. Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor of Grace Methodist church, did the preaching. Miss Helen Vincent of People's Bible School, Greensboro, had charge of the children's work. The meeting was a decided success. Six have joined the church and others will come in later as a result of the meeting. Rev. G. W. Vick is emphatic in his praise of Dr. Carroll as a preacher. Miss Benson is a most efficient worker with the children. Brother Vick at district conference reported Children's Home paid in full, also the benevolences for general and confernece work was paid in full. All other financial obligations more than half paid.

At the beginning of the academic year 1941-42 Dr. Mack B. Stokes, Jr., will join the faculty of the Candler school of religion at Emory University as assistant professor of Christian doctrine. Dr. Stokes received his A.B. degree from Asbury College in 1932, and earned his B.D. at Duke University in 1935. From there he went to Boston University, where he served as a resident fellow in Systematic Theology for two years. In 1938 Dr. Stokes was Borden Parker Bowne Fellow in Philosophy, the highest dictinction offered in the department of philosophy was conferred upon him in June, 1940. Dr. Stokes is a member of the Western North Carolina conference ,and while a student he served supply pastorates in that conference. The coming of Dr. Stokes greatly strengthens the department of Christian doctrine, since it means that his work will be given in addition to that of Dr. Franklin N. Parker and Dr. Leroy Loemaker of the college faculty.

An achievement worthy of note is the Easter campaign put on by the Orange circuit. Under the leadership of Rev. C. P. Morris, pastor, and Mr. A. K. McAdams, charge lay leader, every church on the charge raised at Easter its entire budget for the year with the exception of salary. This includes district fund, orphanage, ministers' retirement, conference claimants, bishops' fund, administrative, and World Service. The amount raised by the charge for the items at Easter time was almost $700. It is believed this is the only charge in the conference to reach this goal so early. The pastor gives the credit to the charge lay leader, Mr. McAdams, and Mr. McAdams says he had "the co-opration of the pastor" in this achievement. Anyway, it was a good job well done, and all are happy over it. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent of Durham district, is well pleased with the fine work of Rev. C. P. Morris, pastor, Mr. A. K. McAdams, lay leader, and the pepole of the Orange circuit in this magnificent achievement.—S. J. Starnes, Reporter.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The music faculty of the college gave a joint recital in the auditorium Sunday evening. Appearing on the program were: Miss Vera Whitlock, pianist and soprano; Miss Ernestine Fields, pianist; Olin R. Blickensderfer, clarinetist; and Walter Fleischmann, baritone. Mrs. S. A. Gayle and Miss Helen Scott served as accompanists. A large audience of visitors as well as students and teachers enjoyed the excellent performance.



Dr. W. K. Greene of Duke University, who gives the commencement address at High Point College, Monday, May 26

Examinations are in progress this week, and commencement activities begin Thursday evening with the annual student recital. Friday night is the regular essay and oration contest. Two young men and two young ladies will represent the senior class in this annual program.

Dr. and Mrs. Humphreys will entertain the members of the graduating class at their home on West College Drive Friday afternoon at five-thirty with an informal reception and dinner.

Saturday is alumni and class day on the campus. A special feature of this occasion will be the unveiling of a bronze marker by the former students of Yadkin College in honor of the late Professor G .W. Holmes, president of that institution.

On Sunday morning President Humphreys preaches the baccalaureate sermon in Harrison gymnasium, and in the evening Dean Lindley will speak to the graduates. Finally the commencement comes to a close with the address Monday morning by Dr. Green of Duke University, and the awarding of degrees to the 86 candidates. This last program will be broadcast over station WSJS at 10:30.

ASBURY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Commencement dates are June 1-4, and Rev. John R. Church, one of our general evangelists and member of the Western North Carolina conference, will appear on the program along with Bishop U. V. W. Darlington of Huntington, W.Va.; Dr. Edwin Lewis, Drew Theological Seminary; Dr. Warren McIntyre of Wilmore, Ky.; Dr. Joseph Owens of Gadsden, Ala., and Dr. E. Stanley Jones, well known missionary.

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS

Due to the fact that Rev. T. G. Vickers has entered the chaplaincy of the Army, the following changes are made in appointments in the North Carolina conference:

Morehead City, J. H. Miller; Hookerton, E. R. Shuller; Warren, N. W. Grant; Marvin, Rocky Mount ,to be supplied.

Bishop Clare Purcell.

HOME COMING AND MEMORIAL JOINED

For years the Cedar Grove congregation composed of that fine citizenship of Orange county west of Hillsboro have been observing home coming and a memorial day for their dead. Last Sunday the number of cars and people on the grounds went beyond any of the many gatherings we have seen there. The hundreds filled the church and much of the yard.

Rev. J. C. Williams, pastor, preached a capital sermon. In the afternoon Rev. S. F. Nicks, a former pastor, and this editor discussed Christain literature. But the climax of the day was the fine fellowship about the tables under the trees as old friends gathered from far greeted each other and passed the time. We doubt if most of this people really appreciate the value of these days extending through the more than fifty years gone. They make for a nobler citizenship.

MUCH INTEREST IN DR. AND MRS. DICKINSON AT DUKE INSTITUTES

The announcement that Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Dickinson will be on the program of the Duke Institutes and Bible Conference, June 2-7, has brought a great number of inqiries from choir directors, organists ,and other persons interested in church music.

Because of the numerous inquiries, I think we should offer the high privilege of hearing these ministers of music to lay leaders who are responsible for church music, I am, therefore ,extending an invitation through you to these musicians to attend the institutes. The only charge that will be made will be a nominal fee of one dollar registration.

J. M. Ormond, Dean.

MINISTERS' WIVES LUNCH AT ASHEVILLE

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district held a luncheon meeting in the S & W Cafeteria in Asheville at noon May 12, with the president, Mrs. George Maurice Schreyer, presiding.

Mrs. Schreyer stated that it is the objective of the organization for this year "to share with others whatever we may possess, spiritually and materially." A most interesting and enjoyable program was heartily accepted by 20 women. Mrs. W .G. McFarland was the speaker. The women brought a silver offering as a gift for a friend, and plans were discussed for the meeting soon to be announced. We are grateful for the interest which the wives of this district are manifesting in the united aim of sharing of their own individual personalities, of their time, and of their material gain. We only request that those who should be with us and one of us come to our next meeting and see what we are doing!

GEO. F. IVEY IN THE ROLE OF WILL ROGERS

Hickory, N. C., in one of its leading business men has a humorist that reminds us of the famous and lamented Will Rogers. Mr. Ivey was one of the speakers at the Statesville district conference last week, and for sound common sense seasoned with humor he was hard to beat. He told Methodist laymen what sort of men some of them are and what they ought to be. And no matter how hard he pounded them they kept laughing. If you have a chance be sure to hear this humorist who does not try to be funny but is.

NOTICE OF INTEREST

I am at home here, 205 S .Myers Street, Charlotte, N. C., from Japan, and am willing and ready to talk, speak in churches, or sing in churches or schoolhouses, and to show curios anywhere the doing so may help to keep down war and bring peace between the nations. N. S. Ogburn.

ORGAN GRADUATE, ELON COLLEGE OF MUSIC, MAKES OUTSTANDING RECORD IN MUSIC

Miss Fern Sigmon Fitzgerald, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Fitzgerald, Troy, N. C., was presented by the music department of Elon College in senior recital Monday, May 5, at 8:30 o'clock.

Miss Fitzgerald is among approximately 85 other members of the senior class who will graduate at comencement exercises May 25-27.



Miss Fern Sigmon Fitzgerald

Miss Fitzgerald has been an honor student at Elon, especially outstanding in music. During her college career at Elon she has given three public organ recitals. The past year she has done advanced study in organ, which she has majored. Her recital was given on the four manual Skinner organ in Whitley Memorial Auditorium.. In addition to her activities in the music department, which includes membership in the Elon College choir, Elon Singers and glee club, she is a member of the Student Christian Association and a member of the Sons and Daughters Club of Elon.

The following is the program presented by Miss Fitzgerald in her recital:

I. Two Chorale Preludes: Herzlich thut mich verlangen (Bach), wunderbarer Koenig (Ramin).

II. Prelude in Fugue in D Minor (Bach).

III. Sonata, Op. 65, No. 2 (Mendelssohn). Grave. Adagio. Allegro maestoso e vivace. Allegro moderato.

IV. Voices of the Night, Op. 142, No. 1 (Karg-Elert. Allegro con fuoco from Sonata I (Porowski).

A FATHER'S TRIBUTE TO HIS SON

Early Monday morning my only son, James, passed away of a heart attack in the city of Washington, D. C., at the age of 41 years. On that May day, the 12th, and in the heyday of middle life, God called and he quickly faded from earthly scenes. He had been married 12 years to Miss Elsie Penny of Greensboro, N. C. He had just returned to his department from the Union Station, having seen his wife off to Johns Hopkins Hospital for a check-up, her health not being good. So he passed all but alone. He was doing a successful drug business in the capital city and had for a number of years.

I wish to pay this sincere tribute to my precious boy. James grew up to be a fine, honorable son. He never drank liquor in all his life nor did he acquire the ugly habit of taking the name of the Lord in vain. He joined the Methodist church at the age of 12 years and always contributed to its causes when called upon. He and I lived very close to each other all his life. He loved me passionately and never wanted me to suffer for anything he could supply, and my affection for him was unabating. He never gave me trouble at any time. He and I used to, when just a lad, play boxing and baseball together. When he would come home to the parsonage occasionally he always greeted me with a kiss on my cheek and did the same on leaving me. He grew to be a fine business man and a gentleman, every inch of him. His going has almost crushed the life out of me. When I was planning to come to Phoenix, Arizona, for health of my daughter he expressed deep regret at my being so far away. Oh, how I shall miss him, my dear departed son, whom I loved so tenderly! He and I were pals and we kept step together through all those too brief years of association. As it was said by an old Bible character, "I shall see him, but not now." Sympathizing friends who would write me, I will say that my address is 1825 W. Adams St., Phoenix, Arizona. Pray for me, brethren and friends, and write me.

J. A. Dailey.

JOE S. HIATT HELD AN INTERESTING AND INSPIRING CONFERENCE AT COOL SPRINGS

The Statesville district conference met May 15 in the spacious and well appointed auditorium of the Cool Springs high school. With good accoustics and a seating capacity of 900 this auditorium meets every demand of a big district conference. Young ladies welcomed all members and had their names enrolled. Scouts on the parking lots assisted in getting cars properly placed. Rev. J. O. Banks met every demand of the pastor on such occasions, and the ladies of Cool Springs, New Salem, Providence and Rose Hill, the guest churches, provided for the assembly and took home half as much chicken, cake, pies, pickles and other good things as they brought.

The conference began work at 9 a. m. and there was not a dull moment till 4 p. m., the hour for adjournment. The speeches were limited to ten minutes and strange to say every man observed his time limit without being called down. We have never heard so many short, interesting speeches at one district conference. The presiding officer called the pastors by counties to the platform and mixed the reports with the speeches of members of the conference and of visitors. While each pastor had a written report in detail he mentioned only the high spots of the report, and as each pastor had something to report they went rapidly. Every budget was balanced except three and a majority reported a surplus to date. Many additions on profession of faith were reported notwithstanding this is a land of the summer revival. Being a native of Iredell county, I have known the Statesville district since boyhood and no such reports have ever been made this early in the year. More than a dozen pastors said to me that Joe Hiatt has been the leader in all this good work.

In order that our readers may know about those ten-minute speeches, or less, except H. G. Allen's 20-minute address at noon, we herewith give them in order of delivery with subject and name:

Greensboro College, Dr. Raymond Smith.
Duke University, Dr. B. G. Childs.
Woman's Work, Mrs. T. V. Goode.
Literature Past and Present, Rev. H. C. Byrum.
Rural Work, Past and Present, Rev. W. Q. Griggs.
Address: Our Missionary Task, Rev. C. H. Moser.
The Challenge of the Cross, Rev. M. Q. Tuttle.
Sermon: Evangelism, Rev. H. G. Allen.
Education, Dr. Carl H. King.
Lay Activities and Finance, R. C. Bunch. District lay leader presiding.
Training Youth for Leadership, Mr. B. M. Madison.
Golden Cross, L. B. Abernethy.
Laymen's Place, Mr. George F .Ivey.

Through the years we have attended many district conferences, but none better than this and few that measured up to it as an inspirational conference. Rev. J. G. Winkler, the secretary, will report details.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Louisburg College will begin its 1941 commencement exercises Friday evening, May 23, when the voice and piano classes, under the direction of Professors I. D. Moon and James E. Byerly, give their annual music recital at 8 p. m. in the college auditorium.

The alumni banquet at 7 o'clock Saturday, May 24, in the college dining room will feature the return of a host of former Louisburg teachers and administrative officers, among them being Miss Sally Betts of Sanford, N. C., for many years dean of women, and Miss Alma Bizzelle of Goldsboro, former registrar and head of the mathematics department. Dr. Sadie Johnson, alumni president of Louisburg College, will preside at this affair which several hundred of former students are expected to attend.

Class day exercises will begin at 8:15 p. m., immediately following the alumni dinner, and will be introduced by a processional by the senior class, and will feature an address by the class president, Ralph Roe, Suffolk, Va., and other members of the senior class. Marshalls for the exercises are selected on the basis of scholarship and include: Sarah Davis, chief marshall, Louisburg; Helen Hall, Roxboro; Edward Smith, Fayetteville; Virginia Spivey, Louisburg; and Gene Thompson of Franklinton.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at 11 a. m. Sunday morning at the Methodist church by the president of the college, Dr. Walter Patten, following which at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon Dr. and Mrs. Patten will entertain in honor of the graduating class and their parents.

At 7:15 p. m. the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. groups will hold a vesper service on the Northwest campus with former Louisburg president, Dr. D. E. Earnhardt, leading the worship.

Bishop Clare Purcell of the Methodist Church will deliver the baccalaureate address at the graduation exercises at 10 a. m. Monday morning, May 26, at which time the presentation of diplomas, certificates, awards and honors will bring to a close the academic year.

Commencement Program

Friday, May 23

8:00 p. m.—Recital. Department of Music.

Saturday, May 24

7:00 p. m.—Alumni banquet. College dining hall. Dr. Sadie Johnson presiding.
8:15 p. m.—Class Day exercises. College Auditorium.

Sunday, May 25

11:00 a. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon. Dr. Walter Patten.
4:30 p. m.—President's reception to the graduating class and parents.
7:15 p. m.—Vesper service. Y. W. C. A. - Y. M. C. A., Northwest campus. Dr. D. E. Earnhardt.

Monday, May 26

10:00 a. m.—Graduating exercises. Baccalaureate address by Bishop Clare Purcell. Presentation of diplomas, certificates, and honors.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND THE SABBATH

When Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt visited Charlotte several weeks ago, the community was having one of its periodical discussions about an open Sunday and the attractions and diversions that go with what is generally termed an open Sunday. The soldier boys were about ready to come to the army air base, located on the outskirts of the city, and many people thought there ought to be moving pictures and other things on Sunday for their benefit.

In an interview in one of the Charlotte papers, Mrs. Roosevelt was quoted as saying:

"I am not criticizing as a visitor because that would be rude. But it is a short sighted view. If there is anything wrong with moving pictures, why do we go to them at all? It is very wise to say that young people should go to Sunday school and church, but it is foolish to think they will sit with folded hands during the remainder of the day. Unless wholesome entertainment is provided for them they will find unwholesome fun."

With all due respect to Mrs. Roosevelt and the position she occupies, we do not believe, viewing the record of connubial bliss and harmony in her family that she has set up any great record as a home-maker and as a model mother. Some one has said that where there are as many as three divorces among the children of a family, there is something wrong with the home in which these children are reared. Certainly there have been many uplifted eyebrows over the Roosevelt record in divorce.—Gastonia Gazette.

GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The second session of the Gastonia district conference of the Methodist Church was held in Friendship church on the Fallston charge May 14.

The meeting opened at nine o'clock with E. E. Jones, district superintendent, in the chair. S. E. Snow of Lowell led the devotional service. G. W. Clay, pastor host, in a few well chosen words welcomed the delegates and the conference turned its attention to the business at hand.

Committee nominations were made and approved, after which A. W. Plyler spoke briefly about the many improvements in content and make-up of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. H. G. Allen explained the purpose of the Conference Brotherhood and asked for the support of the laymen as honorary members of the Brotherhood.

The roll of the pastors was then called and their reports received. The reports, on the whole, were good and an unusually optimistic note was sounded. The pastors vied with each other in praise of the people whom they served.

L. B. Abernethy, conference missionary secretary, spoke at the 11 o'clock hour on evangelism. His address was preceded by a report of the committee on missions, hospitals and homes, and the report showed that 31 of the 35 charges had observed Golden Cross Sunday, with a substantial increase in offerings over last year.

After lunch the conference reassembled for the "laymen's hour," the high light of the day's program. Ex-Governor Clyde R. Hoey, always a gifted and forceful speaker, seemed to be at his best addressing a conference composed of Methodists. It was a delight to hear him, and to feel the strength of his personal faith in a God to meet the demand of this hour. His challenge to the laymen to get behind the churches and their pastors, as well as his call for a renewed dedication to the service of God and country will not go unheeded.

An interesting report was made by the committee on spiritual life and evangelism, and Ed Snow made a forceful plea to the laymen to come to the assistance of the pastors in the work of evangelism.

The cause of Christian education was represented by Carl H .King, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the conference, and Harold Hipps, district director of young people's work. Carl H. King called attention to the increase in the fourth Sunday offerings and asked for a wider support within the district of Church School Day.

The cause of higher education was ably represented by Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University, and Dr. Raymond Smith of Greensboro College.

The committee on license and recommendation presented the names of Wilson Nesbit, R. H. Stamey and F. A. Wright to the conference to be recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial and the conference approved.

Rev. L. D. Thompson of the courtesies committee put in appropriate words the appreciation the delegates felt to the local congregation for its hospitality, and the conference adjourned with the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Jesse G. Wilkinson, Sec.

BISHOP C. L. MEAD OF KANSAS IS DEAD

Bishop Charles L. Mead, who retired a year ago as Bishop of Kansas for the united Methodist Church, died May 17 at the age of 72. He was host bishop at the historic unity conference at Kansas City in May, 1939, when Northern Methodists, Southern Methodists and Methodist Protestants formed one organic church. Bishop Mead was born in Vienna, N. J., and held his first pastorate at Rutherford, Hoboken and Newark. In 1909 he began a four-year pastorate at the First Methodist church in Baltimore. He was elected to the episcopacy at the General Conference in Des Moines in 1920.

THE ASHEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The second session (52nd, old number) of the Asheville district conference met at the West Asheville Methodist church at 9 a. m. Wednesday, May 14. Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, presided. Rev. W. G. McFarland was re-elected secretary, with Rev. R. H. Taylor, Mrs. James Smathers, and Mrs. Louise Pottle as assistants.

The devotional service was led by Brother Smathers, with hymn "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" and scripture, St. John, chapter 1. A gavel made in Palestine was presented by Rev. N. G. Bethea for the use of the chair in presiding over the session. The roll of district officers and of preachers was called. On attention being called that Dr. T. F. Marr, Rev. J. L. Reynolds, and Rev. A. F. Rhodes had died during the year, the congregation was called to silent prayer in their memory. The pastors placed on the secretary's table lists of charge delegates and other members in attendance. Full reports of the charges were also placed on the table. Committees ase nominated by the district superintendent were confirmed. The district licensing committee (Discipline Par. 488) was nominated by the superintendent and elected by the body of the conference. C. M. White, E. J. Harbison, E. O. Peeler, and N. G. Bethea constitute this committee, the district superintendent being ex officio chairman.

On motion of the committee on accepted supply pastors, etc., Rev. L. W. Hall and Rev. G. L. Lovett were recommended to the annual conference for the relation of accepted supply pastors.

Rev. McMurry S. Richey presented a report on youth activities in the district.

Character was passed of the following ordained local preachers: Miss Ruby Bailey (E), A. W. Barr (E), C. V. Hall (D), S. H. Hilliard (E), H. H. Mitchell (D), T. S. Taylor (E), D. B. Williams (D), D. R. Earnhardt (E), G. L. Lovett (E), and L. W. Hall (E).

Character was passed and license renewed for the following unordained local preachers: J. R. Andrews, Mrs. Flora Banks, A. J. Bell, J. E. Burgin, J. C. Coston, A. F. Gordon, G. E. Keeler, Ocee Orr, F. G. Smathers, J. E. Whitaker, J. D. Pyatt, and Mrs. D. L. Earnhardt.

On motion of Rev. C. M. White, committee chairman recommending, Ernest Benjamin Todd was licensed to preach by unanimous ballot.. This license was issued by the president and secretary of the conference.

Rev. McMurry S. Richey read a report for the committee on Christian education, to which Dr. W. A. Stanbury delivered an address titled "The Christian Home."

Rev. Earl Brewer spoke on "Church School Extension, Training and Camp Activities."

Representatives of Brevard College were introduced: Professors E. J. Coltrane, C. H. Trowbridge and J. B. Bennett. Dr. W .A. Lambeth briefly represented Duke University. Brother Smathers mentioned the other splendid colleges of our conference.

Rev. W. G. McFarland presented report of committee on missions, hospitals, and orphanages. Dr. L. W. Elias, Golden Cross director for the district, spoke to the hospital section of the report, Mr. George Hackney about the orphanage, and then Dr. C. C. Weaver preached a missionary sermon. The hymn was "Rock of Ages," prayer was offered by Rev. R. H. Taylor. Dr. Weaver's scripture was St. Luke 7:19-23; his topic, "Christian Missions Under Fire."

Seldom in recent years has a district conference heard such an informing and inspiring sermon. Dr. Weaver said he got up this sermon before he heard Dr. Van Dusen, but this sermon was certainly in the same high and truly apostolic succession.

Dr. Weaver defended the work of missions: "Although some try to attack missions by saying there is enough to do at home, it is called to your attention that no anti-missionary church has ever lived and thrived. A Baptist group dared put the word "Missionary" into its denominational name, and that church today stands forth as one of the largest and most vital parts of the church of Christ in our land. Some have objected that it is not right to separate people from their inherited religions. It is not right to do so in a dishonest way, nor with a purpose to kill their old civilizations. But it is right to show Christ and his saving program. Some business men object to missions on these grounds, but these business concerns go around the world converting people to their products. . . . China did not want sanitation and Cuba did not want to clean up prefatory to ridding the land of yellow fever, but oh, how these lands needed such cleaning up. And how the world today does need the salvation offered by Jesus Christ! A great many people hold hold other nations in contempt and say 'Why try to convert them?' But that way lies nazism. The crying need in the world today is to lose this contempt and replace it with the idea that we should try to lift the pagan's best to the level of Christ's best. . . .. There is a greater blight on the soul than there is on the body. Our church's size lifts us to the greatest responsibility. American Methodism must take the lead."

Dr. L. W. Elias was re-elected district director of Golden Cross and Mr. Niel Lee associate director.

After a delightful lunch served by the ladies of the West Asheville church in their social room, the conference reconvened at 1:30 p. m. Prayer was offered by Rev. L. W. Colson, chaplain of Oteen hospital.

Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, delivered an address representing the woman's work.

Rev. Horace Bolick presented a report on spiritual life and evangelism. Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of the Waynesville district, was presented to the conference and seated beside our presiding officer. Rev. A. F. Phibbs presented report on Christian literature. Rev. E. H. Nease spoke to this report and later explained to the conference how to make reports to the annual conference. Rev. C. B. Newton of Murphy and Rev. G .N. Dulin of Andrews were presented to the conference.

Brother H. A. Dunham, district lay leader, took the chair for the period devoted to lay activities. He made a talk on the church as worth our best efforts. Mr. George E. Evans read report of lay activities. Brother Dunham was re-elected district lay leader; Brother Evans, with C. E. Morgan and S. M. Garren were re-elected associate district lay leaders. Brother Evans and Brother Morgan both made talks presenting various aspects of lay work, including the every member canvass and the conference brotherhood as a field for lay co-operation.. Judge Guy Weaver presented the report of the district trustees. On nomination of the district superintendent trustees for district property were elected as follows: H. A. Dunham. C. E. Chambers, Zeb F. Curts, Guy Weaver and Lane Gaston.

Rev. J. M. Brandon, Jr., presented the report on quarterly conference records.

On invitation of Rev. E. P. Billups the conference voted to hold the 1942 district conference at Brevard.

The pastors then one by one reported their work and charges. A resolution of thanks to the West Asheville people for their hospitality was presented by Rev. E. P. Billups and adopted by a standing vote, after which the conference was dismissed with prayer and the benediction by Rev. T. A. Groce. Wilbur G. McFarland, Sec.

METHODISTS OF GASTON, CLEVELAND AND LINCOLN COUNTIES GATHERED AT FALLSTON

Fallston, a fine country community ten miles from Shelby on the highway to Morganton, was the place of assembly for the Gastonia district conference Wednesday, May 14. These visitors to Fallston were given the privilege of seeing the fine fruits of Methodist union in that community. Friendship church, where the conference held its sessions, was formerly a Methodist Protestant church, and this church is first class in every particular and adequate for every need of the big congregation. It was patterned after the great Palm Tree church at the farthest end of the Fallston charge. The Southern Methodists had a small church in Fallston which has been sold and the money used to build a hut in the rear of the present church. And this is the last word in hut building. Attractive without and within, it is finished in hardwood, has a huge old fashioned fireplace at one end and is furnished with chairs so as to be used for a social center, committee or class meetings, and young people's social gatherings. Back of this spacious room is a well furnished kitchen.

This church will in a year or two become a station. The new parsonage for the charge has been erected at Lawndale with such a change in view. Rev. G. W. Clay is the effective pastor of this great charge and was conference host, who with Mrs. Clay met every demand of the occasion.

Pastors of the 35 pastoral charges in the district, with a total of 103 different churches, made their reports for the first half of the conference year, and with few slight exceptions these showed all the financial obligations of the various charges paid in full for the six months which ended May 1.

The Gastonia district is unique in that no charge receives help from the board of missions, and if we mistake not no pastor receives less than $1600 salary.

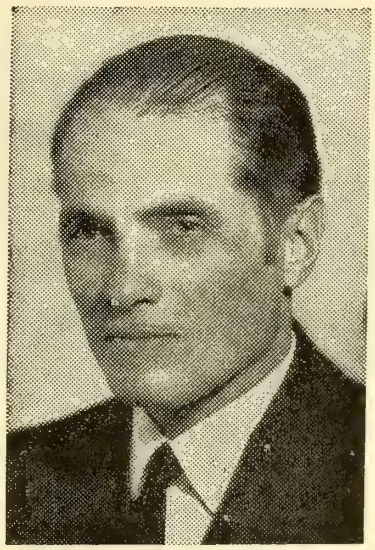
Floyd C. Todd of Gastonia was re-elected district lay leader, and associate lay leaders for the three counties are Charles A. Jonas for Lincoln county, H. C. Sisk of Belmont for Gaston county, and Horace Grigg of Shelby for Cleveland county.

For full details of this conference which Rev. E. M. Jones, the district superinendent, directed in admirable fashion, see the report that has been kindly furnished by Jesse L. Wilkinson, the secretary.

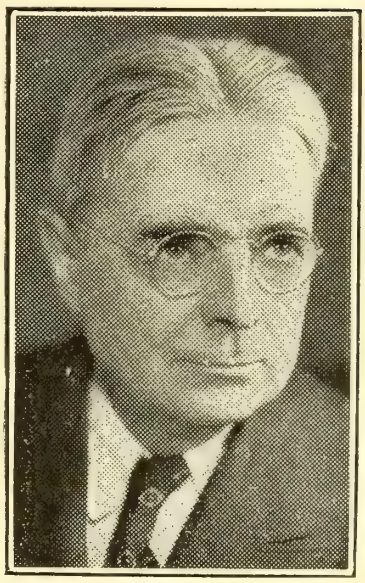
SPEAKERS AT DUKE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT, JUNE 1-2



Dr. Alexander Loudons



Dr. Hornell Hart



Dr. Joseph M. M. Gray

FLOWERS TO BE FORMALLY INDUCTED INTO OFFICE AT COMMENCEMENT

Dr. Robert Lee Flowers will be formally inducted in the presidency of Duke University on June 2 during the three-day commencement program. The ceremony, to be brief, will follow the commencement address exercises beginning at 11 a. m., at which Dr. Alexander Loudons, Netherlands minister to the United States, will speak.

With this commencement Dr. Flowers will complete 50 years of service to the institution. A young U. S. Naval Academy graduate, he was elected to the Trinity College faculty in June 1891, and he has been a member of the faculty and administration since that time.

Upon the death of President William Preston Few last October 16, Dr. Flowers became acting president, and on January 29 he was elected president of the university by the board of trustees.

Duke alumni, many of whom this year will be in uniform, will return in large numbers for the finals program, which will extend from Saturday, May 31, through Monday, June 2. Formal reunion dinners are planned by the following calsses: '91, '92, '02, '03, '09, '10, '11, '16, '28, '29, '30, and '40.

Robert L. Durham, Buena Vista, Va., and Tom Daniels, New Bern, famous old-time Trinity athletes, will lead the 50th year class for its reunion. Other well known members of the golden anniversary class are: Rev. W. B. Lee of Brazil; Rev. L. S. Massey, Durham; C. E. McCanless, High Point; J. Raymond McCrary, Lexington.

The alumni-alumnae luncheon is to be held on Monday of commencement. Usually 800 to 1000 alumni attend this occasion.

In Dr. Loudon, the commencement will have a brilliant speaker. He is among the best informed diplomats in Washington and has had a notable career in the service of his country. The commencement sermon will be preached in the chapel on Sunday night by Dr. Joseph M. M. Gray, pastor of Bexley Methodist church, Columbus, O.; and the baccalaureate address will be given on Sunday morning by Dr. Hornell Hart, Duke sociologist, lecturer, and writer.

Class Day exercises will be staged by the graduating seniors on Saturday morning. Duke's board of trustees will meet in the afternoon of the first day. The three-day program includes a variety of social, musical, and academic events. Graduation exercises will be at 5:30 p. m. Monday in the stadium.

MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The semi-annual meeting of the board of trustees of Louisburg College was held at the college Tuesday, the 13th. Rev. W. A. Cade ,chairman, presided, with the following members present: Rev. A. P. Brantley, Dr. J. E. Hillman, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mr.E. H. Malone, Mr. T. A. Person, Rev. Leon Russell, Mr. D. U. Sandlin, and Mr. T. B. Upchurch, Jr. The presence of Rev. W. R. Dixon and Rev. C. T. Thrift was recognized.

In the report of President Walter Patten it was noted that the curriculum of the college has been grouped in seven departments, namely: Fine and applied arts, commercial science, English, foreign languages, mathematics, and engineering science, and social science.

A note of thanks and appreciation was extended to Mr. James A. Gray, Mrs. S. H. Hutaff, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Wheless, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Tsenhour for their special gifts to the college during the year. Special mention was made of the fine spirit of co-operation of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service throughout the conference and their gifts in behalf of the college. In appreciation of their donations a Fifty Dollar Labor Scholarship was awarded to each of the seven districts. The assignment of the scholarship is to be made by the district secretary in conference with the president of the college.

Bond Settlement

The friends of the college have made sufficient cash donations to redeem $21,585 of its bonds that were deposited with the Durham Bank and Trust Co. There are $7700 of its bonds that were not deposited yet to be secured by the payment of 50 per cent of the principal. All the contributions that are now received will be applied on these bonds.

New Courses

Agriculture: The first year of the two-year agricultural course has encouraged the administration to continue this work with renewed emphasis.

A comprehensive plan for operating the farm for a four-year period has been worked out with the State Department of Agriculture. The report was approved.

Teachers' courses: The second year curriculum for the grammar grades teachers has been set up for next year.

Homemaking: A course that will prepare a young woman for the duties and responsibilities of the home has been effected and entered in the catalogue for next year.

The report of Rev. W. R. Dixon, public relations secretary, was presented showing the scope of his work in raising finances, and in visiting high schools and students in the interest of higher education.

The treasurer's report revealed that at the end of April the revenue of the college was in excess of expenses $6,945.25.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Elizabeth City district conference was held May 15 at the Plymouth Methodist church. The program began at 9 a. m. with Rev. C. E. Vale leading the devotional service in which the Plymouth choir rendered two beautiful anthems. The district superintendent, B. B. Slaughter, presided over a well arranged program during the day. Mr. Z. V. Norman of the host church extended appropriate greetings. After the introduction of several visitors the district superintendent presented a summary of the pastors' reports for the half year which indicated fine progress as a whole in the district.

The subject of World Service was discussed: 1. Women's work by Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary; 2. "Making the District Missionary Conscious," by Rev. John R. Poe; and 3. "The American Bible Society," by Rev. R. F. Munns. Information was imparted to the effect that 80 per cent of the churches in the district were receiving instruction and taking fourth Sunday offerings for missions.

Strong emphasis was laid on education. "It is an Adult Problem," by Rev. A. L. Thompson; "Give Youth a Chance and Challenge," by Rev. O. L. Hardwick were effectively set forth. Miss Alma Cade and Mrs. B. B. Slaughter spoke on "Feed My Lambs," while Rev. R. W. Bradshaw gave an interesting distcussion on "Religion in Education."

A resolution of sincere apreciation for the unselfish services of Rev. and Mrs. B. B. Slaughter done during the six years in the Elizabeth City district was offered and unanimously adopted.

Mr. G. W. Jackson presided over the period devoted to lay activities. Judge A. P. Godwin presented Dr. Eldridge, who spoke on the Golden Cross work and urged the raising of funds. Dr. W. K. Greene made the principal address, using as his subject, "A Christian's Philosophy of Life." Dr. Greene produced a profound impression on all. Consecrated laymen are greatly needed to assist in the activities of the Christian church.

The importance of evangelism was stressed by Rev. D. A. Clarke.

In the afternoon Rev. D. I. Garner conducted the devotions and a short but interesting program by Supt. A. S. Barnes with a few children of the orphanage at Raleigh was given.

President Patten of Louisburg College spoke briefly. Rev. L. T. Singleton brought a strong report on temperance, urging all Christian people to be total abstainers, aid the enforcement of law and to give instruction relative to the evils of beverage alcohol.

The quarterly conference record system was explained by Rev. W. M. Vaughan. A number of licenses were renewed as well as characters passed. Brother Arthur Stephenson of Aulander was licensed to preach.

A paper, "Our Fniancial Plan," was read by Mr. T. A. Smithwick, and the report on hospitals and homes was offered by Rev. J. R. Jolliff.

The following laymen were chosen to lead in the district work: Z. V. Norman, Plymouth, district lay leader; B. W. Evans, D. L. Berry, J. A. McNider and G. W. Jackson were selected as associate district lay leaders.

The N. C. Christian Advocate was represented by the writer of this article. Mr. M. B. Gillam invited the district conference to Windsor for the next year, which was accepted without opposition.

During the afternoon session the women presented life membership certificates to the little daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O .L. Hardwick and to Miss Delaney, daughter of Mrs. Delaney who faithfully served the district in woman's work.

The people of Plymouth gave the members of the conference a royal entertainment, for which the conference gave appropriate recognition.

The day was a fine one, with splendid reports, discussions, addresses and interests. H. Freo Surratt, Sec.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT WIVES MEET

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district met at the parsonage in Plymouth on May 15, the day of the district conference of the church, with Mrs. O. L. Hardwick, hostess.

Mrs. J. R. Poe presided over a short beusiness session. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and treasurer's report given. Nineteen wives were present and one visitor, Mrs. Walter Patten of Louisburg College.

The annual summer picnic was discussed and notice of time and place will appear later in the Advocate. The election of officers closed the business session. The following were elected: Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Ahoskie, president; Mrs. E. G. Cowan, Swan Quarter, vice president; Mrs. W. J. Watson, Elizabeth City, secretary-treasurer.

A rising vote was given the retiring officers.

Mrs. Poe announced that Willena Louise Hardwick, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Hardwick of Plymouth, would be presented a baby life membership certificate in the Woman's Society of Christian Service during the afternoon session of the conference. The presentation was impresively made by Mrs. J. R. Poe, retiring president.

Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

EVERY SEVENTH MISSIONARY IS "ORPHANED"

By A. L. Warnshuis, Sec. Int. Miss. Council

The "orphaned missions" are those that the war has separated from the parent churches in Germany, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium and France. No direct communication is possible between these churches and their missionaries, and no funds can be transmitted from these European countries to any of their missions. The missions of the churches in Finland are also included because they are still unable to resume their support interrupted by the war with Russia.

These "orphaned missions" represent in the number of their missionaries and in their annual budgets a little more than one-seventh of the total Protestant missionary enterprise. For 1941 not less than $2,000,000 will be needed—of which $1,500,000 is asked from the churches in the United States.

These missions are not really "orphaned," for the parent churches are not dead nor have they lost their missionary interest. From all the European countries that have been mentioned amazing reports of continuing missionary activity are being received. Missionary conferences, summer training schools for teachers of missions and the cultivation of missionary interest in the churches have been carried on almost as usual. Even though everybody knows that no money can be sent out of the country, the income of the missionary societies not only has been continued but in some cases has been increased. . . .

The total number of European missionaries actively serving in these missions in September, 1939, is estimated to have been about 3500. There are 168 missions that are at the present "orphaned." Fifty-six of them belong to the Lutheran churches; 112 to other Protestant churches. Their normal budgets were about $4,500,000 annually, reckoning only funds received from Europe. Some of the churches were able to send out to the missions extra funds just before communications were cut off. Hence, some of the missions could draw on credit balances in current accounts and no other reserves so that they were not wholly without sustenance during the past year. Many of them, left without any funds in hand, were in need of immediate aid.

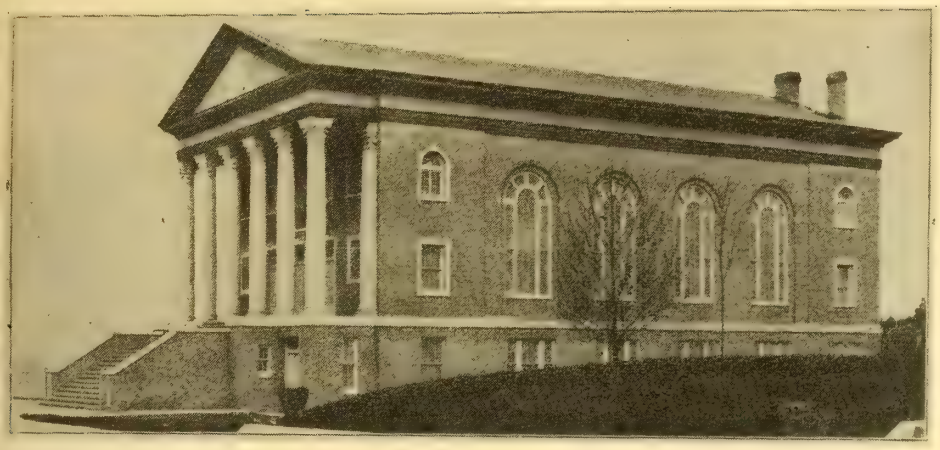
After reducing salaries to a mere subsistence level, suspending various lines of work, and increasing local income, it is estimated that $2,000,000 will be needed to maintain these "orphaned missions" for a year. Perhaps $500,000 will be given by the churches in Great Britain, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and elsewhere. For the balance, not less than $1,500,000, appeal is being made to the churches in the United States and Canada.

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS

Rev. A. C. Tippett of the West Asheville church, having found it advisable to relinquish his pastorate for an indefinite period of time, has, with the concurrence of Bishop Purcell, been released from the duties of his charge. At a cabinet meeting held in Statesville on May 16 the following appointments were made:

Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., to West Asheville.
Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., to supply Kings Mountain.
Rev. J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr., to supply Stoney Point.

M. T. Smathers, Sec.





REV. R. L. JEROME
Pastor

Centennial of Trinity Church, Wilmington

Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington, observes the 50th anniversary of its organization. Although a comparatively young organization, the church has grown in numbers and influence until now it occupies a leading place among the churches of this area.

Dr. Elbert Russell preaches Sunday morning, May 25; the evening hour will be given to a historical pageant depicting scenes in the organization of Trinity church, followed by social hour.

Tuesday evening will be greetings from former pastors with fellowship hour. Wednesday evening Bishop Clare Purcell preaches, with dedication of anniversary gifts to follow.

In 1889 the Market Street Methodist Sunday school was organized with R. H. Berry as the first superintendent. Later the same year this organization grew into what was known as the Market Street Methodist Mission with W. T. Newell as president of the mission. E. V. McKenzie is the only surviving member of this group who is still a member of Trinity church. A small church was built on South Ninth street for $800.

On May 28, 1891, Rev. F. D. Swindell, the presiding elder, organized the Market Street Methodist church. The new church started with 28 members. Rev. J. W. Craig, a local preacher, was placed in charge. That fall the conference appointed Rev. E. C. Sell the first regular pastor. In 1894 the church was moved to Ninth and Market streets where the congregation worshipped until 1907. In that year the name of the church was changed to Trinity. The congregation built a new educational building, expecting later to build the auditorium, but this dream was interrupted by plans to move the church to Market street and 14th, the present location of the church. In 1916 the present lotwas purchased and plans for the construction of the present building were made. The first service in the present structure was held in December, 1921. The church has grown until we now have 870 members.

The following pastors have served the church:

Rev. J. W. Craig	1891
Rev. E. C. Sell	1892
Rev. M. T. Plyler	1892-1895
Rev. T. H. Sutton	1895-1897
Rev. A. S. Barnes	1897-1899
Rev. J. W. Potter	1899-1902
Rev. A. B. Haltom	1904
Rev. J. M. Culbreth	1905
Rev. M. J. Duryea	1906
Rev. W. L. Rexford	1906-1909
Rev. E. R. Welch	1910
Rev. E. C. Sell	1910-1912
Rev. C. T. Rogers	1913
Rev. W. L. Rexford	1914
Rev. W. V. McRae	1915-1918
Rev. V. P. Scoville	1918-1921
Rev. H. C. Smith	1921-1925
Rev. L. D. Hayman	1926
Rev. W. R. Royal	1926-1930
Rev. L. C. Larkin	1930-1933
Rev. A. P. Brantley	1933-1935
Rev. Walter Patten	1935-1937
Rev. R. L. Jerome	1937—

THE WORK GOES ON

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is still advancing on all fronts in China.

In occupied China churches are filled. In Shanghai scores of fine men and women stand in the aisles of the church during service every Sunday morning because every available seat is taken long before the worship begins. Said a visitor, "Why does not Moore Memorial church print cards of welcome, inviting hungry-hearted people to come to the church telling them of Jesus, the Saviour?" Answered a Shanghai friend, "Moore Memorial church is overflowing already. There is not standing room at the regular services; every worker has more than he can do as it is. They cannot take care of the ones who come to study and to seek. They dare not invite more to come!"

Wherever schools can be continued enrollments are flourishing. More young people than ever before are studying and reading courses under guidance. "Take us," says an entire school, "we want to become wholly Christian." Colleges, middle schools and primary schools are throbbing with eager young life.

Hospitals are crowded with patients who cry for healing ministry. In Wuhu and Nanking, Changchow and Soochow, there is not time nor strength to help all who would seek aid. Dr. Hyla Watters' description of the work at Wuhu in this issue, clearly pictures the present day Christian hospital.

In Free China the opportunity is intensified. Evangelists and ministers find multitudes ready to listen to the gospel and to study the Way of Life, whenever opportunity is given. "Come and help build our church!" says Bishop Ward of West China. Many are going, but even so, calls for more are heard.

Schools are scattered all over the countryside in rural, free China now. Young people are studying under surroundings more primitive than those of the pioneer days in America. It is this rugged training ground that makes great leaders.

Thus, although hundreds of mothers and children and others have returned to America in response to the call of the State Department of the United States, the task of the church in China still challenges Christendom. Men and unmarried women are at their posts. When local circumstances have forced evacuation, many have gone on into free China.

In the face of this unprecedented opportunity, difficulty and danger, let us look upon the fields, white for the harvest, and pray that it may be saved for life, not abandoned for death.—Editorial in China Christian Advocate.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MISSIONARIES AT HOME

Relatives in Asheville of Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China, have received a message from her that she and other missionaries from China (names not given) arrived in San Francisco on S.S. President Coolidge, Tuesday, May 12, and in a few days will be in the homes of their loved ones. While these missionaries are glad to be at home again, we are sure there is in each heart a feeling of regret that they, at the advice of the mission board, must leave their places of service in the Orient, in this time of stress and anxiety. All of them are to be commended for their loyalty, courage and devotion to duty as they have, in these perilous times "stuck to their posts" and carried on with efficiency their work, in the face of dangers and discouragements. May we of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Western North Carolina conference be "more loyal because of their loyalty, more faithful because of their fidelity, and more consecrated because of their deep and abiding faith in Him who has said unto them "Go ye."

A DESERVED HONOR

The Charlotte Observer of Sunday, May 11 (Mother's Day) carried a splendid picture of Mrs. W. W. Hagood, an outstanding worker in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in our conference. Under the picture we find this tribute: "Mrs. Hagood could have sit for the artist Whistler. She is 81 years of age and is one of the real Queens of the Queen City. Formerly Miss Sallie Whisnant, to hundreds of friends she is known as 'Miss Sallie.' She has one son, William W. Hagood, Jr., and two grandchildren—Sallie and Adele Hagood."

Mrs. Hagood has been identified with the woman's missionary work for more than fifty years and in 1937 at the annual meeting in Mt. Airy was made an honorary life member. During these 50 years of loyalty and devotion to the work she served as district secretary of the Charlotte district for 14 years (1890-1896, 1904-1912) and from 1920-1938 was vice president of the former W. M. Society of the W. N. C. Conference, serving during a number of these years as spiritual life group leader of the conference. She was one of the charter members of the woman's society of our conference and has in her possession a complete file of the copies of the minutes for the 50 years.

AN OUTSTANDING RECORD

Mrs. P. F. Langenour, a member of Broad Street church, Statesville, has attended every missionary meeting in her church for the past 21 years. If there is another woman who has a perfect attendance record for that length of time, or longer, Mrs. Langenour will be happy to hear from her.

Mrs. Langenour, who is 80 years of age, has been not only a faithful, but a very useful member of the missionary society. Last year when her circle was trying to raise some extra money she got $15 for names on a quilt square! Her circle recently honored her with a life membership.

Mrs. H. G. Allen.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

I hope that the campaign for subscriptoins to The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook has gone over well in your district. Keep pushing the distribution of these two magazines. Our people everywhere need to be reading them.

I have sent you a leaflet dealing specifically with the work of the department of literature and publications. Am also mailing you a number of other leaflets. You can get as many of these as you need from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati. Distribute them as you see fit in your district. You can also secure sample copies of The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook as you need them.

If there is not a secretary of literature and publications in each local society in your district, please help in getting that office filled. Urge the placing of the local secretary of literature and publications on the program committee in societies where this has not already been done.

I am ready to help you in any way and at any time that I possibly can. With best wishes for the work of your district,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Conf. Sec.
Literature and Publications.

STANLY COUNTY ZONE MEETING

Mrs. J. D. Bivins, Secretary

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the Stanly county zone met in the Methodist church in New London Friday afternoon, April 25. Mrs. W. M. Napier played a quiet prelude on the piano, and the meeting opened with the hymn "Take My Life and Let It Be."

Dr. E. C. Widenhouse, pastor, conducted the devotional, using the 139th Psalm. He asked the question: "Why should anyone wish to escape God?" and cited several biblical characters who had sinned and could not escape any more than those of the present generation. The consolation is in the great and merciful Father.

A cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. Crowson of New London, to which Mrs. James Kirk graciously responded. Representatives of the societies responded to the roll call with unusually interesting reports, showing decided progress along many lines with the majority having conducted mission and Bible study classes.

The outstanding presentation of the afternoon was that of Mrs. O. C. Godfrey, district chairman of C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities, who stated that this particular phase of the work is the connecting link between all church activities and the department as a whole has been formed from the best things along these lines from the three churches. She mentioned the six prescribed goals in the new set-up and closed the round table discussion by saying that the greatest needs for the Master's work are consecrated hearts, open minds and willing hands.

Rev. and Mrs. Shaver of Japan, who are on temporary leave in the States, were presented and Mrs. Shaver told some interesting things concerning the women and children and the home life of Japan, mentioning the fact that there are many splendid leaders among the women of that nation.

Mr. Shaver prefaced his remarks by asking for questions from those particularly interested in some special phase of the work, and in response to questions about the war, he stated that the missionary work had not been seriously affected, but outside influences had been felt. Since the "Religion Control" law was passed, most of the activities have been carried on in the homes of the missionaries. His own staunch faith leads him to believe that he and his family will eventually return to Japan. The two missionary periodicals—The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook—were presented by Mrs. Wallace Ivey, who urged more subscriptions in the societies.

The high lights of the recent annual conference held in Greensboro were given by Mrs. Ira Smart, who spoke especially of the impressive pledge service. Mrs. Z. V. Moss, district corresponding secretary, called attention to several items which the district secretaries were asked to bring before the various zone meetings. She spoke of the book, "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," written by Mrs. W. R. Harris, former conference historian, which are to be sold through the auxiliaries. She designated as a special task the organization of societies in the churches in the district who, as yet, do not have a group of this kind. She spoke with pardonable pride of the Salisbury zone at the missionary institute recently held in Salisbury. A cordial invitation to hold the fall meeting at Pfeiffer College was gratefully accepted. Mrs. Sharpe of Pfeiffer College was elected zone chairman, with Mrs. J. D. Bivins as secretary.

NEW ORGANIZATION

A Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized in the Methodist church of Danbury on April 4, and the second Monday night of each month selected as the time for the monthly meetings. All Methodist women of the town are being asked to affiliate with this organization and we hope that it may grow in membership and interest. No names of officers are sent us excepting that of the secretary, Mrs. D. C. Kirby of Danbury.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

DO IT NOW

We shall all be kind in the afterwhile,
But what have we been today?
We shall bring each lonely life a smile,
But what have we brought today?
We shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth,
We shall feed the hungering souls of earth—
But whom have we fed today?

SOLDIERS' SERVICE CLUB

A group of loyal Christian women in Fayetteville representing all denominations and creeds have banded together in an effort to help the soldiers at Fort Bragg in a social and spiritual way. In the house formerly used as the Hay Street Methodist church parsonage and in other recreational centers in the city, the women are undertaking to furnish flowers, good reading materials, good music, wholesome games. Hundreds of soldiers at Fort Bragg visit these recreational centers, there to relax and find a happy diversion from camp life. The women manifest a real motherly interest in the boys, shop for them, sew and mend and maintain a cookie jar filled with home-made cookies, free for all who will visit the centers. This group of faithful women in Fayetteville are appealing for aid in keeping the cookie jar filled and women throughout the N. C. conference should respond generously to this appeal. What an opportunity for the department of Christian Social Relations. Send cookies to Mrs. J. S. Chandler, president of the club, care Hay Street Methodist Church, Fayetteville.

DEDICATION AT BENNETT

The dedication of the Carrie Barge Hall at Bennett College, Greensboro, on April 18, was an event of particular interest to the women of the North Carolina conference, because of the fact that this year, for the first time, this conference will maintain a $200 scholarship there. The Carrie Barge Hall is the gift of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, the funds having been built up from life membership offerings over a period of years. The dedicatory services were presided over by Mrs. W. H. C. Goode. Appreciations of Carrie Barge, for whom the dormitory is named, were spoken by Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, Chicago, who had been her classmate and intimate friend. Miss Murial Day paid tribute to Carrie Barge as a fellow worker in the organization. The dedicatory address was delivered by Dr. Rollin H. Walker, Delaware, Ohio. The music by the Bennett College choir added much to the most impressive service, which reached the climax in the formal presentation of the building by the architect, Mr. O. C. Poundstone, Atlanta, and by the president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, Sidney, Ohio, to the chairman of the board of trustees of Bennett College, Dr. W. C. Jackson, and the chairman of the buildings and grounds, Mrs. Julius Cone, Greensboro, and to Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College. The laying of the cornerstone of the new Annie Merner Pfieffer Chapel, gift of Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, New York, took place just before the dedicatory exercises of the Carrie Barge Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Preiffer have contributed three buildings to Bennett College, the other two being Henry Pfeiffer Science building and a dormitory known as Pfeiffer Hall. Mrs. Pfeiffer was present at the services. The Woman's Division of Christian Service was officially represented by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, St. Louis, Mo., president; Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Charlotte, president of the Western North Carolina conference. The North Carolina conference was represented by Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham. North Carolina has reason to be proud that Bennett College is located within its borders. It is one of the two Grade A colleges for negro women in the United States. As such it deserves our best interest and most loyal support.—Mrs. A. M. Gates.

MISSION STUDY CLASS HELD

The spring mission study was held by the ladies of Rose Hill Methodist church on April 10, when a covered dish luncheon was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Oscar Fussell. Fourteen members were present. Mrs. H. C. Marshall, mission study leader, gave the devotional and the first chapter of "Dangerous Opportunities." She was assisted by Mrs. L. A. Wilson, Mrs. C. T. Fussell, Mrs. W. H. Fussell and Mrs. C. T. Rogers.—Mrs. C. T. Fussell.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

The first district meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Elizabeth City district was held in Wesley Memorial Methodist church, Columbia, recently. Rev. A. L. Chaplin conducted the morning devotionals. Mrs. G. M. Garrett gave an address of welcome with Mrs. J. G. Small, Edenton, making the response. Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, presided. The first speaker on the program was Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary children's work. Mrs. J. G. White, Tyner, gave a reading on "The Evils of Alcoholic Beverages." Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, was the guest speaker at the morning session. She was introduced by Mrs. J. L. Delaney. Mrs. W. M. Manning, Williamston, gave a very interesting report of the conference in Rocky Mount. A solo, "I Am Satisfied," was rendered by V. H. Durrance, accompanied by Mrs. G. M. Garrett. Mrs. W. J. Overman, Elizabeth City, and Mrs. John R. Poe, Aulander, gave interesting talks. The noon day devotions were conducted by Mrs. J. Q. Patrick, Everetts. The service closed with the benediction by Rev. B. B. Slaughter. A delicious lunch was served in the church annex.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

Northampton zone, Rocky Mount district, met on April 24 at Seaboard Methodist church, Mrs. J. Bascomb Hurley presiding. The opening worship was conducted by Mrs. C. J. Garris of Conway. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, spoke of the work of the district. Mrs. W. A. Thorne, conference vice president, was guest speaker. Mrs. Thomas, who was introduced by Mrs. Johnson, closed her helpful and interesting message with the challenge, "Go forward and make the heart of your Father glad." Rev. J. Bascom Hurley pronounced the benediction of the morning session. Featuring the afternoon program was the worship conducted by Rev. J. E. Garlington of Garysburg; reports from the annual conference in Rocky Mount, given by Mrs. W. L. Maness, Mrs. Robertson, Miss Eunice Coker, Mrs. Lloyd Garris, Mrs. Rod Jordan, Mrs. J. P. Garris and Mrs. P. F. Newton. Also featured on the day's program were reports from the 15 societies in the zone; a welcome extended by Mrs. J. H. Ramsey and response by Mrs. J. E. Boone. The zone honored its leader, Mrs. W. P. Stephenson by presenting to her a life membership certificate and pin. Baby life memberships were presented to Doris Lawrence Stephenson of Severn by her grandmother, Mrs. J. B. Stephenson, Sr., and to Virginia Ann Daughtery, gift of the Lasker society. The latter presentation was made by Mrs. J. J. Parker. The next meeting of Northampton zone will be held with the Severn society.

CAN'T WE DO LIKEWISE?

"Ohio conference feels that its greatest achievement since its charter meeting has been the gain in new organizations. Every church seems to believe that their women must be a part of this wonderful church group. We hope for 100 per cent organization." Editor's note: The foregoing is an item published in the May issue of The Methodist Woman. No better example of Christian leadership and spirit in woman's work could the women of the North Carolina conference and every other conference in our great nation follow.

SIGHT RESTORED

There is a clinic connected with a Methodist hospital in Peking. When the number of child patients with eye trouble increased suddenly during the winter months, the physicians discovered that scores had gone blind due to lack of vitamin A. Cod liver oil was administered and sight was restored. A grant of $300 (U. S. currency) was made to this hospital from relief funds and the sight of hundreds of children was saved.—World Outlook.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FACING FACTS

The Children's Home appeal was presented to five district conferences last week. A good hearing was received in each of them. Our Methodist people are interested in their orphan children. Our friends were told that the Children's Home has sufficient dormitory space, built or contracted for, to provide for 475 children; that there are plenty of deserving children insisting through their friends for an opportunity to live in these buildings; and that the only thing that stands in the way of these children's living in these buildings is a lack of sufficient funds to take care of them. Our friends were also told that if an annual amount equal to fifty cents per church member in the Western North Carolina conference were contributed the Children's Home could provide for these deserving children, a smaller allotment than assumed by Presbyterians and Baptists in the same area for their orphans.

ATTENDANCE AND INTEREST

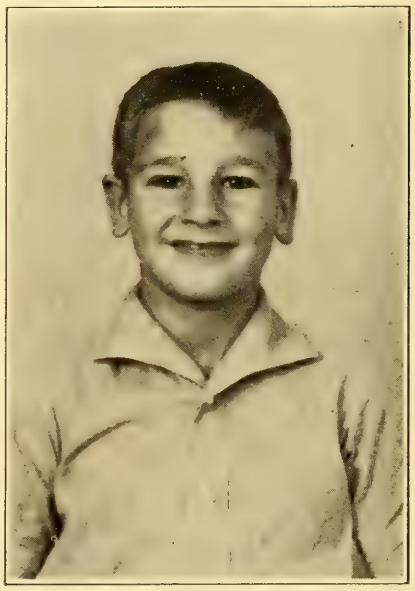
The district conferences have been unusually well attended this year. In fact, they have been so large that some of the church buildings could not accommodate the attendants, requiring the installation of speaking attachments for outdoor audiences. One conference was held in a large high school auditorium. Programs carrying much mimeographed information enabled the conference to proceed with its business much more rapidly than in former days. The district superintendents organized their programs around outstanding topics and enlivened their administration with well directed remarks, thoughtful direction and helpful encouragement. Money matters, particularly those having to do with World Service, are in a very encouraging state. Additions on profession of faith seemed to show some increase over last year.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

The Waynesville district conference was held in the new stone church at Hayesville, a great triumph for Rev. A. J. Clemmer and his fine people. The entertainment of the conference was of grand style, there being more food prepared than the huge congregation could devour. The beautiful auditorium was filled all the while and speaking apparatus enabled the surrounding area, including the court house lawn, to be acquainted with what was going on inside the church. Supt. W. L. Hutchins, assisted by his good wife, had carefully arranged the day's proceedings, which included a pictorial display of the various institutions of the church and booklet information of many of the objectives of the church. Mimeographed information dealing with the pastors' activities were distributed. Pastors were asked to publicly check the reports. A wonderfully fine family feeling exists among the district superintendent, pastors and the laity of the Waynesville district. This stimulates a fine morale and an active working organization. Something is happening among the stalwart Methodists of our most western mountainous counties.

MARION DISTRICT

The Marion district conference was held at Pleasant Grove, near Forest City, where a lovely new educational building has been completed in memory of Guy B. Howard, whose untimely death removed one of the finest lay workers in the district. Chimes pealed forth from the church steeple as representatives from the various areas of the district, both pastors and people, trooped into the church auditorium, completely filling it. Supt. J. C. Cornett kept things moving in an interesting and profitable way. Every pastor went to the front to make a concise report and seemed happy to do so. The Children's Home man had to leave before the sermon, delivered by Rev. W. L. Scott, in order to reach the next conference. Rev. C. H. Peace, the pastor, and his good people provided for every possible convenience of the conference. Long tables filled with food guaranteed that everybody would have a feast of good things to eat.



Eats well, works well and does well

GASTONIA DISTRICT

Dr. Raymond Smith, representing Greensboro College ,and this scribe arrived at Friendship, a former Methodist Protestant congregation located at Fallston, seat of the Gastonia district conference, before the morning session ended. A huge concourse of people was present, requiring speaking apparatus for accommodating those seated on benches outside underneath the outspreading trees. Long tables, three deep, filled with food made the noon hour exceedingly attractive. District lay leader, Floyd R. Todd, directed the layman's hour after the conference reassembled. Just before he introduced ex-Governor Clyde R. Hoey, who made one of his usual stirring addresses, he directed the taking of an offering for the Children's Home which amounted to $55.75. Supt. E. M. Jones and Rev. George W. Clay, the pastor, made a fine team in the ongoing of things. All district matters appeared to be in very fine shape and the Gastonia district continues to march forward.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

The Statesville district conference was held in the large auditorium of Cool Springs high school. A large number of people attended its sessions. Supt. Joe S. Hiatt had a carefully prepared program and kept things going in line with his usual good humor and fruitful way. This scribe arrived as Dr. A. W. Plyler was speaking for the Advocate in such enthusiastic terms and tones as to be heard out in the nearby cow pasture, used for the day as a parking lot. A glance at the subscriber list shows that the Advocate has many friends in the Statesville district. Rev. J. O. Banks, pastor, and his people were making ample preparations for the day's proceedings. One left a bit reluctantly in order to attend another conference. The Statesville district is giving a good account of itself. It is ably led.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

A hasty trip brought us to Moore's Chapel where Supt. G. T. Bond and his host of district leaders had assembled in numbers far beyond the capacity of the lovely country church to accommodate. After edging oneself through the great number of automobiles, carefully parked ,one found the yard full of people and the tables full of victuals. On the inside Rev. L. R. Akers, Jr., was preaching a most challenging sermon to a wide-awake congregation. After a sumptuous dinner and a social hour the conference reassembled, the program being directed by Guy O. Bagwell, district lay leader, whose program was featured by an address by J. Warren Smith, of Y. M. C. A. fame. Other important matters gained the attention of the conference and by four o'clock the district superintendent noted the closing of a great day's work. Everybody in the Charlotte district seems to be happy and prosperous. Rev. John H. Carper, pastor, of collegiate pugulistic fame, is now an effective fighter for righteousness.

YOUNG PADGETT

Behold the appearance of Frank Padgett, eight years old and in the second grade. This lad was a little slow getting started in school, but is now coming along in a very satisfactory way. He is one of the fine young citizens of the Anna Hanes cottage and loves to ride scooters, play ball and help in the kitchen. No one sponsors this promising lad. What a pity!

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SHADY GROVE CHURCH—At the 11 o'clock hour on the second Sunday in May our children gave a program at Shady Grove church on the Jones charge, and following it I addressed the congregation. At the noon hour a sumptuous dinner was spread on the church grounds. After dinner the church presented a most interesting Mother's Day program which I enjoyed very much.

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BOARD MEETING—It has been previously announced that the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage will meet on June 6. On that day we will have interesting exercises by the children. Oil paintings of Mr. S. C. Vann and Mr. Joseph G. Brown will be presented to the Orphanage. I am confidently expecting practically every one of the 24 members of the board of trustees to be present at the annual meeting of the board. A happy, joyous day is in store for the trustees and visitors on June 6.

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QUEEN STREET SUNDAY SCHOOL—On my way to Shady Grove and Trenton churches I had the opportunity to visit the Queen Street church school, Kinston. While there I was privileged to talk briefly to the men's and women's adult classes, and four of our children gave a program in the church school. Major Graham, superintendent of the city school and superintendent of the Queen Street Methodist church school, received us most cordially, as well as the large group of men and women who gathered in the large assembly room. These classes do a great deal for the Methodist Orphanage, and I am happy that they could see and hear our children, whose program was appropriate for Mother's Day.

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TRENTON—Late in the afternoon the children and I drove to Trenton, where we filled the evening hour for Brother W. G. Lowe. I was entertained in the home of Brother and Sister F. Brock, where I enjoyed delightful fellowship. I found Brother Lowe diligent in the business affairs of the church, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. I regret that important business matters necesitated my return home on Monday morning, since Brother Lowe had planned a fishing trip for me at Swansboro. Friends at Shady Grove and Trenton turned over a part of their Orphanage apportionment to me before I left the charge. I am grateful to Brother Lowe and his people for the opportunity of visiting them.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE—The last of the seven district conferences was the Elizabeth City district, which was held in Plymouth last week. When I reached the scene of the conference Dr. W. K. Green was making a layman's address. To my way of thinking, it was the best I have ever heard Dr. Green make. I was happy to meet my brother ministers and representative delegates from the various churches throughout the district. Brother B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent, had planned well the order of the conference ,and the plans were carried out very successfully. In the afternoon I had the pleasure of saying a few words, and four of our children gave a short program, which was well received. It is very encouraging to me to know that the pastors of the churches throughout the district are wholeheartedly committed to the Methodist Orphanage. Under the leadership of Brother Slaughter and the preachers throughout the Elizabeth City district, I am confidently expecting every church to rally to our support.

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MOMENTUM—The plan to have a conference-wide Orphanage rally day on the fifth Sunday in June is gathering momentum with the passing of each week. At this end of the line great preparation is being made for that important and happy occasion. I am confident that I have the endorsement and hearty co-operation of all our pastors and church officials in making the day a glowing success. I wish to suggest to the local churches, the Sunday school superintendents, the societies of Christian Service and church officials that they begin at once to make preparation to send a large delegation to the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in June. Outstanding speakers are being secured, and intresting programs by the children are being planned at this end of the line. I am confidently expecting three or four thousand representative visitors to gather on the Methodist Orphanage campus for this conference-wide Orphanage rally day. I am sure that our friends will be glad to bring a basket dinner to be spread on the table where everybody will eat, including our three hundred children and officers. I do not want anyone to get the impression that this is to be a picnic occasion, for such is not the purpose of the rally day. I want our people to meet our children, to see our buildings and beautiful campus, and to secure first hand knowledge of the splendid work that is being done by the Orphange for the three hundred children under its foster care.

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ASSEMBLY DATES

Louisburg College

Young People's Assembly, June 12-16 (18-23 years of age).

Senior Assembly, June 16-20 (15-17 years of age).

First Intermediate Assembly, June 20-24 (12-14 years of age).

Second Intermediate Assembly, June 24-28 (12-14 years of age).

Chowan College, Murfreesboro

Intermediate Assembly, July 14-18 (12-14 years of age).

ASSEMBLY REGISTRATIONS

Mary Elizabeth Stutts of Erwin is the first person to register in the Youth Assemblies for this summer. "Lib" has been with us in Christian Adventure Assemblies in past years, and this year will attend the Senior Assembly, June 16-20. Mary Frances Jones and Virginia Poiner have also registered for this assembly.

Ruth Covington of Jonesboro is the first registrant in the Young People's Assembly to be held June 12-16. Ruth is another delegate who has been with us in the past. Last year she was the first delegate to register in any assembly.

Other registrations will be coming in daily from now until assembly time. If your church is planning to have representatives in any of the summer assemblies, we suggest that their registrations be sent in as early as possible in order that they may be assured of places in the assemblies they plan to attend. We are giving information about the assemblies in the following paragraphs and if there is any question concerning any item, information may be secured by writing R. W. Bradshaw, College Station, Durham, N. C.

PURPOSE OF OUR ASSEMBLIES

The purpose of the Young People's Assemblies is to bring together representative young people of our conference for a period of study, fellowship, and inspiration. Those who attend should be young people definitely concerned about their own Christian development and desirous of becoming better equipped for leadership in the work of the church. It is very important, therefore, that pastors and counselors exercise care in the selection of delegates in order that those shall come who can make the best contribution to the assembly program and derive the greatest benefit from it. We earnestly request the co-operation of pastors and counselors in this detail which is so very vital to the success of our assemblies.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Senior and Young People's Assemblies

Churches with from one to fifty young people between the ages of 15 and 23 (inclusive) shall be entitled to one delegate in each assembly.

Churches with from 50-75 young people shall be entitled to two delegates in each assembly.

Churches with from 75 to 100 or more young people shall be entitled to three delegates in each assembly.

Every church shall be guaranteed its full quota until June 4, 1941. After that date the director reserves the right to assign the quota of any church that has not sent in its applications to any other church desiring to send more than its regular quota.

Wherever the Senior or Young People's Departments are organized, the delegates should be sent by departments or by classes within the department. In churches where the young people's work is not organized the church as a whole would be making a very worth while investment in making possible this rich experience for one or more of its choicest young people.

Intermediate Assemblies

Any boy or girl in our conference who is between the ages of 12 and 14 (inclusive) is eligible to attend one of the Christian Adventure assemblies. Intermediate departments or classes may send delegates. In churches where there is no organized Intermediate departments or classes may send delegates. In churches where there is no organized Intermediate work, the church as a whole would be making a very worth while investment if it could make possible this rich experience for one or more of its Intermediate boys and girls. Every delegate will be expected to participate in all the features of the assembly program and to co-operate fully in promoting the proper Christian atmosphere.

REGISTRATIONS

Senior and Young People's Assemblies

Registrations must be sent in by June 4 to claim the quota assigned. After June 4 registrations will be opened to all and all applications will be considered in the order received. If a church wishes to send more than its quota of young people, it may register them as early as it wishes, with the understanding that the acceptance of the extra delegates is subject to quota registrations to June 4.

Every delegate must register in advance, and a registration fee of $1.00 must accompany each application. Each delegate should fill in the registration blank in full. Assignment of roommates and asignment to classes will be made on the basis of the preferences indicated on the blank, and in case no preferences are listed the director will make assignments as he thinks best.

No person under 15 years of age will be permitted to register in the Senior or the Young People's Assembly. Young people 17 years of age may register in either assembly. If for local reasons it seems wise to send other young persons to the assembly other than the one designated for their age group, permission to do so may be granted upon request to the director.

Intermediate Assemblies

There is no quota limit on churches in connection with the Christian Adventure assemblies. Each assembly is limited to approximately 100 delegates, and registrations will be accepted in the order received until the number is reached. We do suggest that in case a church is sending a large number of intermediates they should be divided between two assemblies, rather than have too large a number from any one church in one assembly. We feel that this arrangement will make the assemblies more meaningful for those who attend.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Lake Junaluska, August 5-16

The North Carolina conference has a quota of 26 delegates for the Young People's Leadership Conference at Lake Junaluska, August 5-16. These delegates will include conference young people's officers, union officers, local church officers, and other young people actively engaged in young people's work in the local church . It should be noted that this is a **leadership** conference, and only those should attend who are leaders or prospective leaders in the youth work of our church. Registration blanks for this conference may be secured from the conference registrar, R. W. Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C. When filled out these blanks, with a registration fee of $2.50, should be returned to the registrar. Our supply of blanks is limited and only those should send for them who have a reasonable expectation of attending the conference.

A vain man's motto is win gold and wear it.

A generous man's motto is win gold hide it.

A miser's motto is win gold and spare it.

A profligate's motto is win gold and spend it.

A broker's motto is win gold and lend it.

A gambler's motto is win gold and lose it.

A wise man's motto is win gold and use i.t

Let us have a sanctuary to retreat to. Let us have that immediate syllogism of the heart, against which no argument is good. Let us be able to say, These words, we have found them words of healing, words of eternal life. This is our sole security—to have tasted the good Word, to have known the power of the world to come.—Archbishop Trench.

NEW ONLOOKER AT WINSTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

It has been some time since I wrote the Advocate. It is a grand paper. I am thrilled to write of the pleasure in attending the Winston-Salem district conference. I had never been to one before. To see how interestingly those meetings is thrilling.

Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent, presided over the all day session. There was discussions of business matters and talks by leaders of the district. Dr. A. W. Plyler urged that more people subscribe to the Christian Advocate. I am hoping to receive a few from our local church soon, or that they hand it in to the pastor.

Mr. Woosley, superintendent of the Children's Home ,gave a brief summary of the children and their care. Mr. Allen spoke of the ministerial brotherhood and its benefits, and pointed out that in order to make the payments increase in lay membership was needed. Mr. King advised Christian education and Miss Elizabeth Oliver explained the school and its opportunities, which was very interesting. She gave the number of schools as 45 conducted last year under the leadership of religious work of the church.

Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, presented a group of girls from the college who rendered musical selections. Dr. Childs, a representative of the college, gave a most interesting talk.

J. Clyde Auman, a mission worker, and Mr. West, member of the general board, each gave fine talks on missions. They said that all mission workers in foreign fields had been called home owing to the conflict that now exists abroad, but yet their work was not completed and that the help from us was yet needed. Mrs. J. G. Sterling, secretary of the woman's district society, also discussed the cause of missions.

In the afternoon session Mr. Ralph Stockton presided. Mr. Miller from Mt. Airy spoke on lay membership. The conference voted that four young men be given license to preach, after which Dr. Stanbury gave a report on Christian evangelism, world service, and other items.

Dinner was served in the Midway high school auditorium by the following churches: Midway, Mt. Vernon, Canaan, Bethesda and Center.

Just want to add here that Canaan is yet alive. We have recently refloored our church with hardwood flooring and paid our portion of putting water in the parsonage. Our Sunday school is growing also. Have prayer meeting every Wednesday night. The young people have organized a C. E. Society. Our woman's work of Christian Service is in great progress. We keep alert to know just how to make more out of it. We gave a hot supper recently, taking in $32.50. Thanks to all who visited us on this occasion.

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God alone makes history, but he does this by the agency of men.—Fichte.

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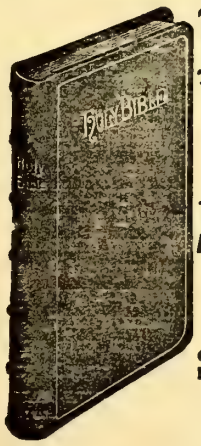
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Sunday School Lesson

MAY 25

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By Rollin H. Walker

Broadening Christian Horizons: Peter's Vision

Acts 10:1 to 11:18

Wonderful Peter! He had the keys of the kingdom. Whatsoever he bound on earth was to be bound in heaven. Three thousand were converted under his preaching in one day! He had worked miracles like his Master. But strangely enough, a bit of conscientious narrow-mindedness unfitted him for carrying out the world-wide mission of Jesus.

He had been raised to believe that it was a sin to eat with a Gentile, or to receive him into intimate friendship. We see the same thing today when saintly and God-honored men refuse to take communion with other equally saintly men ,because, forsooth, they have not conformed to certain rites in the way they deem proper. And how conscientious they are, how sternly conscientious, in thus repressing their normal desire for fellowship with other disciples! But just imagine the showers of blessing that would come upon America if all the Christians were delivered from the conscientious narrow-minded scruples that are keeping them apart. Think of the mighty works they could accomplish!

But Peter, though utterly sincere, nevertheless was doubtless troubled as he saw the spiritual squalor in which the Gentiles lived, and was all the time inwardly impelled to go among them. So in his perplexity he gave himself to fasting and prayer. How tragic it would have been if Peter had been too busy for a day of prayer!

But amid the stately Roman structures of Caesarea another busy man also found time for prayer. He was a centurion in the army of the emperor. He must have been very broadminded, for it takes a lot of grace to learn from people who look down on you. But in spite of the condescending superiority of the Jews, Cornelius had seen that the religion of the prophets and the Psalms was immeasurably more exalted than the superstition in which he had been bred. So he became a devout worshipper of the God of the Bible, and was also very liberal with poverty-stricken Jews. We would say that Cornelius was quite an ideal man, and not in need of any special revelation. But to him that hath shall be given (Matthew 25:29). Moreover the very air he was compelled to breathe in Caesarea was moral sewer gas, and he needed the ozone of the new spirit that Christ was bestowing on his followers. So, in a vision, an angel directed him to send for Peter.

But before Peter was ready to go to Cornelius he needed to be spiritually fumigated in order to kill off the germs of his racial and religious prejudices. So God gave him the vision of the sheet let down from heaven full of animals that a Jew was forbidden to eat. When Peter drew back from the suggestion that he should eat the unclean food that was on the sheet, he heard a voice saying, What God hath cleansed make thou not common. Those words need to be blared from every loud speaker on earth. Is there one of us who does not need to hear them?

The men whom Cornelius had sent to bring Peter were knocking at the door just as the sheet was drawn up into heaven. Hence Peter went with them. As he preached to Cornelius and his friends about the great Sin-Bearer who was crucified and rose again, the Holy Spirit fell on them all, and that before Peter had finished. God was so anxious to bless these Gentiles that he could not wait for Peter to get through his sermon.

So Peter put to himself and to his Jewish companions the question, What doth hinder these to be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit as well as we? And a similiar question is put to us. What doth hinder those to receive social recognition and all the rights and privileges of the Christian brotherhood, who manifestly have received the Holy Spirit as well as we? Who are we to exclude from any privilege those in whom the Lord Christ dwells radiantly?

It is perfectly obvious to us all that good men in other communions are kept from rendering the highest glory to Christ by sectarian exclusiveness. Let us ask ourselves, Are we also holding to any conscientious scruples that make it impossible for us to co-operate in the largest way with good men for the salvation of the world? Peter was already one of the broad-minded, biggest hearted men on earth. But he needed broadening. Who does not?

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SAVING FOR A DRY DAY

Most folks think about saving for a rainy day," laughed mother; "but Mr. and Mrs. Hump and Mr. and Mrs. Two Humps and their families save for dry days!"

Dorothy Nan and Betty Jean shouted with amusement.

"Oh, please mother," they cried eagerly, "tell us about them. Why do they save for dry days?"

"Stop—one question at a time!" laughed mother, putting her hands over her ears.

"Well," and the two excited girls climbed on the couch just as close to mother as possible, "what do they save for dry days?"

"Water," laughed mother, "and where do you think they "bank the water?"

The two little girls shook puzzled heads.

"In their stomachs. In fact, they have twelve stomachs, and they fill these with water—just as much as they can possibly drink—whenever they come to a good watering place."

"But how do they get the water out to drink it?" gasped Dorothy Nan, incredulously.

"Inside each of these pouches or wells are six quarts or more of water; it depends on how far the cells stretch. The camel can open the mouths of these at will, and when he has had all the water he needs they shut up once more to save what remains until he is thirsty again. With this 'wet saving' in reserve, he can go for days without drinking when the desert wells have dried up."

"But what do they eat?" burst forth Betty Jean.

"The camel owners would no doubt tell you if you asked them, for it consists of a few dry leaves from a prickly shrub or tamarisk, besides the nourishment they draw from their humps of fat!"

"Why, you don't mean that these humps are food?"

"They are, and they certainly keep these wonderful animals from starving many times. At the end of a long journey these humps will be gone, and not until the camel is plump once more is he ready to start again.

"There are two kinds of camels, you know. The Arabian camel, or dromedary, has one hump, short hair and long legs. These are used mostly for riding camels. They travel very fast —fifty miles per day—and they keep on at that pace for a whole day and half the night without taking a minute's rest. No other animal could do that. They kneel while being loaded.

"The Bactrian camel has two humps. His limbs are shorter and his hair is long and shaggy. He is the loaded camel, often carrying five hundred to a thousand pounds."

"I should think it would hurt the poor things to kneel all the time," sighed Betty Jean.

"Nature has provided a hard flesh on their knees and breasts for that; and another thing nature has given them, too, broad, padded cushions underneath the two toes on their feet. If it weren't for these pads they would sink deep into the sands. These spread out as a camel treads and give him a firm, safe grip.

"When a sandstorm blows up on the great deserts the camel's eyes are screened by thick lashes, and he can completely close his nostrils, while his upper lip, which overhangs the lower, helps to keep his mouth closed tight. When overtaken by one of these terrible storms the camels fall upon their knees, stretch their necks and heads along the sand, close their eyes and nostrils and remain motionless till the storm is over. Meanwhile they furnish some shelter for their masters, who wrap their faces and crouch down close to the side of these big, ugly beasts."

"Oh, tell us more!" begged two excited voices when mother paused.

"A comical thing about them is that they will balk while kneeling down, and not while standing up, like our mules. If the camel is loaded too heavily, he will refuse to rise."

"I don't blame him," said Betty Jean, shortly.

"The baby camels are helpless, soft little creatures," continued mother, smiling. "They cannot be ridden, or bear heavy weights, until they are three years old.

"As you no doubt have learned at school, cloth of the finest texture is woven from the hair, and some of our finest brushes are also made of its hair."

"I'd like to ride on one of them!" cried Betty Jean, as she slipped off the couch.

"I'd like to ride a lot of them!" laughed Dorothy Nan, as she followed close on her heels.—Christian Standard.

OH, LET ME GROW

Oh, let me grow!
About me buds are bursting
  And greening trees are yearning toward the sky,
And everywhere is God's good power worsting
  The stagnant earth and lifting life on high.

Oh, let me grow!
Shall I alone be dying
  When earth and sky obey His slightest nod?
Am I a dwarf in God's great universe defying
  The laws of life that lift men up to God?

Then let me grow!
This world is mere beginning;
  Soul, thou art born for larger things than this;
Eternal mansions wait thy ardent winning,
  Adventures high, the battlements of God. —Selected.

BOYS OF THE BIBLE

Have you searched through the picture gallery of the Bible and picked out the famous boys whose portraits are hung up there for your consideration? We have not time to mention them all or speak in detail of each one, but we can pass down the corridor with pleasure and profit.

Joseph was his father's boy, for he wore the coat of many colors and dreamed immortal dreams which came true.

Moses was his mother's boy, for she hid the lovely baby in the flags by the riverside, and through clever providence became his nurse until he became the adopted son of Pharaoh's daughter.

Samuel was the sanctuary boy dedicated by his mother to God and serving from childhood in the tabernacle at Shiloh.

David was a shepherd boy who watched his father's flock in the fields around the city of Bethlehem.

Daniel was the captive boy who would not defile himself with the king's dainties and with royal wine as he pursued his studies in the palace school at Babylon.

John the Baptist was the desert boy, born and brought up in the wilderness of Judea.

Timothy was the studious boy who, under the tuition of his mother and grandmother, knew the Holy Scriptures from his childhood.

The lad with a meal by the Sea of Galilee was the generous boy, for he gave his lunch to Jesus, who took it and fed the five thousand hungry men.

The lunatic son was the demoniac boy dominated by the evil spirit which, in accordance with the faith of his father and the power of Jesus, was cast out so that the bad boy became good.

And, of course, Jesus was the perfect boy, studious and submissive, aspiring and industrious, attractive and developing, and withal deeply spiritual, the child of Mary and the Son of God.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

May

Glen Raven Haw River, Haw River, 11 25
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 2:15 25
Cedar Grove, Carr, 7:30 25
West Durham, 7:30 26
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 28
Lakewood, 7:30 29

June

Swepsonville, Salem, 11 1
Mebane, Central, 7:30 1
Mebane, First, 7:30 (uniting with Central) 1
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July

Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Hertford, 11 25
Wanchese, nights 25-28
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 30

June

Mowock-Pilmoor Memorial, Pilmoor, 11 1
Currituck, Hebron, night 1
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 5 8
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July

Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Hemp, Smyrna, 11 25
Glendon, Carbonton, 3 25
Johnson Memorial, 8 25

June

Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 1
Aberdees, Roseland, 3 1
Parkton, Cotton, 8 1
Rowland, Centenary, 11 8
Maxton, 4 8
Raeford, 8 8
East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 22
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July

Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Atlantic, Roe, 8 31

June

Marshallberg, 11 1
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 1
Newport, Riverdale, 11 8
Straits, Harkers Island, 8 8
Pink Hill, Webbs, 10:30 14
Morehead Ct., 11 15
Beaufort, North River, 3 15
Morehead City, 8 15
Dover, 10:30 17
Jones, Shady Grove, 10:30 18
LaGrange, Institute, 10:30 19
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 10:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 22
Oriental, Kershaw, 10:30 24
Pamlico, Vandermere, 10:30 25
Aurora, Warrens, 10:30 26
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July

Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Goldsboro Ct., Thompsons, 11 6
Mt. Olive,Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 25
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 25

June

Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 1
Louisburg, 11 8
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 8
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8 11
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Bethel, 11 25
Scotland Neck, Wm. Chapel, 3:30 25
Tarboro, 8 25

June

Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July

Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3:30 25

June

Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11..... 1
Southport, 8 1
Wilmington, Grace, 11 8
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 8
Whiteville, 11 15
Pembroke Parrish, Pleasant Grove, 3:30 15
Lumberton, 8 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 29

July

Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June

Burgaw, Herrings, 10:30 10
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 10:30 11
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 10:30 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Pollocksville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July

Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

Western North Carolina Conference

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THIRD ROUND

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June 8, 3 p.m.—Acton, Candler, Pisgah at Acton.
June 15, 3 p.m.—Biltmore, Fairview, Oakley at Oakley.
June 22, 3 p.m.—Barnardsville, Ivy, Weaverville, Weaverville at Salem, Weaverville Ct.
June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.
July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.
July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.
July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.
July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mils River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.
August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

May

Lilesville, Forestville, 10 25
Unionville, Union Grove, 3 25
Trinity, 8 25

June

Dilworth, 11 1
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 1
Pineville, Pineville, 8 1
Central Avenue, 11 8
Zoar, 3 8
Matthews, 8 8
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 15
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 3 15
Calvary, 8 15
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Marshville, Center, 3 22
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 8 22
Wesley Heights, 8 23
Brevard Street, 8 25
Thrift-Moores ,Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July

North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9

Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

ELKIN DISTRICT

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SECOND ROUND

May

West Jefferson, 11 25
Elkin, night 25

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GASTONIA DISTRICT

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THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May

Polkville, Polkville, 11 25
Cleveland, 2:30 25
East End, night 25

June

Belmont, Park Street, 11 1
Mount Holly, night 1
South Fork, 11 8
Vale, Macedonia, 2:30 8
Lincolnton, First Church, night 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July

Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

May

Asheboro Ct., C.F., 7:30 27
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 28
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 31

June

Denton First, Denton, 11 1
Farmer, Eleazer, 3 1
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 1
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45 8
Trinity, Fairview, 7:30 8
Asheboro First, 7:30 11
Richland, Union, 7:30 12
Seagrove-L. J., Seagrove, 2 14
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 15
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 7:30 15
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 16
Ward Street, 7:30 18
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

June

Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30
Denton Central, Piney Grove, 7:30 31

August

Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Rutherford College, 11 25
Morganton Ct., Bethel, 3 25
Connelly Springs, 7:30 25

June

Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Mt. Zion, 11 25
Davidson-Williamson's, 2:30 25
Mooresville, Broad Street, night 25

June

Stony Point, 11 1
Taylorsville, Marvin, 2:30 1
Hiddenite, Pisgah, night 1
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 8
Hickory, First, 11 8
Hickory, Bethel, night 8
Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July

Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

August

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem

SECOND ROUND

May

Mt. Airy, Central, 11 25
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Trinity, 7:30 25

June

Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Susanna Wesley Bible class of West Market Street church, Greensboro, N. C., wish to pay tribute to our oldest and most beloved member, Mrs. Frances Burton Hightower, who died March 22, 1941, just one week before her 87th birthday.

Death is but a path that must be trod, if we would ever pass to God. Such was the calm and peaceful slipping from its earthly moorings of her beautiful spirit.

Her trust in God brought her peace, her service to those about her afforded her joy. She leaves to her family a priceless heritage, a good example of godly influence. The passing of such a life proves a great loss to our class and church. Her beautiful Christian devotion to her church has been a benediction to us. We thank God for her life and bow in humble submission to our Father's will.

We extend to her family our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

The committee requests these words of appreciation and gratitude for her lovely life and service be recorded in the minutes of the class and that a copy be sent to the family and to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

Lovingly submitted by the committee.

Mrs. Conrad S. Whittington,
Mrs. T. C. Harrell,
Mrs. J. T. Council,
Mrs. H. W. Davis.
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On February 5, 1941, our dear friend and co-worker in Christ passed from this life after a long and tedious illness.

In appreciation of her life among us and in her devotion to the work of the First Methodist church, Lenior, N. C., we offer these resolutions:

First, As a class may we strive for that "perfect love which casteth out fear."

Second, May we be as submissive to His will as was manifest in her suffering and death.

Third, May we be as loyal to family, friends and church as she was and strive to meet each other in that better and sweeter world.

E. Myers, Teacher.
Mrs. D. A. Smith, Pres.
Mrs. Mamie Greer, Sec.
Committee.

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In Memoriam

GARRIOTT—Leonard K. Garriott, son of James A. and Sally V. Garriott, was born in Salem, Indiana, May 27, 1890. The early years of his life were spent in his native state, near the place of birth. Later he came to North Carolina and followed his chosen vocation. On July 10, 1936, he was married to Dr. Rosebud Morse of East Bend, where they have since resided. He was a member of East Bend Methodist church. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Rosebud Morse Garriott.

Katherine Tynon sings:

"Some morning I shall rise from sleep
When the all the house is still and dark;
I shall steal down and find my ship
By the dim quayside, and embark!
To no strange country shall I come,
But to mine own delightful land,
With love to bid me welcome home,
And love to lead me by the hand."

G. A. Hovis, Pastor.

MARTIN — Preston Jones Martin, son of Reps and Nancy Martin, was born May 9, 1858, in East Bend within sight of the place he was living at the time of his death.

On February 14, 1884, he married Fannie Dean. To this union were born seven children, two girls and five boys. One died when only about one year old. Augburn was killed in the first World War. Mr. Martin is survived by his wife and five children, Mrs. Nora Ward, Mrs. Paul Evans, and Oscar, Irvin and Carl Martin. He has ten grandchildren.

The last words of the late Dr. Lyman Abbott in his "Reminiscences" are as follows: "I look forward to the great adventure with awe but not with apprehension. . . . When the time comes for my embarkation, and the ropes are cast off, and I put out to sea, I think I shall still be standing in the bow looking with eager curiosity and glad hopefulness to the new world to which the unknown voyage will bring me."

G. A. Hovis, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father has deemed it wise to take from our midst our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. J. F. Anderson, affectionately known as "Miss Bettie," who was in truth a Christian possessing resolute strength of purpose and unswerving loyalty to her church and its institutions; whose gentle bearing and gracious personality won the admiration of all who knew her; whose strong character was penetrated with sunshine. Be it resolved:

That the Myrtle Clay Circle of which she was a member, and the entire Society of Christian Service of Broad Street Methodist church deplore the loss of this noble woman from our church and community. Yet we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

That we will ever cherish the memory of her rare grace and Christian fortitude, and thank God for her example of devotion and service.

That we extend the bereaved loved ones our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sorrow. We pray that God's grace will sustain and comfort them and that they shall meet again in that realm where "beyond these voices there is peace."

That a copy of these resolutions be sent her daughter, Mrs. James Cornell and a copy to her siser, Miss Emma Kerr, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and that they be recorded in the minutes of the society.

Mrs. J. C. Holmes,
Margaret Sloan Muse,
Mrs. J. F. Henninger.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Bethany Woman's Society of Christian Service, desire to record the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. Alice Baldwin.

She was a faithful member of Bethany church. Her interest in and devotion to the various activities of the church was sincere and unfailing; her genial presence was a help in any meeting or undertaking of the society.

Her passing has left a vacancy in the ranks of the society which cannot be filled, and has caused deep sorrow to the members of the society. Therefore be it resolved:

That we bow in humble submission to the will of God and say, not our will but thine be done.

Second, That her splendid Christian life is a worthy example challenging us to live up to it.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, the church paper, and that a copy be written in the minutes of the society.

Mrs. A. T. Allred,
Mrs. C. T. Redding,
Miss Frances Ellis.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Miss Mary Cloyd passed from this life to her heavenly home February 22, 1941, at her old home in Lenoir, N. C., after a year's illness.

As a member of the First Methodist church and its organizations since early womanhood, she proved most loyal and faithful in her love and devotion to the advancement of the kingdom.

"We miss her kindly face and smile.
God said 'Come,' so we must wait awhile,
And hope to meet her in heaven
Where friends never part."

E. Myers, Teacher,
Mrs. D. A. Smith, Pres.
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KENNEDY SHOULD GIVE US PAUSE

Joseph P. Kennedy, so recently United States ambassador to Great Britain, should know what he is talking about when he insists the United States must not be deluded by any claim that self-interest should make us "guardians of the peace of the rest of the world." The President relied on him last year, putting him to the front in setting out the situation in England.

Last Sunday morning's papers carried the following:

In an address prepared for the Oglethorpe University commencement exercises, Kennedy said, "The crusaders' argument for war is the silliest of all" and asserted that "democracy cannot be imposed by force or otherwise."

"In our very attempt at this colossal crusade," he said, "we would end in failure and disgrace abroad, in disillusionment and bankruptcy at home. . . .

"We cannot, my fellow Americans, divert the tides of the mighty revolution now sweeping Asia and Europe. They were not of our making and they will not be subject to our control, no matter how courageously or exhaustingly we strive to subject them."

He also urged the nation to beware of slogans and said this country should not become a belligerent "just because we hate Hitler and love Churchill."

"Facts are what the country needs, not slogans," he said. "What is the state of our own defense? What can we do if we declare war? Where will we land troops? What about Japan? What will be the result of declared war in terms of our ability to help England?

"The people who must suffer and give up their lives are entitled to judgment and can be won to the interventionist cause. It is mockery of liberty to withhold from democratic people the essential facts upon which this, the most awful decision of our times, must be based. We must have the completest candor; we must have the fullest disclosures; we must have the freest debate."

Kennedy said he was "particularly unimpressed by the hysteria which I suspect is consciously stimulated by the idea that we are in danger of military attack."

This country was so situated, he said, that "a direct attack on us would require an armada mightier than the power of man could create."

H. G. ALLEN AND STATESVILLE

Last Tuesday morning's mail brought a check for $46 and 19½ one year new subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate from Rev. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville, and his job is not yet finished.

Put a star of gold by the name H. G. Allen because of his ability to put over a big job. He was made president of the Conference Brotherhood and at once set out to secure all the members of the annual conference as members of the brotherhood. The work is about finished. Possibly half a dozen remain off, but watch out for them to join.

It seems to us that many other pastors would be inclined to walk in the footsteps of Allen and learn the great joy of completing big, hard tasks that lie about on every hand, and also occasionally take more than 100 new members into church as he did at Statesville.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF SALISBURY DISTRICT

The ministers' wives of the Salisbury district met at the lunch hour during the district conference held at Granite Quarry on Thursday, May 22. Those who had come into the district at annual conference were welcomed into the group, and all enjoyed the opportunity for fellowship.

Plans were made for a picnic in August for all the preachers in the district and their families. The picnic will be held at Mirror Lake on Thursday, August 28. (At the meeting it was decided to hold the picnic on Tuesday, August 26, in order not to conflict with a young people's union meeting. Since then the young people have changed the date of their meeting to Tuesday, August 26, so it was thought best to change the picnic accordingly.

Mrs. John F. Kirk, Secretary.

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Were we of this Republic able to remedy the ills within our own borders we could face with more assurance the enemy without that threatens us. It is to be hoped that the President's declared national emergency will relieve the present labor situation.

Joseph P. Kennedy, recent ambassador to London, insists that he is particularly unimpressed by hysteria stimulated by the idea that we are in danger of military attack. "A direct attack on us would require an armada mightier than the power of man could create," insists Kennedy.

Over the outside entrance to the auditorium at Birmingham, Ala., during the Southern Baptist Convention this month was a huge electric sign, "Peace on Earth." This should be the high ideal of every church on earth, or else it should no longer claim to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

The army estimated that 2,023,316 man-days of work were lost through strikes in plants handling war department orders from January 1 to shop-closing time the day the President spoke. It was estimated also that 25,800 were idle in labor disputes in plants handling army contracts on that day. Is it any wonder that defense lags?

The world smiles with one who smiles, is a familiar saying which most people accept as true. But what is the test of a smile that wins the plaudits of all the world? Perhaps Ella Wheeler Wilcox has answered this question better than any one else in the following lines:

It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life flows by like a song,
But the man worth while is the one who will smile
When everything goes dead wrong.
For the test of the heart is trouble,
And it always comes with the years,
And the smile that is worth the praises of earth
Is the heart that smiles through tears.

Rugged old Thomas Carlyle said, "Adversity is sometimes hard upon a man; but for one man who can stand prosperity there are a hundred that will adversity." This great English writer may have his figures a bit high, but he is undoubtedly on the right track in his thinking.

If we are to accept the Gallup Poll the good sense of the American people still holds in their aversion to war and their desire to keep out of this present struggle. The well informed say we are not prepared for war and the wisest men know that war has never been a cure for any national ill or benefit to any people. All of us would do well to keep our heads.

We do not chew gum, never did. But a great many intelligent people do, men and women, girls and boys. For this reason we print the following, which the writer doubtless thought clever but is not true:

"A gum-chewing child and a cud-chewing cow
Are very much alike and yet different somehow.
What difference is it? Oh, I see now—
It's the intelligent look on the face of the cow."

Discussing the widening gulf between America and Europe the Federal Council Bulletin says editorially of America: "Viewed in comparison, Europe is old and weary at heart as well as in experience, whereas we are young at heart and in experience. Add to this fact our increasing power and wealth in contrast to their progressive exhaustion, and we see what profound differences there are." How could it be otherwise with the centuries of wars waged by the peoples of Europe. Many in America think we can send armies over there and change this situation. It was from this condition our ancestors braved the storms and the wilderness to escape the old lands. Our entrance into the war would not remedy the hurt of the nations.

Waging War Destined to End

DR. GEORGE W. TRUITT'S recent assurance that war ultimately will end has led some editors to consider this utterance of the great preacher among the absurdities. Epecially do some of them count such an unfortunate statement at this time. True, this is a daring declaration but not contrary to the Christian hope. The dreams of the prophets of old were of the good time when implements of war would become the tools of agriculture. In like manner the angel songs of peace on earth and good will to men are in keeping with the dreamers who dwell in close fellowship with the God of heaven and earth.

For the first three centuries the Christians, even in the cruel Roman world with its war, slavery and cruelty, did not engage in war. But when the church became powerful and of value to the state Constantine linked up the church with the state and started the followers of the Prince of Peace on across the centuries with the cross in one hand and a sword in the other. The same remains true of the nations wherever the Christian church can be used to advantage by the war lords. During the World War in every way possible the churches were enlisted to back up the military. The same tendency is apparent at the present hour. How often has Lincoln been quoted as saying that the Methodist Church sent more soldiers into the Northern army than any other church? The effort then was to save the Union; the present plan is to save democracy. Men seem to forget that fundamental to the freedom of man and to our democracy is Jesus, he who never trusted the sword to win.

Of course, in this world with its greed and lust for power by force, machines, materials and money are of chief concern. But this savage procedure of man in cruel war does not justify the Christian church in becoming a party to the hell of battle soaked fields of blood. In fact, every godly effort of the Christian churches should be for peace and the things that make for the welfare of humanity. The passion of the Christ was to change the inner nature of men and to teach them how to live with one another, rather than to destroy men.

If the church does not keep itself free to carry on in the coming constructive efforts of the world when this present collapse, with its colossal debt, crushing burden of taxes and staggering deficits, who will be able to lead in the constructive efforts of the nations? The church would do well to shun every aspect of bloody war if we are in all good conscience to claim fellowship with him who said, "I came not to destroy men's lives but to save them." This is the one business of the church—the long, slow, hard way of love—would do much for America. Force and money have never been a howling success. Billions spent twenty-five years ago to reconstruct the world failed; billions spent the last seven years in our own land has been a disappointment to many. In the long run, war may yet come to an end.

Robert Lee Flowers

IN September 1891, a recent graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis came to Trinity College in Randolph county to teach mathematics. He was 20 years of age but appeared even more youthful. This unusually attractive young professor, fresh from the Naval Academy, at once commanded the interest of the entire student body as he quietly but earnestly addressed himself to the task in hand, and by the end of that first year every boy on the campus admired and loved "Bobby Flowers," a name that grew out of their affectionate regard for him. And what occurred then has been repeated by every generation of Trinity College students through the decades that followed.

During the 36 years that Dr. William Preston Few was head of Trinity College and of Duke University, which was the period of greatest expansion of the college and of the founding and development of the university, Dr. R. L. Flowers was a devoted co-laborer with the president. Each sought the counsel of the other in his particular sphere of responsibility and what one did met the approval of the other. When J. B. Duke set himself to the task of building a university, Robert Lee Flowers became his right hand man, particularly in the herculean task of bringing to perfection that campus and those Gothic structures which have won the admiration and praise of visitors from every part of the world.

When the tired heart of Duke's great president gave out and at Duke came a great vacancy as when a mighty oak is felled in the forest, every Trinity and Duke man and woman who was acquainted with the inner history of the institutions thought only of one man to fill the vacancy. It was both logical and

right that Dr. Robert Lee Flowers should become successor in office to his friend and colaborer, Dr. William Preston Few. His election by the board of trustees was received with general acclaim and a devoted throng of Trinity and Duke people will gather next Monday in the university gymnasium to witness the induction of Duke University's new president immediately following the commencement address.

The Heyday of District Conferences in North Carolina

THE eighteen district conferences, seven in the North Carolina and 11 in the Western North Carolina conference, ended yesterday when the Elkin conference closed at Boonville. It has been in our judgment the most successful series of conferences ever held in North Carolina. The attendance was uniformly large and enthusiastic. The conferences that were "covered" by reporters of the daily press estimated the attendance at 700 and 800. And these were not more largely attended than the other conferences. We do not try to estimate the number on hand. Neither would we suggest that the crowds brought together by these eighteen conferences would equal a Duke-Carolina football game, but we do insist that if all had come together at one time and in one place, the Duke gymnasium seating over 10,000 would have been necessary to accommodate this multitude of Methodist leaders.

These were one day conferences packed with the "King's business." The Methodists of North Carolina have learned how to make a one day conference a big success with brief reports, short, sensible speeches, fine fellowship and a united interest on the part of the kingdom of God. Whenever the district superintendent knows how to plan for the work and then how to preside, it is one of the most interesting days in the church year.

One who attends even a majority of these conferences becomes tremendously impressed with the greatness of North Carolina Methodism, and particularly with the commanding influence of the women and the large number of gifted and consecrated young ministers who are members of these conferences.

It would be little short of criminal for such a multitude of Methodists to go from these district conference occasions without an impulse divine to render a larger service and to move on a higher level of Christian living.

Polite Admonishing

THE Greensboro Daily News, our good neighbor who holds up the torch of liberty and common sense a little distance up Gaston street, Greensboro, talks very politely about the change of heart that has overtaken the President of the United States and at the same time expresses the paper's gratification in terms that follow:

"Those of us who went on observing the old Thanksgiving thus find ourselves back in style and in the political good graces. Traditions do mean something; the country is founded upon them; they are a vital part of that which we defend. A country, for all the changes and the progress which it must necessarily make, is no more deeply rooted than are its traditions. Traditional bravery, traditional courage, traditional freedom offer the hope of the world. Aside from this aspect, it pleasures us greatly to note that F. D. R. after eight years confessed an error. Even in the war-torn, chaotic world of 1941 confession is just as good for the soul as it ever was."

This leads the Gastonia Gazette to add:

"Now if we could get a few more honest confessions from the White House about some of the more notable experiments in social legislation and their rank failure, the country would be better off."

Don't Be a Grouch

ALL the angels in heaven cannot satisfy a grouch. His presence will turn sweet milk sour and convert a paradise of God into a howling wilderness. There is no room on earth or in heaven for a grouch.

The following story will serve to emphasize what we are driving at.

An old grouch had a son in Cornell. At the end of the first year the son came home in high feather. He stood second in his class. "Second," said the old man. "Second! Why didn't you stand first? What do you think I'm sending you to Cornell for?"

The young man returned for his second year, determined to win first place. At the end of the year he went home and announced his standing to his father. The father looked at him a few minutes in silence, then shrugged his shoulders, and said:

"At the head of the class, eh? Well, Cornell can't be much of a university after all!"

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Read the Advocate Campaign Report on page nineteen.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Elwood Carroll announce the birth of a daughter, Barbara Jean, May 24, Piedmont Hospital, Greensboro.

Rev. John Marvin Rast, D.D., of Columbia, editor of the Southern Christian Advocate since November 1, 1936, has been elected president of Lander College. Dr. Rast has accepted the position and will assume the duties the first of June.

British Methodism has responded magnificently, in spite of the war, to the appeal for overseas missions. The gross income for 1940 amounts to the astonishing war-time total of 312,022 pounds—an increase for the year of 564 pounds. The women's work income totals 96,772 pounds—an increase of 1405 pounds on the previous year.—The Methodist Recorder, London.

Quoting last words, page three, N. C. C. A., May 22: "—if he has the right sort of stuff in him." And who is to see that he has "the right sort of stuff?" I could not choose my parents or grandparents, BUT I may have much to say what kind of a parent or grandparent I AM TO BE. In this day of advancement it is a crime to be any but the right sort—THE BEST. Can't start too early. Our work goes slowly but it does move. Proud to see you any time. It is warm—wonder if our religion is keeping up with the thermometer?—Plint.

A school for Christian workers under the leadership of Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the board of Christian education of the North Carolina conference, Miss Alma Cade, director of children's division, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work, was conducted at the Manteo Methodist church May 18 to 21. Church workers from Wanchese and Kitty Hawk participated in the school. The fellowship and study with these splendid instructors was inspiring and helpful to the entire group.—M. W. Maness.

Rev. M. G. Ervin, pastor of Chadwick church, Charlotte, has just completed an outstanding piece of work. Mrs. C. L. Steidley, High Point, assisted him and several local laymen and lay women. They have just closed a two weeks' daily vacation Bible school, having enrolled 116 students. A revival meeting was conducted each evening with good results. There were 24 persons received into the church by profession of faith and four by transfer of letter. This is really building the church. Professions of faith are the great need of the hour.—John H. Carper, Rep.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, noted Methodist missionary, author, and traveler, will be one of the speakers this year at the School of Missions and Missionary Conference held at Lake Junaluska, from July 24 to August 5. It will be Dr. Jones' first apperance at Lake Junaluska. The school and conference will be under the joint auspices of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and of the Board of Education. The directors will be Mrs. Helen B. Bourne and Dr. William F. Quillian, secretaries of the Division of Education and Cultivation. Dr. J. Fisher Simpson will be dean of the School of Missions. Leaders will include Bishop W. T. Watkins, Columbia Area (S.C.), Dr. Hugh C. Stuntz, Scarritt College for Christian Workers (Nashville, Tenn.), Dr. Henry G. Barnett, Florida Southern College (Lakeland, Fla.), and several board secretaries and missionaries.

The Board of Education at its recent meeting concurred in a recommendation from the Youth Commission that the proposed national youth organization be called National Youth Fellowship and that the Council of Bishops be requested to join with the new youth body in establishing Watch Night service this year as a communion service of commitment in launching the new youth organization. The Board of Education went on record as approving the government's present plan of placing young men of draft age who are in college on the deferred list, and opposed the reduction of the age for military registration to less than 21 years. This matter came to the board by way of a resolution offered by Dr. J. H. Reynolds, president of Hendrix College.

London's lamented City Temple, completely destroyed by bombs recently, though Congregational, had a unique relationship both to British and American Methodism. Its minister, Rev. Leslie D. Weatherhead, coming to it from the pastorate of Brunswick Wesleyan church of Leeds in 1936, has been permitted to continue his membership in the Methodist conference during his incumbency in this historic church. On the walls of the ill-fated building hung a picture of Dean Harold Hough of Drew Theological Seminary. Dr. Hough was an exchange preacher there for a month during the World War 1. An attachment developed between the congregation and their American pulpit guest so strong that twelve similar visitations of a month each have ensued.



Dr. Robert L. Flowers Honored

Kiwanians of Durham, lauding the life and achievements of Dr. R. L. Flowers, president of Duke University and associated with that institution and with the Durham community for a half-century, presented him a community service award at the weekly Kiwanis luncheon meeting Thursday. Dr. Flowers is shown receiving the framed scroll, signed by Kiwanis President J. H. Coman, from Past President Ernest S. Booth. On Booth's left are M. A. Briggs and P. C. Barker, long leaders in Kiwanis in the Carolinas.

The great night of the Detroit annual conference, which will be held at the Boulevard Temple Methodist church, 7325 Twelfth St., Detroit, will be Friday, June 20, at 7:30, when Dr. Merton S. Rice, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church will lecture. This is to be a special night when the ministers and laymen of Detroit conference will do honor to Dr. Rice for having completed 28 years as pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church and 47 years in the Methodist ministry. Preceding the lecture the Metropolitan choir will give a half hour sacred concert. Bishop Raymond J. Wade will preside and Dr. C. B. Allen will present Dr. Rice. There will also be some happy surprise features which are not to be announced in advance, but which will greatly enrich this night of high honor for Dr. Rice. Bishop H. Lester Smith will speak for the board of bishops in paying tribute to Dr. Rice. The admission for the lecture and entertainment will be fifty cents.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

Shiloh, Shiloh Charge, Rev. T. S. Madison, Pastor.—The fifteenth annual memorial and home coming day was observed at Shiloh on Sunday, May 18. This is an annual event, having been started by the late Rev. R. S. Troxler. 332 were in attendance for Sunday school. As has been the custom, the memorial service was held at the close of the 11 o'clock sermon, Rev. Madison using as a subject "The Hall of the Heroes." The memorial service for six members having died since May, 1940, was very impressive. All six deceased were between 74 and 84 years old, these being some of our oldest. However, we have quite a few members far past 80 years. The afternoon session was devoted to home coming service and an address by Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., pastor of First church, Lexington. Some 20 or 25 former members were present in the afternoon along with Rev. H. L. Powell, one of the two surviving former pastors of Shiloh church, who served at this place for seven years, the other former pastor, Rev. C. E. Ridge, who also served seven years. Special music was furnished by the Friedburg male quarette. Next Saturday, May 31, 2 p. m., at Shiloh church the third quarterly conference will be held. All official members are urged to be present.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Rep.

THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

A local college instead of a local church last week entertained the Greensboro district conference in the Gate City. Greensboro College with Dr. L. L. Gobbel president-host, did the entertaining in a most delightful manner. The conference held its sessions beginning Wednesday morning, May 21, in Odell Auditorium.

Rev. L. B. Hayes, the district superintendent, presided and kept business moving in a most satisfactory way. At 12 o'clock the college chapel service with the entire student body attending, joined with the conference in the religious services in Odell Auditorium, when Rev. P. L. Shore, Jr., pastor of Stoneville-Mayodon, delivered a most appropriate message. Following this service the college students and the members of the conference took lunch together on the campus between the Hudson and Fitzgerald dormitories.

C. W. Bates, a veteran secretary who in all Methodist conferences from the general conference on down to the least is invariably chosen for this post of honor and service, was secretary of this conference and he will tell our readers about what business was transacted during the day.

ATTENTION, MINISTERS' WIVES OF THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT

The Ministers' Wives 'Association will hold a picnic on Thursday, June 12, at 4:30 p. m. at the Guilford Battleground. This is a family get-together, so bring your family and a well filled basket. Officers will be elected at this meeting. Mrs. J. H. Armbrust, Pres.
Mrs. Elwood Carroll, Sec.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

President G. I. Humphreys preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduates and a large company of friends and visitors in Harrison gymnasium Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, using the theme of "The Measure of a Man."

The college band, under the direction of Professor Olin Blickensderfer, gave a concert on the campus in the afternoon at 4:30. A large crowd assembled on the campus in front of Woman's Hall for the annual event.

The Sunday evening program, sponsored by the religious organizations, was addressed by Dean P. E. Lindley on the subject of "Education and the Status Quo."

Graduation exercises proper came Monday morning at 10:45. This program was given in the gymnasium, where the 86 seniors gathered, together with their friends, for the literary address by Dr. Walter K. Greene of Duke University. Dr. Greene's message was most inspiring and full of meaning for Americans in this present crisis of world affairs. He insisted that our ideals and institutions were imperiled and that it is our duty to defend them.

The degree of Doctor of Literature was conferred upon Prof. H. E. Spence of Duke University, and the degree of Doctor of Divinity was awarded Rev. M. T. Smathers of Asheville.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MINISTERS AND WIVES ENJOY LUNCHEON

The ministers and their wives of the Charlotte district enjoyed a fellowship luncheon Monday, May 19, at Efird's Dining Room. The tables were attractively arranged with bowls of red and white roses, the centerpieces of beautiful red roses, presented by Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon in memory of her husband, the late Bishop Mouzon, on his birthday.

We were happy to have Bishop and Mrs. Clare Purcell with us on this delightful occasion. Special invited guests were: Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Point, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen, and Rev. P. Wesley Bare, chaplain of the Charlotte army air base.

Mrs. H. P. Powell, president of the Charlotte District Ministers' Wives' Association, brought greetings, and Rev. G. T. Bond responded with a toast to the "wives."

Mrs. E. H. Nease, chairman of the program committee, presided and presented the following program: Piano duet, "Hungarian Rhapsody" by Liszt, rendered by Rev. N. A. Huffman and Mrs. L. R. Akers; humorous readings by Mrs. J. E. Yountz and Rev. C. P. Bowles; Some Advice to the "Minister's Wife" by Mrs. D. M. Litaker; Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald presented a brief skit; and a reading of a more serious nature was given by Mrs. G. T. Bond.

After two hours of feasting, fun and fellowship Bishop Purcell pronounced the benediction.

Mrs. M. G. Ervin, Secretary.

A LETTER OF THANKS

Prior to my illness, my wife and I had no idea that there were so many kind and thoughtful people. While we were yet with the good people of Stony Point they expressed their love and sympathy in so many ways we thought that surely we were in the midst of the best people in the world, and we still think they are as fine a people as North Carolina has produced.

Since our leaving Stony Point we have found that many people throughout the state have proven themselves friendly and thoughtful by "get well" greetings, and Rev. D. A. Oakley enclosed a $2 check with his greeting.

Our district superintendent, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, who has shown his brotherly kindness and interest from the beginning, has constantly remembered us with the kindliest of greetings and has helped us in every way humanly possible. With all his duties, he took time off to remember Charles, our 10-months-old baby with a gift of $1.

The condition of my health is much improved and I can be out and about but cannot yet see sufficiently to read. I am sure that with the continued prayers of my friends and relatives I can be back with the brethren in the great work of the Lord in several months.

We wish to thank you for your many good wishes and ask for your continued prayers for my complete recovery.

H. O. Huss.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference assembled at Moore's Chapel May 15, 1941, northwest of Charlotte overlooking the valley of the Catawba. This church is beautiful for situation and bears the marks of having been a gathering place for the saints for more than a century. The building and the entire situation indicate a substantial farming community of a stable population that "lives at home and boards at the same place." This, however, is not a report of the conference. I leave that to the excellent secretary, Rev. E. H. Nease. A few high spots may be worthy of note.

For me, the day started auspiciously. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Evans, leaders at Hawthorne Lane church, formerly of Georgia, met me at the station on the way to the seat of the district conference. So the editor and Miss Ruby Berkley, deaconess in charge of the Bethlehem Center of Charlotte, enjoyed delightful company for the day to and from the conference. This good start insured for us the success of the day.

To give a bit of color to the situation, I will say the deaconess wore a red hat and she was as bright as her hat. This note will ring the bell and get the attention of the women if it does as well as my reference to the red hats at the N. C. Woman's Conference of Christian Service at Rocky Mount a month ago, when I reported that I counted in that assembly more than fifty red hats to say nothing of numerous others with hats of color to relieve the somberness of the situation, so no one would conclude that the "sister meeklys" dominated that gathering. Scores of women in different sections of the state have pronounced that Rocky Mount report as "tops" among my stories of conferences. So I hope the deaconess will fare as well at Moore's Chapel.

Lest someone may conclude that this cheery young woman does not fit the situation I will say that many of our conferences ought to hear Miss Berkley. She was born in Mississippi, is well trained in the schools, has worked among the Spanish and is now at the Bethlehem Center in Charlotte, with whom all are well pleased.

As we entered the conference room Mrs. Charles Wakefield, district secretary, was giving an exhibit of the women's achievements in the field of Christian service. She has promised us a photograph so that the Advocate family may come to know her at sight for her own sake as well as for her work's sake.

To convince anyone that the conference was running smooth as an ocean liner on a smooth sea, it is enough to say that G. T. Bond and E. H. Nease had charge of the craft. Then, too, there was the conference host, J. H. Carper, ready for every demand within the house and out under the oaks. Even though no mention is made of others, enough capable laymen were present to run a conference without the preachers.

District Lay Leader Guy O. Bagwell is putting himself to the work among the laymen of the district, giving every assurance of a most aggressive conquest in this line of work. He is alert and capable, with fine elements of leadership.

The address before the laymen by Brother J. R. Smith was an unusual utterance. But few men can speak with such directness, good sense and clarity as does this fine layman and valuable Y. M. C. A. secretary.

Of the sermon by L .R. Akers, Jr., the reports by the several committees, and the wonderful hour and a half around the table, I could write at great length but I refrain. The new friendships formed are most delightful, but these must be put to the test of time. M. T.P.

SUN, WATER, SKY

A man is never too old and seldom too young to love the sun and the water—the skies, the seas, the lakes and streams. And of all the seasons, Spring is the time when thoughts turn most strongly to these eternal forces. Spring is the sun's season, and the rain's. A Spring sunrise is full of new leaves, new flowers, new songs and awakening life. A Spring sunset is an evensong of eager life pausing only in order to gather breath for another day.

Both sun and water have been guide and companion to man since time immemorial. Feuds and death may scourge the tribes of man, but overhead the sun continues its unwavering rounds and down from the hills the streams still run to lakes, and to the seas where the tides never fail.

When the countryman reaches for a symbol of certainty he says, "As sure as the sunrise," or "As sure as water runs down hill." The sun warms man's blood and makes his fields flourish; it meters his time and warms his faith with its inevitability. The waters of the earth slake his thirst and cool and cleanse his body; they rise as clouds and fall as rain to nourish his crops. With the sun and the earth, the waters complete an elemental trinity of life.

When man first set forth to new lands, his going was beside the waters or upon them. He traveled down the streams to the lakes and across the lakes to the lands beyond; and he traveled down the river valleys to the sea. Because the rivers were his highways, it was on their banks that he built his first towns; and on the seacoast, beside the great waters of this earth, man built his cities.

Towns and cities rise and fall, but the waters remain and the sun is eternal. Stand on a shore and watch a sunrise or a sunset and you are seeing not beauty alone, but elemental forces. The sunset takes its color from the clouds, but the sun has mustered those clouds from the Hudson in our door-yard, from the remote lake in the high mountains, from the rolling seas off a lonely shore. Beauty is there; but beyond the beauty is the reassurance of waters that will flow forever and a sun that has never failed to rise.—Hal Borland, in N. Y. Times Magazine.

HIGH POINT UNION HOLDS SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION MONTH IN MAY

The High Point Union of Methodist Young People held a series of spiritual services during the month of May. On May 1, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor of Central Methodist church, China Grove, spoke at the service held in Wesley Memorial church. On May 8 at Calvary Methodist church, Rev. McMurray S. Richey, assistant pastor of Central Methodist church, Asheville, spoke at the worship service. On May 15 at Jamestown Methodist church, Rev. Dwight Ware, pastor of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, spoke to the group. On May 22 at Main Street Methodist church Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Reidsville, spoke to the union.

The theme for this series of service was: "A Practical Religion for Present Day Young People." Each speaker did an excellent piece of work in presenting this vital theme to the young people of High Point.

A supper was held at 6:30 each evening with the young people of three churches uniting to prepare the supper. The supper was followed by a period of recreation and fellowship and at 8 p. m. the worship service was held in the church auditorium.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

The Greensboro College commencement program begins on Saturday, May 31, with the alumnae-student luncheon in the college dining room, to be followed by the annual business meeting of the alumnae association at 2:30 in the student activities building. At 5 p. m. on the front campus the class day exercises will take place, after which reunion suppers will be held.

At 8 p. m. Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel entertain for the seniors and their families at their home on Hobbs Road.

On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the West Market Street Methodist church, Dr .William F. Quillian, New York City, preaches the baccalaureate sermon.

The college glee club and orchestra presents a concert in Odell Memorial auditorium at 4 p. m. on Sunday.

The final exercises take place on Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock, when Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, delivers the graduating address to the group of 63 seniors.

Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, was presented in her senior speech recital by the department of speech and dramatic art at Greensboro College on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Her program consisted of an arrangement in three parts of Robert Sherwood's "Abe Lincoln in Illinois."

Miss Celeste Horne, Birmingham, Ala., candidate for the B.M. degree, with major in piano in the Greensboro College school of music, presented her senior recital on Friday night in Odell auditorium.

The annual banquet of the Greensboro College Athletic Association was held Wednesday evening, May 21, at Jefferson Roof Restaurant. The banquet, one of the high spots of the college year, was given for those students who have taken an active part in athletics. Arrangements were in charge of Miss Agnes Jeter, head of the department of physical education, and Miss Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst, president of the association.

The annual banquet of the Greensboro College Players was held on Thursday evening, May 22, at Sedgefield Inn.

On Sunday morning, May 18, the sophomore class at the college entertained the seniors, their big sisters, at a breakfast at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant. Toasts were exchanged and the "sister" songs sung.

MARION DISTRICT CONFERENCE REPORT

The second session of the Marion district conference of the Methodist Church convened at Pleasant Grove on the Alexander-Pleasant Grove charge May 14 at 9 a. m. Rev. J. C. Cornett, the district superintendent, conducted the devotional and called the conference to order. Brother Cornett asked J. L. Ingram to call the roll, after which he was elected secretary. J. R. Duncan and G. R. Stafford were elected assistants to the secretary.

The various committees were nominated and elected, after which visitors were presented to the conference. Rev. E. O. Cole, conference treasurer, was given the opportunity to speak. He addressed the conference briefly.

Pastors' reports were taken up one by one. These reports as a whole were encouraging ,and when they were all in there was a note of joy and optimism on the part of laymen and pastors. Over three hundred have been added to the church, with 80 per cent of the churches yet to hold special evangelistic services. The report on missions, hospitals and homes was read and adopted. The following representatives were heard: Dr. B. G. Childs for Duke University, Dr. Raymond Smith for Greensboro College, Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., for Brevard College, Rev. N. H. Harrison for High Point College, Dr. L. B. Abernethy for the Golden Cross, Rev. H. G. Allen for the Conference Brotherhood, O. V. Woosley for the Children's Home, Mrs. Connie Cope and Rev. M .T. Hipps for the young people's work, Mrs. A. T. Abernethy for the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. Ralph Harberson for the children's work, Dr. A. W. Plyler for the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and Rev. E. D. C. Brewer for camps and assemblies.

The conference adjourned for a few minutes at 11:30. The playing of the chimes announced the hour for preaching service and the people filled the large church auditorium to capacity immediately. Rev. C. H. Peace, the conference host, presided and led the conference in the singing of "This Is My Father's World." Rev. G. R. Stafford read the report on spiritual life and evangelism (this report was later adopted). Rev. W. L. Scott of Bostic was introduced as the preacher of the hour; the text was Rev. 4-1. Brother Scott brought an uplifting and helpful message, which made this the high light of the day. Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., pronounced the benediction, after which 400 delegates and visitors were directed to two long tables in the nearby grove where a bountiful feast was enjoyed.

At 1:30 p. m. Rev. W. A. Jenkins conductad the devotion and the conference was promptly back at its task. Various reports were read and adopted.

At 2 p. m. the layman's hour was observed. Mr. Fred C. Kinzie, district lay leader, was in charge of the program which was very fine and helpful. Mr. R. W. Twitty of Marion, Mr. Chas. Erwin of Forest City and Brother Kinzie were the speakers.

The conference recommended by unanimous vote R. M. Carver to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Brother Cornett proved himself to be a thoughtful, courteous and able leader and at 4 p. m. the last question was asked. Rev. M. Teague Hipps took care of this question by inviting the district conference to Spruce Pine next year, and the conference voted (without argument) to meet in Spruce Pine in 1942. Brother Peace and his good folk left nothing undone. They were thoughtful in every way. Rev. J. T. Stover, who has been attending district conferences over 70 years, pronounced the benediction.

J. L. Ingram, Secretary.

TRIBUTE PAID TO EDUCATOR-SON OF FAMOUS EDUCATOR-BISHOP

The contribution of famous Bishop John H. Vincent to the popularization of adult education was freshly brought to mind by a commemorative hour held in Radio City, New York, May 19 to honor his late son, Dr. George E. Vincent, whose death occurred in February. Dr. Vincent was closely associated with his father both in the early days of the Chautauqua movement and was officially connected with its later widespread development. Speakers on this occasion were Dr. James R. Angell, president-emeritus of Yale University, Dr. Vincent's alma mater; Mr. Arthur E. Bester, the president of Chautauqua Institution; Dr. Guy S. Ford, president of Minnesota State University of which Dr. Vincent was onetim head; and Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., intimate personal friend with whom Dr. Vincent was associated during his years as president of the Rockefeller Foundation. A current John H. Vincent, son of Dr. George Vincent and grandson of the bishop, left his practice recently to become a member of the legal staff of the U. S. Navy.

HOME COMING AT UNION GROVE, SUNDAY, JUNE 1

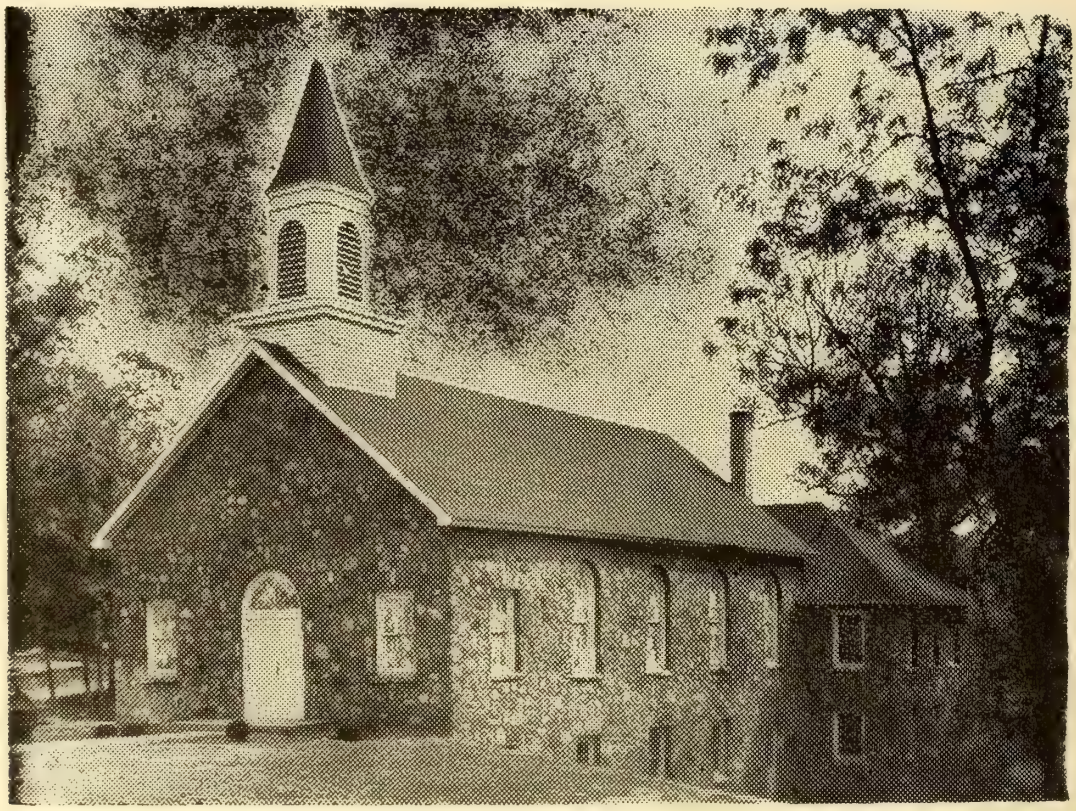
Union Grove Methodist church of Orange circuit, located about midway between Hillsboro and Chapel Hill in the heart of Orange county, will observe its annual home coming day Sunday, June 1. There will be a program by the children at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served picnic style. In the afternoon Dr. J. D. Williams, pastor of Welch Memorial Methodist church, High Point, a former member, will preach. All former pastors, members, and friends are invited to come back for the day.

Union Grove Methodist church, formerly Methodist Protestant, was organized in the Union Grove school house September 23, 1846 Although Union Grove church can not boast of a large membership, it is especially proud of the fact that it has sent out so many ministers. The following have gone out from Union Grove: Dr. J. D. Williams, now pastor of Welch Memorial Methodist church, High Point; Rev. R. C. Stubbins, pastor of Calvary Methodist church, Greensboro; and Rev. O. B. Williams, pastor of North Davidson charge, Western North Carolina conference. Rev Jesse Minnis, now serving as missionary in India, attended Union Grove church and Sunday school in his youth.

C. P. Morris, Pastor.

The New Hayesville Methodist Church Where the District Met May 13

The district conference met in the new Hayesville Methodist church which is nearing completion after three years of hard work and sacrifice on the part of its members. Due to the fact that much labor was contributed by members and friends of the church, it is not possible to give the exact cost figure, but it was estimated to be well above $10,000.



Construction of the church building dates back to August, 1937, when Miss Anna Marr of Texas, a former resident of Hayesville, donated a half interest in the lot on which the church is built. The other interest in the lot was purchased from Miss Cora Hardin. A plat of the lot was made by James Denman in December, 1937, and the first work was done on grading the ground for the new structure.

Church Property Sold

On July 11, 1938, the property then owned by the church was sold to Burgin brothers, theater operators of Canton, and was converted into a theater. For several months thereafter, church and Sunday school were held in the court room of the Clay county courthouse here.

Actual construction on the new building was begun in August, 1938, and it was not until the summer of the following year that sufficient work had been done on the new church for the congregation to begin worship in it. In the early spring of 1940 the auditorium was well under way and worship services "upstairs" with the building heated with two large coal stoves with the pipes out at the windows.

At that point it seemed that everything possible had been done and work lagged for several months. The treasury was empty and bills for labor and material past due.

Mr. Clemmer was sent to Hayesville as pastor and almost immediately interest sprang up and work was resumed. The "Preacher," as Mr. Clemmer is affectionately called by everyone here, went to work, not only with his head and voice but with his skilled hands, and progress began to be seen. He shunned nothing. "No, sir, we will not hire labor for that job, we need all the money we can get to buy materials," the preacher said, and the men of the congregation fell in line and did work that they never thought was possible for them to do. Business and professional men came out with their overalls on and fell to with their hammers and saws, their shovels and wheelbarrows. Whatever tools were necessary for the job, they soon learned just how to handle them, and Mr. Clemmer could always find a job for every workman present.

"Work Nights" Held

"Work nights" were inaugurated each Monday, Wednesday and Friday and he was always there to see that some worth while job was done. Credit is largely due to the untiring efforts of those who contributed their time and labor toward the completion of the building. The women of the church took turns in bringing sandwiches, cakes, pies, and coffee for the workers at "quitting time" which was usually about 10:30 or 11 o'clock at night.

A prominent Methodist of the Waynesville district, who wishes to show his appreciation of the splendid work done here by the pastor, has offered Rev. and Mrs. Clemmer a week's vacation at Lake Junaluska with all expenses paid.

The total amount of cash which has been expended to date is $7,673.25. The Duke Foundation agreed to donate $3,500 toward the building, about two-thirds of

which has been paid to the treasurer. The remainder will be placed in his hands as soon as the structure is completed. A miscellaneous fund of $436.80 has been paid in, the larger part of which has been raised by the women of the missionary society. They have raised this by sponsoring programs, box suppers, and other ways.

UNION ACADEMY REUNION AT CEDAR GROVE

Reunion of representatives of old Union Academy and other friends will be observed at Cedar Grove Methodist church, Chatham county, on the fifth Sunday, June 29, 1941.

Former officers, teachers and pupils of old Union Academy of Chatham county and other representatives including family connections and other friends are desired to join the pastor and congregation of Cedar Grove church in the reunion exercises.

At 11 a. m. Rev. K. F. Duval, pastor, is expected to have charge of the services; and Rev. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, is expected to preach. Soon after graduation from the University of North Carolina in 1884, Dr. Turrentine became connected with Union Academy as principal and one of the teachers.

Preaching service will be followed by lunch served on the church ground. Participants in the lunch are asked to take basket lunches to be enjoyed in common.

At 2 p. m. assembling of attendants will be called for reminiscence and fellowship.

WESLEY FOUNDATION BUSY AT END OF YEAR

The Wesley Foundation at W.C.U.N.C. has found the week a busy one, with end of the year activities. On Friday night, May 16, the retiring council honored the incoming council with a banquet at College Place church. The banquet theme was built around the new Methodist student magazine, Motive. Programs were miniature Motives, and the various parts of the program and menu were titles of articles in the magazine. Mr. Robert W. Bradshaw gave an address, "All This—And Vision Too." Toasts were given by Miss Charlotte Matthews, Stoneville, retiring president, with responses by Miss Margaret Tucker, Ahoskie, new president; by Miss Betsy Smith, Liberty, retiring Wesley Players president; and responses by Miss Louise Panigot, Wesley Foundation director. Miss Mildred Crowder, Shelby, sang.

On Saturday afternon and evening, the retiring and incoming councils held a retreat at the Country Park, returning to the park again Sunday morning and remaining until Sunday afternoon. In addition to making recommendations for the whole of the Wesley Foundation program for next year, they enjoyed the fellowship of worship and of cooking supper ,breakfast and lunch over the open fire, as well as a generous coat of sunburn.

On the preceding Sunday, May 11, the Wesley Players presented a play, "The Least of These," at the evening hour. The cast included Jean Von Canon of West End, Shirley Elliott of Woodland, Elaine Hope of Scranton, Pa., and Martha Steagall of Morven. The following Greensboro young people were also in the cast: Bill Lithgo, W. R. Cox, Jr., John Lowdermilk, and two small boys—Dick Herbin and Keith Smith. Misses Ruth Gill and Virginia Sanford directed the play, and Frances Glaze, new Wesley Players president, was in charge of the costumes.

EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION CHANGES

The action of the College of Bishops of the Southeastern Jurisdiction in their meeting at Nashville, releasing Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs from administrative duties for the period of one year, necessitated certain changes in Episcopal supervision. Those changes are as follows:

Bishop J. L. Decell is placed in charge of the Mississippi and North Mississippi conferences, and is relieved of supervision of the Alabama conference, making the Birmingham Episcopal Area composed of the North Alabama, Memphis, North Mississppi and Mississippi conferences.

Bishop William T. Watkins is placed in charge of the Alabama conference, so that the Columbia Episcopal Area is composed of the South Carolina, Upper South Carolina and Alabama conferences.—Alabama Christian Advocate.

SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT GRANITE QUARRY

The Salisbury district conference is invariably an interesting, enjoyable and, therefore, profitable occasion. But the conference Thursday, May 22, in a beautiful new granite church amid the grove of oaks, was better than usual.

The conference began at 9:30 with a 15-minute service of song, Bible reading and prayer, conducted by Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of Coburn Memorial church, Salisbury.

Dr. C. N. Clark, the district superintendent, took just five minutes to organize the conference. He announced that roll call would be by card, most of which had already been distributed, the election of a secretary, and only one committee, known as findings committee. The legal committees that came over from the annual conference were announced, then a brief statement by Dr. Clark about conference procedure and the conference was ready for business.

The next 30 minutes were given to outsiders, and it was an interesting half hour. L. B. Abernethy for the Golden Cross, O. V. Woosley for the Children's Home, H. G. Allen the conference brotherhood, E. O. Cole, conference treasurer, E. H. Nease, conference statistics, A. W. Plyler, the North Carolina Christian Advocate—six speeches in half an hour and every man had all the time needed. The conference seemed to enjoy hearing of these church interests.

The next hour was given to education. Carl H. King presided and the speakers were as follows: Miss Elizabeth Oliver, vacation schools and other work with the children; Mrs. J. F. Kirk, "Youth Work"; E. D. C. Brewer, "Adult Work." A pleasant feature of the hour was the singing of the Greensboro College quartette. At the conclusion Dr. King reminded the conference he had not used the whole hour.

The next hour was devoted to missions and world service with C. C. Herbert in charge as Carl King had been the preceding hour. Walter B. West led off with the speaking by explaining why a decrease in contributions of over $500,000 in the first six months of this year. Mrs. Z. V. Moss of Albemarle spoke for the woman's work. S. J. Sherrill of Forest Hill, Concord, told an interesting story about how they handled the "fourth Sunday offering" in his church. W. A. Kale's subject was the benevolences.

Pfeiffer College being under the general woman's board of the Methodist Church was considered at this hour, Miss Emma Madcliff told most interestingly of the work at Pfeiffer and announced that four additional buildings are to be erected at a cost of $250,000.

The devotional address that closed the morning session was given by Rev. C. G. Hefner. What a delightful and informing address it was upon "Looking in, looking up, and looking out." He is a great preacher if that was a fair sample.

Rowan county was at its best in that long, heavily loaded table under the big oak trees on the church yard.

We had to leave as soon as dinner ended, and J. F. Harrelson, the secretary, will tell the entire story of the conference which was handled in superior style by Dr. Clark, the district superintendent.

COMMENCEMENT AT HIGH POINT COLLEGE MONDAY, MAY 26

The commencement exercises of High Point College closed Monday, May 26, with the annual address by Dr. Walter K. Greene of Duke University, followed by the conferring of degrees.

The subject of Dr. Greene's address was "The American Way of Life." The High Point Enterprise quotes him as saying: "We must have the mechanics of defense, including material things of outward show, and the dynamics of defense which are the invisible forces within the life of the individual.

"The principles of democracy must be incorporated in the lives of our boys and girls, our young men and women. We all are against aggression, but we are not in accord as to how to combat this great evil that threatens our nation. Christian America should boldly proclaim the principles of Christianity, and work in unity to find escape from evils that threaten our natural rights as free individuals. Boys and girls must be taught that there is dignity and nobility in honest work."

"The success of this nation does not rest on the expression of the majority, but on the stand of a vigorous minority," said Dr. Greene. He then enumerated instances in which the opinion of the majority had brought about conditions that were weakening to our nation, as the repeal of prohibition, and other cases.

The Duke professor spoke sincerely and earnestly as he challenged the individual to do his duty in helping to preserve Christian civilization in this world revolution, where it hangs in the balance. Not only will our boys and men be drafted but labor, industry, women and children will all have part in the great struggle, he stated.

Degrees Conferred

Fifty-five condidates received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. They are as follows:

Ruth Evelyn Atkins, William Junius Bennett, Jr., Gertrude Mildred Bingham, Ruth Murphy Black, Paul Henry Blair, Olin Robert Blickensderfer, Helen Margaret Brown, Winifred Burton, Lucy Roselle Brooks, Manly Holdt Byerly, Lawrence Weaver Byrum, George Maurice Carver, James Elmer Cashatt, Alice Etta Chandler, Charles Alvin Cochrane, Mary Lucile Craven, Edith Marie Cribbs, Mary Snow Cridlebaugh, Evelyn Davis, Thomas Paul Deaton, Bessie Catherine Ellison.

Leonard Faust, Mary Taylor Gay, Boyd Clark Getyt, Jr., David Horace Giles, James Marse Grant, Henry Frank Young, Henry Reynolds Hall, Ethleene Parker Hart, Victor Harber, Vina Ann Harwood, Bentley Foy Hege, Cornelia Lucille Hill, Doris Wilma Holmes, Robert Glenn Holt, Joseph Hugh Howell, Arthur Cicero Kennedy, Jr., Pauline Bland Kennett, Jack Daniel Lee, William Joseph May, Mary Essie Myers.

George Harlan Needham, Byrdelle Nicholas, Sara Owen, Dorothy Ray Pegram, Martha Mason Pleasants, Worth Burton Royals, Betty Baxter Sechrest, Stokes Jerome Smith, Rachel Louise Spainhour, Willis Albert Tarver, Agnes Vernon Tucker, Carben Geraldine Vernon, Regina Frost Warner.

Twenty-three received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration:

Nancy Jane Austin, Bruce H. Carraway, Jr., Anne Garland Chappell, Robert Franklin Clifton, Samuel Lewis Coble, Helen Virginia Crowder, Albert Gray Earle, Delbert Franklin Everhart, John Walter Farlow, Adam Lee Gibson, Jr., Nellie Gray Kittrell, Charles Burke Koontz, Terence John Moran, James Thomas Moore, Celeste Payne, Jeanne Blair Rankin, Robert Clifton Snider, Cleo Templeton, Claude Allen Watts, Jr., Emma Harris Whitaker, Lilly Lynch Whitaker, Boyce Wynn.

Two received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering: Garland Cecil Ellis and Henry Hobart Hubble, Jr.

Five received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics. They were: Miriam Ella Hoggard, Fuchsia, Lucille Johnson, Mary Virginia Mitchell, Cleo Dixon Pinnix, Lucy Neal Thayer.

The following will receive degrees at the end of the summer: Grady Blaine Baxter, Roy Delbert Byrum, Huldah Marie Chilton, Robert Marvin Dimmette, June Hogan Galloway, Mabel Myra Warlick.

Magna Cum Laude

Those graduating magna cum laude were: Mary Lucille Craven, David Horace Hiles, Jack Daniel Lee, Celeste Payne. Those graduating cum laude were: Ruth Evelyn Atkins, Evelyn Davis, James Marse Grant, Doris Wilma Holmes, Fuschia Lucille Johnson, Pauline Bland Kennett, Charles Burke Koontz, Byrdelle Nicholas, and Cleo Templeton.

Awards went to the following Miss Helen Crowder, best all around girl; Marse Grant ,best all around boy; Grace Bivins, music; Doris Holmes, essay; Victor Harbee, oration.

Degrees were also conferred on M. T. Smathers of Asheville, superintendent of the Asheville district, who received the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and on H. E. Spence of the Duke School of Religion, who received the degree, Doctor of Literature.

AT THE MARION DISTRICT CONFERENCE

We reached the Marion district conference at Pleasant Grove church, once a big country church but now a suburban church of Forest City, in the midst of the feast that the big assembly was enjoying under the spreading oaks in the church yard. The morning hours had been spent at the Gastonia conference, which caused us to miss the morning session at Pleasant Grove. But Brother J. L. Ingram, the secretary, has furnished a full report of the day's business which appears elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate. Look it up.

The afternoon session was unusually good. Far better than most afternoon sessions. We were especially impressed with the speeches of R. W. Twitty of Marion, and Chas. Ervin of Forest City. These young business men showed an intelligent interest in the problems of these present days and put due emphasis upon the church and the Christian religion in the solution of these urgent problems. It is gratifying to see such men taking an active interest in the work of their church.

Dr. J. C. Cornett, the district superintendent, was in his usual jovial mood and he had instilled it into the entire conference. That afternoon session merited the best that can be said about afternoon sessions and we heard that the morning session was "tops."

What a beautiful church is Pleasant Grove since the improvements were made when R. G. Tuttle was pastor. It was about the same time that they erected the educational building as a memorial to Guy B. Howard, the great lay leader of the district who passed away in his early life. That building is not the largest but it is the most attractive church educational building that we know anything about. It is a fine tribute to the building genius of R. G. Tuttle who led in the work.

METHODISTS BUY CHURCH BUILDING AT HAZELWOOD

The Methodist church of Hazelwood has purchased the old Presbyterian church building there, it was announced Wednesday. The deal was made by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, superintendent of the Waynesville district of the Western North Carolina conference.

About a year ago Hazelwood Methodists organized with only a few members. Since then the membership has grown to 60, with a church school of the same number. They have been paying rent for the old building. Soon the church will be repainted, inside and out, better seats will be provided, and other improvements added, Mr. Hutchins said.

Services are held every Sunday morning and evening: Rev. Dr. J. A. Baylor of Lake Junaluska, preaches there every Sunday morning and Rev. Odell Brown occupies the pulpit every Sunday night.—Asheville Citizen.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT HAYESVILLE

The second district conference of the Methodist church met in Hayesville May 13 at 9:30 o'clock. Dr. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, called the conference to order, and gave a brief devotional address. A secretary was elected and the roll was called.

The ministers sent in their reports a week previous. These had been tabulated and mimeographed and were placed, along with the conference program, in the hands of the conference. The chairman called for verbal reports from each minister in regard to additional items not previously reported.

The reports on evangelism, Christian education, missions, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, young people's union work, stewardship, laymen's work, children's work and the American Bible Society were well received by the conference.

At the noon hour the conference retired to the grove in the church yard and gathered about a long table loaded down with the best of good food, and this along with the appointments of the beautiful stone church, recently completed, called attention to the thoughtfulness and hospitality of Rev. A. J. Clemmer, pastor, and this splendid congregation.

In the afternoon Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, in charge of children's work in the district, presented the children of the Hayesville charge in a very interesting program on "Character Building."

Mr. J. R. Long, district lay leader, had charge of the layman's hour. He spoke enthusiastically about the work of the laymen. Mr. Long presented Mr. Homer Henry, who spoke on stewardship.

Mrs. E. L. McKee made a brief address on the Brotherhood. Eighteen laymen and lay women joined the Brotherhood at the close of Mrs. McKee's address.

The findings committee, Rev. A. P. Ratledge, chairman, reported that salaries and World Service were in excess of the report of last year. The accessions on profession of faith and by certificate show an increase over that of last year.

Members of the Hayesville church, whose voluntary labor amounted to $2400, under the leadership of Rev. A. J. Clemmer, pastor, were called to the front and presented to the district conference. They were given the hand of approval by the members of the conference.

The conference adjourned to meet in the First Methodist church, Waynesville, in 1942.

The church was filled to capacity and a public address system which had been installed previously by our host enabled the overflow crowd in the basement and on the lawn to hear the proceedings of the conference.

C. D. Brown, Sec.

PFEIFFER COLLEGE CONTINUES TO BUILD

A quarter of a million dollars will go this year into additional buildings at Pfeiffer Junior College near Albemarle, N. C.

These new buildings are gifts of Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City, whose benefactions to the college, along with those of her late husband, now total approximately $1,000,000.

The four buildings to be erected are: (1) Chapel building, which will contain large auditorium, Sunday school rooms, and music department. This building will be on the east end of the campus, facing highway No. 52, just below the president's home. (2) Boys' dormitory with room for 60 boys; this building will be situated on the present site of Gowell cottage, which will be moved from that site. (3) A vocational building, designed for teaching various trades. This building will be erected back of the administration building. (4) A practice home where girls will receive practical training in housekeeping, living within a family budget. This home will be operated under the supervision of an especially trained staff member. This building will be located probably back of Goode hall.

In addition to the four buildings the following improvements will be made at the college: Paving of campus drives, top soiling of front campus, and a water tower with 60,000 gallon capacity, and extension of water mains to insure adequate fire protection for the college.

Dr. W. S. Sharpe, president of the college, states that the contract was awarded to the Wagoner firm without calling for bids, in order to prevent delay in starting construction. He added that orders for some of the materials are already being placed, and he expects actual constuction to be started by July 1.

I AM AN AMERICAN

Have we come so far, done so much, suffered so much, hoped so much—and does it mean nothing? Is this New World to become an Old World? Were the brave words and the braver deeds in vain? Shall men stand straight and proud, manful and just, courageous and tender, building and sharing, on but one continent and for but a little time?

I am an American. I say, no!

On this continent, in God's good time, was brought forth "a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." What was proved three centuries ago, a century and a half ago, three-quarters of a century ago, is not the less true now.

Freedom is not a lie. The brotherhood of man is not a lie. The kindly help given by neighbor to neighbor does not rest on a lie. "These truths we hold to be self-evident." Challenged, they are none the less true.

I am an American. I cannot let the challenge drop. I cannot say, I am not as other men and their tribulations do not concern me. I cannot say, I am free—let others be slaves for all of me.

I am an American and the inheritor of this continent. But the deed of gift was not handed to me without a codicil. There are stipulations and conditions. What was won in pain must be kept by courage. What was won in pain may have to be defended in pain. What was achieved cannot be enjoyed without new achievement.

I cannot rest upon my memories. I shall make new and proud memories for my children. I shall say to tyrants, as they said, "Stand aside!" Over vast prairies, beyond loftier mountains than my pioneer fathers crossed, I see a new vision: all who struggle anywhere for liberty are my countrymen, and no spot where blood has been shed for conscience sake is foreign ground to me.

After the years, the centuries, I begin to know what it means to be an American.—New York Times Magazine.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PRAY FOR THE SOUL

Pray for my soul. More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands or prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friends?
For so the whole round of earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God. —Tennyson.

MISSION STUDY AT CHINA GROVE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church at China Grove was most fortunate to have Miss Mabel Cherry, returned missionary from Korea, to teach its mission study.

"Dangerous Opportunities" was the text book used and the dates of the meeting were April 22 and 23. About 50 of the women took advantage of this opportunity and attended the meetings. An intermission was given each evening, at which time punch and wafers were served, giving each one the chance to meet Miss Cherry and to know her personally.—Mrs. S. A. Shinn.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT AT WEAVERVILLE

Approximately 100 representatives of ten of the 14 churches comprising zone No. 4 of the Asheville district, met at Weaverville Methodist church Tuesday morning, May 20, for a spiritual life retreat led by Mrs. F. O. Dryman, spiritual life leader of the zone.

An organ prelude by Mrs. Robert Reagan, church organist, opened the meeting and was followed by special music by Mrs. Ward Dabney and Mrs. M. F. Coffee and several minutes of religious music on the organ.

Mrs. John Wright gave the opening devotional in a most impressive talk on "The fine Art of Living." The communion service was in charge of Rev. F. O. Dryman, pastor of the Weaverville church, assisted by Rev. J. Max Brandon of the Weaverville circuit.

During the noon hour lunch was served in the recreation room of the church. The afternon session opened with announcements by Mrs. Vernon Hall, zone chairman, and a welcome to the guests by the president of the Weaverville society. Two devotional messages were given in the afternoon by Mrs. Vernon Hall, who spoke on "The Pause That Refreshes," suggesting the early morning as the ideal time for spiritual refreshing through prayer and communion with God. The second devotional was by Mrs. F. A. Walton, district spiritual life leader, who had for her theme: "Where Is Our Witness?" stating in part that "Jesus' mission on earth was to reveal the Father and our mission cannot possibly be different from his. In our business, our work, in the circles in which we move, in our homes eyes are looking at us to see our revelation of the Father." An original poem by Mrs. Coffee was read followed by "The Rosary" as an organ meditation. Mrs. Fred Dryman concluded the program with an inspirational talk stressing patience and understanding as two virtues to be cultivated daily. Rev. A. F. Phibbs of the Leicester-Grace church offered a fervent prayer closing with the benediction.

TO SECRETARIES OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION

My Dear Friends:

I just want to remind you again of our training course which will be held at Duke University June 2-7, during the pastors' school. The course will be taught by Mrs. W. G. Cram, who will demonstrate methods of conducting the class in the local society and use the topic "Christianity and World Order," which is the topic of our new fall study. As many of our ministers attend the pastors' school, you might be able to "catch a ride" with them. Your total expense for the five days (including registration, room and meals) will be about $5. I urge every secretary of missionary education to go to Duke if she possibly can. To spend a few days on the beautiful Duke campus and hear the wonderful program for the pastors' school is well worth your money and time, and then the training for your own work also makes it a great opportunity.

Write me for a bulletin or write directly to Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke Station, Durham, N. C.

I will be looking for you!

Mrs. J. W. Payne.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The first annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Statesville district, W. N. C. Conference, was held at First church, Hickory, May 8, 1941. The all day meeting was the best in point of attendance the district has ever had, well over 200 delegates and visitors from all over the district being present.

Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, called the meeting to order and presented Mrs. Homer Keever, vice president, who presided. Rev. W. A. Rollins conducted the devotional service. A hearty welcome was extended the groups by Mrs. A. M. West of Hickory and Mrs. H. Ross Bunch of Statesville responded.

Among the speakers were Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent; Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, who gave a fine talk on this part of the work; Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil, who brought a message from that field; Miss Mabel Cherry of Newton, member of the faculty of Brevard College and a returned missionary from Korea, who conducted the afternoon devotional, using at this time a colored quartet from Newton, who sang most inspiring spirituals; Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, conference secretary of children's work; Mrs. J. W. Harbison of Shelby, conference secretary of supplies.

Four new district officers were elected at the morning session. They are Mrs. W. H. Myers of Lenoir, president; Mrs. W. W. Washam of Cornelius, secretary of missionary education and service; Mrs. G. E. Hayes of Hudson, secretary of young women and girls' work; Mrs. George Greer of Lenoir, secretary of children's work; Mrs. Earl Kunkle of Statesville, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild. These new officers, elected late in the morning, were introduced by Mrs. Goode at the afternoon session and Mrs. Myers, the newly elected president, presided over the afternoon session.

The pledge service was lovely and impressive and participated in by representatives from each society present. White candles were used in the front of the church, and Mrs. Goode, holding a silver bowl, received the pledges. This service was conducted by Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, conference corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Goode was elected delegate to the assembly which meets in St. Louis in December.

There was discussion of the adoption of a district project, this finally being left to a committee.

A delicious luncheon was served by the ladies of the church.

An invitation was accepted to meet with Newton in 1942.

MISSION STUDY ON SHEPHERD'S CHARGE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service in each of the four churches on the Shepherd's charge: McKendree Chapel, Rocky Mount, Vanderburg and Wesley Chapel, have completed the home mission study, "Uprooted Americans," and each society has met the requirements for earning jurisdictional credit. The attendance in each class has been good, ranging from about 80 to 88 per cent. We are proud of this record, for this is a rural charge and the women enrolled live several miles apart in many cases. The distance between the homes of two members in one class who made perfect attendance was more than 12 miles. (Furthermore, there still seems to be no labor law restricting the hours for work for farm women).

In addition to the study, "Uprooted Americans," Vanderburg has completed the Bible study, and also "Dangerous Opportunity," having earned jurisdictional credit on the foreign study. The other three societies have begun their study, "Jesus and Social Redemption," and we expect to take the foreign study.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

After the letter to leaders of spiritual life groups was printed, May 23, the following information came in a letter from Miss Daisy Davies, chairman of spiritual life in our jurisdiction:

"A few days ago the women in charge of the spiritual life work in the six jurisdictions met with Mrs. Alexder in Nashville. We had two busy days and nights in fine fellowship and interesting discussions concerning the work committed to us.

"Formal report blanks are not to be issued but at regular stated times, by informal letters, reports of the work are to be given by each auxiliary leader to the district leader of spiritual life. The district leader makes informal report to the conference leader and she, in turn, to the jurisdiction leader. I am to give news of the work to Mrs. Alexander each quarter and so must get the reports from conferences. They need not be lengthy, but some statement as to the growth in numbers, in understanding, in effectiveness and in definite activities.

In your next report to me I should like to know what literature is being used in the groups for study and discussion—whether definite selections from the Bible or some devotional book. Secure names of books in use. How often do the groups meet?"

Reader: Will you please clip this item from headquarters and see that the chairman of your group gets it. It will be a great favor. The next quarterly letter will not be sent out until the third quarter.

Elizabeth Lamb, Conf. Chm.
Spiritual Life.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

The annual spiritual life retreat for the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held at Louisburg College on June 10-11. This event is one which should be shared by many women throughout the conference. Miss Elizabeth Lamb will be in charge; Mrs. Chadwick and other conference officers will be present. Those attending are asked to take bed linens, towels, wash cloths.

STUDENTS AND SUMMER SCHOOL

In the event that any of the readers of the N. C. conference woman's page know of Methodist boys and girls who are planning to attend summer school at East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville, this year, those readers can render a very worth while service by sending the names to Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, Methodist Student Center, Greenville, N. C. Having this list in advance will enable Miss Tittsworth to meet the students as soon as they arrive on the campus. Miss Tittsworth is wielding an untold and unbounded influence on the Methodist students at E. C. T. C. and they are the richer for having her to direct the activities at the student center.

MISSION STUDY CLASS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Goshen Methodist church on the Faison circuit has recently completed its mission and Bible study classes. The Bible study was "Songs in the Night," and was conducted by Mrs. Brantley Sutton. The class was held in the home of Mrs. P. T. Long with 12 members present. The spring mission study was held at the home of Mrs. O. W. Darden with Mrs. Claude Sutton hostess. Mrs. P. T. Long led the discussions of "Dangerous Opportunities." She was assisted by Mrs. O. W. Darden, Mrs. I. R. Daughtry, Mrs. Brantley Sutton and Mrs. Ira Sutton. Approximately 25 members were present. A turkey dinner was served by the hostesses. Rev. J. W. Lineberger, pastor Goshen church, conducted a study class, using "Methodism's World Missions." Assisting Mr. Lineberger were Mrs. Long and Mrs. H. J. Faison. This study was well attended, the classes held prior having served as a stimulant for more mission study.—Mrs. Ira Sutton.

DISTRICT MEETING AT MT. OLIVE

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the New Bern district met in the Methodist church in Mt. Olive on May 9. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, presided. The morning session included a worship service conducted by Rev. R. G. Dawson; a sermon by Rev. J. A. Russell; greetings by Mrs. H. M. Cox; response by Mrs. Darden Eure. There were messages by Mrs. Gertie Matthews; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president; Miss Ida Hankins and Miss Bessie Oliver, missionaries to Korea; Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial worker at East Laurinburg; Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at E. C. T. C., Greenville. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president fo the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S., brought the noon day message. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary spiritual life groups, led the afternoon worship. The feature address of the afternoon was made by Major Leon M. Hall, chaplain at Fort Bragg. Major Hall was introduced by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, who also discussed the work of that department. Other departmental secretaries speaking were: Mrs. B. F. Boone, missionary education and service; Miss Mary Gardner, publications; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Wesleyan Service Guild. Mrs. R. L. Cox talked of the school of missions at Lake Junaluska. Zone leaders reporting were: Mrs. Joel H. Davis, Carteret zone; Mrs. W. P. Moore, Central zone; Mrs. Marvin Aldridge, Tri-County, and Mrs. J. B. Chase, Wayne. Elizabeth Ann Ricks was presented a baby life membership certificate, gift of her grandmother, Mrs. Edgar Ricks, and Norma Stuart Patten was presented a baby life membership, gift of his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Patten. The presentations were made by Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer. Among the visitors recognized other than those on the program were Mrs. Gurney Hood, conference secretary; Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary; Mrs. Fred Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary; Mrs. R. H. Broome, conference secretary literature; Mrs. G. Y. Jones, former Fayetteville district secretary; Dr. and Mrs. Walter Patten, Mrs. Patten, a former conference recording secretary. Lunch was served in the municipal gymnasium by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

ALCOHOL, OTHER NARCOTICS

The narcotic evil is perhaps the greatest problem confronting Christians, therefore we must be able to fight these evils at all times. To fight them most effectively we must begin in our homes by practicing total abstinence. Mothers, see to it that no alcoholic beverages are served in your homes. Some may be too weak to resist that ever growing appetite for alcohol. If possible create in your community a public sentiment against serving any kind of alcoholic beverages at social functions. Make them community conscious of the destruction of the finer impulses in social progress. Young people should be taught early in life the evil effects of alcohol and other nacotics. Socially, the alcohol evil is much more extensive than is generally realized. It decreases efficiency in industry; is responsible for much sickness and want; it diverts the expenditure of billions of dollars from essentials to a vice; it is a prolific cause of accidents; and is a causitive factor in at least one-half of all crime in our country. We realize that in many instances the great evil, the love of money, rather than the building of character has been so strong that truth has been sacrificed. We should keep informed concerning our law making bodies and support our representatives and congressmen in the enactment and enforcement of laws relative to the sale and traffic of narcotics. All our efforts must be undergirded with prayer. We have the promise that the prayers of the righteous availeth much.—Mrs. J. G. White, Tyner, N. C.

MRS. CHADWICK'S SISTER ILL

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, has been called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Tom Newbold of Rocky Mount, who underwent a major operation at Duke Hospital on May 21, and who, at the time of this writing is seriously ill. We are hopeful that by the time this item is published and read much improvement in her condition will have been made and that she will be well on the road to recovery. We shall remember with our prayers Mrs. Newbold, as she lies on her bed of affliction; the doctors and nurses as they skillfully watch and care for her and Mrs. Chadwick as she awaits the unfolding of the Father's will.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

IN APPRECIATION

In the midst of anxiety relative to our financial affairs it ought to be stated that our Methodist people are doing well by the Children's Home this year. In addition to giving very liberally to the extra missionary appeal on Compassion Day and complying with the intensified effort for balancing the half year's budget for World Service, our friends have done well for their Children's Home family. The record shows that our total income to date is in excess of that received to this date last year. However, it must be borne in mind that the receipts this year include the contributions from former Methodist Protestant congregations, which were not forwarded to us last year, they having been forwarded to the High Point Children's Home. At any rate we have much cause for grateful thanks to our people.

A GOOD OFFERING

Total receipts thus far tabulated from the March fifth Sunday offering indicate that we have received a little over $4,000 ,the largest fifth Sunday offering registered in a number of years. The emphasis placed upon the monthly fourth Sunday World Service offerings have tended to stimulate rather than diminish the Children's Home quarterly fifth Sunday offerings. In the run of time we hope that as many church schools will contribute to the Children's Home on fifth Sundays as contribute to the World Service program on the fourth Sundays.

SUPPORT FOR THE HOME

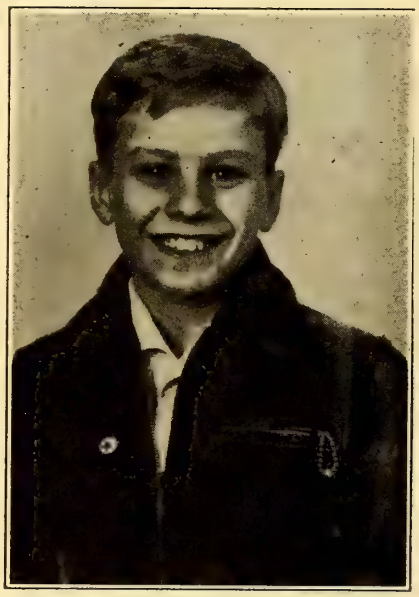
Our friends will recall that when the Children's Home was first established it was thought that the Sunday schools would provide sufficient money to sustain it. After the first year it was found that more money would be needed than could be thus raised. A ten per cent assessment was then ordered by our annnual conference to be placed on each pastoral charge, meaning that an amount equal to ten per cent of the pastor's salary for the current year be assessed against the charge for the Children's Home. This assessment, now called an apportionment, has gradually increased in proportion as the years have come and gone. The increase has been particularly notable during the past decade. Only a comparatively few charges now fail to pay this apportionment in full.

A NEW CHALLENGE

The merging of Methodism brought an increased challenge upon our people because of the increased number of children, this increase being larger than the increased contributing constituency. The lowering of our endowment income has also added to this challenge. It is now evident that increased contributions must come from our congregations or a decreased number of children must be served by them. The present income will not provide for the present number of children.

A GRADED SYSTEM

If our people through their official channels were willing to assume a new apportionment we could provide for the present number of children being served by the Children's Home without hurting anybody's financial feelings. It is thought that apportionments on charges may well be graded in such a way as to provide for larger contributions from those charges better able to pay as follows, these apportionments to include fifth Sunday offerings and special congregational contributions:



We missed Ray at Sunday school today

Charges apportioning less than $1,000 for pastoral support, 10%.

Charges apportioning $1,000 to $1,500 for pastoral support, 12%.

Charges apportioning $1,500 to $2,500 for pastoral support, 15%.

Charges apportioning $2,500 to $3,500 for pastoral support, 18%.

Charges apportioning $3,500 to $4,500 for pastoral support, 21%.

Charges apportioning $4,500 or more for pastoral support, 25%.

This or some similar system would increase our present income about $15,000 above that now received.

COMPARATIVE GIVING

A study of the contributions from Baptist congregations to their orphanage and from Presbyterian congregations to their orphanage indicates that the larger congregations in these two denominations serving the Lord in the same area as ours contribute a larger proportion of contributions to their child caring institutions than do their smaller congregations, and for that matter, much larger contributions to their orphanages than do our Methodist congregations contribute to their Children's Home. It stands to reason that the larger congregations, which abound in more wealth and provide for more leadership, could do more than a proportional increase, that is in the event they would so desire. As the matter now stands our larger congregations through their ten per cent apportionment and fifth Sunday offerings are contributing a larger proportion than do the smaller ones. A graded proportional increase which would include fifth Sunday offerings and specials within the charge apportioment would serve to consolidate interest and allocate responsibility.

ONLY TENTATIVE

The proposed change in charge apportionment has not been presented to anyone for official passage. It is thrown out for such consideration as may be given it. Neither our board of trustees nor the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance have in any way committed themselves to any apportionment different from that which we now have. The fact that some additional money must be found has caused a tentative presentment for face value consideration.

HE HAS MUMPS

During the winter months and the early spring we tried in every possible way to safeguard our children from mumps, a case having come to us by the admittance of some new children. Some success attended these efforts, but at last the mumps has come in full force and we have about decided to let it run its course, now that school is closing and the children will not be penalized with their studies. Ray Greene, an interesting chap, whose picture is herewith presented, is one of the latest little youngsters to go to bed with mumps. His face is plumb full, mumps having filled it out on both sides, though one side a little more than the other. This lad usually carries a smile, but it is a little more difficult for his face to show the laughter wrinkles than formerly. Ray is nearly ten years old and is being promoted to the fourth grade. He is sponsored by the Wesley Fellowship Class of Spray.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

The ten per cent apportionment bell continues to ring with joyful musical tones. Each ringing celebrates the good work of a congregation and brings assurance of a reasonable portion of security to the Children's Home family. Join us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having pulled the bell cord:

Salem and Mount Carmel, Reidsville circuit, Rev. T. V. Crouse.

Salem, Lowesville circuit, Rev. J. A. Howell.

First church, Mocksville, Rev. E. M. Avett.

Salem and Center, Davie circuit, Rev. G. W. Fink.

Avery circuit, Rev. J. L. McGalliard.

Draper, Rev. Paul R. Rayle.

Mt. Pleasant, Rural Hall circuit, Rev. I. L. Sharpe.

Woodleaf, Woodleaf circuit, Rev. G. W. Williams.

Woodleaf circuit, composed of Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel and South River congregations, has paid in full the Children's Home quota.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

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HAY—"Make hay while the sun shines" was literally practiced recently at the Methodist Orphanage. During the long, dry spell we took advantage of the weather and saved 85,000 pounds of good hay.

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PLANS PERFECTED—It is highly gratifying to me that plans have been perfected for our 20 boys and girls who will graduate on the night of June 4. Several members of the group will take business courses or go in training to become nurses. All the other members of the class have jobs awaiting them upon their graduation. Before we began to provide vocational training and had loan funds, we found it very difficult to get jobs for our boys and girls. Now it is a different story altogether, for which I am profoundly thankful.

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A CHALLENGING OPPORTUNITY—The Societies of Christian Service are giving us their enthuiastic co-operation in raising fifteen hundred dollars to put our large dining room in ship-shape. The Baptists of Alabama, during the the last ten years, have raised more than forty thousand dollars in cash from Octagon soap coupons alone. This sounds so fantastic that it is hard for some to believe that such a large sum could be raised from such a source. The figures are not fantastic, but authentic. I am sure that the good women of our conference can easily raise fifteen hundred dollars during the summer and early fall by collecting Octagon soap coupons through the churches of the conference. If everybody will get busy we can reach this desired goal within a few months.

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A RED LETTER DAY—On the fifth Sunday in June we are expecting three or four thousand visitors at the Methodist Orphanage. Elaborate preparation is being made at the Orphanage for that red letter day in our Orphanage history. I am expecting seven or eight representative members from every local church within the bounds of the North Carolina conference. A few outstanding speakers will address the large gathering out on the Orphanage campus. Everybody is requested to bring a basket dinner. Visitors, children and officers will eat together in the grove on the campus. I wish to urge all the local churches to send at least six or eight delegates to join our children in a big Orphanage celebration. Any pastors who do not have appointments on the fifth Sunday are most cordially invited to be with us also. I want to request every pastor in the conference to co-operate with me in making the day the greatest in the history of the Orphanage.

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BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS — Following a long established custom, I had the privilege last Sunday of addressing our outgoing senior class. It was more like speaking to my own children than to a graduating class. I gave them the best I had, however poor that might have been. It was a very sacred hour to me, and I believe it was equally as much so to our 20 graduates. It is an occasion of great rejoicing to send out a group of trained, refined, Christian young men and women to take their places of responsibility in the communities where they live. It is also an occasion of solcitude when they go out to face life in a day like this, when the world is in a state of turmoil and uncertainty. Having implanted in the hearts of these young people principles of our holy religion, we have every reason to believe that they will weather the storms they may encounter and achieve success of a high order. Our prayers will follow them wherever they may make their homes.

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SINGING CLASS—For the past nine months the singing class has been idle, due to the sickness of Mrs. Nellie B. Rives. Sunday a week ago Mrs. Rives had the class out for the first time since last August. The group reports a very enjoyable day with Brother Ellerbe at Camp Springs church on the Burlington circuit. After the fourteenth of June Mrs. Rives and the class will be out practically every Sunday till the middle of August. I had hoped for the class to have week-day engagements during the summer, but such engagements would be too strenuous for Mrs. Rives until she thoroughly recovers. Since we have only limited space in the Advocate, it will be impossible for Mrs. Rives to write at length about her singing class visits. I am sure that the churches in which the class gives sacred concerts will be glad to pay the traveling expenses of the class. Brother Ellerbe has set a good example, which I am sure others will be glad to follow—that of paying the traveling expenses of the singing class to the various churches.

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CHILDREN'S DIVISION

First Vacation School Reports Are In!

Rev. J. C. Reichard sent the first vacation school report for 1941. This school was held at Troutman, and there were 78 children enrolled for the two weeks, May 5-19. Six of the seven workers were regular teachers in the church school. We rejoice in this good work.

Rev. J. O. Banks followed closely—his report arrived the next day. Forty-three children were enrolled in the school at New Salem church, with all six workers regular teachers in the church school. We look forward to hearing about the other schools for this charge.

Rev. B. A. Sisk sent two reports, which included his entire charge. One of these schools had 75 children enrolled, with ten workers, and the other had 93 children, with nine workers. Several of the workers in each school were regular church school teachers. Workers' meetings and good planning insured excellent work. Mr. Sisk says that 13 children are entering into church membership.

It is good to know of these vacation schools. Please let us have the report of yours just as soon as it is over. For report blanks, return the card requesting vacation school materials which was sent you some time ago. Be sure to check the helps you want.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLAN FOR A VACATION SCHOOL! DO NOT LET YOUR CHILDREN MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY. Send card requesting suggestions to Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Members of the conference staff from Salisbury have had the privilege of being in attendance at most of the district conferences. We have had most cordial receptions at these meetings, and we are grateful to district superintendents, pastors and the fine laymen who received and entertained us. All indications are that large numbers have been received into the church, that church finance is up to date ,and that constructive plans are under way for the rest of the conference year.

WORLD SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

World Service in the church school is proving to be an excellent opportunity for promoting and paying on the benevolences. The total amount received to date from the church schools is about twice the amount received formerly on the fourth Sunday. Church School Rally Day, however, is not being observed as generally or as generously as it should be. This is the one opportunity of the year that each superintendent has a chance to lead his people in giving to the support of Christian education. Programs are still available for any group desiring them. The following reports have been received by Mr. Dunham during the past two weeks, up to May 21:

Asheville District

Dana	$ .70
Hendersonville	20.00

Charlotte District

Ansonville	3.00
Chadwick	5.00
Duncan Memorial	3.26
First, Charlotte	122.38
Myers Park	39.00
Spencer Memorial	5.00
Harrison Pineville)	10.70
Mineral Springs (Waxhaw)	2.63

Elkin District

Chestnut Grove (Mocksville Ct.)	2.65
Dulin (Mocksville Ct.)	2.00
Union Chapel (Mocksvlile Ct.)	2.50
West Jefferson	3.00

Gastonia District

Kadesh (Belwood)	6.29
Asbury (Boger City)	1.40
Dallas	7.00
East End	4.00
Ebenezer (Lowell)	2.65
South Point (Lowell)	2.46
Polkville	5.00
Sharon (Shelby Ct.)	5.00

Greensboro District

Glenwood	20.00
Newlyn Street	5.00
Mitchell's Grove	5.65
Main Street, Reidsville	12.98

High Point District

St. Paul (Randleman-Union)	4.10
Bethany (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
Gray's Chapel (Randolph-G. Chp.)	1.00
Shiloh (Randolph-G. Chap.)	1.00

Marion District

Oak Grove (Bostic)	3.33
First, Morganton	20.82
Oak Forest	2.40
North Morganton	4.10
Rutherfordton	7.00
Spruce Pine	12.78

Salisbury District

Central, Albemarle	24.00
First St., Albemarle	5.00
Bethany (Albemarle Ct.)	2.50
Porter (Albemarle Ct.)	1.25
Stony Hill (Albemarle Ct.)	2.05
Union Chapel (Albemarle Ct.)	1.34
Ann Street	9.70
Bethel (Friendship)	2.75
New Mt. Tabor (Friendship)	1.25
Jackson Park	2.85
Norwood	10.00
First, Salisbury	8.70
Park Avenue	6.30

Statesville District

Bethlehem (Catawba)	2.85
Concord (Catawba)	2.45
Cool Spring	2.62
New Salem (Cool Spring)	4.00
Providence (Cool Spring)	1.35
West View, Hickory	5.00
Mount Zion	9.00
North Newton	5.00
Vanderburg (Shepherd's)	4.60
Chapel Hill (Statesville Ct.)	1.48
Stony Point	5.68
Taylorsville	3.00
Whitnel	12.00

Waynesville District

Andrews	5.80
Long's Chapel, Junaluska	2.88
Whittier	.65

Winston-Salem District

Erlanger Charge	5.00
Shoals (Pinnacle-Mt. Zion)	2.00
Pl. Hill (Thomasville Ct.)	2.50
Center (Welcome)	7.35

DIRECTOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION First Church, Charlotte

We rejoice with Dr. G. Ray Jordan and the fine people of First church, Charlotte, over the fine progress being made in every phase of the work there. Approximately 200 people have joined the church since conference and attendance is increasing in both the church and church school activities. In response to a long felt need, this church has again employed a full-time director of Christian education. We extend a hearty welcome and best wishes to Miss Helen Gage, as she enters upon her new duties in this great church.

CAMP CARLYLE FOR BOYS June 7-14

Because of the late closing of the schools in some of our larger cities, many intermediate boys are not going to be able to attend camp on the date mentioned above. Since this is the case we are asking any church to register as many boys as can attend. It will still be necessary to restrict registration for girls for June 14-21 to two from each church. Registrations for both camps are being received every day. If boys or girls are coming to camp their registrations should be sent in within the next week.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP CAMP, CARLYLE, JUNE 21-25

For the first time a conference-wide fellowship camp is being held for young adults. This activity is planned for persons 24 years of age and over. The program will be similar to the assemblies for young people. Camp Carlyle will accommodate about 100 people. Persons interested in attending should register at once.

LAKE JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLIES

Seniors and Young People

Our senior assembly will be held June 30 to July 5 for persons 15, 16, and 17 years of age. The young people, ages 18-23, will register for the week of July 7-12. Programs and registration cards for all the summer activities have been sent to pastors. All registrations should be sent to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury. Assembly registrations have been received from the following persons: Jimmie Barringer and Arcus Morris, both of Salisbury.

Advocate Campaign Report

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Durham District

Davis St., Mrs. J. W. Holmes	14
Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt	8
Mt. Hermon Ct. R. L. Hethcox	8
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	7½
Yanceyville, J. V. Early	7
Front St., F. S. Love	6½
Orange, Mrs. R. B. Nichols	5
Graham, J. R. Edwards	3½
Bynum, K. F. Duval	3
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	3
Orange (Hebron), Mrs. H. I. Kinley	3
Webb Ave.-Fountain, C.J.Andrews	2
Calvary, Mrs. A. I. McKay	2
Alamance, G. L. Reynolds	1½
Davis St., Mrs. H. W. Wade	1½
Alamance, Bessie Coble	1
Davis St., F. W. Paschall	1
Person Ct., F. B. Peele	1
Mebane, First, Mrs. D. A. Pender	1
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton	1
Durham Ct., S. J. Starnes	1
Eno, W. J. Neese	1
Orange Ct., Mrs. E. H. Sykes	1
Mt. Tirzah, E. L. Hill	1
Mebane (Central), Mrs.W.S.Dixon	1
Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams	½
Swepsonville, T. B. Hough	½
Hillsboro, S. F. Nicks	½

Elizabeth City District

Manteo, M. W. Maness	8
S. Quarter-Fairfield, E. G. Cowan	2½
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	2
South Mills, W. N. Vaughn	1½
Washington, D. A. Clark	1½
Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick	1½
Winfall, Mrs. J. L. Nixon	1
Columbia, Mrs. A. B. Hopkins	½
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	½
Aulander, J. R. Poe	½
Elizabeth City, Mrs. N. H. O'Neal	½
Kitty Hawk, J. C. Harmon	½
Hatteras, A. J. McClellan	½

Fayetteville District

Sanford, A. P. Brantley	6
Person-Calvary, M. W. Warren	4½
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette	3
Stedamn, I. L. Strawbridge	2
Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore	1½
Hay St., Mrs. J. A. Gathrop	1
Jonesboro, D. L. Fouts	1
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	1
St. John-Gibson, W. F. Keeler	1
Pine Bluff, Wm. A. Parsons	1
Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer	1
Siler City, C. B. Culbreth	½

New Bern District

Marshallberg, L. E. Sawyer	36
Seven Springs, Mrs.W.E. Howard	5
Grifton, E. M. Hall	4
Dover, H. L. Harrill	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	2½
Mt. Olive, R. G. Dawson	2
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.	1½
Kinston, Mrs. John Shute	1
St. Paul, W. A. Cade	1
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	½
Oriental, J. Kern Ormond	½

Raleigh District

Fairmont, E. C. McLamb	15
Henderson, Mrs. W. B. Hight	10
Benson, Mrs. W. O. Rackley	8
Vance, A. M. Smith	4½
Moncure, O. W. Mathison	3
Edenton St., Mrs. Jas. M. Godwin	2
Four Oaks, J. T. Green	1½
Knightdale, M. M. Walters	1
Tar River, J. A. Martin	1
Erwin, I. S. Richmond	1
Louisburg, P. D. Woodall	½

Rocky Mount District

Tarboro, E. C. Durham	6
Bethel, J. G. Phillips	5½
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2
Middleburg, T. W. Lee	2
Conway, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson	1½
Marvin, Mrs. Wm. Towe	1½
Robersonville, Daniel C. Boone	1½
Kenly, G. B. Starling	1
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Conway, J. L. Smith	1
Warren, E. R. Shuller	1
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall	½
Littleton, H. L. Davis	½

Wilmington District

Whiteville, L. V. Harris	11
St. Paul, Chas. A. Jones	7
Fifth Ave., C. D. Barclift	4
Grace, J. F. Herbert	3
Lumberton, E. B. Fisher	2
Lumberton Ct., M. D. McLamb	2
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. T. Thrift	1½
Southport, R. S. Harrison	1
Maysville, H. L. Harris	1
Fairmont, Mrs. C. A. Floyd	1
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Wesley Mem., W. A. Tew	1
Epworth, C. N. Phillips	1
Bladen, R. L. Vickery	½

W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Asheville District

Central, F. M. Weaver, Sr.	8
Merrimon, N. G. Bethea	1½
Rosman, J. R. Bowman	1½
Leicester-Bell, K. G. Holt	1½
Hendersonville, Mrs. W. V. Coston	1
Asbury Mem., R. H. Taylor	1
Old Fort, R. E. Ward	1
Pisgah, C. M. White	½

Charlotte District

Marshville, R. C. Kirk	4½
Polkton, J. L. Trollinger	4
Wadesboro, C. P. Bowles	4
Derita, E. O. Cole	2
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	2
First, G. Ray Jordan	1
Morven, P. T. Dixon	1
Spencer Mem., C. E. Murray	1
Matthews, Mrs. E. W. Russell	½
Brevard St., D. V. Howell	½
Waxhaw, N. A. Huffman	½
Central, G. R. Combs	½
New Hope-Bethel, T. G. Highfill	½

Elkin District

N. Wilkesboro, Mrs. W. C. Huss	6
Cooleemee, F. J. Stough	5
Bryant Mem., T. W. Bryant	2
Advance, P. L. Smith	1
Wilkesboro, Jas. C. Stokes	½
Mocksville, W. C. Sides, Jr.	½

Gastonia District

Lincolnton, L. D. Thompson	14
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	12
Rock Springs, A. W. Lynch	8½
Fallston, G. W. Clay	6
Dallas, J. G. Wilkinson	5
Bessemer City, H. M. Robinson	3
Stanley, A. L. Rayle	2
South Fork, R. G. McClamrock	1
Mt. Holly, W. O. Goode	1
Bradley Mem., P. W. Tucker	1
Cleveland (Kistlers Union), Mrs. Max Grigg	1
Kings Mt. (Grace), Mrs. S. F. McIntyre	1
Mt. Holly, Mrs. Ernest S. Black	½
Belwood, J. M. Morgan	½

Greensboro District

Newlyn-Lee's Chapel, A.L.Latham	6½
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	5½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., R. P. Gibbs	5
Danbury, J. L. Love	5
Moriah, J. F. Cagle	3
Bessemer, Mrs. H. M. Laughlin	2½
Glenwood, R. M. Hardee	2
Haw River, C. W. Bates	1½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	1½
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	1½
Ruffin, J. W. Fowler	1
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
West End, R. M. Andrews	1
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick	1
Madison, O. J. Jones	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	½

High Point District

Ward St., J. E. McSwain	26
Ramseur-Franklinville— J. E. Pritchard	13
S. Main, Mrs. Maie Dennis	9
Randleman-Union, I. L. Roberts	6
Farmer, J. O. Ervin	6
Randleman Ct., J. R. Anderson	5½
Asheboro, Mrs. L. C. Phillips	5½
Richland (Browers)— Mrs. Delbert Ragsdale	5
Richland, C. L. Grant	4½
S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington	3
Randolph-Gray's Chpl, H. L. Isley	2½
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge	2½
Rankin Mem., Edw. Suits	2½
Lebanon, O. L. Easter	2
Shiloh, T. G. Madison	2
Why Not, C. H. Hill	2
Asheboro, Mrs. W. F. Redding	2
Liberty, Geo. R. Brown	1½
Stagrove, Mrs. C. H. Russell	1½
Linwood, O. E. Croy	½
Archdale, G. E. White	½

Marion District

Valdese, O. B. Mitchell	2½
Forest City, W. A. Johnson	2
Table Rock, V. P. Crowder	2
Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards	2
Spruce Pine, M. T. Hipps	1
Bakersville, R. C. Nimon	1
Old Fort, R. E. Ward	1
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	1
N. Forest, G. F. Hood	1
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Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 1

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By Rollin H. Walker

Broadening Christian Horizons: The Antioch Movement

Acts 11:1930

The persecution following the stoning of Stephen was turned into a means of spreading the gospel. The chief priests and elders who instigated the stoning were made by a kind of divine irony into a board of foreign missions, and the Scripture was fulfilled, He that sitteth in the heavens will laugh (Psalm 2).

Certain of the refugees went as far as the great city of Antioch, and, breaking over their race prejudice and Jewish scruples, preached the gospel to the Greeks. God showed his favor upon the new departure by giving them a landslide of converts. The news of this remarkable movement came to the church at Jerusalem, and they were wise enough immediately to send Barnabas to look into the matter.

Of course these new converts from heathenism would do and say things that were objectionable. An alleged revival that is accompanied by no improprieties is often nothing more than a manicuring of the saints. But in spite of the way some of the new converts must have offended his sense of propriety, Barnabas saw that the movement was plainly of God and he rejoiced in it, for, as Luke says, He was a good man and full of the Holy Spirit and faith. That means he had the gift of seeing ideal possibilities in unideal situations.

The enthusiasm of these new converts was so great that Barnabas feared a reaction. Excitment cannot last forever. Always there comes a time when resolute will power is the only thing that by the grace of God can carry men through. So Barnabas exhorted them all that with purpose of heart they should cleave unto the Lord.

It is likely that the good men whose testimonials lighted the fire of the Antioch revival had only a limited intellectual background and Barnabas saw that the constant reiteration of their testimonies would grow tiresome. The church needed additional leaders with a deeper grasp on the gospel and a wider knowledge of the Scriptures. So he went forth to Tarsus to seek Saul. This again shows his faith. How did he know he could find Saul in the big city? Luke's language suggests that he did not know his address. And how did he know that Saul would come back with him? But his faith was honored. Saul was willing to return with Barnabas. One imagines the strange thrill that came to the lonely young convert when he saw the kindly face and imposing form of Barnabas (Acts 14:12), and learned that he had come all the way to Tarsus just to find him.

It had seemed like an unwise proceeding for Barnabas to leave the big work at Antioch, and go on a wild goose chase to seek a young convert who had possibilities as a preacher. But it was the greatest thing Barnabas ever did. Heaven increase the number of big-hearted leaders who, with a detective's persistence, search out young men with great possibilities!

For a whole year Barnabas and Saul helped to hold matters steady at Antioch ,and to enlarge and strengthen the work. Ere long gaunt famine stalked through the land. At such times Jerusalem on its rocky hills, far from any possibility of irrigation, always got the worst of it, and the Christians would be special sufferers. Jerusalem lived largely on the money paid in by the pilgrims. The inhabitants kept lodging houses and ran lunch stands, and an active and successful campaign would be carried on to persuade the zealous Jewish pilgrims to boycott the heretical followers of Jesus.

The Christians at Antioch knowing these conditions, determined to take up a collection to assist their brethren in Jerusalem. Luke is alert to note this first concerted movement by Christians of one nationality to send an offering to brethren of another race. Barnabas and Saul were especially glad to take this offering to Jerusalem, for it would enable them to soothe the feelings of the stricter Jews among the Christians in the Jerusalem church who were doubtless troubled over what they deemed the laxity of the leaders at Antioch in baptizing Greeks without requiring circumcision or conformity to other Jewish rites and customs. When you are very hungry and a so-called heretic comes with a basket of good food, you are inclined to look with more forbearance on his heresy, and to feel that the man who keeps you from starving is not so bad after all.

Thus we see that from the very beginning Barnabas and Saul were celestial politicians, doing everything they could to keep the exceedingly diverse elements in the church together.

WORTHY MOTHERHOOD

Happy are those boys and girls who are not ashamed to have it said of them that they are tied to their mother's apron strings. They have some pretty solid cables to hold them in the storms of life. Civilization is safe in the hands of such mothers and their children. It is imperiled when children begin to break away from home restraints, to ignore God, treat conventions lightly, and trample underfoot the common virtues of life. Among the world's greatest assest are the boys and girls who come from godly homes, and have the courage to walk in the footsteps of godly parents. Among the world's greatest benefactors are godly mothers. The legacies they leave to mankind are of inestimable value. No other career excels that of successful motherhood.—H. O. Fanning.

No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne; no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown.—William Penn.

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BABETTE'S SURPRISE

By N. B. Wood

Babette was tired and cross. She had made up her mind when she jumped out of bed to be as busy as a bee, and help mother all day. Everything had gone wrong, and instead of mother being pleased with her she had told her to run away and play. So Babette had taken her sunbonnet and her Teddy bear and gone into the woods. She sat on the grass and told all her worries to Teddy, who never scolded.

"Never mind, Babette, said a queer little voice, "go on pushing up."

"Who are you, and where are you?" asked Babette in surprise.

"Here I am. Just a little oak tree now, but by always pushing up I hope to grow to be a big tree, even if it takes years and years. Shall I tell you my story?"

"Oh, please do!" cried Babette.

"Well, the first thing that I can remember about myself was as an acorn. I had a lovely brown, shiny coat, and the nicest little crinkly cap, and I was one of many acrons on a big oak tree. What fun we had playing when the breezes waved the branches to and fro. How nice and fresh we felt after a shower of rain! One day the breeze turned into a gale, the branches were tossed about. My friends fell down thick and fast. For days I was never still, and at last a heavier gust sprang up, and I felt myself falling. Then came a bump that nearly cracked me, and the wind caught me, and sent me rolling and rolling until I thought I would never stop. My poor coat! How rough it got. At last I fell into a little hole ,and there I stayed until one day a little boy no bigger than you, picked me up and said: 'What a big acorn. I will plant it.'

"He dug a hole and covered me up. Oh, I did hate to be in the dark earth. I lay there for so long that I forgot all about the beautiful world above. The earth seemed to get cold and wet, and I felt very uncomfortable. My brown coat that I had worn so long seemed to be getting too small for me, and one day it cracked open. How sad I felt as it dropped off. 'Never mind,' said my little brown coat, 'my work as a coat is done. Now I must strengthen your roots and help you push up to the light.' How can I push my way up through this earth? 'Just try,' said my little brown coat. So I tried, and I could feel myself pushing up and up, and oh, what a long time it seemed. I was beginning to think, What is the use of trying any more, I will never get through. I felt the earth get damp again, and it seemed as if a shower of rain was softening the earth around me. I pushed again and found myself above the ground.

"Oh, how beautiful it was to feel the rain washing my leaves. Presently the sun peeped from behind a cloud, and said, 'Oh, there you are at last. I wondered how long you were going to be! How did you know I was pushing up? 'Know,' laughed the sun, 'why I have been helping you.' How? I never felt you help me. 'Didn't you feel me warm the earth after a shower of rain?' Yes, I did, and thought how nice it felt after the wet, cold rain. 'Yes,' said the sun, 'we have to take the unpleasant with the pleasant or else we will never grow.'

"Each day my leaves grew a little bigger and now you see my branches are growing. I never grumble now because I know whatever happens is best for me. When the sun shines or the rain falls, I feel myself pushing up When the wind blows, I feel my roots taking firmer hold to the earth. When I am grown up I shall be firmly rooted, and the gales cannot blow me over.

"Now, Babette," said the little oak tree, addressing itself directly to the little girl, "you go home and try again. Babette picked up her Teddy and ran home to mother to tell her the oak tree's story.

Mother took her in her arms and said, "We must never give up, dear. It was because I felt like giving up that I was impatient with you. We must start again and help one another."—Storytime.

BUTTON UP YOUR LIPS

If you heard a bit of gossip
Whether false or whether true,
Be it of a friend or stranger,
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely;
Lest the tale you should repeat
Bring sorrow unto some one
Whose life now is none too sweet.

If you see a careless action
That would bring its author woe
If it were constructed unkindly,
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely;
'Tis far better to keep silent
Than to cause a tear or sigh.

If you know of one who yielded
To temptation long ago,
But whose life has since been blameless
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely,
His the secret, God alone
Has the right to sit in judgment.
Treat it as to you unknown.

—Marian Times Standard.

THE DOVES OF THE WIRE

By Isaac Rankin

Just out of reach from my window stretches a wire which carries a heavy current of electricity for light and power. It is carefully insulated at every pole that supports it, and it is carried well out of common reach. If I could lean far enough out to touch it, death would be swifter than the tiger's leap or the serpent's sting—as swift as the lightning stroke.

Yet the doves light on it and take no harm. They fly from my window sill, where I sometimes feed them, to preen and rest upon it in safe content, and then fly off again to their search for food or nesting. The secret is that when they touch the full-powered wire they touch nothing else. They give themselves wholly to it. My danger would be that while I touched the wire I should also be touching the earth through the walls of my house; and the current would turn my body into a channel for escape. But they rest wholly on the wire and experience neither dread nor danger. They are one with it, and they are safe.

So would God have us seek our safety in complete self-surrender to his power and love. It is when we reach one hand to him, while yet we keep fast hold of some forbidden thing with the other, that we are in danger. It is the heart's clasp of earth that ruins prayer. "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will hear me."—The Friend.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

This story is so old that it made the Indians mad when Columbus told it to them.

Teacher: "Give me a sentence containing the following four words—defeat, deduct, defense, and detail."

Pupil: "De feet of de duck goes over de fence before de tail."

* * * *

Teacher—Mabel, who was it that supported the world on his shoulders, according to the ancient myth?

Mabel—It was Atlas.

Teacher—Correct. Now how was Atlas supported?

Mabel—I think he must have married a rich wife.

* * * *

Teacher—How do you account for the phenomenon of dew?

Student—The earth revolves on its axis every twenty-four hours, and, in consequence of the tremendous pace, it perspires freely.—Texas Outlook.

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Teacher—Who discovered America?

Student—Ohio.

Teacher—No, sonny, Columbus.

Student—Aw, that was just his first name.—Washington Star.

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THIRD ROUND

May
Lakewood, 7:30 29

June
Swepsonville, Salem, 11 1
Mebane, Central, 7:30 1
Mebane, First, 7:30 (uniting with Central) 1
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July
Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 30

June
Movock-Pilmoor Memorial, Pilmoor, 11 1
Currituck, Hebron, night 1
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 5 8
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 1
Aberdees, Roseland, 3 1
Parkton, Cotton, 8 1
Rowland, Centenary, 11 8
Maxton, 4 8
Raeford, 8 8
East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 22
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July
Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Atlantic, Roe, 8 31

June
Marshallberg, 11 1
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 1
Newport, Riverdale, 11 8
Straits, Harkers Island, 8 8
Pink Hill, Webbs, 10:30 14
Morehead Ct., 11 15
Beaufort, North River, 3 15
Morehead City, 8 15
Dover, 10:30 17
Jones, Shady Grove, 10:30 18
LaGrange, Institute, 10:30 19
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 10:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 22
Oriental, Kershaw, 10:30 24
Pamlico, Vandermere, 10:30 25
Aurora, Warrens, 10:30 26
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July
Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Goldsboro Ct., Thompsons, 11 6
Mt. Olive, Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 1
Louisburg, 11 8
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 8
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8 11
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Wilson, 11 1
Walstonburg, 3:30 1
Stantonsburg, 8 1
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11..... 1
Southport, 8 1
Wilmington, Grace, 11 8
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 8
Whiteville, 11 15
Pembroke Parrish, Pleasant Grove, 3:30 15
Lumberton, 8 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 29

July
Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June
Burgaw, Herrings, 10:30 10
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 10:30 11
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 10:30 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Pollocksville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July
Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

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June 8, 3 p.m.—Acton, Candler, Pisgah at Acton.
June 15, 3 p.m.—Biltmore, Fairview, Oakley at Oakley.
June 22, 3 p.m.—Barnardsville, Ivy, Weaverville, Weaverville at Salem, Weaverville Ct.
June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.
July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.
July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.
July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.
July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mils River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.
August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Dilworth, 11 1
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 1
Pineville, Pineville, 8 1
Central Avenue, 11 8
Zoar, 3 8
Matthews, 8 8
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 15
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 3 15
Calvary, 8 15
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Marshville, Center, 3 22
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 8 22
Wesley Heights, 8 23
Brevard Street, 8 25
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July
North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Belmont, Park Street, 11 1
Mount Holly, night 1
South Fork, 11 8
Vale, Macedonia, 2:30 8
Lincolnton, First Church, night 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Moriah, 11 1
Bessemer, 7:30 1
Guilford, 11 8
West Greensboro, Muir's, 7:30 8
Glenwood, 7:30 13
Reidsville Ct., 11 14
Summerfield, 11 15
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 7:30 15
Flat Rock, 11 22
Stoneville, 7:30 22
Sandy Ridge, 11 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

May
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 31
June
Denton First, Denton, 11 1
Farmer, Eleazer, 3 1
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 1
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45 8
Trinity, Fairview, 7:30 8
Asheboro First, 7:30 11
Richland, Union, 7:30 12
Seagrove-L. J., Seagrove, 2 14
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 15
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 7:30 15
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 16
Ward Street, 7:30 18
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29
July
Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29
July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Stony Point, 11 1
Taylorsville, Marvin, 2:30 1
Hiddenite, Pisgah, night 1
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 8
Hickory, First, 11 8
Hickory, Bethel, night 8
Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22
July
Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

June
Community, 11 8
Winston Ct., 7:30 8
West Forsyth-Tabernacle, 11 15
Doubs, at Doubs, 3 15
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, at Hiatt's, 7:30 15
Morris Chapel, 11 22
Maple Springs, 7:30 22
Erlanger, Yadkin College, 11 29
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 29
July
Trinity Bethel, 7:30 6
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27

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Cashiers, Mrs. Minnie Cole 4
Clyde, E. C. Price 3½
Morning Star, G. W. Bumgarner 2½
Bryson City, H. E. Jones 2
Canton, J. B. Tabor, Jr. 1½
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Hayesville, A. J. Clemmer ..... ½

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Forsyth, C. W. Kirby 3½
Marvin (Forsyth)
Mrs. C. C. Armfield 3½
Rockford, C. E. Williams 3
First, Lexington, Mrs. Fred Cox.. 2½
Thomasville, Mrs. D. L. Wright.. 1½
Forsyth-Maple Spgs, R. A. Hunter 1
Pilot Mountain, C. C. Washam .. 1
Clemmons, Nealee Lou Scott ... 1
Hiatt-Sedge Garden—
W. B. Thompson 1
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles 1
Ardmore, J. H. Brendall 1
Rural Hall, I. L. Sharpe 1
Winston-Salem Ct., W .J. Plint.. 1
Lewisville, G. C. Graham ..... ½

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Catherine Wilson Witherspoon was born February 9, 1908, and passed away March 19, 1941. She was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Beverly Wilson.

In the passing of Catherine the Woman's Society of Catawba Methodist church has lost a valuable member, as she was always willing to share her part in the work of the organization in extending the kingdom on earth. We have missed her presence at each meeting during her illness. Her memory will linger with us and her beautiful life will ever be an inspiration to us. During her illness she suffered patiently with a smile on her face. She was modest ,affectionate and unselfish. Her character was beautiful and her disposition sweet. Because of this she won many friends in her life. We are glad the great Giver of life has given us Catherine as we mourn her departure. The large and beautiful floral offering proved the esteem of her friends. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who knoweth best.

Second, That a copy of this be recorded in our minutes, a copy be sent to the family and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

GILMORE—In the recent death of Miss Margaret Gilmore the St. Andrews church of the Fayetteville circuit lost one of its most faithful members and the community lost one of its oldest and most loved residents. For more than 20 years Miss Gilmore taught a group of boys and girls in the church school. Her pupils returned the love of their loyal teacher and were greatly attached to her. Miss Gilmore gave the land for the Gilmore Memorial Presbyterian church which is located near her home place. She was also a faithful attendant upon the services of this church. She had been in declining health for four years but was critically ill for only ten days. She leaves one sister, Mrs. B. W. Piner. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. David Blue and her pastor.

H. R. Ashmore, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the surviving members of the board of stewards of Parkers Methodist church, Corapeake, N. C., wish hereby to record the expressions of our realization of a deep loss in the sudden death of our beloved brother, Warren W. Powell, March 1, 1941, as a member of our board, in the following resolutions:

First, That in the death of Brother Powell we have not only lost a loyal and devoted friend, but our church is bereft of a consecrated leader and Christian worker.

Second, That while our church and board of stewards has suffered a loss, the community has lost a good citizen, and his family a devoted husband and father.

Third, We shall ever esteem his memory as a man of worth and of admirable modesty; a man who will be sadly missed in our consultations regarding both material and spiritual welfare of our church.

Fourth, In the face of the inscrutable dispensation of a divine Providence we bow in humble reverence before Him, believing that he is too wise to err and too good to be unkind; and to whose keeping we confide the bereaved of our departed brother and co-worker in our Master's vineyard, praying that the Lord may sustain them through their journey of life henceforth to the end.

Fifth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our church minutes ,a copy be furnished the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication and a copy be sent to the bereaved family of our brother.

Board of Stewards,
Parkers Methodist Church,
Mrs. Lee Riddick, Chm. Com.

HOOPER—The passing of Brother George C. Hooper took from our church at Speedwell a faithful Sunday school attendant, a member of the board of stewards, and a brother that had the highest esteem of all who knew him. Brother Hooper expressed a desire to get well during the time that he was confined to his home that he might do more work for his Lord. Working for the Lord was his chief delight, and when he became afflicted he had more time to study the needs of his fellowman. This caused him to crave to live so that he might do more for his Lord.

Brother Hooper was born July 7, 1878; died March 15, 1941; was married to Miss Nillie Presley March 31, 1901. To this union were born the following sons and daughters: Bertha, Daisy, Essie, Hannah, Cicero, Carl, and Ruth. We shall miss him here, but his example shall abide with us.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, pause to pay sincere tribute to one of our most beloved and honored members, Mrs. James Addison Jones, who on Wednesday, April 23, 1941, experienced "an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

It is true that one's life is not to be measured by the number of years through which one may live, but more accurately by the quality of life for which they will be remembered. Mrs. Jones will be remembered as an unselfish Christian. This unselfishness expressed itself through a devotion to her husband, her family, her church, and her friends. This devotion as it was shared by those whom she loved most and observed by her friends will, of course, make it more difficult for us to adjust ourselves to life without her when we feel that we need her most. Therefore be it resolved:

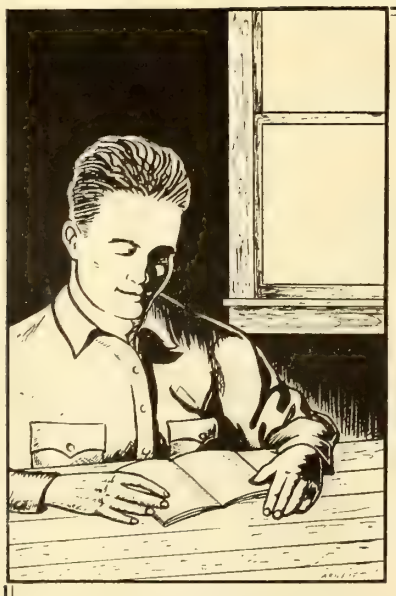
First, we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service extend to the members of the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Second, That we wish to thank God for her impressively beautiful life, which was to us an inspiration in the work in which she encouraged us.

Third, That we commend to the members of the society her life of patience and sweetness of disposition during the days of her illness when she was an example of how much a Christian can suffer and keep one's faith in God unshaken.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one placed in the permanent records of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. Earle G. Harris, Chm.
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THE COUNTRY SHOULD GIVE HEED TO DOUGHTON

The News and Observer Bureau at Washington sent the following special to Raleigh May 28:

"Representative Robert L. Doughton, one of the strongest administration leaders in Congress, expressed his strong opposition to actual involvement in war and pointedly warned against any acts which 'would make our involvement in the overseas conflict inevitable.'

The veteran Tar Heel congressman praised President Roosevelt's words and actions of last night, but Capitol Hill observer nevertheless saw in his statement an emphatic note of warning against any action under the 'unlimited emergency' powers of the President that would plunge the nation into war.

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Observers here studied with particular interest his comments on the broader aspects of the President's speech. His statement, which he issued in typewritten form, declared:

'Time alone can determine just what this pronouncement of government policy portends, and what bearing it is to have on the destinies of the American people. Insofar as the policy signifies a determination to extend to England all possible aid—short of war—it meets with my universal approval.

'If sacrifices are demanded, as they surely will be, in carrying out this policy, in terms of treasure, my conviction is that it will command the support of perhaps 80 per cent of our people, but if it means sacrificing the blood of the young men that are now being drafted into the army, or the blood of the men connected with the air and naval forces, my mind rebels under present circumstances at the thought.

'All of us gave assurance to the people during the last presidential campaign that the country would be kept out of foreign wars. This pledge freely was given to the people by the President himself, and I have no reason to believe his mind has undergone any change. France had fallen and England then was facing an uncertain future when we gave those pledges.

'I am not speaking merely now of a declaration of war by our government on the Axis powers; we are similarly obligated, in my opinion, to refrain from committing any act that would make our involvement in the overseas conflict inevitable.' "

BREVARD COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Brevard College commencement exercises will begin next Saturday evening and continue till Tuesday. The program appears elsewhere in this Advocate. Rev. J. G. Huggins, pastor of First Methodist church, Waynesville, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 11 a. m. Sunday. The speakers at the alumni banquet Monday evening will be Rev. E. H. Nease of Charlotte and Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., of Asheville. At 10 o'clock Tuesday will be the graduating exercises, with the address by Mr. H. P. Hollis, superintendent of Parker District Schools, Greenville, S. C., followed by conferring the degrees.

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Now we are to have a "home defense" program against intolerance. In other words, we are to have some real gospel preachers abroad.

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If we accept the nation-wide effort for defense no church will even think of the usual summer slump. Forward! will be the watch word.

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"Nation to Crack Down on Draft Delinquents" reads a headline in the papers. Why not crack down on the strikers? They are the fellows who are holding up preparedness. If the President would use power on the big offenders we would make better headway.

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"After the bomber comes the builder," quoted in another paragraph from Bishop Oxnam, is more than a statement of fact. It is a parable setting out the difference between war and Christianity. War destroys, Christ builds. "I come not to destroy men's lives but to save."

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Rev. Ernest F. Tittle, D.D., Evanston, Ill., chairman of the commission on "Christian Faith" at Chicago peace conference, declared that "men are able, with the help of God, to live on a basis of justice, fellowship and co-operation, and not merely on a basis of individual and national self-interest. . . . Today, as at all times, the church must be the church and not the instrument of secular authority."

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In referring to a chaplain, his army rank such as lieutenant, captain, major or colonel, is not used. It is simply Chaplain Brown, Chaplain Smith, as the case may be. Charity and Children puts it thus:

> The chaplain is no longer the colonel's waiting boy nor is he burdened with every sort of activity from refereeing fights to chaperoning parties. The chaplain is the religious leader now and that is all. He is a man in his own rights and the errand boy of nobody. The social and recreational life of the boys that is so essential is in the hands of others.

"Lou Gehrig, the great 'Iron Horse' of baseball, is dead," says Judson Bailey. "The big, handsome fellow who was a marvel of power and endurance for 14 years as the first baseman of the New York Yankees died at his home after an illness of two years from a rare and apparently incurable disease described as hardening of the spinal cord which caused his muscles to shrivel. The end came 17 days before Lou would have been 38 years old and wrote finis to a fight with disease that was as dramatic and courageous as any of his exploits on the diamond."

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Chief Justice Hughes will retire with the plaudits of the nation. He belongs to those justices who have given dignity and distinction to the Supreme Court of the United States. Not all members of this tribunal have been lawyers and men of the highest character, but there have been enough of these through the years to overshadow the little fellows who ought never have reached that high station. Hence the Supreme Court of the United States commands the respect of people everywhere, because of such men as the retiring Chief Justice who have constituted a majority of this supreme tribunal.

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"After the bomber comes the builder. But what kind of world will men build?" To answer this question, posed by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam in his keynote address, a four-day exploratory study conference has just been held in Chicago Temple under the sponsorship of the Methodist World Peace Commission. Men and women from varied walks of life came from twenty-two states eager to discover the principles essential to a just and enduring peace. They wanted not only to find them, but to begin the process of making them known and accepted so that there will be created a universal demand for their inclusion in the treaty on that glad day when the whistles blow and the bells ring out the new armistice.

In Time of War Prepare for Peace

THE propagandists in favor of war would lead us to conclude that a military victory ends the horrors of war by ushering in a reign of peace. Such was the joyful welcome we gave the Armistice of 1918. But, alas! we know better now! This present war is but the aftermath of that last one. Peace is a course of life—of normal life. War is abnormal and it ends in desolation and death. Such is the damnation and hell of war that thrives on lying propaganda and the greed of man. So now as always our chief business is to prepare for peace.

Many of our best men and women are doing their utmost to keep America out of war. Others equally as notable and wise are putting forth their best efforts for securing enduring peace. Strong organizations are set up to work for a just and durable peace. These leaders are the real patriots of the land. Far wiser and better are they than are those men in high places who strive to get the boys of other men into the army camps to fight the desperate battles on sea, on land and in the air.

Without question, the one outstanding organization for securing a just and durable peace is the Christian church. Keep really vital and fresh and strong the churches in a community, then the war spirit fades away. Consequently the war lords are ever more striving to enlist the churches and get them tied in with the military undertakings, giving the assurance that this is the one way to end war. The chief claim for the world war in 1917 and 1918 was to make safe this world by fighting "this war to end war." The claim made for the Christian church is just the opposite of this. The one way, then, to prepare successfully for peace is to exalt the Prince of Peace and thus keep fresh, eager and strong the Christian church. This promotes the Christian way of life, which is truly the way of peace.

A Sorry Mess of Things

FOR a decade social reformers and political regimentarians have been beating their breasts and rolling in sackcloth because there was so little chance for a man, either young or old, in what was once the land of opportunity. These howlers insisted that men should be thankful if they could sell their dearly bought liberty for a social and political regimentation that would at least give us a job with WPA or some other of Uncle Sam's social schemes. These very things that came to us out of Russia and Germany promised salvation to a multitude of people who should have known better.

Now totalitarianism is about to overtake us and we are calling upon our boys and young men to save us from impending disaster. It would not be strange if youth should have a contempt for us old fellows who have made such a sorry mess of things and are now calling upon the rising generation to save us from our own foolishness.

The commencement orators this June are not saying much about social schemes that would save young men from hard work and at the same time urged them to collect what the world owed them without effort on their part. On the contrary, many of them are saying as did Dr. Hornell Hart last Sunday in his commencement address at Duke:

"The passing of the old earth and the old heaven is to make place for a new heaven and a new earth. Heaven may be defined as a state in which everyone, freely and joyously, works together for the common good. The task of this new generation is to go to work building that kind of heaven on earth—building up out of the ruins which this war will leave—building it up in the dreams and the hopes of undefeated youth, that it may take form in alabaster cities, undimmed by human tears."

Baccalaureate Sermon at Woman's College, Greensboro

DR. EDWIN McNEILL POTEAT, pastor of Euclid Avenue Baptist church, Cleveland, Ohio, delivered the baccalaureate sermon in Aycock Auditorium, Woman's College, at 11 o'clock June 1. This was the forty-ninth annual commencement of this great Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

As is the custom in this institution the senior class selects the commencement preacher and these young women had made an admirable selection for this important hour. If one may judge by the obvious and unflaging interest of that great assembly in the sermon there would have been a unanimous vote of thanks to the senior class for selecting Dr. Poteat as their baccalaureate speaker. His theme was "This Is a Good World." After a gracious introduction of himself and his subject he emphasized three reasons for this being a good world. These are: Peace, Compassion, Hope. He was especially impressive in showing that the vast majority of our race is devoted to peace, even in the 175,000,000 under Nazi rule.

Even the majority of the men under arms are lovers of peace.

The sermon from first to last was saturated with the spirit of youth and duly appreciated by most who heard him.

Give the Old Gospel a Chance

THE greed of man, the pugnacious tendency of the human animal and man's inhumanity to man are obstacles in the coming of a better world order. The many efforts at totalitarian control under one name and another have always ended in failure, and this will continue so long as human nature is what it is. The past and the present and the future are so truly and intimately one that the effort to make a new world without regard to what has gone before, or without much concern for the eternities, has ended in failure. The many social schemes devised by a Karl Marx, a Lenin, or other radical, go the way of all the earth. Neither are the so-called "social gospels," with the stress placed on the material good things of this present world, adapted to the making of a successful human brotherhood.

Jesus came to bring in the kingdom of God by making men over and placing love on the throne in the coming brotherhood. Men are eminently correct in saying that war will continue so long as men are what they are—dominated by greed, fight and cruelty. Jesus went straight to the heart of man, demanding that he be born from above, and that men learn how to get along together in a world brotherhood. The Quakers have been consistent in showing the world the blessings of peace and good will, and their influence has gone far to bring in a new heaven and a new earth.

All our churches must preach a more vigorous and consistent gospel in presenting a Christ that changes men here and now as he did when in Galilee. Those ordinary men who journeyed with him—all but Judas who proved false—went out to change the world; the woman who felt the divine touch by the well, changed her village; the early Christians turned the world upside down; later, John Wesley saved England from the horrors of the French Revolution, and the itinerants who rode with Francis Asbury saved America from a modern paganism. They had a gospel that by the power of God renewed wicked men and transformed godless communities. So much of our present day gospel fails to create a ripple that men try to substitute some new gospel.

Religion Essential to Making and Training Men

SOMETHING new has taken place in army life in the present effort to train men. The War Department has now a religious program for the army. The larger demands made of chaplains and the permanent chapels that are being provided for camps.

In the chapel construction program, nothing within the means of the army is being left undone to provide proper settings for the devotionals of Catholic, Protestant and Jew. A total of 604 chapels are to be built under a special appropriation of $12,816,880. Each chapel will seat 400 soldiers and cost $21,220.

The basic distribution will be one chapel for each regiment. Therefore, in the larger cantonments as many as fifteen or twenty chapels will arise among the tents and barracks.

The chaplain is expected to provide full and complete religious services for the soldiers and officers under his care. He is also encouraged to invite clergymen and church organizations from nearby communities to provide religious ministrations for minority groups.

In addition to conducting such Sunday and week-day services as are customary and required by his church, the chaplain must also organize societies, study classes and fellowship groups in line with the soldiers' religious requirements.

There are also numerous other activities which the chaplain is expected to perform to promote high morale among the armed forces, such as acting as a cultural adviser, consulting with the men on their personal problems and worries, visiting the sick, and the like.

In all this it is plainly evident that the effort is to make religion function in the life of the young men in training similar to that of the church in ordinary community life in America.

Of course all of us know the surroundings of camp life and the training of men in the art of killing make the situation most difficult. The destructive has first place in the art of war while the constructive is ever to the front in all that Jesus said and did. This Christian principle is here recognized and put into practice so far as possible in the making and training of men for the army. A high tribute is this to the church of Christ.

Somebody has spoken the truth when he said: "Tact does for speech what salt does for potatoes—makes it palatable."

103rd Commencement of Greensboro College

The College Year One of Faithful Work and Substantial Progress

The Greensboro College 103rd commencement program began Saturday, May 31, alumnae and class day. Members of the senior class celebrated their farewell breakfast at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant with a program presented by class day officers, Misses Carolyn Smith, Goldsboro, historian; Virginia Hollowell, Elizabeth City, prophet; Dorothy Moore, Greensboro, poet; Mary Susan Woodall, Smithfield, testator; Anne Exum, Fremont, giftorian; and Anne Dillard, Draper, scrapbook keeper. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon class day exercises, held in the lobby of Odell Memorial building because of inclement weather, were led by Miss Majelle Morris, Salisbury, president of the class; Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, president of the "little sister" sophomore class; and Elaine Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoffman, Greensboro, who served as class mascot.

Alumnae began their day with an alumnae-student luncheon in the college dining room when the silver and golden anniversary classes presented gifts to the college. During the annual business meeting that afternoon in the "Y" hut, officers were elected for the coming year with Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, succeeding Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Spray, as president. During the meeting reports were heard from Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, officers of the association, and committee chairmen. The day closed with informal suppers and banquets for the 13 reuniting classes. Outstanding among alumnae were the "Forty-Niners," a group of 175 women who attended the college 50 or more years ago. The organization celebrated its first annniversary with a banquet in King Cotton Hotel with Mrs. G. W. Whitsett, Greensboro, president, presiding.

The program continued Sunday, June 1, with the baccalaureate sermon delivered by Dr. William F. Quillian, secretary of the board of missions and church extension of the Methodist church and former president of Wesleyan College. Dr. Gobbel presided during the service, assisted by Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine, president emeritus, and Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street church. The glee club, under direction of Walter Vassar, sang "In Constant Order Works the Lord" (Von Weber) and "Queen of the Heavens" (Mascagni).

Dr. Quillian based his remarks on the text, "He that would find his life must lose it," challenging the class to realize the truth of this statement and to go forth prepared for service. He emphasized the striking paradox found in the words "except the corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone," but through its death it produces an abundant harvest. In this world, material wealth is of value only as it is invested in human life. Likewise, we must share intellectual gifts and talents with youth, and continue to hear and read the best that is said and written. Of greatest importance is the sharing of moral qualities of the soul. Dr. Quillian expressed the hope that the next world treaty, unlike the Versailles treaty, will be based upon the enduring human values of brotherhood, peace and understanding.

By practicing the principle of this truth of forgetting oneself in an effort to serve others, the individual will be guaranteed a life of joy, of abundance, and potential power.

Sunday afternoon the college orchestra, directed by Mark Hoffman, and glee club, conducted by Walter Vassar, gave a joint recital in Odell auditorium.

Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey Commencement Speaker

"I have no desire to raise any argument as to a world crisis, a changing world, or the probability of an enemy within our gates, but I do want to challenge you young women and ask you, are you prepared or even willing to take your place in all this turmoil, find your work, and keep at it?" Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, questioned members of the Greensboro College graduating class.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, presided during the final exercises Monday morning in Odell Memorial auditorium, assisted by Dr. Raymond A. Smith, who pronounced the invocation, and Rev. A. C. Gibbs of Elkin, who spoke the benediction. Following Mrs. Hoey's address and a vocal solo, "Go Lovely Rose" (Quilter) by Walter Vassar, professor of voice, 62 seniors were conferred degrees by Dr. Gobbel.

A large crowd of parents and friends gathered for the final exercises, heard Mrs. Hoey spiritedly urge the class to go forth and do whatever will present itself to be done. "You are, or should be, the very best this school has ever sent out, solely because your advantages have been the best that could be given. The times demand your best." She named as the three realms always ready for the finest services as the home, the school, and the church.

After challenging the graduates to learn the art of living and home making, she pointed out that children need teachers with a real desire to teach and lead them into a full knowledge of real history, a pride in their state and country, an ambition to carry on where the older ones are having to lay down the work. Finally, stressing the importance of living as Christians and fulfilling the debt to the church, she impressed the audience with the fact that 9,000 prisoners in this state, many of them between 20 and 30, are witness to the failure of the home, church, and state.

"You shall go forward and reap things you've never dreamed of because the times demand it," she concluded with emphasis.

Among gifts and donations anounced by Dr. Gobbel were the gift of the graduating class, an annual award named in honor of Dr. J. Roddey Miller, head of the department of English for ten years, to be presented each year to the student doing the best creative writing; light fixtures for library and biology laboratories from James G. Hanes, Winston-Salem; donations toward the building of the central heating system from Carolina Steel and Iron Co. and Pomona Terra Cotta Co., Greensboro; scholarship fund of $5,000 from Mrs. W. R. Odell, Durham; $1,150 from Miss Nannie Lee Smith, Greensboro, for an alcove in memory of her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willie Smith(to be placed in the permanent library

of the college; donations from the students' association, athletic association, and Y. W. C. A. toward the building and furnishing of the "Y" hut; endowment gifts from Rev. W. B. Lee of Brazil, this year's golden and silver anniversary classes, and the Washington, D. C., chapter of the alumnae association; 228 volumes for the library presented by authors, publishers, alumnae, faculty members, and other friends.

Honors and Awards

Honors and awards as announced by Dr. Gobbel included senior honors with Miss Dorothy Moore, Greensboro, graduating summa cum laude, and graduating magna cum laude, Misses Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem; Billie Beam, Cherryville; Anne Exum, Fremont; Eleanor Fitzgerald, Candor; Gwendolyn Holler, Greensboro; Celeste Horne, Birmingham, Ala.; Eleanora Kampschmidt, Greensboro; Margaret Wrenn Koontz, Greensboro; Majelle Morris, Salisbury; Anna Leo Nelson, Raleigh; Weleska Pegram, Winston-Salem; Roberta Schoenland, Berlin, Germany; Renee Wasoff, Szczuczyn, Poland; and Mary Lou Wimbish, Greensboro. Miss Lorene Weaver of Asheville, junior, received the Dr. T .C. Smith scholarship founded in 1917 in interest of religious education. Miss Ruth Bunts of Galax, Va., senior, was awarded the Marguerite Ballard memorial medal for citizenship and outstanding work in home economics. Dr. Gobbel also recognized student leaders of the graduating group, Miss Majelle Morris, Salisbury, president of the class; Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, president during the year of the students' association; Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president of the Y. W. C. A., and Miss Rachael Archer, Greensboro, president of the athletic association.

THE ELKIN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

May 28, at Booneville eight miles east of Elkin on the speedway that extends from Winston-Salem to Roaring Gap, the Elkin district conference at 10 o'clock began its work that continued till the sun was about ready to hide for the night behind the Blue Ridge peaks that reared their tall summits not far west of the seat of the conference. The conference was composed in a large measure of Methodists who dwell among those mountains. A royal people are these men and women who dwell in the "land of the sky" and they know how to enter with zest into the work of a Methodist conference.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, the superintendent of this district, hails from the foot of the Black Mountains not far from Mount Mitchell. And a royal good fellow he is, and a fine district superintendent who knows how to manage a district conference. This was the last of all the district conferences for 1941 and one of the most interesting.

Whatever way one looked along the streets of Booneville automobiles were in evidence, and they were not an ancient vintage of T-Fords long since out of date, but the latest models of the best known cars of the present day. It looked as if prosperity abounded in this mountain land.

The detailed story of this busy and happy conference is left for the secretary to relate. His report has not reached us at this writing, but it will be here by the time the flood-tide of college commencements has receded, which will be next week.



GREENSBORO COLLEGE GRADUATING CLASS

Front row: (left bottom) Mary Katherine Snyder, Renee Wasoff, Corinne Bennett, Mary Lee Oliphant, Weleska Pegram, Johnsie Mae Hyatt, Billie Beam, Mary Noble Angel, Evelyn Webb, Mary Susan Woodall; second row, Laura Ellen Canipe, Gwendolyn Jones, Anne Exum, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Carolyn Stansel, Judy Devereux, Florence Wariner, Hazel Neal, Mary Council; third row, Helen Craven, Catherine Gibbs, Beryl Graham, Ruth Slocumb, Virginia Hollowell, Shirley Bailey, Mabel Stephens, Rachael Archer, Anna Leo Nelson, Thelma Morrison; fourth row, Willie Mae Cooper, Helen Donovant, Erlene Greene, Frances McColl Finch, Betty Graham, Roberta Schoenland, Alice Crump Martin, Celeste Horne; fifth row, Annie Lois Cobb, Ruth Bunts, Anne Dillard, Majelle Morris, Annette Smith, Anne Worth, Carolyn Smith; sixth row, Blanche Dinsmore, Jean Stamper, Georgie Dees, Marion Grey Mitchell, Helen Robbins, Cameron Taylor, Margaret Robinson, Kathryn Thompson; back row, Hilda Way, Margaret Wrenn Koontz, Mary Lily Watlington, Eleanora Kampschmidt, Dorothy Stevens, Sallye Wilson, Mary Lou Wimbish, Laura Stutts, Dorothy Moore.

MINUTES OF THE SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Salisbury district conference of the Methodist Church met in its second annual session in Shiloh Methodist church, Granite Quarry, on Thursday morning, May 29, at 9:30 o'clock with Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, in the chair. The singing was directed by Rev. Ralph Shumaker and the devotionals were conducted by Rev. A. C. Waggoner. Instead of the usual roll call of pastors and delegates all were given enrollment cards to fill out and thereby save a lot of time in making corrections and substitutions. The conference elected J. F. Harrelson secretary and Rev. Ralph Shumaker, assistant secretary. The following committees were nominated by the chair and they were, by vote of the conference, confirmed: Committee on findings, O. A. Swearingen, B. V. Hedrick, C. J. Goodman, Revs. W. B. West, H. L. Creech and Carl H. King; committee on admission, Revs. R. B. Shumaker, T. B. Honeycutt, Wilson O. Weldon, F. L. Setzer and R. J. Barnwell; committee on local preachers, Revs. R. L. Bass, J. S. Gibbs and H. E. Stimson.

The speakers during the morning session were: Rev. L. B. Abernethy for the Golden Cross and Hugh Chatham Hospital of Elkin; Rev. H. G. Allen of Statesville for the Conference Brotherhood; Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, Greensboro; O. V. Woosley for the Children's Home of Winston-Salem. Rev. P. W. Tucker of Bradley Memorial church, Gastonia, Rev. Edgar H. Nease, conference secretary, of Charlotte, and Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent of the Charlotte district, were introduced.

Rev. E. H. Nease spoke to the pastors about the annual conference reports and gave instructions on how to properly fill them out.

Rev. Carl H. King presented the cause of Christian education, and Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk and Miss Elizabeth Oliver spoke in behalf of the phases of their respective places of service. Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, was introduced and brought greetings from the faculty and students of the college which he represents. He presented five young ladies of the college, who entertained the conference with two beautiful musical numbers.

Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, was introduced by Rev. C. H. King, and delivered a most interesting address on Christian education.

Rev. C. C. Herbert of Forest Hill church, Concord, conducted the period of considering World Service. Those who spoke on this subject were Rev. W. B. West, Mrs. Z. V. Moss, S. J. Sherrill and Rev. W. A. Kale. Miss Emma Madkiff gave the conference some interesting facts in connection with the affairs of Pfeiffer College of Misenheimer. At 12:40 Rev. C. G. Hefner of Norwood Station conducted the meditation period.

At one o'clock the conference adjourned for dinner which was served on a long table under the trees on the church grounds. Rev. C. G. Isley, pastor and the conference host, and his good people of the charge certainly did provide in a very bountiful and sumptuous manner. There was plenty and to spare in spite of the good appetites of all. They did themselves proud in the entertainment and provision of the conference. They also have one of the prettiest and best constructed church to be found anywhere. A picture of this church and the pastor recently appeared in the Advocate. But that did not do justice.

The conference reassembled at two-thirty in the afternoon and Rev. J. S. Giibbs offered prayer. O. A. Swearingen was re-elected district lay leader and B. V. Hedrick and Loy Gulledge were re-elected associate lay leaders.

Without discussion or delay the conference voted to accept the invitation from Salem church on the Albemarle-Concord highway to hold the 1942 session there.

Irving Roscoe Miller of Woodleaf but in school in Duke University, was recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Five young men were granted license to preach as follows: Roy Edison Bell, Spencer; Clark William Benson, Salisbury; Parker Holmes Hager, Concord; Charles Marvin Boggs, Salisbury; and Worth Sweet, Kannapolis.

Revs. C. B. Ross and Frank Jordan were named to examine the minutes of the district conference.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon spoke words of praise and thanks to pastor Isley and his people for the wholecome entertainment and the conference very heartily concurred. There are forty-one charges in the district and all the pastors were present except five. These were detained on account of illness of person or family. All reported and these revealed a healthy state in each charge in the district. It was noted from the reports that the charges have paid $9,000 for World Service and that there are only twelve churches in the district that do not have any organization of Christian Service. The sum of $36,161 has been paid on ministerial support, which is over 50 per cent of the amount accepted. The reports also showed that 305 have been received on profession of faith and that the net gain in members for the district is 405.

Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent of the Greensboro district, was a visitor as well as a number of others from other districts. We regret that attention to the matter of taking down the happenings prevented us from getting the name of each visitor. It was a good conference and the presentations were of a very high order and given in a very succinct manner. J. F. Harrelson.

INTERESTING SERVICE AT SHADY GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

A memorial service combined with home coming day was held at the Shady Grove church, Jonathan charge, on Sunday (May 25) with Mr. R. W. Howell in charge of the program. Rev. R. Odell Brown, the pastor, conducted the devotional period, with Mrs. Lowery Owen serving as soloist.

Mr. Howell reviewed the history of the church, describing the first small log house built in 1860 by his grandfather, Rev. D. C. Howell, on land donated by himself. This church was burned during the Civil War and rebuilt in 1877. The present building was erected in 1899 on land donated by Mr. Asaph Allison.

Mr. J. R. Boyd, in speaking of the many pioneers who had helped to establish the church and keep it active, read a report of a quarterly conference held in 1877. At that time the church belonged to the Holston conference, and Mr. John Ferguson kept the minutes of its proceedings.

A number of former members of the church spoke of their association with it ,and Major J. H. Howell concluded the program with an interesting address.

An unusual fact concerning the Sunday school at Shady Grove is that there have been only three superintendents since the church was organized: Rev. D. C. Howell, 1860-1877 Mr. Erastus Howell, 1877-1919; and Mr. Glenn A. Boyd, 1919 to the present. R. Odell Brown, Pastor.

MRS. WEAVER ENTERTAINS PREACHERS' WIVES AT TEA

Ministers' wives of the Winston-Salem district were entertained Friday, the 30th, at tea when Mrs. C. C. Weaver was hostess at her home on Lynwood avenue.

Mrs. A. A. Kyles and Mrs. John Brendall were in charge of entertainment and games were played.

Miss Dicie Howell sang "Ich Liebe Dich" and a group of songs were sung by Miss Norma Rhoades, pupil of Miss Howell.

The home was decorated with roses and spring flowers. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Janie Weaver and Miss Elizabeth Kapp.

Guests peresent were: Mrs. J. H. Brnedall, Mrs. W. A. Stanbury, Mrs. R. A. Taylor, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., of Lexington; Mrs. O. B. Williams, Mrs. C. W. Kirby, Mrs. C. D. White, Mrs. R. A. Hunter, Mrs. E. K. McLarty of Walkertown; Mrs. T. B. Johnson, Mrs. P. E. Parker, Mrs. J. A. J. Fearrington, Mrs. L. S. Tuttle, all of Thomasville; Mrs. W. R. Harris of Walnut Cove; Mrs. L. C. Graham of Lewisville; Mrs. J. W. Frank, Mrs. J. M. Folger, Mrs. W. J. Miller of Mount Airy; Mrs. Cary Whitaker, Mrs. B. A. Culp, Mrs. James T. Bowman of Thomasville; Mrs. Grady Hardin, Mrs. A. A. Kyles, Mrs. W. M. Smith, Mrs. W. L. Dawson, Mrs. John R. Church, Mrs. R. S. Truesdale, Mrs. Stella J. Price, and Mrs. W. A. Barber.

ROMAN CATHOLIC AND METHODIST FIGURES

Roman Catholics are not as much more numerous in this country than Methodists as one might think. The new Catholic Directory reports 22,293,101 in the U. S. and possessions. Catholic statistics include every baptized person. Protestant enumerations do not include children until they have actually been received into membership in the churches, nor are the millions of Protestant Christians who are not church members but who frequently attend and support the church, counted at all. While it is true that the average membership of a Catholic church is much larger than of a Methodist church, it is nevertheless surprising to find that there are more than twice as many Methodist churches in the U. S. as Roman Catholic. Here are the figures: Catholic parishes 13,224, missions 5,897, total Catholic churches 19,-121. There are 42,531 Methodist churches and 22,210 pastoral charges. Our 23,000 Methodist pastors parallels almost exactly the number of Catholic "secular" (parish) priests (23,409). In addition to this number, however, Catholicism has 12,430 members of religious orders ordained to the priesthood. All told there are about 38,000,000 Protestant church members in the U. S. Counted as Catholics do, there are easily two Protestant for every Catholic.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Report of the Advocate campaign will appear next week.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Robert G. Tuttle, Gibsonville, N. C., Robert Allen Tuttle, May 2, St. Leo's hospital, Greensboro.

Twenty per cent of the charges of the Wilmington district have paid every financial obligation for the first half of the conference year. At least 10 per cent more are almost as well off financially.—A. S. Parker.

Brother R. J. Starling of the Helton charge will be dedicating a nice little church at Baldwin's in July. He would like to get in touch with any congregation that has discarded pews for sale or gift.—A. C. Gibbs, D.S.

Word has just come to me that Brother S. E. Mercer is in the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, awaiting a thyroid operation. I am sure that his many friends will wish to write him and to remember him in their prayers.—C. W. Goldston.

Rev. E. O. Cole, the alert treasurer of the Western North Carolina conference, has sent the Advocate a detailed report of collections for general and conference benevolences to June 1, but it is crowded over to next week by college commencement report.

Friends over the state might be interested to learn that we are expected to dock in New York on next Tuesday, June 3. We stop for a few days at Mrs. Minnis' home and then come on to Hillsboro after some days. Kindly send the paper to me at Hillsboro, N. C., instead of Dholia, West Khandesh, India.—J. F. Minnis.

Home coming and memorial day for Glen Alpine is to be June 15 and also the beginning of our revival meeting. Rev. Paul Townsend will be the speaker for the day and preacher for the revival. All former members, pastors, presiding elders, including our present district superintendent, and friends are invited to bring a full basket, according to the appetite, and be with us. Thanks! I presume friends ought to be sufficient to include the Advocate staff. Come, without basket, and be with us.—R. T. Young, Pastor.

Any recounting the achievements at Hazelwood church without giving full credit to Rev. Odell Brown and his faithful wife would be unjust. From the time of the organization of this congregation, less than a year ago, these two hard-working, persistent servants of the church have given valuable time to the development of this new congregation. The scholarly preaching of Dr. J. A. Baylor has also given to Methodism in this vicinity a dignified bearing and an assurance of continued usefulness.—W. L. Hutchins, D.S.

Thirty young college women will learn the rudiments of farming by living and working on a farm this summer near Philadelphia. The project ,offered by the American Friends Service Committee, is designed to train young women in practical skills necessary in both war and peace time. In addition to cultivation of crops, the girls will learn cooking and preservation of food, carpentry, first aid, and home hygiene. The girls will live in an old barn with thick stone walls. They will practice simple living under the primitive conditions that exist in many areas today, both at home and abroad. They will spend part of each day working in the truck garden to supply themselves and some of the underprivileged groups in nearby towns with fresh vegetables. Part of their time will be spent in community service in South Media, Pa.

"Soldiers do go to church!" writes Chaplain John E. Braun, stationed at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He reports that 575 men attended two early services one recent Sunday morning. More were on hand for a communion service at 10 a. m. And this is his account of the afternoon and evening program: "Afternoon mess, calls and personal interviews were the order of the day, until 4:30 when the chaplains supervised the convoy of trucks transporting approximately 125 soldiers to a friendly church in a nearby city. These church people are truly giving our soldier boys a shining example of the well known Southern hospitality. After a tasty lunch, the soldiers assembled for a young people's service, conducted capably and reverently by our Southern friends.—Religious Telescope.

The ministers' wives of the Marion district met after lunch at district conference at Pleasant Grove church, Forest City. Mrs. T. R. Wolfe presided over the business session. Reports were given from each county, Rutherford being the most active at present. This district being widely scattered, some counties have difficulty getting together. It was a pleasure to have Mrs. Parker Holmes of Forest City with us, who spoke encouraging words. Mrs. Clifford Peace had charge of a brief program which included a sweet and gentle devotional brought by Mrs. J. P. Morris of Rutherfordton, and appropriate readings from Mrs. Malcolm Reece. It was decided to have a district-wide family picnic the last of August, exact time and place to be selected by a committee headed by Mrs. Harold Groce.

Please send our Advocate to Monroe, N. C., instead of Mesa, Arizona, for awhile. We are going to be in N. C. for the summer. When I tell the people here I am starting for "God's country" on the 28th they all exclaim, "Ah, going to California, are you?" I tell them no, it is the wrong direction. Then I put to them my conundrum: "How are people from North Carolina and those from California alike, and how do they differ?" Of course they can't answer it, and I tell them, "They are alike in that neither wants to die; but they differ in that the Carolinian is afraid he may not get to heaven after he dies, while the Californian is afraid he will not like heaven when he gets there." Well, blessings on you. I am glad you are keeping up the high standards of the old N. C. Advocate. The great Chicago organ hasn't anything on us. I may send you in an article or two on Arizona after awhile, if I can get up energy enough to write them. Sayonara.—S. A. Stewart.

Another lieutenant colonel (Chaplain E. J. Griffin) and I are the senior chaplains of the Third Air Force, which includes all strictly air corps bases and operations in and east of Louisiana and Arkansas and south of Virginia. While smallest in area of the four air forces into which the Air Corps is divided, the Third is by far the most heavily manned and important, because of its proximity to the Canal, the West Indies and South America. All chaplains and their activities are under the direction of our office; that is, those in the Third A. F. Chaplain Griffin is a Catholic and belongs to the regular army. A fine balance is effected in the religious program of the force in thus bringing together at the head of it a Catholic and a Protestant, one a regular and the other a reserve officer. Our duties involve occasional flights for conference to the various bases where our chaplains are stationed, but mostly the administrative details are handled from our office. A fact worthy of mention is that the commanding general, Major General Barton K. Yount, is a Methodist. It is of interest also to note that the senior chaplain of the Air Corps GHQ is Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Harry C. Fraser, who became a member of the North Carolina conference by transfer to us at Fayetteville a year and a half ago.—T .G. Vickers.

Duke Finals Concluded With Awarding of Degrees

Total of 933 Academic Degrees Presented During Year

Duke University's academic year was formally concluded late Monday afternoon with the awarding of 750 academic and seven honorary degrees. One hundred and 83 degrees were awarded at the conclusion of the 1940 summer school, making 933 degrees granted by the university during the year. (In addition certificates were awarded in dietetics and other branches of medical and hospital technology).

Monday's formalities marked the 89th year that the institution has granted college degrees. (Duke University, founded in 1924, was preceded by Trinity College).

A feature of the three-day commencement program was the formal induction of Dr. Robert Lee Flowers as president of Duke University, succeeding Dr. William Preston Few, who died last October 16. Dr. Flowers this year completed his 50th year of continuous service to the institution; he previously held the positions of secretary, treasurer and vice president, in addition to being chairman of the mathematics faculty. Dr. Robert McD. Lester of New York, secretary of the Carnegie Corporation, spoke briefly at the induction ceremony.

Flowers, in Brief and Simple Ceremonials, Inducted Into Office as President of Duke University

Shortly after 12 o'clock Monday, June 2, and immediately following the commencement address by Dr. Alexander Loudon, minister to the United States from the Netherlands, Dr. Robert Lee Flowers, a veteran of 50 years faculty and administrative service to Trinity College and Duke University, was formally inducted into office as president.

Col. John F. Bruton, president of the board of trustees of the university, presided over the induction ceremony which was strikingly brief and simple but none the less impressive. When the president-elect arose to receive the university charter and seal from the president of the board of trustees, the great assembly stood and joined in spontaneous and prolonged hand-clapping which was much more than a formality—it was a merited ovation to the man who by every token had won this high honor as a crowning event after a half century of invaluable service.

Col John F. Bruton's Address in Induction Ceremonies

"On the 29th day of January of this year out of an appreciable list of distinguished men Dr. Robert Lee Flowers was unanimously chosen as president of Duke University. For his inauguration the trustees would have preferred to set aside a date and make it a great day in the history of the university, but only in deference to his insistent desire that the ceremony, if any were held, be very simple, have provided this brief induction in the consummation of his election.

What I now have to say will be addressed to Dr. Flowers, president-elect of Duke University, and I call on this audience to bear witness:

Doctor Flowers: Following an acquaintanceship of more than 65 years, the last 40 years covering an intimate friendship, of which I am proud, we are today making record of an epochal period in your life and in that of Duke University.

By order of the board of trustees I am delivering to you the Charter of Duke University, verified and underwritten by the State of North Carolina, as evidenced by the great seal of our state attached thereto. I also place in your hands the official seal of the university, modest in size and design; its impress legally imposed on any document testifies in solemn form to genuineness, thoughtful recital and honorable dealing. You as its custodian are entrusted with its inviolable use and keeping.

I am further ordered by the board to commit to your reverant care the Constitution and By-laws of the University, charging you with the sacred duty of compelling its observance and enforcement.

It is not in order to attempt to foretell all you may have to do in the performance of the duties thus imposed upon you, nor is it expedient in the presence of this company to venture into details, but I cannot resist promptings within me pointedly to direct your particular attention to what in my mind is the all important and all inclusive duty laid upon you, and that is the protection, cultivation and preservation of the aims of Duke University as set forth in the first article of the Constitution and By-laws, reading as follows:

Aims of the University

1. The aims of Duke University are to assert a faith in the eternal union of knowledge and religion set forth in the teachings and character of Jesus Christ, the Son of God; to advance learning in all lines of truth; to defend scholarship against all false notions and ideals; to develop a Christian love of freedom and truth; to promote a sincere spirit of tolerance; to discourage all partisan and sectarian strife; and to render the largest permanent service to the individual, the state, the nation, and the church. Unto these ends shall the affairs of this university always be administered.

As you know, this is read at the opening of every meeting of the board of trustees, and is no doubt in the mind of every member of the board, serving as a guide in testing the genuineness of policies submitted for consideration. These aims embody Duke University's right to exist. Better forget the grace and richness of its physical plant, better tear down our beautiful temple, the University Chapel, standing in the midst of all else, consecrated to the glory of God and to his service—the chips and whetstones from its wreckage would prove more useful to mankind than the aimless labors and babbling mockeries of a Duke University robbed of its present stated aims.

I do not understand that I am revealing anything new to you. You have been identified with the university for 50 years in most intimate fashion. You have constantly and persistently been supported in your labors by the esteem and confidence of your associates and of the stu-

dent body. I should probably hesitate to declare unto you that in the discharge of the duties of president there will come to you for solution difficult problems which you alone with God's help must solve.

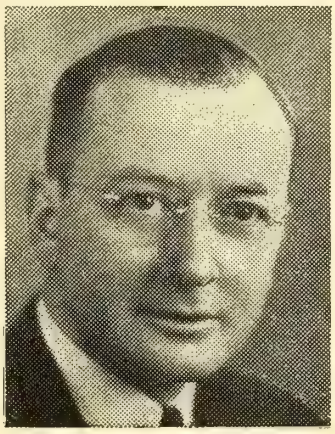
I bear you a message of good cheer. It is my privilege to make known to you that when the trustees ordered me as their chairman to impose upon you the burdens voiced in this ceremony, I made inquiry as to their attitude toward you, and by a unanimous standing vote I was directed to say to you that you possess, and in all you may righteously continue to do, you will own their sympathy, their abounding love and confidence. Knowing these upstanding men as you and I know them this message should prove a great comfort and stimulant to you in what I confidently predict will prove a successful administration by you of the affairs of Duke University.

Dr. Flowers, I am now asking you to make your commitments in response to what I have sought in crude but sincere fashion to lay before you."

Dr. Flowers in accepting the responsibilities of his new office said: "It is with a sense of distinct responsibility and of serious obligation that I accept these symbols of the office which the board has committed to me. It shall be my constant endeavor to be true at all times to the traditions of the institution and to be ever mindful of the need that scholarship in the best sense of the word and intelligent, high minded service to worth while causes shall go hand in hand in the years that are ahead."



William Arnold Lambeth



John Rood Cunningham



Josiah William Bailey

As the Honorary Degrees Were Conferred, the Following Citations Were Read by President Flowers

Doctor of Laws—Josiah William Bailey, editor, lawyer, and statesman of the first rank. A United States Senator who has made the public interest his guiding star and has served his state and country with courage and ability.

Doctor of Laws—John Rood Cunningham, leader in Christian education, patriot of energy and vision, preacher and exemplar of high standards of theological training, contributor to the intellectual and spiritual work of religious councils in state and nation, delegate of Southern Presbyterianism to world conferences on life and work, and on faith and order, president of Davidson College.

Doctor of Laws—Clyde Olin Fisher, born in a North Carolina parsonage, a graduate of Trinity College of Duke University, sometime teacher in public schools in North Carolina and in Clark University, professor of economics in Wesleyan University since 1922 writer on practical phases of his subject, for four years expert economist for the city of Cleveland, Ohio, a public spirited citizen of his adopted state, which he has served with distinction for six years as chairman of the Connecticut State Board of Mediation and Arbitration.

Doctor of Laws—William Ernest Hocking, chairman of the Division of Philosophy and Psychology, Harvard University, philosophical author of world-wide influence, teacher of philosophers, wise counselor in the development of philosophy at Duke University, advocate of clear intellectual and moral ideas in political life, and inspirer of comprehensive ideals in religion.

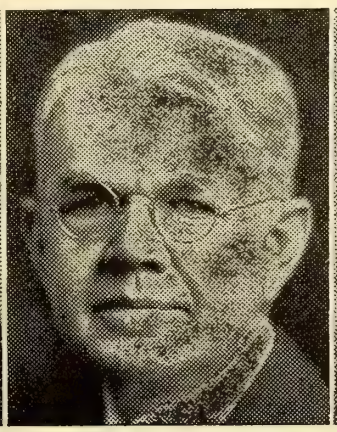
Doctor of Laws—Robert MacDonald Lester, a product of Southern schools, an administrator of a great philanthropic trust, a friend and counselor of the nation's libraries, a critic and guide of American education.

Doctor of Divinity—William Arnold Lambeth, of the class of 1901. A minister with broad vision, a builder with a sense of human values, a zealous interpreter of the art of abundant living, by circumstance of home environment and training fitted to serve mankind with understanding as counselor and friend.

Doctor of Divinity—Harry Cleveland Smith, of the class of 1914. Preacher to the people and pastor to all in need. A churchman whose long years of service, wise guidance and sane leadership have won for him the confidence and respect of his fellow-workers; and whose depth of thought, clearness of utterance, kindliness of attitude and graciousness of manner have endeared him to many.



Robert McDonald Lester



Harry Cleveland Smith



Clyde Olin Fisher



William Ernest Hocking

GLORIOUS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF TRINITY, WILMINGTON

The golden anniversary celebration of Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington, came to a successful close on Wednesday, May 28, when Bishop Clare Purcell preached the anniversary sermon, "The Spirit of Methodism," and dedicated a number of special gifts. The pastor, Rev. R. L. Jerome, read a history of the church which was organized May 28, 1891. The church treasurer, H. A. Marks, reported that our goal of $15,000 for the first unit of an educational building has been reached with cash amounting to $12,530 and pledges amounting to $2470. This money for the building came from 279 members. He also reported that every item in the budget and all local bills are paid up to date, the first time this has occurred at the half-year mark in the history of the church.

The celebration started on Sunday morning, May 25, when Dr. Elbert Russell of the Duke Divinity School, preached an inspiring sermon to a large congregation. That evening a pageant, "Through the Years," written by Mrs. D. R. Goodin, a member of Trinity church, was presented by a cast of about 50. The pageant depicted scenes in the history of Trinity church. It was presented in appropriate costumes and delighted the large crowd witnessing it.

On Tuesday, May 27, four former pastors—Rev. A. S. Barnes, Rev. J. W. Potter, Rev. A. P. Brantley, and Dr. Walter Patten—brought greetings. Rev. James Lawson, president of the ministers' association, brought greetings from other denominations. All local Methodist ministers had parts on the program. Messages were read from several former pastors who could not attend.

The choir rendered appropriate and inspiring music at each service. On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings the people gathered in the social hall for informal fellowship hours. In the social hall there was a table with pictures of the various churches connected with Trinity's history and other items of historical interest. A birthday cake with 50 candles graced the center table.

A window-plate in one of the stained glass was inscribed "In Memory of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Craig, First Pastor—Charter Members by Their Children."

The following gifts were dedicated by Bishop Purcell:

Acousticon Churchphones by Mrs. G. H. Hutaff.

Alms Bason by Mrs. M. H. Shepherd in memory of her mother, Mrs. H. M. Melville.

Altar Cross by Mrs. G. H. Hutaff.

Baptismal Font by Mrs. E. L. Prince in memory of her infant son, Edmond Dorsey.

Bird Bath by Nursery—Beginners Department.

Cabinet for Duplicator Supplies by Men's Bible Class.

Candlesticks by Mrs. G. H. Hutaff.

Chair for Organist by Mrs. Eugene Philyaw in memory of her husband.

Chairs (50) for Ladies' Parlor by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Marks and Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Sutton.

Collection Plates by Mrs. H. E. Cranford in memory of her husband.

Duplicator by Men's Bible Class.

Electric Cross by Mrs. G. H. Hutaff.

Flags (American and Christian) by Mrs. L. E. Williams.

Flower Urns by Mrs. T. D. Love, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Henderson, Jr., Misses Mary B., Jane, and Elizabeth Williams in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Williams.

Linens for Communion Table by Mrs. W. C. Davis.

Methodist Hymnals (50) by Aldersgate Class.

Methodist Hymnals (50) by Shepherd Fellowship Class.

Methodist Hynmals (5) by Rev. C. P. Jerome in honor of his grandchildren, Robert Lyle Jerome and Jean Gray Jerome.

Methodist Hymnals (2) by Mrs. C. E. Kerr, Sr.

Steel engraving of the Ordination of Bishop Asbury given in memory of John H. Beery by his daughters.

Typewriter by Men's Bible Class.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference met May 15 in Moore's Chapel church on the Thrift-Moore's charge, of which J. H. Carper is pastor. F. A. Wilkinson, who 50 years ago united with this church on profession of faith, welcomed the conference to Moore's Chapel. The district superintendent, G. T. Bond, led the devotions. E. H. Nease was elected secretary and N. A. Huffman was chosen statistical secretary.

Mrs. W. W. Hagood was presented to the conference and she responded in a brief but telling way in praise of the ministers and in emphasizing the importance of the ministers' dress. She said that "blue shirts, red ties and brown shoes" have no place in the pulpit.

E. O. Cole, conference treasurer, reported the financial facts of the conference. The Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, the Advocate, the need for a Methodist church at Oakhurst, the Conference Brotherhood and the woman's work of the district were represented by Dr. L. B. Abernethy, Dr. M. T. Plyler, Edwin L. Jones and Mrs. C. E. Wakefield. The work and place of the Bethlehem Center in Charlotte were emphasized by Mrs. R. E. Evans and Miss Ruby Berkley. J. B. Ivey spoke on the importance of the Golden Cross; and Dr. B. G. Childs presented the cause of Christian education. The conference sermon was preached by L. R. Akers, Jr., pastor of the Big Spring church.

F. A. Wilkinson and J. H. Carper had directed in planning for the noon day meal, and the membership of the charge had responded in a splendid way. Two long tables were loaded with good things to eat when the lunch began; and after all had eaten enough or too much there was enough left for another conference.

The laymen's hour began at 2 p. m. with Guy O. Bagwell presiding. He made his report as district lay leader; and a District League of Stewards was organized with Mr. Bagwell, president, Hon Paul R. Ervin, vice president, Cecil P. Pate, secretary, and Lester F. Crenshaw, treasurer. R. E. Evans made the report of the nominating committee and Guy O. Bagwell was re-elected district lay leader as were Hon. Paul R. Ervin, George K. Craig and L. E. Huggins, associate district lay leaders. J. Wilson Smith made the address on "Essential Qualities of a Layman."

The reports of the district committees on Missions and Church Extension, Christian Education, Hospitals and Homes, Christian Literature, Trustees, License and Recommendations, Finance, Spiritual Life and Evangelism and Quarterly Conference Records were made by J. W. Fitzgerald, R. L. Ownbey, J. B. Ivey, H. R. Cornelius, F. A. Wilkinson, S. M. Needham, Neal S. Zeigler, N. A. Huffman and J. E. Yountz, respectively. Dr. R. A. Smith, Prof. N. M. Harrison, Mr. Martin and Rev. E. D. C. Brewer spoke on Christian education.

The district committee on Hospitals and Homes was elected as follows: J. B. Ivey, chairman, John R .Smith, P. J. Kiker and L. F. Crenshaw. O. V. Woosley spoke of the work and needs of the Children's Home. Arthur Mitchell Faulkner was recommended for admission on trial in the Western North Carolina conference.

On invitation of H. P. Powell and J. A. Jones, the conference voted to meet in Dilworth church for the 1942 session.

Reporter.

BREVARD COLLEGE SEVENTH YEAR COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Saturday, June 7

8:00 p.m.—Oratorical contest for men and women. College auditorium.

Sunday, June 8

11:00 a.m.—Baccalaureate Sermon, Brevard Methodist church. Rev. J. G. Huggins, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist church, Waynesville, N. C.

5:00 p.m.—Faculty reception for seniors, their parents, and alumni. Lawn of the president's home.

Monday, June 9

7:00 p.m.—Alumni banquet. West Hall dining room.

Tuesday, June 10

10:30 a.m.—Graduation program. College auditorium. Address, Mr. L. P. Hollis, superintendent of Parker District Schools, Greenville, South Carolina.

390 DEGREES AWARDED BY WOMAN'S COLLEGE, GREENSBORO

Woman's College conferred bachelor's degrees on 390 young women, the majority of whom will go into the teaching profession, and recognized with honorary degrees of doctor of education two veteran teachers of the state in graduation exercises last Monday.

Miss Queen Carson, teacher in the public schools of Asheville since 1894, and Mrs. J. M. Barbee of Raleigh, who took her first school in Franklin county in 1872, sat on the platform of Aycock auditorium with the college faculty and received their degrees as the climax to the closing day of the three-day finals.

Speakers were Governor J. M. Broughton; D. Hiden Ramsey of Asheville, editor of the Asheville Citizen; Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina; Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration of Woman's College; and Miss Frances Daniel of Henderson, elected representative speaker of the graduating class.

Bringing only a message of greeting, Governor Broughton presented the diplomas to the 390 graduates. The candidates for degrees in the five departments of bachelor of arts, bachelor of science in home economics, bachelor of science in physical education; bachelor of science in business education and secretarial administration, and bachelor of science in music were presented by Dr. Jackson. The degrees were conferred by Dr. Graham.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The second session of the Greensboro district conference was held in the Odell Memorial auditorium on the campus of Greensboro College, Wednesday, May 21. The district superintendent, Rev. L. B. Hayes, presided. Rev. C. W. Bates was elected secretary. After a devotional service in charge of Rev. A. D. Shelton, Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, welcomed the delegates and visitors.

The chairman read a list of committee assignments. These were approved by vote of the conference.

A number of the brethren representing various phases of conference activity were introduced and spoke te the gathering. Among them were O. V. Woosley, superintendent of the Children's Home at Winston-Salem; Dr. A. W. Plyler, of the conference Christian Advocate; Rev. H. G. Allen, president of the Conference Brotherhood; Rev. E. H. Nease, the secretary of the annual conference; Rev. E. O. Cole, conference treasurer; Mrs. J. F. Kirk, Mrs. O. V. Nelson, Mrs. Willard, representing the conference board of education; Dr. P. E. Lindley, dean of High Point College; Mrs. W. C. Tucker, representing the Golden Cross; Rev. R. G. Tuttle, district missionary secretary; Mrs. D. M. Davidson, district president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service; Miss Panigot, student worker at College Place church; Mr. T. A. Glascock, district treasurer; Mr. T. C. Hoyle, representing the District League of Stewards.

Some of these gave us reports of the activities of their respective organizations and agencies. Others gave us financial statements. The latter were most encouraging; the former, very helpful and inspiring.

The pastors' reports in the main showed good progress for the first six months of the conference year. 229 additions to the church rolls were reported. And most of the charges reported at least 50 per cent of World Service and conference claims raised.

Just before adjournment for lunch the conference united with the student body of the college in a chapel service. Miss Jean Stamper sang a solo with fine effect. Rev. P. L. Shore, Jr., gave the message of the morning, a very thoughtful and timely word on "The Blossoming Desert."

The conference delegates and visitors were the guests of the college for a most delicious brunswick stew lunch.

Various routine matters were taken up in the short session following lunch. It was announced that the district check-up meeting would be held Tuesday, October 7, at 7:30 at West Market Street church, Greensboro.

The district conference voted to meet next year with the Mt. Pleasant church, near Kimesville Lake.

C. W. Bates, Secretary.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

We send greetings to our many friends throughout North Carolina, and make request of you that you continue to support orphan children through the Children's Home of Winston-Salem and the Methodist Orphanage of Raleigh, just as you used to do through this home. You of course know that we are drawing our subsistance through the Children's Home in Winston-Salem and have been since last conference. This arrangement will continue through June, and about the first of July the children remaining here will be transferred to the Children's Home.

Something like 22 of our children have already been placed and a number of the smaller ones are visiting relatives and friends; so there are only about 40 of us here now. The little folks will be coming back about the middle of June.

A Special Invitation

The pastor and friends of First church, High Point, are planning a special service for those of us who are members of the Children's Home family on Sunday, June 29, at 11 a. m. A letter will go out soon to all those who were reared in this home, whose addresses can be had, inviting them to come back home on that day, worship with us at the church at the 11 o'clock hour, and then partake of a picnic luncheon on the campus at the Children's Home. This will be our last Sunday here, and we join very heartily with the good people of High Point in urging all former students to come for the day. We would like to see you again. There are perhaps many other friends who would like to come along with them. Fine! We hope you will, and all we charge you for that privilege is to bring along a basket or a box of eats to be shared at the picnic dinner. Come if you can and enjoy the day.

A. G. Dixon.

REV. GILREATH G. ADAMS DIES IN ELKIN HOSPITAL

Rev. Gilreath G. Adams, 48, Methodist pastor of Matthews, died Sunday, June 1, in Hugh Chatham hospital following a critical illness. Funeral rites were conducted at Matthews Methodist church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Adams was a native of Mooresville, a son of A. M. Adams and the late Mrs. Adams. He was educated at Rutherford College and Trinity. He joined the Western North Carolina Methodist conference in 1921 and had served several charges, including five years at Matthews church. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Gertrude Falls Adams; two sons, Gilreath, Jr., and Nelson; and his father.

An appreciation of Brother Adams will appear in next week's Advocate.

If you pursue good with labor, the labor passes away but the good remains; if you pursue evil with pleasure, the pleasure passes away and the evil remains.—Cicero.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

AN INTERESTING RECORD

A report of special interest carried in The Methodist Woman for June is that of Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Fulton says: "The first quarter of the Woman's Society of Christian Service has ended. The reports are all in and we find cause for rejoicing that every conference, except three, sent their reports to the office in time to be included in the total. We rejoice in the wonderful co-operation of every woman in every society that made the report possible. We have done well for this our first quarter. To reach our goal for the year a higher standard per quarter must be reached. Of course we shall do it. We women always have."

It is gratifying to note that the grand total received from the six jurisdictions, the Cuba conference and the China missionary society was $929,910.37 for this first quarter, with the North Central Jurisdiction leading with $235,000, the Northeastern Jurisdiction second with $179,000, and our own Southeastern Jurisdiction third with $149,498. This is a record of which our Methodist women may be justly proud.

DISTRICT INSTITUTE OF C. S. R. & L. C. ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Quinn B. Felker, Secretary

An institute for the departments of C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities of the Winston-Salem district was held at Burkhead church Thursday, April 3 at 2 p. m. Mrs. L. V. Scott presided and Mrs. Q. E. Felker served as secretary. Twenty-two churches were represented.

The institute opened with the old familiar hymn, "Arise O Men of God." Devotions were by Mrs. Zeb Smith, who read from Philippians 6 and made a most impressive talk on unselfishness, service toward our fellowmen and opportunity. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Smith, pastor of Burkhead, with solo, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" by Mrs. Alton Jackson. The first speaker of the afternoon, presented by Mrs. Scott, was Dr. C. C. Weaver, whose subject was: "The Christian Family." He made a most helpful talk emphasizing the importance of the child in the home and stating their need for an understanding of moral strength that they can get only in the home, and urging that parents should not only furnish the rules of the home but the examples as well.

Mrs. J. W. Mann and Mrs. Linville Martin spoke on "Social, Church and Community Activities" and Mrs. B. J. Lindley had for the subject of her message "Economic Relations," and spoke of the economic problems confronting us today and stating that there must be no discrimination because of race.

"Christian Citizenship" was discussed by Mrs. H. C. Nicholson of Thomasville, who stressed the importance of giving our best toward Christianizing the world, cultivating an understanding of the full meaning of Christian citizenship and striving to make the teachings of Jesus real.

Mrs. I. L. Sharpe in discussing "Alcohol and Other Narcotics" gave some startling facts concerning the liquor problem.

Mrs. L. V. Scott spoke on two topics: "International Relations and World Peace" and the "Minority Groups and Inter-Racial Co-operation," presenting literature on the former, urging us to study conditions and use our influence for peace. She also urged co-operation with the minority groups in every way we could giving to them our sympathy and help.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president of W. S. C. S., spoke briefly of the work and stated there were more tools to work with than ever before.

An open forum was led by Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district corresponding secretary. The institute closed with prayer by Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

The North Carolina School for Christian Workers and the State Youth Conference of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church will be held at Hanes Memorial church, Winston-Salem, N. C., July 7-12, 1941.

The activities of the conference will center around the theme: "Achieving Life's Objectives in a Modern World with Christ," and some of the special features will be oratorical contests, forums, moving pictures, skits, demonstations and recreational activities. Registration will begin at 8:30 a. m. July 7 and classes at 2 p. m. Registration $1.00; entertainment $2.50; books $1.00 or more. A splendid course of study is planned for this meeting. For further information write Rev. R. O. Langford, Dean, 921 N. Highland Ave., Winston-Salem, or Mrs. L. V. Scott, Counselor, 2359 Oaklina Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C.

ELKIN DISTRICT MEETING AT NORTH WILKESBORO

By Miss Mamie Sockwell

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference; Miss Leila Epps of Kingstree, S. C., missionary to Brazil, now at home on furlough; and Miss Mabel Cherry of Brevard College, missionary from Korea, brought inspirational messages to the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Elkin district, which was held at North Wilkesboro Wednesday, May 7, with Mrs. Harry Pearson of North Wilkesboro, president of the district, presiding, and Mrs. B. S. Call of Wilkesboro acting as secretary. The worship service for the morning session was led by Dr. J. C. Stokes, who had for his theme Psalm 121:1: "I will lift up my eyes unto the hills from whence cometh help," pointing out most impressively the part that hills and mountains have played in the religious life of people.

Mrs. Ruth Wright Persianoff of the Wilkesboro school faculty, accompanied by Mrs. R. E. Prevette, also of the faculty, sang "The Spirit of God."

"Blest Be the Tie" was sung, after which a Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Call, followed by prayer by Mrs. J. C. Stokes. A welcome greeting was given by Mrs. N. O. Smoak, president Wilkesboro society, to which Mrs. Mason Lillard, district corresponding secretary, responded. An impressive pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Weaver, at which time the president or other representative of each society came to the altar and made the pledge for her society, quoting as she did so an appropriate verse of Scripture. Afterwards all knelt for the dedication prayer. In the afternoon Mrs. Weaver talked on the work of the society.

Miss Epps, during the morning session, spoke on "Open Doors for Service" in Brazil, and in afternoon led the opening devotional. Miss Cherry told of her work in Korea and also presented Brevard and Scarritt Colleges.

Mrs. Lillard spoke on the work of the district, and others presenting some phase of the work were: Mrs. J. F. Clement, literature; Mrs. T. A. Redmon, supplies; Mrs. J. B. Henderson, children's work; Mrs. Ward Eshelman, C. S. R. and L. C. A., and Miss Mamie Sockwell, young women's and girls' work. At the noon hour lunch was served by the ladies of the hostess church.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD BANQUET

By Mrs. Clarence Reed

The Wesleyan Service Guilds of Centenary church, Winston-Salem, were hostesses at a lovely banquet May 20, 6:30 p. m., to which all the Service Guilds of Winston-Salem district, as well as many in the W. N. C. conference were invited. Guests came from Marion, High Point, Greensboro, Lexington, Thomasville, and from many churches in the district, with more than 250 present—all seeming most interested in the work of the new Wesleyan Service Guild.

The object of the banquet was to help the members of the Guild to get better acquainted with the new church organization and to spend an evening in fellowship with the conference officers and visitors.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, presided and Miss Louise Young, National Standing Committee, gave a report on the meeting in Chicago, March 8. Officers present were: Mrs. W. E. Redding, Jr., conference secretary W. S. Guilds; Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., recording secretary Mrs. A. L.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY

For the past few years family life all over the world has been undergoing a great change. Every area of life has felt the effects of a changing world. For this reason it is very necessary that the women, through the department of Christian social relations do everything within their power to promote the relationship of the family to the church. There are many ways by which the leaders of this department may promote the Christian family through our local societies. First, we shall consider the needs for strengthening spiritual foundations through family worship. Encourage the parents in your community to spend more time reading and discussing the Bible with their children. Inform them as to what other devotional literature may be secured. Many families get into the habit of going through their meals without first giving thanks to God for food and other blessings. A gentle reminder in the form of a simple Grace printed on a little card and given to the children by the church school workers might help to develop the habit of giving thanks in homes. Christian literature in the home is also of great importance. Children are always eager for something to read and it is the duty of parents to provide the best literature that can be found. Seek to provide a good recreational center whre the children may enjoy clean, wholesome fun with each other. Emphasize the importance of co-operating with the church and its program of work, encourage families in your community to take part in church services, church school and young people's organizations. Planning and promoting study classes, discussion groups, forums, sermons and special programs relating to family life and the church would be of great help in establishing the Christian family.—Mrs. S. B. Gilliam, Conway.

NEW HANDBOOKS

The new handbooks for Woman's Societies of Christian Service are expected to be ready for distribution by June 1. These handbooks are to take the place of the Guide and should be in possession of every member of the W. S. C. S.—certainly no officer should fail to have one. These may be secured for ten cents each from Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden, N. C. The minutes of the annual conference held in Rocky Mount on March 25-27 have already been distributed. Each society is asked to utilize the time allotted for one meeting in which to study and discuss the new handbook and the conference minutes.

MISS GREEN SAFE

Mrs. A. T. Lambuth, Jonesboro, has recently received welcome news from her sister, Miss Alice Green, stating that she is well and happy. Miss Green, missionary from the N. C. conference to China, set sail for that country in February after an extended furlough in the United States due to illness. Miss Green is an evangelistic worker and Bible teacher in a mission school in Changchow. Her numerous friends in North Carolina will be happy to have this good news of her safety and her health.

LARGE GROUP STUDIES BIBLE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Grace Methodist church, Wilmington, has just conducted a special jurisdictional recognition class within a larger group. The larger group consisted of 53 with an average attendance of 38. The book studied was "The Life of Christ" by Umphrey Lee and was taught by Mrs. J. F. Herbert, wife of the pastor of Grace church. —Mrs. Bruce Yandle.

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS IN KOREA

Speaking at the New Bern district meeting in Mount Olive recently Miss Bessie Oliver, missionary to Korea, voiced an encouraging outlook concerning Christian missions in her chosen field of service. Said she: "In Korea the Christian missions have been Bible centered and that is the secret of the success of mission work in Korea. When a Korean finds Christianity, immediately he wants to share that joy with someone else. The Koreans know how to suffer. They are carrying on in a magnificent way. The work in Korea is divided into five divisions and the evangelistic emphasis is placed on every phase of the work. Christianity is facing the greatest challenge that it has ever faced. Are we prepared to face the challenge? We must live our Christianity day by day."

GATES COUNTY ZONE MEETS

The Gates county zone convened at Parker's church on March 19. Mrs. D. A. Wiley of North Gates presided. There were approximately 60 women in attendance. Rev. T. J. Whitehead, pastor North Gates charge, led the morning worship. Words of welcome and response were given by Mrs. Lee Riddick and Mrs. W. E. Brown, respectively. Mrs. Henry Stokes, Hertford, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, were the outstanding speakers of the morning session. At the afternoon session Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville, was guest speaker. Miss Lamb is conference secretary of spiritual life groups. Reports from the seven societies showed that there are 140 women in the county working in W. S. C. S. An invitation from Philadelphia church at Sunbury to hold th fall meeting there was accepted. This meeting will be in the form of a study class. A basket lunch was enjoyed at the noon hour.—Mrs. W. G. Bynum.

FOUR ZONE MEETINGS HELD

Fayetteville district zones were in session on May 13, 14, 15, 16. On May 13 the meeting convened at Laurel Hill with Mrs. J. W. Covington presiding. Rev. E. H. Measmer conducted the opening worship. Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary, brought a message concerning the work in the district. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, Miss Bessie Oliver and Miss Pricilla Stegar gave addresses. Miss Elizabeth Lamb led the noon day devotionals. Reports of societies and round table discussion led by Mrs. Chadwick featured the meeting. On May 14 Rev. J. W. Page led the opening devotional at Biscoe. Mrs. H. Lee Thomas presided; Mrs. B. Cole, Sanford, conducted the noon day worship; Mrs. George Halton, conference secretary student work, told of her work. Mrs. Chadwick, Miss Oliver and Miss Stegar and Mrs. Lawrence brought messages of interest and import. At Steele Street church, Sanford, on May 15, Mrs. Junius Wren presided and Rev. A. P. Brantley led the opening worship. Virtually the same program which was given at the other two meetings was used. Mrs. E. C. Heins, Jr., president State Presbyterian Woman's Work, was introduced and brought greetings. On May 16 at Person Street church, Fayetteville, Rev. M. W. Warren opened the meeting with a period of worship. Mrs. Jessie Gibson presided. With the exception of Mrs. Chadwick, the speakers at the other three meetings were present and appeared on the program. Four baby life memberships were presented in the district. A most gratifying attendance and enjoyable fellowship luncheons prevailed at each of the four meetings.

SHE GETS RESULTS

Mrs. A. B. Deans, secretary literature and publications of the W. S. C. S. at First Methodist church, Henderson, is an enterprising and enthusiastic worker in the cause of missions and particularly is she concerned that the members of her church read World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. Mrs. Deans uses several methods of bringing the importance and value of these publications to the attention of the folk in Henderson. In each of the ten circles of the W. S. C. S. in her church there is a representative of the publications who co-operate with Mrs. Deans in securing subscriptions. Mrs. Deans sees to it that the members of the Bible classes and the board of stewards of her church are acquainted with World Outlook and The Methodist Woman and are given an opportunity to subscribe to them. She makes a house to house canvass and thus secures other subscriptions. Needless to say that Mrs. Deans and her committee are reaping gratifying results. Would that every secretary of publications in the N. C. conference go and do likewise.

Lost, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are lost forever.—Horace Mann.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

As in other areas, we have been very dry here at the Children's Home. The grass on the lawns turned brown, the leaves on the Irish potato plants turned yellow and the young outcroppings of lespedeza withered away. For over a month no rain of any consequence has fallen. The garden truck has been reduced to a minimum. But while the sun shone the spring hay crop was harvested in fine condition. The mixture of oats, vetch and Austrian pea hay that was not cured was ground up with sweetening to be put in the silos. But a slight shower has come and indications are that other showers will be pouring down upon us, hurrying along the sweet potato and tomato plants and the growing corn, the cabbage and beans, and for that matter so many things we need that they are beyond enumeration. How dependent we are upon the showers of blessings!

SHOWERS OF APPLICATIONS

There is no let up in the applications for admittance into the Children's Home. They come upon us in such regular showers that before there can be any clearance from one shower another is upon us. It seems that everyfeels that something must be done about his applicatoin right away. Of course we will be compelled to take sufficient time to orient ourselves to the summer schedule. We are now so busy trying to place about fifty youngsters as to not have much time to evaluate the applications of those pressing their claims for admittance. Our first obligation is to the forty-five to fifty youngsters at the High Point Children's Home who have a prior claim for coming with us to live.

SHOWERS OF GOOD WILL

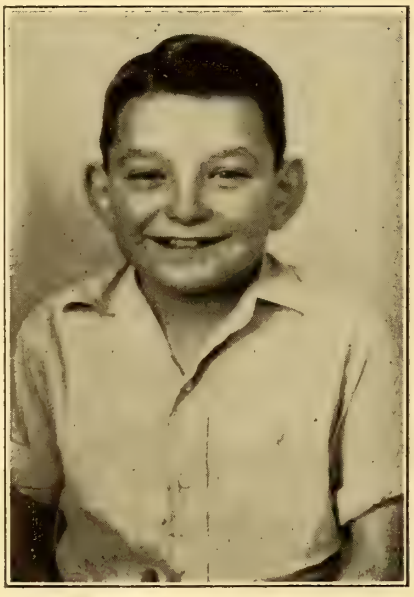
It is remarkably pleasing to note how satisfactorily the three branches of Methodism have merged their interests and activities here in the Western North Carolina conference, and for that matter, throughout the entire country. But here in our conference we have had three distinct psychological groups. Their religion and their faith have been the same but their methods and their institutions have been different. The merging into one great and active body of religious enthusiasts has come along more rapidly and with more assurance than even the most optimistic advocate of Methodist unity could have anticipated. Personal selfishness has not had a good opportunity to grow because of the great advancement of the common good of a great cause. Our great botherhood is decidedly a reality.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Our boys and girls are getting out of school. Already 235 grammar grade youngsters have put up their books and are now entering their schedule of summer work. The overwhelming majority of these youngsters have been promoted to the next grade and are celebrating over having received their certificates of promotion. By the time this appears in print our 140 high school boys and girls will have received their certification as to work accomplished. Twenty-two seniors will have graduated, who, along with the the two boys who graduated at midterm, will make this year's graduating class look well alongside others that have gone before. Thirteen girls and eleven boys will be stepping out. We shall step along with them for awhile.

NO LOCKS, NO KEYS

In his welcoming remarks to the Elkin district conference Mr. L. M. Amburn, a prominent Boonville layman, stated to the delegates and visitors to this conference that he had no key to the little Boonville city to turn over to them, since the Boonville citizens had no locks to their doors. He did say that there were plenty of latchstrings hanging on the outside ready to be pulled. Such was the spirit of the Elkin district conference, so pleasingly directed by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, district superintendent. A comparatively short stay at this conference was not long enough to hear the reports of the accomplishments in the district, but one did stay long enough to catch the spirit of optimism and of good will. Rev. J. H. Green and his Yadkinville circuit people, of which Boonville is a part, entertained the conference most hospitably and effectively.



A lad, sir, a lad!

A PROMISING BOY

The picture this week is that of Clark Blount, 11 years old and promoted to the fifth grade. Clark is not only a good errand boy here at the Administration building but is a good student in the school building and in the Norfleet building, where he lives. This lad has just been declared the winner of the James Walton boys' grammar grade scholarship award, he having led all the boys between the third and the seventh grade, inclusive, in scholarship rating for the past year. James Walton, a former member of our family, now a good sailor in the United States Navy, gives each year a cash award to the boy and the girl rating best in scholarship in the grammar grades and to the boy and girl similarly rating in the high school grades, the high school youngsters receiving $5 each and the grammar grade youngsters $2.50 each. Young Blount is a member of the scholarship quartet for 1941. He is sponsored by the Young Woman's Class of Fletcher, Henderson county.

SOME RED CHERRIES

Over in a given area of land which we are renting there stands a cherry tree. Before the boys discovered the tree it had some cherries on it barely turning red. But the discovery played havoc with the cherries. Nearby in a neighbor's holdings were other cherry trees whose limbs hung over the fence onto our holdings. These limbs were reddened with lovely cherries. Some of our youngsters seemed unable to deny themselves of reaching up into this red cherrydom. The neighbor became agitated and hastened over to the superintendent with a tale of cherry woe. When the boys were called in question they readily admitted their part in the matter, stating that they left when objection was made to their presence. It so happens that this neighbor's chickens played havoc during the winter with our small grain sowed nearby, an annoyance which we bore with patience and without complaint. The question was not put to the boys as to whether they were getting even with their neighbor or getting even with their cherry appetites. At any rate, the boys have decided that they will not look upon the cherries when they are red.

STOCKTON BUILDING COMPLETED

At last the Stockton building, a gift of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Stockton of Winston-Salem, is completed. This building is not only a thing of beauty but it bids fair to become a joy forever. It is a commodious fire-proof building. The furniture is being installed, the grounds are being shaped up and ere long it will be peopled with a group of happy girls. Gratitude to our good Stockton friends is abounding and will last forever.

THE HOME QUOTA

Staley, on the Liberty circuit, and Bethel, on the Mocksville circuit, are the two congregations listed during the past week as having paid their Children's Home apportionment in full. Rev. D. A. Bailey is the pastor in charge of the former and Rev. G. W. Fink of the latter. To these choice groups we extend our cordial thanks. To other groups getting ready to pay theirs we extend the urgent request that they not grow weary in their well doing. We hope most earnestly that every congregation and every charge in the conference will pay their Children's Home quota in full this year.

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GOOD RECORD—Our baseball team played 15 games during the spring and won 11 out of the 15. The team was well coached and is proud of the record made this season. The by-products of wholesome athletics are important factors in the development of our boys and girls.

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MOST COMMENDABLE —Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of our board of trustees sent each of our 20 graduates a present of five dollars. Last year he sent each member of the graduating class a like amount. It is needless for me to say that our boys and girls in the graduating class appreciate the generous spirit of Mr. Braswell.

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A THING OF BEAUTY—A few years ago roses were planted along the wire fence on the Orphanage campus, facing Saint Mary's street. The fence is literally covered with Dorothy Perkins roses, running a distance of at least three blocks. The roses are now in full bloom, and they present a beautiful sight to all passers-by. Each year we are endeavoring to make our campus more attractive and inviting.

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TREAT IN STORE—There is a big treat in store for the thousands of visitors who are going to spend the fifth Sunday in June at the Methodist Orphanage. I am asking particularly that the following representatives attend the rally day service: Sunday school superintendents, teachers of men's and women's Bible classes, chairmen of boards of stewards, chairmen of boards of trustees of churches, church lay leaders, presidents and secretaries of Societies of Christian Service, and any others who wish to come.

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FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY—Trinity church, Wilmington, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary last week. Brother R. L. Jerome, the popular pastor of Trinity church, had made elaborate preparation for the celebration. The district superintendent, together with all the local pastors, brought greetings, and a number of former pastors present also spoke interestingly about their pastorates. On Wednesday night Bishop Purcell closed the celebration with a timely message. Trinity church faces the future with courage and a spirit of optimism. I rejoice over the fact that I enjoyed two years as pastor of this growing church.

SWIMMING POOL — About two weeks ago our large and beautiful swimming pool was filled for the first time this season. Because of the extreme hot weather our children were eager to go in swimming. To say that they enjoyed this form of recreation is putting it very mildly. The pool is a gift of Captain Edgar L. Hart, who gave more than $5,000 to build it, as a memorial to his wife. We always have a life saver on duty when the children are in swimming, and one of the officers to supervise the children when using the pool. The pool is a life saver at the Orphanage during the hot months of summer, since it fills such a long felt need.

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MOUNT PLEASANT CHURCH — This church is on the Pittsboro circuit, six or seven miles from Pittsboro. The fourth Sunday afternoon our singing class gave a sacred concert before a large and representative congregation. Following the concert I had the privilege of addressing the audience for about fifteen or twenty minutes. An all day service was observed at the church, and a big dinner was served on the grounds. Brother R. Z. Newton had planned wisely, and doubtless great good will result from the day's service. Brother Newton raised a good part of his apportionment at Mount Pleasant church during the day, and very kindly paid our traveling expenses to and from the church. Since it costs the Methodist Orphanage a good bit to send the singing class to the various charges of the conference, I feel confident that our preachers and church officials will be more than glad to defray our traveling expenses.

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OIL PORTRAITS—At our approaching commencement and meeting of the board of trustees of the Orphanage, oil portraits of Messrs. Joseph G. Brown and S. C. Vann will be unveiled. Mr. C. A. Dillon, secretary of the board of trustees of the Orphanage, will make the presentation address when the oil portrait of Mr. Joseph G. Brown is unveiled; and Dr. R. L. Flowers, president of Duke University, will accept the portrait of Mr. Brown for the trustees. Dr. F. S. Love has been asked to make the presentation address when the oil portrait of Mr. S. C. Vann is unveiled; and Judge T. H. Calvert will accept the portrait for the Orphanage. Relatives and friends of these two outstanding citizens and churchmen are most cordially invited to attend the unveiling of these portraits. The exercises will begin promptly at ten o'clock on the morning of June 6. I am confident that a large number of friends of these great laymen will want to honor the occasion with their presence.

Seven-year-old Bobby returned from the neighbor's in great glee. "Mrs. Friendly gave me a piece of candy!"

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OFFICE ADDRESS—JUNE 11-JULY 3

Members of the conference staff will be at Louisburg College from June 11—July 3. During this time our office in Durham will be closed and all business of the office will be transacted at Louisburg. Any person having requests for materials or any other matters to consider with members of the staff can reach them at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

REGISTRATIONS

Senior Assembly

To June 2 there are approxiimately 100 young people registered in our Senior Assembly June 16-20. Registrations will be accepted in this assembly until our capacity is reached and those seniors who cannot be accepted in this assembly will be permitted to register in the Young People's Assembly. Each person enrolled in our assembly will be notified by card that his registration has been accepted.

Young People's Assembly

A large number of registrations have been received for the Young People's Assembly, June 12-16, but this assembly will not be as crowded as the senior assembly. We are suggesting, therefore, that those wishing to attend an assembly who have not yet registered send their registrations in for this assembly, even though they may be under 18 years of age. Registrations should be sent to R. W. Bradshaw, College Station, Durham, North Carolina, if mailed by Tuesday, June 10. Registrations mailed after June 10 for any assembly should be sent to R. W. Bradshaw, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

Christian Adventure Assemblies

To June 2 we have had 19 registrations in each of the two Christian Adventure Assemblies to be held at Louisburg College, June 20-24 and June 24-28. These assemblies will be limited to approximately 100 delegates each. We trust that those planning to attend these assemblies will send their registrations in as early as possible. After June 11 these registrations should be sent to our office at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

Murfreesboro Assembly

Some registrations have already been received for the Murfreesboro Assembly, July 14-18. We are looking for a fine group of Intermediates from the Elizabeth City district and the uppre part of the Rocky Mount district to be in attendance upon this assembly. Registrations should be sent in as early as possible.

ARRIVAL AT LOUISBURG

Delegates to each assembly will register between 2 and 5 o'clock on the opening date of the respective assemblies. Delegates who arrive on the bus reaching Louisburg at 5:30 can register upon their arrival. The first meal for delegates in each assembly will be the supper meal at 6 o'clock on the opening day of the assembly. It will be a real help to us if delegates will, as far as possible, delay their arrival until the afternoon in order that we will not have a "conflict" between new arrivals and the assembly already in progress.

TENNIS

Several nice tennis courts are in shape for use of the delegates to the assemblies at Louisburg this summer. All those who will be interested in engaging in this sport are reminded to bring their tennis racquets and outfits.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

June 30-July 3

A number of registrations have already been received for the Christian Workers' Assembly to be held at Louisburg College, June 30-July 3. Every indication points to a large attendance and a fine assembly. For the benefit of any adult workers in our churches who may not be aware of the nature and details of this assembly we are giving this information in the following paragraphs:

Who Should Attend

This assembly is for all adult workers in our church schools, for any prospective adult workers, and for all young adults in our churches. The study sessions will be divided into five groups: Church school superintendents, children's division workers, youth division workers, adult division workers, and young adults. All adult workers in our conference are eligible for attendance, and any church may send as many workers as it wishes. Pastors may attend and register in whichever group they may wish.

Registration

Upon request a biulletin giving full information about the assembly will be sent to any person desiring one. This bulletin contains a registration blank for the delegate to fill out and send in with a dollar registration fee. In case that anyone registering should be unable to attend this fee will be refunded.

Date of the Assembly

The assembly will begin on Monday afternoon, June 30, with the supper meal on that date the first meal of the assembly. The assembly will close with lunch on Thursday, July 3.

Cost

The total cost of the assembly is $5. A one dollar registration fee should be sent in with the registration blank and the other four dollars is to be paid when the delegate arrives at Louisburg. We suggest that a church would be making a real investment in its future program by helping with the expenses of one or more of its loyal leaders.

Bulletins and further information about this assembly may be secured by writing R. W. Bradshaw, College Station, Durham, N. C. After June 11 the address will be Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

FIRST TO REGISTER

The first person to register for the Christian Workers' Assembly was Miss Evelyn Williams of Swepsonville, in the Durham district. Miss Williams has registered in the Young Adult group. This registration was followed by three registrations for the Youth Workers' group from the Mattamuskeet charge of the Elizabeth City district. These were: Misses Ethelynde and Bernice Ballance from Watson's Chapel, and Mrs. Bessie Williams from Amity church. Mrs. Nancy L. Blalock of Red Springs has registered in the Children's Workers' group, and Miss Lillie Belle Dameron of Warrenton in the Youth Workers' group. We expect other registrations to be coming in daily for this assembly.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL REPORTS

The conference office has welcomed the receipt of several reports of vacation schools held this spring.

Semora church on the Milton charge sent in the first report. There were four groups included in the school consisting of 19 beginners, nine primaries, 20 juniors and 12 intermediates. The lesson materials used were, "Happy Times in Our Church," "Child Life in Bible Times" and "Discovering God in the Beautiful." The report was made by Rev. F. M. Patterson, pastor and director.

Mount Gilead church of which Rev. M. W. Lawrence is pastor, held a one week school. The 14 beginners studied "Homes," 19 primaries studied "Bible Homes and Homes Today," 15 juniors studied "What Is in Your Bible'" and nine intermediates studied "Understanding the Bible." Mr. Lawrence referred especially to the fiathful and willing teachers who participated in the school.

The director of the school at First church, Morehead City, Miss Pearl Brinson, sent in a report of 69 children who were enrolled in the school there. For two weeks the boys and girls came to the school and during that time studied "Happy Times in Our Church," "Our Daily Bread" and "The Land Where Jesus Lived."

The conference office will welcome all reports of schools held in the N. C. conference. If workers desire information with regard to plans for a school this year, we will endeavor to supply that information.

TRYING TO MAKE A PREACHER INTO A GOOD MAN

As a part of my work now I am engaged in trying to reform a certain fellow. He's not so bad; is well educated, graduate of a famous college, even a seminary graduate—a sort of preacher. Yet he's not what he ought to be.

He doesn't drink nor gamble. He doesn't even know cards, nor racing, nor the stock market. He isn't a libertine.

As things go, he's an exemplary citizen—a home owner, father of a fine strong boy, and husband of a beautiful wife. His is a devoted family.

Yes, he's a churchman. He believes in community spirit. He pays his taxes. He gives to good causes.

Yet, he's one who might be better. And there lies one of his troubles. He hardly realizes what he lacks; he's too well satisfied with himself.

He has his faults. He reads so much his neighbors get no visits. He's quiet and non-vociferous; no public reforms are seconded by him, not "firsted." He has a routine and follows it as he does his three-meals-a-day program. One hardly expects him to pioneer anything.

Ask him does he love his neighbor, he'd answer yes; but he knows nothing of the condition of the poor in his town. Ask him does he love men, and he'd say he does nothing to harm anyone. As he is able he tends to his own business and expects others to tend to theirs. He can hate evil in six languages; he loves folks in silence. He loves beautiful things but to compliment a beautiful woman as one of God's masterpieces—that would be bowing to the devil. He hates dancing and loose living, but he has no program for joyous folk—for letting folks "come apart and rest awhile," as Jesus did. He brings few smiles and has little laughter. Folks don't go to him for comfort, or a loan, or for taking care of their children for awhile.

So—I'm working on him. He's my friend, my constant companion. I believe there's hope for him, though hardly as much as for an out-and-out sinner. He responds at times. I continue to pray and to use every means.

He might be used for God in some great endeavor if he were fully dedicated and consecrated.

It will not be betraying any confidences if I tell you who he is.

He is myself. N. S. Ogburn.

DO YOU KNOW?

By Rev. E. C. Crawford

That about 40 per cent of the men coming up for examination for services in the United States Army are being rejected as physically unfit; out of 65,000 recently examined, 21,025 were rejected. Bad teeth, bad eyes and bad heart are the main causes of rejection.

That most of the material leaving this country for England is getting there alright. Admiral Land, of the Maritime Commission, says that of 205 ships that sailed from this country to England between December 30 and March 31 (1941) only eight were sunk; that is a loss of less than 4 per cent. Should the American Navy fight her way through the war zone to see that the other 4 per cent got there?

That heart disease was the leading cause of death in North Carolina in 1940, claiming one person out of every six of the 32,194 for whom death certificates were received at Raleigh. That is a rate twice as high as that for 1914.

That we are losing about as many people in America by automobile accidents as Britain is by air raids. From June 1940 to March 1941, Britain lost 29,630 civilians by air raids; America lost approximately 29,000 by auto accidents.

That Dan Marler of Johnston county, North Carolina, participated in the capture of more than 1400 whiskey stills during his 14 years of service as constable.

There is the difference in the income tax paid in Britain, Canada, and the U. S. A. by a man receiving $5000 annually with a wife and two dependent children: Britain, $1176; Canada, $391; U. S. A., $75

That in the South the family that has an income tax to pay is very lucky; for there are 11,000,000 people in the South in families that received a cash income of less than $250 per family.

South America, with a population of 81,000,000, contains 1,385,400 Germans. Today 662,500,000 people—one-third of the world's population—live under Nazi, Communist and Facist dictatorship, about 200,000,000 live under democratic rule, while the other half of the people of the world have no government and no ruler, dominated only by ignorance and superstition.

That the U .S. A. has set the boundary line of the Western Hemisphere 25 degrees longitude; that places the boundary about 2700 miles from Washington and about 1400 from Berlin.

A PICTURE OF PEACE

Some time, I cannot tell you when,
This world will be one brotherhood of men.
No more torpedo boats, battleships in the ocean;
No more machine guns, airplanes shot down in commotion.

When bloody wars no more shall be
This wide world of men made free
With love in our hearts, no time to fight,
We will know then that God is for right.
And loyalty to our blessed country then
Shall reach out to include all men—
Nation with nation, man with man,
Unarmed shall live as comrades can.

Gentleness will spill no blood, but dare
Not to kill on earth, sea and air.
Then we will follow God, our great example,
The whole wide earth will be his temple.
There will be love over the power of sin—.
All hearts will be acceptable to take love in.
There will be courage then, my comrade brother,
In this wide world with love for another.

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Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 8

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Beginning of World Missions

Acts 12:25 to 12:12

A group of Williams College students were taking a walk in the fields one Sunday afternoon in the beginning of the nineteenth century. A sudden shower came down upon them, and they took refuge under a haystack, and as they waited they gave themselves to prayer. From this prayer meeting came the great missionary inspiration that resulted in the formation of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and influenced the other remarkable missionary forward movements at that time. Our lesson today tells of another prayer meeting where the inspiration for the first concerted and aggressive movement for the evangelization of the world was received. Prayer meetings are not such futile proceedings as the policies of some modern church leaders would seem to suggest.

A number of outstanding prophets and teachers had been developed at Antioch. Luke gives their names; among them is a man from high life, the foster brother of Herod. We suspect that Barnabas had a hand in recognizing the possibilities of these men and bringing them out, just as he had recognized and encouraged Paul.

On a day that had been set apart for fasting and prayer, in which these prophets had doubtless been given an opportunity to speak or pray as the Spirit moved them, a profound impression settled down on the church that they should send out Barnabas and Saul as missionaries. Perhaps after a season of especially earnest prayer one of the brethren said, As we prayed the conviction came to me that we ought to send out Barnabas and Saul to proclaim Christ to those who have never heard of him. A look of surprise came into the eyes of a number of others, and each exclaimed, Strangely enough the very same thought came to us. The church deemed this simultaneous impression to be the voice of the Spirit, and so in due time after a solemn service of ordination they sent them forth. Doubtless also they provided means for their journey.

We are told that they had John Mark as their attendant. One wonders whether a part of his task would not be to teach inquirers the stories of Jesus, and whether the constant repetition of these stories did not serve to perfect the gospel he afterwards wrote. As he kept going over them he would learn to tell them more simply and picturesquely.

The first objective of the missionaries was the island of Cypress. They must have produced a great impression, for the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, heard of their work and sent for them, desiring to hear their teaching. At his court there was a certain Jewish sorcerer whose name was Bar-Jesus (son of Jesus). He was doubtless a man of acute intellect and a master of some of the secrets of hypnotism and natural science, but he was a professional fakir and a bad man.

He saw in Paul one who had the X-ray on his chicanery, and he was both afraid of him and intensely jealous of the attention the proconsul was giving him. When Paul had endured his contradiction as long as he could, he set his eyes on him. (Luke suggests here and elsewhere that there was something transfixing about Paul's gaze (Acts 14:9; 23:1). And he said, Thou full of all guile and villainy, thou son —not of Jesus, but—of the devil, when wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? And now thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. Paul, you see, prescribed for Elymas the same remedy that had also brought him to his senses (Acts 9:9).

When the governor saw his shrewd sorcerer reaching for some one to lead him by the hand, he believed. This gave Paul new confidence that God would use him for a great work in the empire, and Luke suggests that at this time he discarded his Jewish name that would always give the impression that he shared the offensive Jewish attitude toward other races, and took the Roman name Paulus that emphasized his Roman citizenship. Thus Paul illustrated the policy he expressed in the words, I am become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some (1 Corinthians 9:22). Bar-Jesus had translated his Jewish name into Greek and was known as Elymas. Perhaps Paul said, I will not let this scoundrel outdo me in practical sagacity. In one case the children of this world will not be wiser than the children of light (Luke 16:8.)

WHO ARE WE?

From a leaflet published by the National Conference of Christians and Jews we find the following answer to the question, "Who are we of the United States?"

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Ten million, Irish;
Nine million, Slavic;
Five million, Italian;
Four million, Scandinavian;
Two million, French;
One million each, Finn, Lithuanian, Greek;
One third million, Indian;
One third million combined, Oriental, Filipino, and Mexican.
In addition we are:
Forty million, Evangelist Protestant;
Four and a half million, Jew;
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Children's Storyland



THE BUS TOKENS

By Grace Helen Davis

Margery and Arthur liked Mr. Jenkins ,their neighbor. He always smiled cheerfully and called "Hello" when he got in and out of the bus to go to work in town.

Sometimes Mr. Jenkins asked Margery or Arthur to run an errand for him.

"Please feed my hens for me, and gather the eggs, Arthur and Margery?" asked Mr. Jenkins one day. "I'll not be back from town until after dark."

Arthur and Margery knew where Mr. Jenkins kept the chicken feed, and how much to measure out." "Yes, we'll do that, Mr. Jenkins," they promised.

Mr. Jenkins reached into his pocket. "Om, I haven't any change for you to put into your bank. I have only bus tokens," he said, and gave Arthur and Margery each one.

"Thank you, Mr. Jenkins," they said.

"Now, what are we going to do with the bus tokens, Margery?" asked Arthur after Mr. Jenkins had gone. "Mr. Clark, at the store, would give us change for them, I'm sure."

"Yes, and we could buy candy," agreed Margery. But then she thought a moment. "But why should we exchange the tokens for coins and spend them, Arthur? Our piggy bank hasn't much in it, and we could put the tokens in there, as Mr. Jenkins suggested."

"All right, we'll do that," agreed Arthur.

The children's bank was a fat, white china pig with large black spots. He had a slot in his back for coins, and Arthur and Margery slipped their bus tokens, which had a hole in the middle, into the slot.

"The tokens made just as nice a jingle as the nickels we have in our bank," said Margery.

After that Mr. Jenkins gave the children more bus tokens when they helped him out. He always had some in his pockets.

Margery and Arthur put each one into the piggy bank. "Some day we'll take them out and exchange them," they said.

Then one day the children's playmate, Buddy, was hurt in a bad accident. He had to be taken to the hospital to be made well again.

"Oh, Margery, I wish we could go to see Buddy in the hospital!" said Arthur. "He would be glad to see us, too, and I know they would let us see him because he has a room all by himself."

But mother couldn't take Arthur and Margery over to town after school, because she had no one to leave with their baby brother.

"I'm sorry," she said.

Then the children learned that Miss Price, the dressmaker, was going over to the hospital every afternoon to see her aunt, who was ill.

"I'll take Arthur and Margery with me and look out for them, if they want to visit their friend," Miss Price promised mother. "We will go on the bus."

"Oh, goody!" cried the children, and mother was glad that they could go with pleasant Miss Price.

"Arthur, we can go to see Buddy several times with Miss Price, and pay our own fare with the bus tokens in our piggy bank," remembered Margery.

The children brought out the spotted china pig, and Arthur held him upside down over the table and shook him so that the coins and tokens would roll out of the slot in his back. Margery happily counted, to see what was there.

"Yes, there are tokens for several trips to town and back. We won't have to ask mother for money, but can pay our own way to see Buddy," she said. "We can get him a present with the money we have, too."

"My, I'm glad now that we saved the tokens, and didn't just exchange them for money and spend it, Margery," said Arthur.

"Yes, for if we'd bought candy or something else that wouldn't have lasted," agreed Margery. "It's much nicer to save up for something like this."

Buddy would have said so, too, if he had known about it, for he certainly was glad to see Arthur and Margery when they rode over on the bus with Miss Price, proudly paying their own fare.

"Do come again, please," he begged.

"We will, Buddy," they promised.—Story World.

NO TRESPASSING

By Alfred I. Tooke

There's a mocking bird's nest near my house on the crest
Of the hill overlooking the creek,
And I have to look out, when I putter about,
Or I get a sharp peck from a beak.
First they lead me away, but if I want to stay
Too near to that well-hidden nest,
They swoop and then peck at my head and my neck,
Until I abandon my quest.
I've known them for years, but they swoop at my ears
If I stay there a moment too long.
I've fed them with fat—though they pay me for that
With hours of most exquisite song.
But I haven't a doubt, when the young ones are "out,"
That the parents will bring them to call
On "the folks who put fat out of reach of the cat,
And let the wild birds eat it all."

—Our Dumb Animals.

SOMETHING NEW IN SCRAPBOOKS

By Frances Kirkland

A scrapbook I saw the other day was made in a new way. It had finger tabs glued to some of its leaves. One of the tabs bore the word D-O-G-S. Another tab spelled C-A-T-S. Still another had three big letters like this—Z-O-O.

"Now what can be inside this scrapbook" I wondered. "May I look?" I asked the ten-year-old owner, Chimp Brandon.

Chimp's eyes danced. "You just ought to see what is inside!" he said.

And inside the book was another surprise. Instead of the animal pictures I had expected to see there were neatly pasted newspaper clippings about dogs and cats and elephants and deer and even giraffes.

"You have no idea how much our daily paper has to tell about animals," Chimp explained. "Whenever a dog does anything brave it is right there in the paper and when cats do queer things we find out about it in the paper. And there are no end of articles on the zoo. That is how I got my name Chimp, you know, I am so interested in animals that I am called for one of them!"

"I am going home and make a scrapbook just like yours," I said.—The Sentinel.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A little girl sitting in church watching a wedding, suddenly exclaimed:

"Mummy, has the lady changed her mind?"

"What do you mean?" the mother asked.

"Why," replied the child, "she went up the aisle with one man and came back with another."—Atlanta Constitution.

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Mother: "Why were you kept in after school today, Junior?"

Junior: "The teacher told us to write an essay on 'The Results of Laziness,' and I turned in a blank sheet of paper."

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Sonny: "Pop, what do they mean by stable government?"

Pop: "I'd say it's one that's run with horse sense, son."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 8
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2 8
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July
Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Pastors' School, Duke University 2-7
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
Roper, Jamesville, 5 8
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe (youth rally), night 10
Salvo, Q.C., 3 11
Avon (youth rally), night 11
Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Rowland, Centenary, 11 8
Maxton, 4 8
Raeford, 8 8
East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 22
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July
Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

June
Newport, Riverdale, 11 8
Straits, Harkers Island, 8 8
Pink Hill, Webbs, 10:30 14
Morehead Ct., 11 15
Beaufort, North River, 3 15
Morehead City, 8 15
Dover, 10:30 17
Jones, Shady Grove, 10:30 18
LaGrange, Institute, 10:30 19
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 10:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 22
Oriental, Kershaw, 10:30 24
Pamlico, Vandermere, 10:30 25
Aurora, Warrens, 10:30 26
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July
Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Goldsboro Ct., Thompsons, 11 6
Mt. Olive,Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Louisburg, 11 8
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 8
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8 11
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 13
Erwin, Angier, 11 15
Smithfield, 8 15
Stem, Roberts, 8 18
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 22
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 8 22
Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11 29
Selma, 8 29

July
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 6
Franklinton, Wesley, 3 6
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 6
Oxford Ct., Gray Rock, 8 9
Princeton, Fellowship, 8 11
Newton Grove, Wesley's Chapel, 11 12
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 13
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 3 13
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8....27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30

August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 7
Warren, Shady Grove, 11 8
Nashville, York, 3:30 8
Sandy Cross, 8 8
Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Wilmington, Grace, 11 8
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 8
Whiteville, 11 15
Pembroke Parrish, Pleasant Grove, 3:30 15
Lumberton, 8 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 29

July
Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June
Burgaw, Herrings, 10:30 10
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 10:30 11
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 10:30 13
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 10:30 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Pollocksville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July
Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:
June 8, 3 p.m.—Acton, Candler, Pisgah at Acton.
June 15, 3 p.m.—Biltmore, Fairview, Oakley at Oakley.
June 22, 3 p.m.—Barnardsville, Ivy, Weaverville, Weaverville at Salem, Weaverville Ct.
June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.
July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.
July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.
July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.
July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mils River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.
August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Central Avenue, 11 8
Zoar, 3 8
Matthews, 8 8
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 15
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 3 15
Calvary, 8 15
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Marshville, Center, 3 22
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 8 22
Wesley Heights, 8 23
Brevard Street, 8 25
Thrift-Moores ,Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July
North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
South Fork, 11 8
Vale, Macedonia, 2:30 8
Lincolnton, First Church, night 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Moriah, 11 1
Bessemer, 7:30 1
Guilford, 11 8
West Greensboro, Muir's, 7:30 8
Glenwood, 7:30 13
Reidsville Ct., 11 14
Summerfield, 11 15
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 7:30 15
Flat Rock, 11 22
Stoneville, 7:30 22
Sandy Ridge, 11 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

May
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 31

June
Denton First, Denton, 11 1
Farmer, Eleazer, 3 1
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 1
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45 8
Trinity, Fairview, 7:30 8
Asheboro First, 7:30 11
Richland, Union, 7:30 12
Seagrove-L. J., Seagrove, 2 14
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 15
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 7:30 15
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 16
Ward Street, 7:30 18
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

July
Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30

August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Glen Alpine, 11 1
McDowell, 3 1
Morganton, First, 7:30 1
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 10 8
Mill Spring, 3 8
Spindale, 7:30 8
Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences will be held in groups as follows:
Cabarrus County at Epworth, Concord, 3 ..... June 29
Rowan County at Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, 3 .. July 6
Stanley County at First Street, Albemarle, 3 .... July 13
All preaching engagements made directly with the pastors.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Stony Point, 11 1
Taylorsville, Marvin, 2:30 1
Hiddenite, Pisgah, night 1
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 8
Hickory, First, 11 8
Hickory, Bethel, night 8
Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July
Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
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Morris Chapel, 11 22
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Lexington, First Church, 7:30 29

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Thompson, conference corresponding secretary; Miss Sallie Blackwood, secretary of W. S. Guilds of the Winston-Salem district. This was the first get-together meeting of the Guilds, for which Miss Blackwood was responsible. Three missionaries were among the speakers: Miss Leila Epps, from Brazil; Miss Mabel Cherry and Miss Ruth Diggs, both of Korea, all of whom brought messages both interesting and helpful. Special music added to the enjoyment of the program and the presence of such an enthusiastic representation of the Guilds was very inspiring. The Wesleyan Service Guilds are well on their way!

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Susannah Wesley Bible class, Granite Falls Methodist church, wish to pay a tribute of love to its faithful member, Mrs. D. W. Yount, who went from us to the church triumphant February 8, 1941.

We are grateful for her Christian life. We pause to offer in appreciation these resolutions:

That in her going home we have lost an untiring worker in our church and class, whose presence we shall miss so much. We extend the family our sympathy and pray that her faithfulness and devotion to the church may ever be an inspiration and benediction to them. We request that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded in our class minutes.

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In Memoriam

MRS. MITTIE PEACOCK WARD
1861—1941

Mrs. Mittie Peacock Ward, daughter of the late Dr. Calvin Peacock and Ava Heath Peacock of Wilson, N. C., and wife of the late James Wesley Ward of Greensboro, was born at Stauntonsburg on February 17, 1861, and died at her home near Greensboro on May 14, 1941.

She is survived by three sons: James R. Ward, Neil B. Ward and Dred C. Ward, all of Greensboro; and one daughter, Mrs. Edward A. Hunt of Oxford; two sons, Roscoe A. Ward, and Calvin P. Ward having died a few years ago. She had 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was an honored member of Bessemer Methodist church, and came down to the end of life "being old, and full of days."

Such are the simple facts, and can be stated briefly, but they tell little of her life and spirit. The true record of what she was—nay what she is—is graven in living letters upon the hearts and lives of those who knew and loved her.

She was a living illustration that youthfulness is a condition of spirit and not of body. She discovered the true fountain of youth, and drank deep and daily of its waters, and it became in her "a well of water, springing up into everlasting life." Her mind and heart and spirit never grew old, but maintained their alertness and resiliency to the end.

Being vitally alive herself, she loved every manifestation of life about her; being beautiful in her soul, the beauty of God's world never ceased to enthrall her.

She loved the flowers of her garden, but the garden that she loved most was her home, and the flowers that she tended most carefully were the lives of those she mothered. She was a great mother ,and knowing this, God sent her many lives to tend and love and guide and nurture, and under her touch the garden of her home has bloomed and become a place where the Lord God loves to walk "in the cool of the day."

To her, religion was no weak sentimentality, but a real and simple way of believing and living. Her God was the God of cloud and fire, to be called on trustfully; to be heeded obediently; to be followed faithfully; and to be loved completely. There was that about her life that gave evidence of an unseen source of power, and her daily living was the outer reflections of inner communings. The doctors tell us that her heart had "worn out," but we know that it had borne the burdens of others so long, and become to full of love for people—any people—all mankind—that God simply "enlarged it"—and made it big enough to hold it all, and that somewhere it goes on beating among the hearts that grew too full for this life and needed more room.

She was gentle as only the strong can be gentle; understanding as only the wise can be understanding; and sympathetic as only those who themselves have sorrowed and joyed much are able to enter into and share the sorrows and joys of others.

Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, in speaking of the Christian life, employs the figure of a "race." I believe that on yesterday afternoon the good and the great, the strong and the pure who people God's city "not built with hands," were crowded upon the alabaster parapets, leaning over them, and watching with straining eyes the course of one who had always run well and true. And I believe that as the finish line was passed there went up from the throats of those whose joy it is to sing God's praises a mighty shout; and that waiting by heaven's gate—swung wide—there stood Moses and Abraham, Paul and Peter, and that they stood aside as One came forward with a crown of gold, held in a hand that bore the scar of a Roman nail, and placed it upon the brow of a child of God come home!

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At the end of the trail on May 14, 1941, Mr. Edd Bingham met his Pilot face to face, when he was called very suddenly to his eternal home. Twilight and evening star—the darkness has deepened. The bell has rung, and we bow in humble submission to the divine will of our heavenly Father. Henson's Chapel Methodist church and Sunday school suffer the loss of a valued and faithful member, trustee and Sunday school teacher, whose loyalty and devotion exemplified the cardinal virtues of our religion. His courtesy and gentleness of manner will ever linger in the memory of those among whom he lived and came in contact. Our community deplores the death of this straightforward and upright man whose business enterprises were always characterized by fairness in dealing with his fellowmen. To the grief-stricken family we offer our deepest sympathy, and commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows of life.

Be it resolved, that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate, to The Watauga Democrat, and a copy recorded in the minutes of our church and Sunday school.

Mrs. Annie Johnson,
Mrs. N. L. Mast,
Russell Henson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

With profound grief, we, members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Students' Wesley Bible Class, pay sincere tribute to the memory of our beloved friend and coworker, Mrs. Addie Mason Smith, who passed away April 28, 1941.

Resolved, That in the death of Mrs. Smith our society and class has lost a faithful and beloved member.

Resolved further, that our heartfelt sympathy be extended to her family, and we pray God's richest blessings may rest upon them.

Resolved, That a copy be sent the family, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. N. H. O'Neal,
Mrs. Helen Smith,
Mrs. L. S. Gordon.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of City Road church of Elizabeth City wishes to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member, Mrs. P. H. Williams. Mrs. Williams was a woman of fine character, deeply interested in her church and its activities; a good friend to the needy, kind, neighborly, unselfish; therefore be it resolved:

That in the death of Mrs. Williams our society and church feels deeply the loss of a faithful and beloved member.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent the Christian Advocate and be spread upon our minutes.

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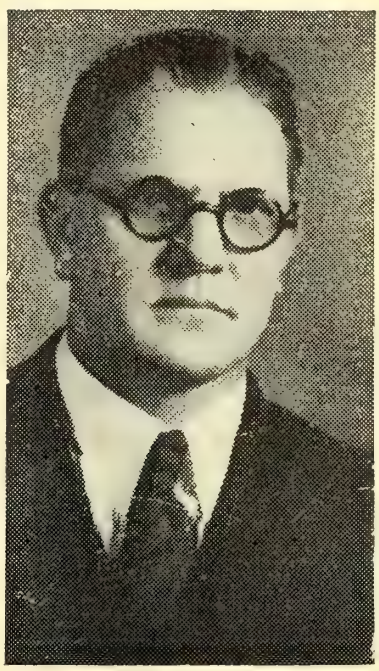
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THEIR BOY

There were two of us in the bus, a soldier and myself.

The soldier was not a general. He was not a colonel. He was not even a corporal. He was a private.

"Home on leave after being away for seven months," he volunteered.

"You'll be excited," I said.

He nodded. "Not half," he assured me. "It's grand coming back. I've been traveling fifteen hours and now," he took a deep breath, "now I've only another mile or so, and I'll be back in my own village."

He flushed. "It makes you kind of queer, you know, coming back like this. I'll be glad to see the old dad; and my mother—she's not been too great lately. There'll be Mary, too, my sister; and old Bob, the joiner who made me a rabbit-hutch years ago. I'll be looking in at Sunday school on Sunday—I used to have a class of boys. . . ."

So he went on till we turned a corner and the bus began to slow down. Suddenly, I saw him change colour. The flush gave place to pallor. His eyes were oddly bright. The bus came to a standstill amid repeated bursts of cheering.

A dozen boys were waving flags. A white-haired man with a frail woman leaning on his arm came towards the door of the bus. A tall, quiet-faced girl was close behind. There were a score of other folk among them a man with a joiner's apron.

The only other occupant of the bus gathered up his kit and stepped into a wild hubbub of cheering. The white-haired man gripped his hand silently. The frail woman put her arms about his neck.

We moved on again, and as I looked back I thought: he's not a general; he's not a colonel; he's not a corporal; he's only a private; he's their lad home again.—The Methodist Recorder, London.

FIGURES AT CLOSE OF FISCAL YEAR OF AMERICAN METHODISM

Methodism's fiscal year closed on May 31 with receipts of $1,105,213.41 to the World Service fund for the month, bringing the total income for the year to $4,166,262.01, it was announced on June 5 by the Rev. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the General Commission on World Service and Finance.

The total contributions for the year were only $134,-142.38, or 3.12 per cent, below the receipts for the same purposes from the three uniting Methodist Churches during the prevous year. The income for May was $422,093.91, or 61.79 per cent, above last year.

"The appeal of the Council of Bishops for increased giving during May received a splendid response from all of Methodism," stated Dr. Auman in making the announcement of the final figures. "We can be proud of the co-operation which resulted in the total giving coming so nearly to last year's figure in this first year of our united Methodism."

The special gifts, annuity and bequest fund totaled $373,691.34 at the close of the fiscal year, an increase of $34,783.34, or 10.26 per cent, over last year. Episcopal fund receipts were $631,650.16 for the year and contributions to the General Administration fund totaled $85,357.43.

A statement of contributions to all funds by jurisdiction, area and conference will be made by Dr. Auman within the next two weeks.

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Faith in the God of our fathers known of old has done more to win victories for America in freedom's cause than the material might of marching armies. This will continue to win over fear and earthly foes in the years ahead. Let the church of God keep the defense strong.

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The reluctance of the Americans to enter the war becomes evident in the failure of an active response to the President's fire side address. The American people are for peace. Certainly they do not want to go abroad for war, though they will fight if war comes to our shores.

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The trustees of the University of North Carolina are going to make the professors of the University "Swear," presumedly to keep some citizens of Tar Helia from "Swearing." The Quakers, we presume will not get in on this new form of amusement because they "swear not at all."

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Free, cordial friendship and youthful enthusiasm characterize the class reunions around the old Davie Poplar at Chapel Hill. Nothing else like it can be found in all our American academic life. Traditions for more than a hundred years make possible the charm of these later decades.

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Dr. R. S. Crispell on leave for a year from Duke to the Naval Air Training Station at Pensacola, Fla., where he will teach neuropsychiatry in the psychology and psychiatry department insists that much remains to be done to get the men in the proper frame of mind for successful aviation in which courage and the proper personality are so necessary. In the World War the "dare devils" stole the show but today no foolishness is allowed. "The aviators of today are engineers, intelligent engineers," says he.

An Associate Press story of Washington June 10, runs as follows: Representative Plumley, Republican of Vermont, told the House today that when Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt spoke at a hospital benefit meeting at Burlington, Vt., last week she charged a fee of $1,000 and there was no money left for the hospital. This should be conclusive proof that Mrs. Roosevelt is a successful business woman when she can handle a Vermont Yankee to the tune of 1000 to 0. We think the laugh is on the Vermonters.

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The Honorary Degrees have come thick and fast this year. Perhaps the best service rendered by the bestowal of these academic honors is to reveal the caliber of the recipient. If he is able to preserve the even tenor of his way as if nothing momentous has taken place, well and good, he is able to carry the load of added responsibility. But if it gives him a fluttering of the heart and a swelling of the head, you can right there get his measure. So this is one good purpose served by an honorary degree, if there be no other. While no one rejects them and every one appreciates the compliment bestowed, few people think of them more highly than they should.

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Again and again we are warned against German propaganda. This is well. What about the defeatism so often heard from well meaning men who insist that this is the hour of the world's sorest peril. Never before they insist was the world in such jeopardy. We can not accept such declarations. Our reading of history does not justify any such. Even in America this is not true. Following 1776, 1861 and other crucial periods in our relatively short history, the peril was most serious. This effort of course is to arouse the people to activity in the present defense effort, but all such fails. The good sense of the American people enables them to discriminate.

"Should a Poor Boy Go to College?"

PRESIDENT Robert M. Hutchins of the University of Chicago has entered the public prints to say that in his judgment a poor boy should not go to college. At the same time he admits that he was poor and worked his way through college. He insists that the game is not worth the candle and that self-help students do not furnish the type of leadership that the country requires.

If all the educated leadership furnished by self help students should be just like Dr. Hutchins has provided there would probably be no further discussion of the question, "Should a poor boy go to college?" But these poor boys have done so well through the years that some of us are unwilling to close the college doors in their faces.

In fact we think that the college and universities of the country and even the country itself would be seriously hindered, if not in actual jeopardy, should the colleges of the nation no more welcome the presence of these heroic toilers, who seek to prepare themselves for future usefulness in this land of opportunity.

Coach Wallace Wade of Duke has said, "rich boys as a rule do not excel in foot ball." This can be extended and as truly said that rich boys as a rule do not excel in scholarship. There are notable exceptions, but in spite of these exceptions the rule holds good that the poor boy makes a better record than the rich, not because of better natural gifts, but because he has learned the secret of hard work and that there is no royal road to learning. When a student at the University of Chicago we knew a rugged red headed boy of the Middle West who was a foot ball star in the days of Coach Stagg when Chicago was "tops", he made Phi Beta Kappa and at the same time earned his living. We have seen him early in the morning as Cashier receiving breakfast checks and at the same time pouring over his text books. This poor boy did three men's work and was a hero of the college campus. Yet the day has come when the president of the same University declares that a poor boy should not go to college.

We are aware that the ambitions of some poor boys out run their intellectual capacity and they are doomed to sore disappointment when they fail to attain. But even then it is well to remember the saying of the great writer who declared, "Not what I am, but what I aspire to be comforts me."

Exalts the Country Church

DR. ARTHUR W. HEWITT, author of "Highland Shepherds" and "Steeples Among the Hills," is a man who exalts the country church by putting his life into it and in turn he is honored by the work done. Few men ever get a more hearty welcome and attentive hearing than did Dr. Hewitt last week at the Duke Institutes. One who attended his classes faithfully reported that he had more town pastors present than country. Why not? He made the periods more interesting than a class on the city church can be.

This Methodist preacher, so genuinely human, and endowed with great good humor, having a fine grip on the essentials of the gospel, has become a scholar whose mind flashes as he discloses that which he has thought and felt in his fellowship with ancient and modern prophets and poets and saints as he is privileged to walk with and minister to the lowly of earth. For him the country church has been more than a passport to a city parish. Two men could scarcely be more unlike than Arthur W. Hewitt and Samuel F. Nicks; the one of New England, the other of North Carolina. Yet each has succeded in a marvelous way in country churches so widely different from each other as those in New England and in the Durham district.

Speaking in Public

IN practically all sorts of speech-making two things should be kept uppermost. One is to know how to begin and the other is when to stop. If anyone will take care of these two ends the middle will usually take care of itself. The two snares that beset public speakers are egotism and lack of respect for one's audience. His egotism makes him think highly of what he is saying when it is not worth saying, and lack of respect for his auditors leads him to punish innocent men and women and in it find a personal pleasure. Such men ought never be given a place on a program where the auditors unknowingly fall victims to such persistent stupidity. This applies especially to college alumni gatherings and public dinners where speech making is on the program. All men and women, too, who cannot speak interestingly ought not to be allowed to speak at all.

Will These Leaders Lead?

THE more than 500 men and women in attendance upon the Duke Institutes and Bible Conference last week at Duke University should be leaders in the churches of North Carolina these coming months so much needed for a real spiritual advance. We hear much of the front lines in the present defense efforts, but what about conserving our most essential reseves?

Armies rely on the needed reserves behind the lines in all efforts at advance. But equally essential are the reserves stored up by the nation or the nations involved in the conflict. Oils, food and raw materials of every sort are most essential. So are all the less gross elements that enter into the home and the educational life of the people. As a matter of fact, elements moral and spiritual constitute our most essential reserves. What contributions are these men and women referred to, and all such, going to make to the life of the churches in our state?

The Bible and the men of the Bible who did exploits should be made to live as heroes and conquerors in this day to stimulate the people to moral and spiritual heroism. Dr. Gray, in his commencement sermon at Duke, well says:

"In the course of centuries Christianity has acquired magnificent architecture, meticulous rituals, professional choirs; but what a far cry from the Man of Galilee, walking humbly down its dusty roads, and from the Man of Calvary climbing to a hill-top with a plain wooden cross on which to die! Beautiful, desirable, inspiring as these are, they are not what Christ came for. 'I came,' he said, 'to cast fire on the earth.' . . .

"Original Christianity rode in on an earthquake of one kind or another. It didn't evolve; it exploded. It's motor center was not an industrial forum or a social clinic or an educational program. It was a cross; and a cross is about as progressive and evolutionary as the crack of doom. . . .

"The kingdom of God ends in a perfected social order, but it begins in a kindled spirit. Christ is a rising moral temperature; he is a burning flame. He did not come to furnish themes for discussion, but to transform life and experience, and the progress of a truly Christian society is not by conformity but by contagion. It is our commonplaces that have now to be conquered for and by our Christianity; our amusements, our Sundays, our social habits."

Royal Exiles

THE death of Kaiser Wilhelm brings to mind many things. One of these is that War Lords end life in defeat. That was the story of Alexander the Great who died in defeat at 32. Even Napoleon was no exception. The night before the battle of Waterloo this Conqueror of Europe was eager for the morning to come with its expected victory. But the morning brought defeat and the great Napoleon spent six years of exile at St. Helena before he died at the age of 53.

The Kaiser was one exception in respect to age. After his abduction he lived twenty-three years in exile which was a long time to drink the bitter dregs of sorrow. But whether they died soon or lived a long time as did Wilhelm, they died in defeat and became powerful examples that he who takes the sword shall perish by the sword.

That was an impressive cartoon that many of the dailies carried some days since. It showed Adolph Hitler in drab garments standing by a new made grave apparently in mournful meditation. It was the grave of Wilhelm with one small bunch of flowers upon it.

"Why Does God Allow Such Things?"

THE world gets into war as it is now and as it was in the First World War, and at once superficial moralists cry. "Why does God allow such terrible things to happen?" Wouldn't it be more in accord with the facts if they would say that men who hurl themselves recklessly against the moral order of the universe are sure to get hurt and, as invariably occurs, the innocent are made to suffer with the guilty.

This is not a moral universe if God will not grant some degree of freedom to men and women who belong thereto. Instead, therefore, of crying against the cruelty of God in permitting war, why not put the blame upon the men who sin against the laws of God, or in other words against the moral order of His universe? This cry, "Why does God allow such things" is generally prompted by a misconception of God's relation to men. He is not a father who carries a big stick.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Born to Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Morris a son at Watts Hospital, Durham. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

The Burlington Circuit reported for the Golden Cross—1939, $4.00; 1940, $15.00; 1941, at present $30.00 Thus far—twice the amount of last year.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of R. A. Cooke as supply pastor of Marvin Church, Rocky Mount.—L. C. Larkin.

Asbury College at its recent commencement conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. John R. Church, one of our general evangelists and a member of the western North Carolina Conference.

Rev. A. C. Swafford and his elect people at Leaksville in the first pass out of the box in the Advocate Campaign went to the top of the Greensboro District. Good for Leaksville that has a habit of leading in many things.

The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred on Miss Isa Costen Grant, Mrs. Malene Grant Irons, and C. F. Irons, Jr., at the recent commencement of the Medical College of Virginia. These young people are the daughters and son-in-law of Rev. T. M. Grant, Greenville, N. C.

The annual home-coming will be observed at the Woodleaf Methodist Church, Sunday, June 15. There will be an all day program, with dinner on the grounds. All former pastors, former members of the church and friends are cordially invited to attend.

All the ministers, their wives and families (of Winston-Salem District) are invited to meet June 19th at Sunny Acres for a picnic supper. The hour for the meeting is 4:00 p. m. Bring a basket lunch and come everyone!—Mrs. C. E. Williams, Secretary.

A well-known bishop was remonstrating with his son for staying out late at night and causing his mother to lie awake worrying. The boy said, "Well, I do not see why mother needs to keep awake on my account." The bishop answered, "God made mothers that way: that is all I know."

If we are willing to learn from the past, we will begin now to prepare for the slump that is coming at the close of the present war. In economic affairs a few public men, at least, tie up the question of national debt and taxation with those of the cost of defense preparation. Therefore, why should not far-seeing men in the educational field, face with equal realism the present mass distribution of funds.

Efland Church on the Orange Circuit will observe its Annual Home-coming Sunday, June 15. Rev. Homer Casto of Weaverville, a former pastor, will preach the memorial sermon at eleven o'clock. Dinner will be served picnic style. We hope to have Rev. J. F. Minnis, just returned from India, speak in the afternoon. All former pastors, members and friends are invited back for the day.—C. P. Morris.

The revival at Shiloh Church, Burlington Circuit, starts this coming Sunday at three o'clock. Beginning Monday night services at 7:45 p. m. Mrs. Ellerbe directs the Junior Choir. Our laymen open the services each night. The pastor preaches; was requested to preach in the revival. With the three additions at Bethel yesterday—our additions on the Circuit by profession of faith now total thirty-two since Annual Conference.

The Vacation Bible School conducted by the Morris Chapel Church of Walkertown, Rev. C. J. Winslow, pastor, came to a close on Sunday morning at the Sunday School hour with a program by the children and the presentation of certificates by the pastor. Sixty-eight children received certificates for faithful attendance and work well done. The enrollment including the teaching staff was ninety-nine.

President R. L. Flowers of Duke has been appointed a member of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church in place of the late President W. P. Few. He becomes a member of the Advisory Commission of Educational Institutions. Dr. Flowers is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Board. The next meeting of the Board will be June 27, at Cincinnati.

Several of our friends have inquired about Judith Ann. We carried her to Duke Hospital last Wednesday for "a check over." She is to return in July for further treatment. We hope a change from the cast to a brace or other methods. Judith Ann is doing nicely. She was able to attend school the most of the time this past winter and passed her work o. k. She appreciates the interest of her friends.—M. C. Ellerbe.

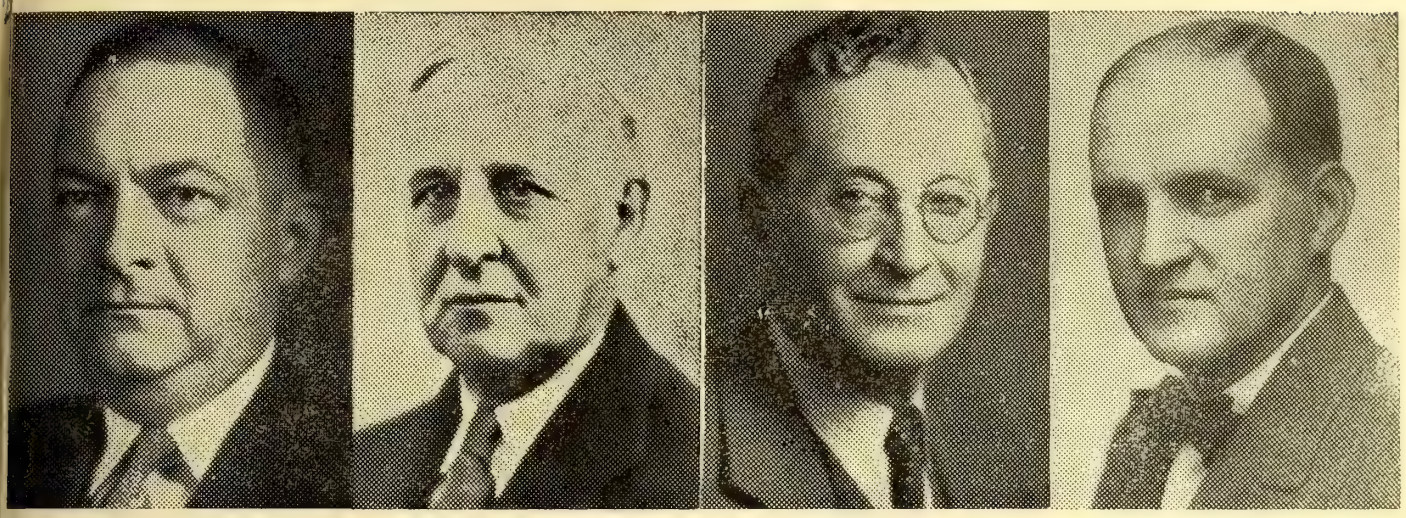
Eighty-three children were enrolled and sixteen adult teachers and helpers. Miss Blanche Westmoreland, Supt. of the Children's Division of the Church School was supervisor of the school. The sixteen adult teachers and helpers are regular workers in the church school. Classes, devotionals, handiwork, and recreation periods were held each afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock. The school was held in connection with our series of meetings. —Blanche Westmoreland.

The revival at Morris Chapel, Antioch Charge, Rev. C. J. Winslow, pastor, came to its climax and to a successful close last Sunday night after one week's duration. Rev. B. A. Culp, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Winston-Salem did the preaching in a very effective way. This revival meeting had its beginning many months ago when a group of Christian people banded themselves together to pray for the unsaved and the success of this meeting. There were many conversions and nineteen of these united with the church on Sunday morning on profession of faith and two by transfer of letter.—Blanche Westmoreland.

Ninety-five of the 109 large colleges now operating are located in fourteen Southern states, with the heaviest enrollment found in North Carolina, with 11 colleges enrolling 5,666; Texas with 12 colleges enrolling 4,869; Alabama, 8 colleges, 4,156; Georgia, 11 colleges, 3,609; Tennessee, 8 colleges, 3,481; South Carolina, 12 colleges, 3,315; Louisiana, 5 colleges, 3,082. The largest institution in point of enrollment was Howard University, Washington, D. C., with 2,695 student; the second largest was Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, with 1,442, and the third was Tennessee A. & I. College, Nashville, with 1,358.

J. J. Perkins, wealthy Wichita Falls philanthropist and oilman, announced to the Southern Methodist University Board of Trustees, of which he is a member, that he and Mrs. Perkins would give up to $150,000 to provide a new gymnasium for S. M. U., Dr. Umphrey Lee, president, reported following the annual June meeting of the board. The gymnasium will be a one-story building of two-story dimensions containing seating facilities for 4,000 persons, basketball and other courts, offices for the physical education and athletic departments, dressing rooms for teams, coaches and officials, a clinic, lockers, physical education classrooms, ticket booths and concession rooms. The building will be in modern Georgian style architecture to conform with other buildings on the campus.

Receive Honorary Degrees At Un iversity of North Carolina Finals



James A. Gray **Justice W. A. Devin** **Leslie Weil** **Louis Graves**

Recipients of honorary degrees at the University of North Carolina's 147th Commencement exercises Tuesday night were James A. Gray of Winston-Salem, president of the Reynolds Tobacco Company and Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Justice William Augustus Devin of the North Carolina Supreme Court; Leslie Weil of Goldsboro, prominent Eastern North Carolina merchant and planter; and Louis Graves, editor of the Chapel Hill Weekly.

Jackson Park Methodist Church, Kannapolis, Rev. J. Julian Holmes, pastor, celebrated its third anniversary with a sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell last Sunday afternoon. In three years two hundred and sixty-seven have united with the church; the Church School enrollment now stands at 321; among other things the women have furnished the parsonage and the kitchen for the church; the church building has been erected and more than half paid for. Outstanding accomplishments since Conference include: the installation and payment for a $1,100.00 heating plant, the furnishing of the church kitchen, the purchase of shrubbery and song books for the church and a refrigerator for the parsonage. For all purposes during the past three years a total of $16,000.00 has been raised.

Friends of C. Moody Smith, our pastor at East Flat Rock, will sympathize with him on account of the passing of his father. A. W. Smith passed to his heavenly abiding place from his home in Charlotte June 4. He was an honored member of the Chadwick Methodist Church from which church the funeral was conducted on June 6, at 3:00 p. m. The pastor was assisted in the service by Rev. J. C. Grose of Gastonia; interment followed in Hollywood cemetery in Gastonia. After preperation in Wofford Fitting School and The Citadel, Charleston, S. C. Brother Smith spent a number of years as a public school teacher in North and South Carolina. He had served as Steward, Sunday School Superintendent, and teacher in the Methodist Church.—M. G. Ervin, Pastor.

MRS. W. G. CRAM HONORED AT DUKE

Honoring Mrs. W. G. Cram of New York City, on Wednesday afternoon, June the fourth Mrs. Paul Neff Garber, wife of the Dean of the Duke Divinity School, entertained at tea at her home on the West Duke Campus the women attending the Pastors' School of Duke University.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. J. M. Ormond, wife of the Director of the Pastors' School. Mrs. Garber was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. G. Cram, honor guest; Mrs. Elbert Russell, wife of the Dean-Emeritus of the Duke Divinity School; Mrs. Ben Boone, President of Pastors' Wives Association; Mrs. George Perry, wife of the pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Durham; Mrs. A. J. Hobbs, wife of the District Superintendent of the Durham District; Mrs. H. C. Smith, wife of the pastor of Duke Memorial Church, Durham; Mrs. M. T. Plyler, wife of the editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate; and Mrs. Frank S. Hickman, wife of the Dean of the Duke Chapel.

Wives of the members of the faculty of the Duke Divinity School who assisted in serving were Mesdames James Cannon, III, Harvie Branscomb, H. Shelton Smith, H. E. Myers, Kenneth Clarke, Mason Crum, Gilbert T. Rowe, and H. E. Spence; also Mrs. H. A. Foushee, Mrs. Cecil Cooke, and Mrs. W. S. Fitzgerald.

A variety of early summer flowers in artistic arrangements were used throughout the home, creating a colorful and charming setting. Over a hundred guests called during the afternoon.

HONEY IN THE HEART

On the fourth of April I told you of the shop where I found the text "Take a little honey" used as part of an advertisement, and I was thus particularly interested when, exactly a week later, I found a paragraph headed as this one is, in a recent issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

"Our world is within," says its writer. "That which really counts is on the inside. Emptiness within spells emptiness without. What a man brings back from a trip round the world, or from any other trip, depends upon what he started with." Then he quotes these lines, in the dialect of the American Negro, which expresses the same ideas so attractively that I cannot do other than pass them on to you, knowing that in so doing I shall win your gratitude:

"Dere's honey in de roses when dey're bloomin' 'round de dore.
An' dere's honey in de water when it laps along de shore;
Dere's honey in de dew-drop when it glistens on de grass,
An' dere's honey in de glow-worm when at night it flutters past;
Dere's honey in de sunlight dat is shinin' from on high,
An' dere's honey in de cotton fleece a-floatin' in de sky;
Dere's honey in de clover blossom growin' 'long de road;
An' dere's honey in a burden when love helps to tote de load.
Dere's honey at de finish, an' dere's honey in de heart,
An' dere's honey all de way, when dere's honey in de heart."

—Methodist Recorder, London.

CERTIFICATE OF DEDICATION

This is to announce that we now have available a supply of certificates of dedication, printed on parchment and suitable for framing. I will be glad to send a certificate, without charge, to each of the churches which I have dedicated since coming to the Area. Please advise me the name of the church and the date of its dedication and the certificate will be forthcoming.—Clare Purcell, Bishop, Charlotte Area.

EBENEZER METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY, JUNE 15

On Sunday, June 15th, 1941, Ebenezer Methodist Church of the Lowell Charge, Gastonia District, will be dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by Rev. E. M. Jones, District Superintendent, and Rev. E. E. Snow, pastor. The dedication service will take place in the evening at 7:30. At eleven o'clock in the morning, the pastor will preach and the music will be furnished by the Main Street Methodist Church, Belmont. Main Street Church has called off its morning service on this Sunday to participate in this service. Main Street is an offspring of Ebenezer Church, and many of its members are looking forward to this big day at Ebenezer. In the afternoon at three o'clock, Rev. C. O. Kennerly, former pastor, will preach.

The story of Ebenezer Methodist Church depends on tradition for the years of its early history. This history goes back to about 1764, when the Catawba was being settled by people migrating from Virginia. On March 3, 1873, Jeremiah O'Connell deeded the property to the trustees of Ebenezer Church. Part of the present structure was erected in 1873. The building was enlarged in 1927, by building an addition across the front, containing five class rooms, and greatly adding to the appearance of the building. About three years ago new pews were bought, and last year a new educational building was completed under the pastorate of Rev. C. O. Kennerly and the entire building has now been reconditioned.

It is impossible to find a list of men who have served this church as pastors, because the church was first with one circuit, and then with another, as these circuits divided into smaller ones. Since 1915 the following men have served as pastors: T. A. Plyler, J. H. Robertson, J. W. Kennedy, C. R. Allison, C. C. Totherow, G. L. Wilkinson, A. A. Godfrey, J. A. Frye, M. W. Dargin, J. C. Grose, J. R. Warren, C. M. Smith, H. E. Jones, C. O. Kennerly, and the present pastor, E. E. Snow.

The present Trustees are G. W. Barnes, Chairman; W. E. Nichols, W. T. Rhyne, R. L. Carson, and J. O. Thrower.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The second session of the Statesville District Conference was held in the auditorium of the Cool Springs High School building on May 15. Rev. J. S. Hiatt, the district superintendent called the session to order at 9 o'clock, and Rev. V. R. Masters conducted the devotional. Rev. J. O. Banks, the pastor of the Cool Springs Charge and B. M. Madison, the principal of the Cool Springs school welcomed the delegates and visitors. Rev. J. G. Winkler was elected secretary and Rev. E. H. Lowman was chosen as assistant secretary. The district Superintendent had the program and events for the day well in hand and the business of the district was well attended. The District Trustee's report was given by W. T. Nicholson and adopted with the following being elected trustees: W. T. Nicholson, S. R. Holland, A. G. Foard, G. F. Ivey, and Roy Troutman. Dr. Raymond Smith spoke in the interest of Greensboro College, Dr. A. W. Plyler for the North Carolina Christian Advocate, Dr. B. G. Childs for Duke University. O. V. Woosley for the Children's Home. Rev. H. C. Byrum spoke on the literature of the past and present; Rev. W. Q. Grigg presented the cause of the rural church. Mrs. T. V. Goode, the District Secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was called to speak on the Woman's work in the district, and her report was followed by an address by Rev. C. H. Moser on, "Our Missionary Task."

The District has lost this year by illness the services of one of its finest young men, Rev. H. O. Huss and prayer for this beloved brother was offered by Rev. John W. Moore. Rev. M. Q. Tuttle spoke on the "Challenge of the Cross," after which the pastors were called by the county to the platform and each gave his report. Here are some of the facts the reports revealed: 284 received on profession of faith, net gain of membership in district 371, number of churches already held revivals 15, number to hold revivals later in year 81, 90% of the charges had their budget balanced, 56 vacation Bible Schools planned, 87 babies baptized and every charge reporting new subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Rev. H. G. Allen delivered the sermon at eleven o'clock on "Evangelism." The benediction was pronounced by Dr. A. W. Plyler.

Rev. W. L. Harkey conducted the devotional for the afternoon session. R. C. Bunch, district lay leader presided and B. M. Madison spoke on "Traning Youth for Leadership." G. F. Ivey delivered an address on "Laymen in the Church." R. C. Bunch was then elected lay leader for the district and Allan Williams and R. T. Grier was elected associate lay leaders.

The different committees made reports and the special report of finding was read by Rev. Reid Wall. The conference unanimously recommended James P. Hornbuckle, Jr., and R. H. Nicholson for admission on trial in the annual conference. Mrs. A. D. Abernathy was appointed Golden Cross director . The people of the Cool Springs Charge took care of the large crowd in every way. It was a good day, well planned, and every one was well fed, spiritually, intellectually and physically. J. G. Winkler, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO TO CONFER THIRTY-FOUR HONORARY DEGREES

Thirty-four honorary degrees will be conferred by the University on distinguished scholars and scientists on Monday, September 29, at the Convocation which will bring to a close the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration. Thus, in one morning the University will confer approximately one-third the number of honorary degrees it has awarded in its history.

Frederic Woodward, Director of the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, in announcing the roster of distinguished names selected by the Faculty, pointed out that since 1898 only 86 honorary degrees have been conferred.

With few exceptions, the honorary degrees conferred through the years have been in recognition of scholarship or research. The new group, whose names, photographs, and short biographies appear on the inside pages of the Bulletin, are in the same tradition. The recipients were not only chosen for past achievements but for the promise which their work holds for the future,thus carrying out the theme of the Celebration: New Frontiers in Education and Research.

Nine of the thirty-four individuals to be honored are alumni of the University; others have taught on the Quadrangles. Three women are to be honored, two of them degree holders from the University and the third a former fellow. Two of the candidates are Europeans now in the United States, one is a Canadian, and two are South Americans. Two of the scientists are Noble Prize winners. The average age is 58 years old.

THESE TRYING TIMES

Thomas Paine's stirring words, written to instill hope and confidence in Washington's despairing soldiers, are just as true today as when he first penned them:

> These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shirk from the service of their country; but he that stands it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman. Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered: yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly: it is dearness only that gives every thing its value. Heaven knows how to set a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed, if so celestial an article as freedom should not be highly rated . . .

Those words should be the clarion call for all liberty-loving people today as they were during the Crisis for American independence.—Joseph Lewis, in News-Week.



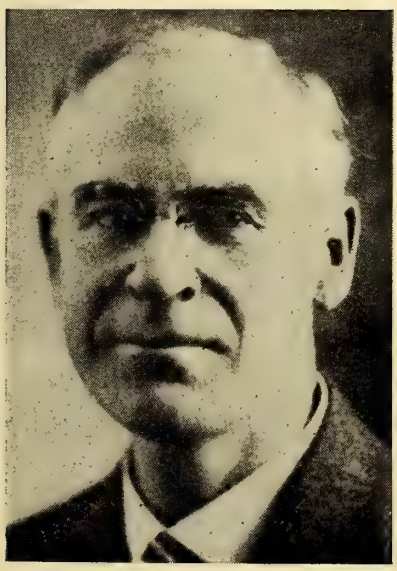
McKendree Methodist Church



Marven Methodist Church

McKendree and Marven Methodist Churches Will Be Dedicated, Sunday, June 15th

McKendree Methodist Church to be dedicated June 15, 1941 is located on U. S. Highway 321 about four miles north of Lincolnton. The first recorded date of religious services here is in a Sunday School Record Book still in existence. This shows there was a Sunday School here April 13, 1834 and gives a list of the pupils. On April 2, 1835, Quarterly Conference appointed Jacob Hoyle, Robert Blackburn and Henry Carpenter as a bulding committee to erect a church on the Island Ford Road north of Lincolnton, to be called McKendree Chapel. On March 22, 1836 record was made of two deeds for church lands. In the first deed Sarah Blackburn releases all right, and interest to Robert Blackburn in one acre, a half and 12 poles of land, a part of real estate originally belonging to William Blackburn, deceased. In the second deed Robert Blackburn conveys this land to the Trustees of the Methodist Church: "Jacob Hill, Henry Asbury, Samuel Lander, Richard Proctor, Cyrus Reed, Freeman Shelton and Burrell Wells, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in all the county of Lincoln in the State of North Carolina."



Rev. W. B. Shinn
Builder of McKendree Methodist Church

The first church building, erected about 1836 was of logs, square in shaped and unceiled. In the middle of one side was a high, raised pulpit in front of which was a table and chair which are still in use in one of the class rooms of the new building. A gallary for colored people came out over about one-half the auditorium; it was reached by a stairway on the outside at the rear of the church. This log church was used fifty-two years

The second structure was a frame building erected in 1887-88, while Rev. Mr. Bailey was pastor. This building was used as a church for forty-eight years and is still used for recreation purposes.

This congregation began its second century in a beautiful stone structure which was formally opened May 31, 1936. It is Old English in style, designed by Mr. H. N. Haynes, of Duke University. The rock was obtained from a nearby quarry. It contain an auditorium and five class rooms.

To quote The Lincoln County News of June 9, 1936: "A congregation small in number but large in faith have faithfully and loyally workedtogether, under the leadership of its pastor, Rev. W. B. Shinn, pastor of the four churches on the Lincoln circuit. Their loyalty and devotion to the enterprise enlisted the interest and support of friends, and their efforts have been crowned with success."

Among the ministers who have served here are the following:

Rev. Samuel Lander, Daniel Mays, Patterson, Thompson, John Finger, George Ivey, Darby, Jenkins, Harris, Wheeler, Bishop, Bailey, Austin, M. T. Steele, W. F. Womble, Wylie, T. T. Salyer, J. H. Bennett, Beverley Wilson, C. R. Ross, D. P. Waters, J. W. Strider, J. H. Robertson, N. M. Modlin, John P. Davis, O. C. Fortenbury, J. W. Combs, Moretz, C. R. Allison, J. W. Bennett, James B. McLarty, W. B. Shinn, W. S. Smith and D. H. Rhinehart under whose guidance the church has been made ready for dedication.

Marven Methodist Church

Marven Methodist Church was organized about 1895, four miles northwest of Lincolnton in Howard's Creek Township, Lincoln County. This is the second Methodist Church in Lincoln county with this name. The congregation began with twelve charter members. During the first six years services were held in a building that had been erected as a temperance hall. In 1901 a frame structure was erected and the congregation moved into its own building. In 19.. a modern brick structure with ample Sunday school rooms was erected about a mile near-

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Rev. J. B. McLarty
Builder of Marven Methodist Church

Fifty Years Afterwards

Robert Lee Flowers as president of Duke University and John Raymond McCrary representing the fifty year class at the recent Duke Commencement were the two living links connecting the present with the past of a half century ago. These five decades have been notable in the life of the institution in a most revolutionary period of American history.

From a vantage point in the gallary of the new gymnasium at Duke commencement with its thousands of visitors and its hundreds of academics robed in all the colors of the rainbow, I watched the induction of the new president into his high office. Somehow the incidents of half a century made vivid and fresh appeal. The activities of the closing years of "Old Trinity" in Randolph County gained larger significance. That was truly the incubation period of the larger life of the aftertimes.

Dreaming of Better Days

By press and radio the news of the present world conflict pours in upon us. So we wait for startling news from hour to hour. Then we at "Old Trinity" looked for some startling announcement from President John F. Crowell from week to week. Trinity was in the birth-throes of a larger, richer and fuller life. Only those of us who passed through those memorable days of vision, of agony, of prophecy can understand. Calm indifference and active opposition met President Crowell at every turn. He agitated, he argued, he plead, he lined up the friends of the cause until finally the North Carolina Conference in session at Greensboro, after prolonged discussion, agreed that the College should be moved from the old site. Never did weary watchers welcome the dawn of the morning with more ecstatic joy than did we receive the news from Greensboro. We shouted with glee, rang the old college bell and eagerly waited to see what would happen next; very sure though of a new day for Trinity. We dreamed and dared and hoped. One day a student in his youthful enthusiams went so far as to assert that the time would come when Trinity would have a million dollars. At that time only the most reckless could talk in terms of a million. Oh, those were days of fervent and heroic daring!

But we were not venturing out on thin ice. Although Trinity's material equipment was scant, the new day for the college was already at the dawn. Her graduates, such as Boykin, Simmons, and Overman, were leaders in the state, the students could boast of their first championship team in foot ball, the advance guard of the fine young scholars destined to render a notable service had arrived and back of all these encouragements were the traditions of a heroic people who had fostered the home, the church and the school. Furthermore, they were fast winning out over the wreck and ruin of Civil War and the more trying years of Reconstruction.

Early Years in Durham

The first decade of the College in Durham was rather hectic, beset with discouragements and filled with serious misgivings. Though the material equipment was superior to that left in Randolph, the real hope for the future lay in that group of young scholars, already referred to, such as Flowers, Bassett, Cranford, Few, Merritt, Mims and others who were putting Trinity to the front among Southern Colleges. These were some of the leaders in the educational renaissance in the state.

Those transition years under J. F. Crowell and the period of laying deep and strong the foundations under J. C. Kilgo were fine for the later developments of Trinity and Duke under the guidance of William Preston Few.

The twenty years in which Dr. Few directed the destiny of Trinity College with its steady enlargement was a period of material and educational vigor of solid proportions. What a fine foundation did this prove to be for the marvelous expansion following the millions that came with the indenture of Mr. J. B. Duke which resulted in the expansion into Duke University.

The material expansion of Trinity College and of Duke University during the thirty years under President Few is evident to all, but the inner spirit and the more intangible features of an educational institution are not so manifest. Other than brick and mortar are the test. In 1920, at Trinity, a Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was installed, and in 1927 a Chapter af Omicron Delta Kappa. Such organizations as these are symptoms of a developing academic life. But best of all, with the enlarging faculties and the growing student population there have remained at Trinity devoted men who were truly loyal to the spirit and traditions of the past hundred years. Those recent fifty years here in Durham have been enriched by the contributions of the true and devoted spirits who have gone on before. Only two of the buildings of those in which Trinity began work in Durham remain, but the spirit of Craven, of Crowell and of Few abide. Only a remnant of the "old timers" among the graduates linger, but they feel at home still, they are not aliens on a foreign soil.

The Living Link

Fortunate is Duke to have in our honored President Flowers one who acquainted with the labors and vicissitudes of half a century can give assurance that the achievements of three administrations of Crowell, of Kilgo and of Few will be continued to bless this section of the Republic.

From the rustic sounds of rural Randolph in the early nineties to the commencement day of 1941 in the massive gymnasium with its distinguished gathering is a long journey in academic conquest. The young graduate fresh from the Naval Academy in 1891, has wrought well and achieved nobly. He has come into a rich heritage and a challenging opportunity as President of Duke University. As a living link with the past he is qualified to transmit the noblest traditions of Trinity College and Duke University to future generations.

M. T. P.

With goodness enough in him to be remorseful and pass hence to his own place, Judas had by fell experiment made the dreadful discovery that to no man is evil so bad as to the evil doer.—A. M. Fairbairn, D.D.

RESPONSE OF J. R. McCRARY FOR THE CLASS OF 1891 AT THE DUKE ALUMNI DINNER OF 1941

Fifty years ago at 1891 Commencement, among the rolling hills of Randolph County, twelve young men, most of them only boys, stood on the platform and received their graduation diplomas from the hands of Dr. John Franklin Crowell, the then President of Old Trinity College. Those twelve graduates were T. C. Daniels of New Bern, N. C.; Robert Lee Durham, President of the Southern Seminary of Buena Vista, Virginia; Rev. W. B. Lee, Sao Paulo, Brazil; Rev. L. S. Massey, Durham, N. C.; Charles E. McCandless, High Point, N. C.; J. R. McCrary, Lexington, N. C. These six are all living and Daniels, Durham, McCandless, Massey and McCrary are present here today. The other six are dead and they were Dr. W. I. Cranford, late Dean of the Duke Faculty, D. R. Davis, Fred Harper, David A Houston, W. H. Jones and W. T. McDowell.

Fifty years ago there was a total of one hundred and fourteen students enrolled at the College, located in a small rural village known as Trinity. The College owned only one building used for school purposes, a rather large three story structure constructed of cheap brick with rotting mortar between the joints. It has six or eight classrooms on the ground floor, with open wood fireplaces, no lights of any kind and no equipment except cheap seats and blackboards on the walls. On the upper stories were a small library, two debating halls and dormitories for some students, all students paying from $8 to $10 per month for room and board out in the village. On the east end of the building was a large auditorium used for Chapel exercises and commencement programs.

The College in 1891 had a faculty of six or eight professors or teachers who wore long beards and long faces, partly because their small salaries were always overdue. But they had big brains and big hearts and devoted themselves with great sacrifice and great ability to the boys put in their care by the few families then in the state able to send their boys to school.

The College building was valued at $20,000 and the endowment fund was $21,876.20. It had no other assets except the faith of the old time Methodists and the traditions of the sacrifice and services of Brantley York, Braxton Craven and others who had gone on before.

Fifty years ago Trinity, Wake Forest, Davidson and the State University combined had a total number of graduates of seventy-three and an entire student enrollment of 572. Today, Duke, the successor of Trinity, alone has 835 graduates and a student enrollment of over 3,600. These other three institutions have also grown accordingly. The total number of the graduates of all four this year being about 1,800, and the number of students enrolled about 9,000.

Since that distant time and largely because of the influence of these then four small colleges a miracle has taken place in North Carolina.

A Miracle

Thank God another North Carolina has arisen from the poverty and the struggles of the old. A North Carolina alive with industry, with better homes and farms, with better roads and churches, and with a better system of education. Now from hundreds and even thousands of colleges and elementary and high schools pours an unending and even increasing tide of students with more intelligent minds and better bodies and better clothes and with eagers faces pointed upward with hope toward the future.

This has been brought about largely because of the beacon lights of old Trinity College and Wake Forest and Davidson and the University of North Carolina, which lights have been steadily shining and growing brighter as the decades continue their unending march down the corridors of time.

COMMISSION ON CAMP ACTIVITIES DISTRIBUTE FUNDS

At the meeting of the Methodist Commission on Camp Activities on May 21 new members were added in the person of Bishop Bruce R. Baxter who was elected by the Council of Bishops, and Mrs. Joy Elmer Morgan of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. J. B. Bragg of St. Louis, Missouri, who were elected to the Commission.

The Commission authorized the distribution of Day of Compassion funds amounting to $133,000. A sub-committee appointed to study questionnaires returned by District Superintendents and approved by Bishops, submitted its report to the Commission. The number of military and naval establishments within an Area, the number of men stationed in them, and the likelihood of greater concentration in certain centers formed additional bases upon which recommendations were made.

By authority of the Commission each resident Bishop, or such committee as he may constitute to serve with him, will distribute the funds, and select the personnel for whatever work is done within an Area.

The Treasurer of the Commission, Dr. W. J. Elliott, has transferred to each Bishop the funds allocated to his Area. They vary in amount from one thousand dollars where the need is relatively light, to ten thousand dollars where the heaviest concentration of men in military and naval service is found.

The Commission authorized that an Executive Committee be created and named the following persons to membership: Bishops A. W. Leonard and W. W. Peele; ministers F. B. Newell, E. D. Kohlstedt, and Jacob S. Payton.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE GOLDEN CROSS RECEIPTS APRIL 1, 1941, to MAY 31, 1941

Asheville District	
Acton, J. L. Reynolds	$ 10.50
Asheville Central, W. A. Lambeth	90.43
Hillside, H. S. Williams	21.00
Fletcher, H. E. Bolick	20.07
Tryon, G. M. Schreyer	10.00
Charlotte District	
Charlotte—Dilworth, H. P. Powell	60.65
Indian Trail, F. R. Warren	11.05
Elkin District	
Creston, J. R. Short	2.00
Davie Ct., G. W. Fink	36.00
Green Valley, W. C. Eastridge	4.55
Saint Paul, S. J. Brawley	3.27
Watauga, M. A. Osborne	2.00
Gastonia District	
Belmont Park St., E. H. Brendall	44.25
Belwood, J. M. Morgan	31.00
Bessemer City, H. M. Robinson	26.00
Cleveland, F. R. Lowe	7.00
Cramerton, L. P. Barnett	5.00
Crouse, W. F. Eaker	9.30
Dallas, J. G. Wilkinson	13.60
Gastonia—Bardley Memorial, P. W. Tucker	13.35
East End, E. W. Needham	12.25
Main Street, C. E. Rozzelle	250.00
Maylo-Smyre, J. N. Wise	17.18
Trinity, F. H. Shinn	11.50
West End, J. C. Grose	30.00
Kings Mountain—Grace, S. W. Johnson	12.02
Lincolnton—Bess Chapel, J. W. Combs	6.00
Lincolnton Ct., D. H. Rhinehardt	20.25
Lincolnton—First, L. D. Thompson	21.32
Lowell, E. E. Snow	18.64
Polkville, T. H. Swofford	21.29
Rock Springs, A. W. Lynch	24.45
Shelby—Lafayette St., R. C. Goforth	18.50
South Fork—R. Y. McClamrock	27.25
Vale, E. P. Greene	13.00
Greensboro District	
Bethel, B. W. Lefler	5.00
Reidsville—Main Street, J. H. Armbrust	10.00
High Point District	
Asheboro—First, Paul Hardin, Jr.	109.04
High Point—First, J. C. Madison	20.00
Ward Street, J. C. McSwain	26.00
Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey	5.68
Randolph, H. L. Isley	12.00
Why Not, C. H. Hill	10.00
Marion District	
Bakersville, R. C. Nimon	11.00
Glen Alpine, R. L. Young	18.65
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	10.00
Salisbury District	
Salisbury—Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	20.80
Statesville District	
Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate	4.00
Granite Falls, Reid Wall	30.00
Harmony, R. V. Martin	10.00
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	10.00
Olin, P. F. Snider	6.50
Troutman, J. C. Reichard	4.70
Whitnell, D. A. Oakley	35.00
Waynesville District	
Sylva, A. P. Ratledge	12.00
Winston-Salem District	
Lewisville, G. C. Graham	15.26
Lexington—First, John Hoyle	12.50
Thomasville—Trinity, W. M. Rathburn	10.00
Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison	28.00
Winston-Salem Ct., W. H. Plint	3.00

R. M. COURTNEY, Treasurer.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

Bishop Clare Purcell brought a forceful and commanding address to the graduating class of Louisburg College on the theme of "life." This message was intently and thoughtfully received by the graduating class and the expectant audience.

Awarding of Diplomas and Certificates

Dr. Walter Patton awarded Associate in Arts Diplomas to: Laurel Ballard, Oriental; Ida Mae Davis, Louisburg; Sara Genevieve Ellis, Clayton; Rachel Brooks Fox, Roxboro; Edna Mae Gillis, Raleigh; Willie Catherine Gillis, Raleigh; Nell Inscoe Gupton, Louisburg; James Thomas Hall, Jr., Sanford; Jesse Johnson, Siler City; Della Mae Lewis, Spring Hope; Ruby Grey Massenburg, Louisburg; Joseph Fulliam Newsom, Littleton; Stanley Hancock Patten, Calypso; Edith Pittman, Wilmington; Isaac Newton Reynolds, Columbia; Ruth Kathryn Stallings, Hobbsville; Louise Denson Turner, Speed; Martha Joyner Wehrenberg, Woodsdale; Rosa Ella White, Norlina; Matilda Vail Whitley, Smithfield.

Certificates in Secretarial Course were awarded to: Rosalie Allsbrook, Scotland Neck; Minnie Louise Braswell, Goldsboro; Neva Dell Budd, Siler City; Ruth Louise Carter, Siler City; Roberta Lee Clark, Hamlet; Frances Louise Collins, Gates; Caroline Elizabeth Davis, Wilmington; Hazel Whitt Gentry, Red Springs; Irma Shearin Griffin, Louisburg; Joyce Raye Hubbard, Elizabethtown; Adelaide Johnson, Louisburg; Miriam Gaynelle Jordan, Mt. Olive; Mary Frances Manning, Bailey; Eleanor Mae Martin, Mt. Olive; Lois Mary Pickering, Roxboro; Mary Ruth Riddle, Carthage; Dorcas Jane Rosser, Fayetteville; Betsy Russell, Oxford; Mrs. Montgomery W. Shugart, Jr., Franklinton; Ellen Clark Stewart, Warrenton; Maxine Elizabeth Strickland, Louisburg; Sarah Elizabeth Turner, Kinston; Eva Frances Wiggins, Louisburg.

Certificates in Accounting were awarded to: Osborne Gray Davis, Marshallburg; James Robert Durham, Durham; Ben Stroud Foust, Mt. Vernon Springs; Eleanor Mae Martin, Mt. Olive; William Borden McClees, Columbia; Mrs. Montgomery W. Shugart, Jr., Franklinton; Ellen Clack Stewart, Warrenton.

Honors

Mr. Isaac Newton Reynolds of Columbia, and Miss Ida May Davis of Louisburg won the honor of Magna Cum Laude.

Mr. Joseph Newsom of Littleton, and Miss Catherine Gillis of Raleigh were awarded the Brantley Medals for the best all-round boy student, and the best all-round girl student during the two college years.

Scholarships

Mr. Jesse Johnson of Siler City was awarded the High Point College Scholarship. Miss Rachel Fox of Roxboro was awarded the Greensboro College Scholarship, and Miss Jane Rosser of Fayetteville was awarded the Louisburg College Scholarship.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship Honors were awarded to: Ruth Braswell, Mildred Carter, May Davis, Sarah Davis, Catherine Gillis, Willis, Gupton, Evelyn Lowe, George Lumpkin, Ruby Grey Massenburg, Stanley Patten, Doris Rhodes, Ralph Roe, Edward Smith, Virginia Spivey, Gene Thompson, Irene Vaughan, Mary West.

Alpha Pi Epsilon Scholarship Honors were awarded to: Laurel Ballard, Annie Sue Barrett, Caroline Davis, Osborne Davis, Edna Gillis, Helen Hall, Gaynelle Jordan, Beatrice Lewis, Joe Newsom, Lois Pickering, Edith Pittman, Isaac Reynolds, Jane Rosser, Louise Turner.

There was an attitude of rejoicing over the strengthened financial condition of the College through the acquiring of $22,000 of bonds that were deposited for payment.

With the many applications in hand for room reservations for the session of 1941-42, there is the promise of another successful year ahead.

Through the service scholarship program, the College is helping the increasing number of young men and women to continue their education. There is now the need for young men to work on the farm, and to repair furniture, and do general carpentry work. To earnest students who will do this work, the two years of College education is open to them. They can start their work at any time.

THE ELKIN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The second session of the Elkin District Conference met at the Boonville Methodist Church on May 28. After our morning devotional under the leadership of J. B. McLarty and H. H. Wood, A. C. Gibbs, our District Superintendent, took charge.

The first act of the conference was the election of Dwight B. Mullis , secretary. The district superintendent then named the committee and their constituents.

Then for an hour or more agents and representatives of our various institutions were heard. L. B. Abernethy spoke in behalf of our hospitals. One among the many interesting things he said was this: "I once hoped to live to see the day when every Methodist church in the conference would take an offering for the hospitals of our church, but I have given up that hope." Is not this a challenge? Dr. A. W. Plyler called attention to the Advocate campaign which is gaining momentum and urged the preachers to throw themselves into it and have a lot of fun such as they did last year. O. V. Woosley called our attention to that great institution in Winston-Salem, The Children's Home, which was given to the Methodists. He emphasized the fact that the income of the home had been drastically reduced because of recent taxation, but nevertheless it remains one of the best homes for children in the world. With concrete stories of how little boys and girls had been saved from tragic circumstances and trained for service to God and country, Brother Woosley stirred the hearts of our people. Representing Duke University, Professor W. S. Fitzgerald, son of Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, told of the opportunities that Duke offered boys and girls of quality. He did this in a fine way. Mrs. Mason Lillard, head of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Elkin District, spoke concerning the value of that work and called upon the preachers to aid her. There were only two or three charges in the district that did not have an organization. At this point in the conference some of our distinguished visitors were recognized. Dr. C. C. Weaver and Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., spoke briefly.

Before the lunch hour Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, brought the main address, dealing with the rise and the development of the Christian college in our country. Dr. Gobbel pointed out the crisis the Christian college faces today. He intimated that certain definite and organized forces within and without the state would like to put an end to the Christian college. Like Brother Woosley, he also spoke of a reduced income at Greensboro College because of recent taxation. Dr. Gobbel called attention to the large number of this year's graduates who had already married or become engaged. So girls and interested parents, Greensboro College offers opportunities other than purely academic.

At the noon hour the ladies of the Boonville Church with the help of other ladies on the Yadkinville Charge served an excellent lunch.

After lunch W. H. Worth, district lay leader, presided over the program of lay activities. The assistant lay leaders, L. S. Weaver and B. C. Brock, made stirring addresses. W. H. Worth invited the laymen to join the conference brotherhood. Several responded.

After this program by the laymen, A. C. Gibbs called for brief reports from the preachers. These reports were very good. It was encouraging to find that our district is about one-half out on its benevolent giving.

The various committees made their reports, the main report being that of the Committee on Finding which was written by H. F. Duncan and read by the secretary, H. H. Wood. H. F. Duncan spoke concerning the report immediately after the reading of it. The Committee on Local Preacher's License recommended the licensing of Henry Ridenhour of Cooleemee, and the conference voted unanimously to license him.

A resolution of thanks to the people of Boonville and the Yadkinville Charge was presented and adopted. They certainly know how to take care of a conference in a royal way. The conference was invited to come to West Jefferson for its third session, and the invitation was accepted.

The preachers in our district are very fond of their leader, A. C. Gibbs, and are cooperating with him in an effort to make this a great year.—Dwight B. Mullis, Sec.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE REPORT OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT FUND

To June 1st, 1941

	Episcopal Fund	Conference Claimants	District Superintendents
From 1939-1940			$2050.27
Districts			
Asheville	$ 472.46	$1837.41	1889.92
Charlotte	617.67	2402.05	2470.67
Elkin	144,11	560.42	576.44
Gastonia	586.21	2279.68	2344.82
Greensboro	608.77	2367.45	2435.05
High Point	497.94	1936.43	1991.76
Marion	437.75	1702.35	1750.98
Salisbury	717.78	2791.32	2871.07
Statesville	541.22	2104.73	2164.87
Waynesville	269.59	1048.40	1078.35
Winston-Salem	747.33	2906.37	2989.41
Totals	$5640.83	$21936.61	$24613.61
Grand Total			$52,191.05

Summer Activities

Sponsored by Board of Education, Western North Carolina Conference

The Children's Workers' Conferences have already been held, the Camp for Intermediate Boys is now in progress, and while the Camp for Intermediate Girls does not start until June 14, the limit on registrations was reached on June 5, and no registrations could be accepted after that date.

Registrations Now in Order for:

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP CAMP

Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville

June 21-25 **Ages: Approximately 24-35** **Cost: $5.00**

Each church can register as many as they wish until the limit of ninety is reached. Those officially registered up to June 6 were:

Miss Rena Hurst, Connelly Springs
Miss Sara Perkins, Connelly Springs
Jesse G. Wilkinson, Dallas
Miss Frances E. Williams, W.-Salem
Miss Lucy Alexander, Norwood
Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas
Miss Lucy Wimbish, Winston-Salem
Miss Mabel Sale, Elkin
Miss Mary Tom Keziah, Mineral Springs
Miss Ruth L. Davies, Charlotte
Harry G. Bell, High Point
Miss Hulda Ruth Whitely

CONFERENCE ASSEMLIES

Lake Junaluska, N. C.

SENIOR ASSEMBLY
Ages 15-16-17
June 30 to July 5

Cost: $10.25

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY
Ages 18-23
July 7-12

Registrations have been received for the Senior Assembly as follows as of June 6:

James H. Barringer, Salisbury
Arcus Morris, Salisbury
Miss Alton Hope Gray, Concord
Miss Dorothy Ellen Perkins, Concord
Miss Helen Canup, Salisbury
Miss Annie Laurie Morgan, Salisbury
Miss Marceline Alice Weathers, Shelby
Wesley Newton Griffith, Winston-Salem
Miss Elizabeth Anne Cowan, Sylva
Miss Ruby Lee Ballard, Norwood
William L. Crowell, Norwood
Miss Alice Elizabeth Hartman, Salisbury
Miss Frances Louise Peeler, Salisbury
Miss LaVearn Cooke, Salisbury
James Samuel Gibbs, Jr., Salisbury
Miss Dorothy Simmerson, Salisbury
Miss Fleta Setzer, East Spencer
Reid Patterson Kerr, Salisbury
Miss Cleo Crowell, Indian Trail
Partley Benton, Indian Trail
Poyce Klutts, Indian Trail
Miss Donna Gantt, Spencer
Hillery Rink, Salisbury

For the Young People's Assembly the following have registered as of June 6:

David Rock, Lewisville
Miss Leona Morgan, Salisbury
Raymond K. Robbins, Concord
Milton S. Widenhouse, Concord
Miss Frances Fleming, Salisbury
Miss Mabel Wyatt, Gold Hill
Mrs. Margaret Powell, Leaksville
Miss Oneida Earnhardt, Salisbury
Melvin L. Goforth, Statesville
Miss Estelle Decker, Connelly Springs
Miss Ruth O'Cain, Valdese
Miss Lucille Crowell, Indian Trail
Miss Agnes Ann Wilson, Sylva
J. Max Henderlite, Salisbury
Don Lee Rabon, Salisbury

Registration for the Assemblies and Fellowship Camp should be sent without delay to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE GENERAL BOARD OF EDUCATION AT LAKE JUNALUSKA, N. C.

Young People's Leadership Conference

AUGUST 5-16

For officers and leaders in the Conference Young People's Organization, Young People's Unions, District Directors of Youth Work, and a limited number of officers and leaders in the Local Church. Registrations for this conference should also be sent to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury. Our conference is only allowed to send thirty-seven to this Leadership Conference.

JULY 17-24 **Leadership Schools** **AUGUST 18-29**

These schools are for adult leaders of children and youth, and for members and leaders in the adult division. Pre-registration is not necessary.

Plan to go to Lake Junaluska this Summer and Enjoy the Study, Fellowship and Inspiration

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY CHILDREN'S WORK

The plan of work for the missionary education of children of our church has been completed and will go into effect in October, 1941. The committee has spent many long hours of thought and discussion in drafting this plan, and feel confident that it ambodies the best thinking of which they were capable. The plan will be co-operative.

Quarterly reports are to be made and blanks for reporting are provided in the new record and report book of the corresponding secretary in each local society. Three blanks are available each quarter—one to be kept for local record, two to be sent to district corresponding secretary, who in turn, sends one each to district and conference secretary of children's work. I shall expect a report from each society July 1.

A free leaflet explaining the plan will be off the press in June and a copy will be mailed each secretary. Careful provisions for the beginning of our new work in October are being made and so much guidance material will be issued, as seems needed, to put the new plan into effect. Bulletins are to be continued and the fall issue will be sent out in September. In it the main lines of procedure of our work during the autumn months will be explained as clearly as possible.

Meantime our work with the children in all details will proceed exactly as it has heretofore, up through September.

In October we will enter upon the largest opportunity for serving the children of our church that has ever confronted the Woman's Society of Christian Service. It will be our privilege, through this program, to help boys and girls experience a sense of kinship with and concern for all of God's children around the world. And we will be working to build the kinddom of God on earth of which Jesus dreamed.

Let us look forward with interest to the opportunities for service that are before us. All new material will be forwarded each secretary as soon as available.—Mrs. George Hoyle, Conf. Sec. Children's Work, Shelby, N. C.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT MEETING

By Mrs. K. M. Yokeley

Mrs. J. W. Mann, district president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Winston-Salem district, presided over the annual meeting held in Thomasville Tuesday, May 20. Rev. L. F. Tuttle, pastor of the hostess church, conducted the opening worship service, followeing the theme of the meeting, Love and Unity. Mrs. O. C. Wall, hostess chairman, introduced Mrs. Frank S. Lambeth, organizer of the woman's society at Main Street church, Thomasville, and she extended a gracious welcome to all present, to which Mrs. J. W. Hoyle responded.

A memorial service, honoring the 21 members who had passed away during the past year, was in charge of Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district corresponding secretary. As the names of the departed members were called the president of each organization came forward and placed a white carnation in the memorial cross, this impressive service closing with prayer by Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent. A report of the work of the past year was given by Mrs. Sterling, who spoke of the merger of the Methodisms which had strengthened the work of the churches. Her report showed 80 societies in her district with more than 3000 members.

Reports of the district officers were followed by messages from three visiting missionaries: Miss Leila Epps of Brazil, who spoke interestingly of her work there; Miss Mabel Cherry, former missionary to Korea, now on the Brevard College faculty, who spoke of the loyalty of the missionaries regardless of persecution; and Miss Ruth Diggs, also missionary to Korea, now representing the work of Scarritt College. Misses Blanche Hauser and Naomi Howie, former missionaries, also spoke. The noontide worship service was led by Miss Epps. The following district officers were elected; Mrs. T. L. Speas of Winston-Salem, president, succeeding Mrs. J. N. Hauss; Mrs. B. J. Lindley of Winston-Salem, vice president; Miss Margaret Perryman of Lexington, secretary of education and service. Mrs. J. G. Sterling was elected delegate to the assembly meeting in St. Louis in December with Mrs. Speas as alternate. The meeting closed with worship service by Miss Mabel Cherry. A box lunch was served at the church hut during the noon hour, and resolutions thanking the hostess church for their hospitality were read by Mrs. I. L. Sharpe. The 1942 meeting will be held at Fairgrove church.

MARION DISTRICT MEETING

A large gathering of Marion district women, as well as a number of prominent visitors, including two conference officers and two missionaries, featured the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the district, held at Cliffside recently, with Miss Claudia Harbison, district corresponding secretary, in charge.

The opening session at 10 a. m. was presided over by Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, district president, who announced as the opening hymn, "O Zion, Haste." In a very cordial and charming manner Miss Una Edwards of Cliffside gave the welcome to the visitors and delegates with Mrs. J. W. Outz responding. A welcome from the town was also extended by Dr. H. L. Robertson. Rev. T. R. Wolfe of the hostess church gave the devotional message, closing with a fervent prayer.

Briefly, Miss Harbison told of the work of the district for the past year, listing as special achievements the increase in membership, the addition of two new societies, six societies having attained the efficiency aim, and six well organized Wesleyan Service Guilds. She regretted that there was unfinished work to be accomplished, viz: the organization of the district officers and the forming of new societies where none now exist.

Visitors and speakers introduced were Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president; Mrs. George Hoyle, conference secretary children's work; Miss Leila Epps, missionary from Brazil; Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea, and Mrs. Wilbur Baber, corresponding secretary of Gastonia district. The following district officers were nominated and elected: Secretary student work, Miss Ozell Moore; treasurer, Miss Una Edwards of Cliffside; secretary supplies, Mrs. Gilmer Harris of Forest City; secretary young women and girls, Miss Charley Mae Whisnant, Morganton; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. Frank Smathers, Rutherfordton; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. J. P. Morris in place of Miss Sarah Lowder, resigned.

A collection of $23 was secured, a part of which goes to the furnishing of the Kate Hackney Room at Scarritt College. Mrs. H. C. Manger reported the work of the Wesleyan Service Guilds of the district, substituting for Miss Joyce Decker who was unable to be present.

The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who made a talk on tithing appropriate to the occasion. Thirty-one presidents came forward and made their pledges for 1941. With all of these presidents kneeling at the altar the morning session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Weaver.

The afternoon session opened with appropriate hymn, followed by worship service led by Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent, who spoke impressively on prayer and keeping promises.

Mrs. Weaver gave an Acrostic on the word A-I-M-S, giving her hearers a better insight as to what was necessary to reach the high standards of the work and where to obtain helps and literature.

Mrs. Grover McDaniel gave her report as secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. Gilmer Harris, secretary of supplies, inspired the members with confidence in her direction of the work; Mrs. George Hoyle spoke on the work of the children, and Miss Harbison stressed the goal for subscriptions for The Methodist Woman and World Outlook and the N. C. Christian Advocate. Mrs. C. D. Hamilton was chosen delegate to St. Louis in December. Miss Leila Epps, whom it is always a delight to hear, spoke on "Open Doors for Christian Service," bringing a message both helpful and inspiring. The meeting closed with inspirational talk by Miss Sarah Lowder, followed by vocal solo, "Tell Me His Name Again," by Miss Ruth Groce of Forest City, and prayer by Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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A CONFESSION

My gracious Lord, I own thy right,
To every service I can pay,
And call it my supreme delight
To hear thy voice and to obey.

—Lewis Robeson Akers.

SOLDIERS AND COOKIES

On the North Carolina Conference woman's page recently appeared a story relating the worthy and effective activities of a group of women in Fayetteville who are organized into a Soldiers' Service Club. As a result of that story, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Kipling Methodist church have sent the first box of home made cookies for the cookie jar at the soldiers' social center in Fayetteville. Women throughout the conference should follow the example of the women of Kipling and respond heartily to this call to service and the opportunity to co-operate with the Fayetteville women in their efforts to boost the morale of the soldiers at Fort Bragg. Send cookies to Mrs. J. S. Chandler, care of Hay Street Methodist Church, Fayetteville, N. C.

FELLOWSHIP PARTY

The West Raleigh Presbyterian church was the scene of a delightful fellowship party recently which was given by the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Fairmont Methodist church and at which the new members of the society were honored. In sketching the history of Fairmont society, Mrs. J. B. Derrieux stated that on January 3, 1937, following the organization of Fairmont church in December, 1936, "a small but enthusiastic, consecrated group of women with a vision met to organize a woman's missionary society." Beginning with 37 members, the society now has a membership of 116—98 women are charter members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which was organized in September, 1940. Since its inception the Fairmont society has successfully promoted all departments of woman's work. Mrs. R. C. Stuckey led the society as president during the first two years of its existence, Mrs. J. J. Fyne was second president, and Mrs. S. W. Buchanan is present presiding officer. Mrs. Buchanan presided over the activities of the fellowship party. In addition to Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Derrieux others on the program included Mrs. R. C. Kirk, vice president; Mrs. G. B. Cooper, Mrs. J. C. Lyndon, Miss Juanita Stott, Mrs. Mary Watkins. Miss Betty Hilker, talented young Raleigh pianist, rendered three piano solos and Mrs. Wiley Poole, accompanied by Mrs. Howard McLamb, sang "My Creed." A happy social hour followed the interesting program. The receiving line was composed of the new members of the society and two invited guests, Mrs. Jennie Fulgham and Miss Mary Gardner. Delicious refreshments were served. The members voted to make a fellowship party an annual occasion and are anticipating that the next such affair shall be held in their new church building which will be under construction at an early date.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

At the recent meeting of the Richmond-Scotland zone Nancy Lugenia Measamer, duaghter of Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Measamer and Inman Uber Townsley, Jr., son of Rev. and Mrs. Inman Townsley, missionaries to Africa, were presented baby life membership certificates in the W. S. C. S.

At the meeting of the Durham district on May 21, Jerome Morris, son of Mrs. C. P. Morris of Efland and William B. Carver, grandson of Mrs. H. L. Carver, Rougemont were presented baby life memberships. Also at the Durham district meeting Mrs. W. H. Park, wife of Dr. Park, missionary to China and sister of Bishop Lambuth, was honored when Mrs. A. M. Gates, through Mrs. Sheretz, daughter of Mrs. Park, presented her with a life membership pin and Mrs. Carrie Slaughter Crutchfield, president of Brooksdale society, was presented a life membership pin by Miss Florine Robertson.

KITTRELL SOCIETY HOSTESS

A meeting of interest was held at Kittrell church when three societies of the North Gates charge, Elizabeth City district, came together for an afternoon of worship, study and fellowship. With Rev. T. J. Whitehead in charge, Mrs. C. V. Cross conducted the worship, the subject of which was "Stewardship of Christian Education." Mrs. L. E. Riddick presented the program on "Investing Our Heritage for Christian Service." Miss Elizabeth Morgan reported on the Louisburg summer assembly for young people. Mrs. Mayward Taylor closed the meeting with prayer. A brief business meeting of each society was held, after which a cordial welcome was extended by the pastor with an invitation to the parsonage for a social hour with Mrs. T. J. Whitehead hostess.

BEAUFORT-HYDE ZONE

Beaufort-Hyde zone, Elizabeth City district, met with the ladies of Amity and Englehard churches at Amity church on May 8. Mrs. L. H. Swindell, zone leader, presided. Rev. J. R. Regan ,pastor, led the morning worship. Mrs. C. F. Gibbs welcomed the visitors and Mrs. E. G. Cowan responded. Mrs. J. Q. Patrick, guest speaker, gave an interesting talk on the training and work of a deasoness. Reports were made by the societies represented. A delicious lunch was served at the noon hour by the ladies of Amity and Englehard churches. The afternon devotional was led by Mrs. D. A. Clark. The work of Methodist women in the new church was discussed by Mrs. Glenn Pendleton. Miss Bessie Harding read a report of the annual meeting in Rocky Mount. An open forum was conducted by Mrs. Glenn Pendleton. Mrs. M. O. Fletcher reported for the hospitality committee. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. D. I. Garner.—Mrs. T. B. Thompson.

DURHAM DISTRICT MEETS

More than 300 women from all parts of Durham district met in Duke Memorial church on May 21. The meeting was presided over by Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary. A hearty and unique welcome in rhyme was extended by Mrs. A. J. Hobbs. Rev. H. C. Smith gave a fine challenge to Christian living. Short reports were given by the leaders of Alamance Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Orange and Person zones. Mrs. A. H. Borland gave a toast to Miss Florine Robertson and related high lights of the annual conference in Rocky Mount. Miss Bessie Oliver, missionary to Korea, spoke on Scarritt Associate Plan. Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian Social Relations, spoke on that department of work. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, spoke, urging her hearers to develop their own spiritual lives and to use all possible resources to help the weaker churches. Miss Robertson explained the three district specials, namely, 25 cents per member for Korean kindergartens; 5 cents per member for life memberships and 5 cents per member for Payne College. Mrs. A. M. Gates conducted a round table discussion. Rev. A. J. Hobbs introducted the following preachers who were present: Rev. J. V. Early, Rev. H. C. Smith, Rev. L. L. Parrish, Rev. T. B. Hough, Rev. J. T. Coble, Rev. W. F. Craig, Rev. M. C. Ellerbe, Rev. W. C. Martin and Rev. J. W. Paschal. Mr. and Mrs. McFayden of Kansas were introduced. Mr. McFayden has been teaching Bible in Kansas College for 40 years and has visited 100 colleges while on leave. Mrs. M. T. Plyler led the afternoon devotional. Miss Robertson announced a gift of $5 to the Scarritt Associate fund in honor of Mrs. Margaret Teague. This gift was from circle number 1 of Mary Hambrick society, Roxboro; also a gift of $5 from the morning offering, in honor of Mrs. D. L. Sheretz. Mrs. Paul Garber made a talk on young women's circles and conducted an impressive memorial service for members who have passed away during the year. Mrs. D. L. Sheretz talked on her experiences in China. This address was the high point of the afternoon session. Thanks to the members of Duke Memorial church for the use of their lovely church and their fine service to the district conference, were made by Miss Janice Mehan, Miss Bessie Thompson and Mrs. D. J. Moore. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.—Pattie S. Warren, Sec.

Much I learned from my teachers, more from my associates, and most of all from my pupils—Judah 1.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SCHOOL IS OUT

School is out. Our boys and girls have turned in their books. The only remaining part of school is a review of the records made. It will take some time to carefully look through 375 report cards and to have conferences with those needing some consultation as to plans for next year. The promotions have been made for school work in our elementary school, where no elective courses abound. Tentative course have been selected by each youngster for high school work next year where a considerable number of elective courses abound. A review of all this will be necessary during the summer. But school is out and the only books that are now being handed around are those from the library, whose work will continue throughout the entire summer.

WORK SCHEDULES

A bunch of children as large as ours must have work schedule. They must not only have something to do but something they want to do. So at this time of the year we will be discussing with our youngsters in an individual fashion their work assignments. As is true with youngsters generally, some desire for changes have been made manifest. Some youngsters like to change just for the sake of change, others like to change because they have found that the work they are doing is no longer interesting, still others want to stay right where they are. A lot of the boys want to go to the farm, take off their shirts and work hard all day, visualizing the fall season when with might and main they will become powerful on the gridiron field. It is a little difficult to keep the specialized workers in the printshop and woodshop from wanting to get some outside work. We will probably find some physical developing activity for these youngsters to do in the afternoons after their shops have closed. The girls, bless 'em, have worked consistently at inside duties throughout the entire year. Comparatively, their work will be a bit lighter than the boys' during the summer, but everybody will work. We have no room for shirkers.

MUM IS THE WORD

Ey common consent we have decided that there will be no talk about vacations during the month of June. We will wait until July. During this month much planning will be entered into for two weeks' vacation during the first half of August. By then the rains will have come and the fruits will have ripened. The watermelons will be ripe and the family reunions will have been scheduled. August is our vacation month.

SUMMER PLAY

After the day's work is over there will be plenty of time for our youngsters to play. Both boys and girls will have their baseball games, the girls playing soft ball and the boys playing most any sort of ball. The swimming pool will have its schedule of daily dips, meaning that every youngster on the grounds will have at least a half an hour's splashing or swimming during five days in the week, the other two days being left for cleaning and sterilizing the basin. By the time blackberries come the boys will have hundreds of cans filled and partially filled with blackberries, much of which will be consumed on the way home. Summer days must have a lot of freedom connected with them.

HEART AND HEAD

Twenty-two of our boys and girls have just graduated from high school. In addition to this number several others have grown old enough to make their way along. These youngsters



She Celebrates

must have help in locating themselves. As a matter of fact, this process of help has been going on for a long time and placements are being made. The process calls for a good deal of heart action and a good deal of head work. Decisions cannot be made at random. They cannot be safely guessed at. Much is at stake. It is never difficult for us to place a good boy or a good girl.

REHABILITATED HOMES

We are constantly striving to keep in touch with relatives whose children had to temporarily leave their homes and come to find a home here in an endeavor to acertain whether or not given children can be returned to their relatives. We sometimes find that the father has remarried without having reported the re-establishment of his home. In other instances relatives have become enabled to provide for their children without having advised us. They evidently feel that the children are so well provided for as to not want to disturb the ongoing of theings. Of course there are instances of request for the return of the children with the improvement of conditions at home. It is not our purpose to keep any child at the Children's Home longer than is absolutely necessary. Some fifty or sixty children leave the Home each year, thus leaving places for the admission of a like number of children deprived of home life.

SHE CHIRPS

The picture this week is that of Florence Ballinger, thirteen years old and promoted to the sixth grade. Florence is a good-natured little girl. She never runs out of something to say. Like a bird, she chirps continually, and like a bird, she jumps about in such a way as to never have any monotony around where she is. Florence is never moody. She never shirks. She chirps. With her there seems never to be a dull moment, and for that matter, there is never a dull moment for those who are around her. The picture looks a little solemn for Florence's cheerful, chirping disposition. This little girl has no sponsors. She would celebrate considerably if she had someone to claim her.

ORPHANAGE CONFERENCE

The twentieth annual session of the Methodist Orphanage Conference will be held at the Children's Home June 24, 25 and 26. Quite a good program has been prepared. Among the speakers will be Bishop Purcell, who will make the principal address Wednesday morning, June 25. Representatives from Methodist child caring institutions will come to this conference from throughout the entire southern area of our country. The conference is a continuation of the former Southern Methodist Conference of Orphan Home workers.

RARE DAY IN JUNE

June brings many rare days. One of these will be a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. This rare day in June is scheduled to arrive on the 29th. We hope our friends will keep this day in mind and take care of our interests in a most satisfactory way. The March fifth Sunday helped us very decidedly. We shall hope that the June fifth Sunday will be as glorious. Our friends know that this is no time to let up in their help for the work the Children's Home is doing. Our family was never as large and our demands were never more insistent. Our friends have never been more loyal or more liberal. Let the rare day in June serve as an overwhelming outpouring of helpfulness.

CLOUDY FLIRTATION

We didn't have a great deal of rain during the recent cloudy days. The clouds rolled over us. They almost came down to us but they didn't turn loose much of their showers of blessings. Some areas were more fortunate, while some were less fortunate. The rain seems to have been on a hop, skip and jump basis. We are very dry. We need some rain. Today the sky is cloudless. But some of these days a big bank of clouds will gather in the west and we will get a gulley washer. Well, we can take it. We even hope for it.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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DROUGHT BROKEN—After several weeks of drought refreshing showers revived our growing crops. Early vegetables were a failure, due to the long, hot dry weather we had in May. Our boys are busy these days putting in late vegetable and hay crops. With favorable seasons we shall have an abundance of late vegetables.

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LETTERS OF APPRECIATION — Beginning with this week's issue of the Advocate I shall publish one or two letters each week from members of the 1941 graduating class. I have heard it said occasionally that Orphanage children do not appreciate what is done for them. Often that same charge could be brought against children who are brought up in individual homes. These letters that I shall reproduce in the Advocate from time to time breathe a spirit of deep appreciation for all that has been done for them while in the Home. No one has brought any influence to bear on the children as to what kind of letters they write for publication. I am publishing them just as they have written them. As our many friends read these letters I think they will realize just how grateful our boys and girls are for the opportunities they enjoyed while in our school.

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Dear Friends:

The time draws near for me to leave this home, I love so dearly. Happy memories are gliding swiftly over the eleven years that I have lived here. I shall never forget the first night that I spent in my new home. Indeed, I was lonesome and homesick for the home from which I came but as the days passed on my homesickness turned into happiness. No matter where I may go I shall never be able to find a home to replace the one where I spent many of my happy childhood days.

To the best pal, dad, and chum, Mr. Barnes, I wish to express my appreciation and many thanks to you for all that you have done for me. I can truthfully say I love him as if he were my real father. Mr. Barnes, your teaching and guidance have meant more to me than you will ever know.

I wish to mention two very dear friends from Roxboro, North Carolina, who have given me clothes twice a year. Mrs. K. C. Wagstaff and Miss Ruth Hester. Their kindness shall always be remembered.

To the Methodists of North Carolina, I wish to express sincere appreciation to you for all that you have done for me and my other brothers and sisters.

As I take my place in this world I shall always be loyal and true to my dear ole Alma Mater.

Mildred Edwards.

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AN IMPORTANT MEETING — On Friday of last week we had our Commencement exercises and the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Many representative friends were present at the Orphanage Commencement exercises, and I heard many expressions of commendation of our children, which is gratifying to me. At the conclusion of the Commencement exercises oil portraits of Mr. Joseph G. Brown and Mr. Samuel Cannady Vann were unveiled. Mr. C. A. Dillon, Superintendent of Edenton Street Sunday School and Conference Treasurer, made the presentation address when Mr. Brown's portrait was unveiled. Dr. R. L. Flowers, President of Duke University, accepted the oil portrait for the Board of Trustees. Dr. F. S. Love, pastor of Front Street Methodist Church, Burlington, presented the portrait of Mr. S. C. Vann, and Judge Thomas H. Calvert accepted for the Board. Miss Eleanor Vann Rose, granddaughter of Mr. Vann, unveiled his portrait, and Frances Parker, one of our Orphanage girls,, unveiled the portrait of Mr. Brown. Many representative friends of Messrs. Vann and Brown were present to witness the impressive service. Following the exercises in the Chapel the Board of Trustees met in my office in Annual Session. We had seventeen members of the Board present, and mostly routine business was transacted. Every member of the Board takes a lively interest in everything that pertains to the success of our Home. Mr. J. C. Braswell, President of the Planters National Bank & Trust Company, Rocky Mount, was re-elected President; Dr. R. L. Flowers, President of Duke University, Durham, was re-elected Vice-President; Mr. C. A. Dillon, Superintendent of Edenton Street Sunday School, Raleigh, was re-elected Secretary; Mrs. Mary Y. Allred was re-elected Head Matron, and all the members of the Executive Committee were re-elected. A. S. Barnes was re-elected Superintendent and Treasurer.

I appreciate the devotion that the Trustees manifest toward the Home.

LONGING!

Give me the air of a southern home,
Bathed in dew,
Lit with sun!
Let me commune as southerners do
When day is done!

Give me the faith of a southern heart:
Fear of God,
Love of man!
Bid me farewell,
Let me depart:
I shall come home again!

—Sneed Ogburn.

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Received for General and Conference Benevolences (World Service) to May 31st, 1941

Payments on general and conference benevolences (World Service) listed below include both regular payments and fourth Sunday World Service offerings. Payments on general administration fund are listed in second column.

Asheville District

Acton	$ 156.00	$ 8.00
Asheville: Asbury Mem.	90.53	
Biltmore	51.77	
Central	1223.13	
Haywood St.	437.08	
Hillside St.-Merimon Ave.	98.00	16.86
Oakley	43.65	4.00
Black Mountain	88.45	
Brevard	100.00	
Candler	110.00	
East Flat Rock	55.70	
Emma	24.78	
Etowah	20.00	
Fiarview	49.32	4.00
Fletcher	77.44	10.00
Hendersonville	136.23	
Hot Springs	70.25	
Ivy	29.07	
Leicester-Bell	9.50	
Leicester-Grace	47.78	
Marshall	7.97	
Mills River	33.00	
Rosman	4.01	
Saluda	4.74	
Sandy	40.00	
Swannanoa	110.27	
Tryon	51.96	3.00
Weaverville	266.22	
Total	3436.85	45.86

Charlotte District

Ansonville	60.00	
Bethel-Boger	70.88	2.01
Big Spring	100.00	
Charlotte-Belmont Pk.	322.50	
Brevard St.	187.00	
Calvary	193.47	
Central Ave.	77.32	
Chadwick	65.00	
Dilworth	1629.93	28.00
Duncan Mem.	7.42	
First	31.19	
Hawthorne Lane	1395.00	12.50
Myers Park	170.15	
Spencer Mem.	89.24	
Wesley Heights	120.00	4.00
Derita	30.00	5.00
Hickory Grove	200.10	
Homestead-Pleasant Gr.	275.47	13.00
Huntersville	39.49	
Indian Trail-Stallings	29.20	
Lilesville	71.00	
Marshville	6.25	
Matthews	98.04	
Monroe-Central	204.15	7.81
North Monroe	50.00	
Morven	28.05	
Pineville	119.50	
Thrift-Moores	120.68	4.50
Trinity	75.00	
Unionville	41.00	
Wadesboro	785.00	9.50
Waxhaw	67.54	
Weddington	17.72	
Total	9865.10	86.32

Elkin District

Advance	54.50	
Ararat	18.81	
Bryant Memorial	15.00	
Boone	170.76	
Cooleemee	50.00	
Creston	14.50	2.50
Davie	11.85	
Dobson	47.62	
East Bend	7.00	
Elkin	611.60	
Farmington	54.47	
Green Valley	17.00	
Helton	1.00	
Jonesville	27.00	
Laurel Springs	12.00	
Miller's Creek	55.00	2.00
Mocksville	195.00	
Mocksville Ct.	29.76	
Moravian Falls	29.88	
N. Wilkesboro	300.00	
Sparta	2.13	
St. Paul	32.67	
Todd	11.04	
West Jefferson	75.00	
Willkesboro	67.90	2.00
Yadkinville	50.00	
Total	1961.49	6.50

Gastonia District

Belmont-Main St.	168.67	
Park Street	192.59	
Belwood	167.39	
Bessemer City	25.78	
Boger City	197.90	
Cleveland	80.65	
Cherryville	180.00	
Cherryville Ct.	35.70	
Cramerton	261.49	
Crouse	55.66	
Dallas	153.47	
Fallston	88.32	
Gastonia-Bradley Mem.	761.49	
East End	64.56	
Main Street	1714.17	
Maylo-Smyre	189.01	
Trinity	75.00	
West End	118.00	
Kings Mountain-Central	134.00	
Grace	107.81	
Lincolnton	698.94	
Lincoln-Bess Chapel	61.40	
Lincoln Ct.	55.00	
Lowell	195.21	
Lowesville	19.77	
Mount Holly	475.00	
Polkville	177.24	
Rock Springs	36.51	
Shelby-Central	1196.05	
Lafayette St.	237.00	
Shelby Ct.	43.35	
South Fork	73.52	
Stanley	56.57	
Vale	34.29	
Total	8131.51	24.75

Greensboro District

Brown Summit	3.50	
Danbury	5.00	
Draper	59.32	
Draper-Wayside	17.44	
Flat Rock	33.00	
Gibsonville	230.50	
Greensboro-Bessemer	112.50	
Bethel-Battle Grd.	72.92	
Calvary	62.50	
Carraway Mem.	162.97	
Centenary	625.15	
College Place	127.37	
Glenwood	121.00	
Grace	110.50	
Newlyn-Lee's Chapel	72.00	1.00
Proximity	300.00	
St. Paul	25.00	
West End-Midway	95.28	
West Greensboro	153.25	
West Market	2676.97	
Guilford	51.21	
Haw River	107.87	
Jamestown-Oakdale	80.27	5.42
Leaksville	36.37	
Mitchell's Grove	42.29	
Moriah-Midway	53.25	
Mount Pleasant	132.23	
Mount Pleasant Ct.	174.91	
Oak Ridge	48.00	
Pleasant Garden	71.84	
Reidsville-Lindsay St.	34.70	
Main Street	431.93	
Reidsville Ct.	155.22	
Ruffin	34.80	
Spray	46.43	
Stokesdale	16.11	
Stoneville-Mayodan	12.31	
Summerfield	28.50	
Burnette's Chp.-Liberty Gr.	5.54	
Total	6629.95	6.42

High Point District

Archdale	89.00	9.00
Asheboro-First	684.53	25.00
Central	416.81	
Asheboro Ct.	57.77	
Coleridge	90.00	3.50
Denton-First	20.00	
Central	50.80	8.00
Farmer	73.17	
Greer's Chapel	10.81	
High Point-Calvary	150.00	
First	346.73	
Highland	37.50	
Lebanon	82.48	
Oak View	58.00	
Main Street	192.02	
Rankin Memorial	40.61	3.33
Ward Street	21.00	
Welch Memorial	149.02	5.00
Wesley Memorial	5500.00	
Liberty-First	39.48	
Liberty Ct.	29.94	
Linwood	125.00	
Mount Vernon	11.91	
Pleasant Grove	150.00	5.00
Ramseur-Franklinville	175.83	9.00
Randleman-Union	175.78	10.00
Randleman Ct.	64.09	5.00
Randolph-Gray's Chapel	122.54	8.00
Richland	54.46	7.00
Seagrove-Love Joy	66.74	2.31
Shiloh	131.40	7.00
South Davidson	53.00	
Trinity	14.52	
West Randolph	31.00	
Why Not	42.00	
Total	9357.94	107.14

Marion District

Avery	13.40	
Bakersville	36.00	
Bostic	44.51	
Broad River	14.95	
Cliffside-Avondale	150.00	12.00
Connelly Springs	183.54	8.00
Forest City	28.00	
Gilkey	1.00	
Glen Alpine	63.00	
Marion-Cross Mills	135.00	4.50
First	39.69	
Marion Mills	125.00	
Marion Ct.	24.00	
McDowell	28.10	10.00
Micaville-Tipton Hill	20.00	2.00
Mill Spring	50.00	3.00
Morganton-First	986.81	22.00
North Forest	110.00	3.50
Morganton Ct.	115.00	
Old Fort	62.00	
Pleasant Grove	150.53.	10.00
Rutherfordton	208.58	
Rutherford College	98.71	1.00
Spindale	7.04	
Spruce Pine	28.64	
Sunshine	10.05	
Table Rock	32.00	
Total	2765.55	76.00

Salisbury District

Albemarle-Central	1290.79	38.00
First Street	261.72	
Main Street	100.02	
Tabernacle	112.00	
Albemarle Ct.	100.00	
Badin-New London	196.75	
China Grove	250.00	
Concord-Ann St.	202.14	
Central	381.48	4.75
Epworth	270.00	4.00
Forest Hill	894.09	14.00
Harmony	75.00	
Kerr Street	95.59	
Roberta	105.00	4.00
Rocky Ridge	181.43	
Westford	18.36	
Friendship	125.99	
Gold Hill	74.66	
Granite Quarry	39.89	
Kannapolis-Bethpage	46.38	
Jackson Park	48.36	
Midway	175.00	6.00
Mt. Mitchell	67.19	
North Kannapolis	75.00	

Trinity	139.20	
Landis	109.63	
Midland	107.73	
Mt. Olivet	385.41	
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Spgs.	465.00	
Norwood	200.33	
Norwood Ct.	66.97	
Pfeiffer	49.28	
Salem	150.00	
Salisbury-Coburn Mtm.	76.69	
First	1280.00	
Main Street	27.93	
Park Avenue	96.43	
Spencer-Central	350.00	
Stanfield	100.00	4.00
Woodleaf	33.67	
Total	8825.11	74.75

Statesville District

Ball's Creek	128.64	
Catawba	349.56	15.00
Cool Springs	112.50	
Davidson-Fairview	100.00	3.00
Elmwood	9.41	
Grace-Rhodhiss	48.00	
Granite Falls	210.00	8.00
Harmony	8.00	
Hickory-Bethel	80.14	7.50
First	970.00	14.50
Highlands	50.52	
Westview	42.27	6.75
Hiddenite	35.00	2.75
Hudson	112.40	
Lenoir-First	446.81	
Lenoir Ct.	67.63	
Maiden	115.12	
Mooresville-Broad St.	46.24	11.25
Central	415.97	10.50
Jones Mem.	11.45	
Mooresville Ct.	100.59	6.75
Mount Zion	259.19	
Newton	52.09	
North Newton	80.00	9.00
Olin	.79	
Shepherds	130.52	3.75
Statesville-Boulevard	120.00	
Broad Street	831.04	15.00
Race Street	412.47	
Statesville Ct.	15.00	
Stony Point	46.28	4.70
Taylorsville	51.00	
Troutman's	65.71	2.00
Union Grove-Zion	59.32	2.43
Whitnel	52.00	9.00
Total	5635.66	131.88

Waynesville District

Andrews	85.30	10.70
Bethel	24.95	
Bryson City	14.69	
Canton-Central	415.76	
First	9.00	
Rockwood	86.00	3.49
Clyde	34.81	
Cullowhee	51.00	
Crabtree	17.42	
Dellwood	46.96	
Fines Creek	16.63	
Franklin	75.90	
Franklin Ct.	14.54	
Hayesville	43.85	
Highlands	30.65	
Jonathan	42.73	
Junaluska	47.01	
Macon Ct.	26.59	
Morning Star	40.00	
Murphy	78.62	
Murphy Ct.	3.35	
Pigeon Valley	9.20	
Robbinsville	47.64	
Shooting Creek	14.90	
Sylva	156.10	
Waynesville	51.88	
Webster	28.93	
Whittier	58.67	
Total	1573.08	14.19

Winston-Salem District

Davidson	149.18	5.00
Doubs	1.71	
Forsyth	337.50	
Forsyth-Maple Springs	103.80	
Hanes-Clemmons	51.00	
Kernersville-S. Winston	25.25	
Lewisville	70.11	
Lexington-Erlanger	81.71	5.00
First	1000.00	
Trinity-Mt. Carmel	46.00	7.00
Mt. Airy-Central	908.10	
Rockford St.	67.70	
Mt. Airy Ct.	2.95	
North Davidson	116.39	
Pilot Mountain	27.71	
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion	35.29	
Reeds-Mt. Carmel	40.50	
Rural Hall	124.39	
Thomasville-Community	175.00	12.00
First-West End	45.00	
Main Street	900.00	20.00
Trinity-Bethel	33.00	
Thomasville Ct.	129.67	
Walkertown-Love's	353.69	10.00
Walkertown-Morris Chp.	73.15	2.00
Walnut Cove	21.59	
Welcome	241.16	
West Forsyth	68.55	10.00
Winston-Salem: Ardmore	290.00	5.00
Burkhead	372.00	12.50
Centenary	4832.82	110.00
Central Terrace	77.50	4.50
First	140.50	
Green St.	16.75	
Hiatt-Sedge Garden	43.39	
Oak Summit-Shiloh	92.00	2.00
Ogburn Memorial	66.73	2.01
Winston-Salem Ct.	69.55	
Total	11,231.34	207.01

Summary

Received for general conference benevolences (World Service) to May 31, 1941:

Regular payments	$54,568.68
Fourth Sunday offerings	14.719.90
Total	69,288.58
Received same date 1940	62,811.08
Increase	6,477.50
Rec'd for Conf. Claimants	21,936.61
Rec'd for Episcopal fund	5,640.83
Rec'd for Gen. Admin. fund	756.07
Grand total increase in benevolences over 1940	34,811.01

Thes eitems have been combined because they were all in benevolences last year.

E. O. Cole, Treas.

LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS—LAKE JUNALUSKA

Attractive programs are being planned by the Board of Education for the Leadership Schools at Lake Junaluska and this should be another helpful summer for those who attend.

July 17-24. A Leadership School will be held in cooperation with the conference Boards of Education in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. For the most part the courses will be taught by conference staff members with Rev. R. W. Bradshaw of the North Carolina Conference serving as dean. The courses and faculty are: "The Nursery Child in the Home," Miss Elizabeth Jarratt, Virginia Conference; "The Child's Approach to Religion," Mrs. H. D. Guerrant, North Georgia Conference; "Understanding Children," Miss Louise Bridges, South Georgia Conference; "Counseling Youth," Mrs. John K. Benton, Nashville, Tenn., specialist in youth work; "The Church Working with Young Adults," Rev. H. G. Williamson, Holston Conference; "The Superintendent and His Task," Rev. Carl H. King, Western North Carolina Conference; "Christian Evangelism," Dr. R. Ira Barnett, Florida Conference; Seminar on Camping, Miss Elizabeth Brown, Board of Education.

This program is prepared especially for persons who cannot come for the two weeks' school, August 18-29, and will include a variety of features.

The District Superintendent's Conference will be in session at the main auditorium during this period, with a strong program of platform addresses.

July 24-August 5. The School of Missions is being planned as a cooperative enterprise of the Board of Education and the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Class sessions will be held at the Mission Building with the following courses and instructors: "Christians and World Order," Dr. Henry Barnett, Florida Southern College; "The Missionary Message of the New Testament," Bishop W. T. Watkins; "Guidance in Christian Home Making," Miss Oscie C. Sanders, Chapel Hill, N. C.; "Conducting a Study Group in Missions and Christian Service," Miss Mabel K. Howell, Scarritt College; "Christianity and Democracy in America," Dr. Hugh C. Stutz, Scarritt College.

July 29-August 5. The Missionary Conference will be in session under the direction of the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

August 5-16. The Young People's Leadership Conference under the auspices of the Youth Department of the Board of Education will offer attractive features for the conference, district, and sub-district leaders in youth work.

August 18-29. This Leadership School will continue for two weeks and offers very attractive opportunities to conference and district workers as well as to local church leaders to get help for their work.

Among the courses and faculty members are: "The Child's Approach to Religion," Miss Rosemary K. Roorbach, New York; "Children and the Changing World," and "How Our Religion Began," Miss Edna M. Baxter, Hartford Seminary, Connecticut; "Intermediate Work," Miss Elizabeth Brown, Board of Education; "Senior and Young People's Work," Miss Alleen T. Moon, Board of Education; "The Church Working with Young Adults," and "Understanding Adults," Rev. M. Leo Rippy, Director of Adult Work; "Ways of Teaching" and "How Christian Character Develops," Miss Frances C. McLester, Board of Education; "Guidance in Christian Home Making," Dr. Mason Crum, Duke University; "The Stewardship of Life," Dr. James W. Workman, the Board of Lay Activities; "The Religious Experiences of Primary Children," Mrs. W. B. Ferguson, Editor, The Elementary Teacher; "The Religious Experiences of Junior Children," Miss Barnett Spratt, specialist in children's work; "Bible Backgrounds" and "the Bible and Youth," Dr. John H. Hicks, Southern Methodist University; "Group Discussion in Christian Education" and "Trends in Christian Education," Dr. Harrison S. Elliott, Union Seminary, New York.

The program will include chapel services, recreation, vespers, conferences, and platform addresses. Among the speakers will be Bishops Paul B. Kern and Clare Purcell, Dr. John H. Hicks, Miss Edna M. Baxter, Dr. John Q. Schisler, Dr. Harrison S. Elliott.

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Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 15

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By Rollin H. Walker

Progress in World Missions

Acts 13:13 to 14:28; Galatians 3:23-29

We have in our lesson a notable example of Luke's habit of suggesting things which he does not boldly state. Previously he had always spoken of the missionaries as Barnabas and Saul; now he says that Paul and his company set sail from Paphos. Such a reinforcement of power had come to Paul that he became inevitably the leader. It is an evidence of the greatness of Barnabas that he submitted to this. But Mark left them as soon as they reached the mainland, and returned to Jerusalem. Perhaps the tremendous drive of Paul was more than he could stand. Or possibly he did not like to see his Uncle Barnabas superseded.

The missionaries crossed the mountains to Antioch in Pisidia. We note that in the synagogue there Paul began with the story of the great things God had done for Israel in the past, to prepare them to believe that he had done the great things in the present, in raising the crucified Messiah from the dead and offering forgiveness of sins to all in his name.

The apostles must have made a marvelous impression, for the next Sabbath all the streets leading to the synagogue were jammed with people hoping to hear their message, and they were compelled to hold an outdoor meeting. But the Jews, filled with jealousy, so loudly blasphemed the gospel that Paul and Barnabas turned to the Gentiles. This caused the Gentiles to rejoice, and Luke tells us that as many as were ordained to eternal life believed. Some have taken this to mean that certain persons are arbitrarily foreordained to be saved, and others to be lost. To say this is to blaspheme the good God. Luke plainly means that all who were poor in spirit, and hungering and thirsting after righteousness, and were thus set in order for eternal life, believed (Matthew 5:3-6).

But the Jews urged on the devout women of honorable estate, and the rulers, and raised a persecution against the apostles. They were not the last preachers who had to leave when the aristocratic ladies and the politicians turned against them.

When Paul and Barnabas were chased out of the city, we are told that the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit (Matthew 5:10-12; Acts 5:40, 41:16-25). Here is one of the mysteries of the gospel—the unaccountable joy of Christians in the midst of persecution.

When the apostles came to Iconium we are told that they entered both together into the synagogue, and so spake that a great multitude both of Jews and of Greeks believed. Like athletes, their previous experience had taught them to do doubly effective team work.

But here again the unbelieving Jews were their fierce opponents. The message of the apostles was an affront to their national pride. They actually asserted that the chief priests had brought about the crucifixion of the Son of God! What more terrible thing to say against their nation! And the missionaries were also saying that circumcision and the food taboos were not conditions for entering the kingdom of God. Thus race pride and religion, the most diabolical of all combinations, combined to infuriate them against the apostles. So Paul and Barnabas were compelled to flee. The problem as to whether these preachers should change pastorates was one which they did not have to consider. Nearly always the mob settled it for them.

What a strange experience they had at Lystra! First the priests brought oxen and garlands to do them sacrifice as Jupiter and Mercury come to the earth. And then through the furious activity of the Jews, the multitudes were stirred up to stone Paul, and he was dragged out as dead to the dump heap. But the brethren stood round about him, and when he came to consciousness their sympathetic eyes were the first sight that greeted him. So he said, I think I will get up. The next day Paul entered into a sanitarium to recover from the nervous shock. No! He went with Barnabas to Derbe for another preaching mission. Wonderful Paul! But what a pretty looking missionary he must have been with his face all battered up with stones!

Perhaps the bravest thing that Paul and Barnabas did was to go back to the cities out of which the mob had chased them. They were not merely evangelists; they were organizers. They knew what happens after a revival. Men must be appointed to look after the church and bear its responsibilities.

A CHRISTIAN PACIFIST'S TESTIMONY

No Christian can admit the divine right of the state to order him to abjure Christ — else the martyrs were slain to no purpose. No Christian can believe that to do God's will can be anything less than to serve the highest interests of his country—else God is either not God or not love. We are forbidden to do evil that good may come—and wilfully to do what we are convinced is wrong is to sin.

Our problem comes back to the simple question: Is warfare, modern warfare, an instrument which a Christian can use? If the Bishop of Gloucester is right in stating that Christian when faced with a moral issue must ask himself what Christ would have done in these circumstances, the answer in this case seems plain: it is to many of us inconveivable that our Lord could have used or sactioned the bombing plane or the rain of poison gas.—From a paper by C. E. Raven on "The Religious Basis of Pacifism."

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WHEN ROBERT LEARNED DIVISION

"Oh, Richard, what do you think? I am going to have a little boy to play with," called Robert Edison to his big cousin as he came up the walk. "Cousin George is coming to live with us, and we shall have such good times. He is only two weeks younger than I am, just seven years old."

"I am glad he isn't coming to live at my house," answered Richard, who was thirteen. "You'll have to divide everything with him, and that isn't a bit of fun. It will be division all the time."

Robert didn't know what division was, so he made up his mind he would ask someone who knew. When Emily came home from school he asked her.

"Oh, division is horrid," she said. "You put down a row of numbers on your paper ,and then you have to divide. It's horrid. I feel sorry for everybody who has to do it. I can tell you."

Robert didn't tell mother how he felt, but he really dreaded to have George come now. Still, he was a polite little boy, so when George arrived he took him to see the rabbits. "You can have the gray and white one for yourself," he said. George was so pleased that it made Robert very happy.

Robert took his cousin to drive behind the pony, and he let George hold the reins half of the time. But all the while he was wondering when division would begin.

All day long the two little boys played and worked together, and the days passed quickly, and each night they slept side by side in two little beds.

Then George began to get all kinds of presents from his father, mailed to him from different places where his father went. These he insisted on sharing with Robert. "You have given me a share in all your things," he said, "and I want you to share mine."

At last the long summer and fall were over and George's father came back to take him home.

"There wasn't any division at all, mother," said Robert, as they watched George out of sight, waving as long as they could see him. And he told her what Richard had said.

"Division as Richard meant it," said mother, "Just meant sharing your things and some with George."

"Why, I wanted to," exclaimed Robert. "That wasn't hard a bit. And George had ever so many more things than I had and he gave me a share of each. I have lots more things than I had when he came, and I had heaps and heaps more fun with him than I ever had with myself."

"Of course you did," laughed mother. "That kind of division, done willingly, brings another principle with it called 'multiplication.' When you divide things to share they grow and grow until they never seem to stop."

"Then I like division and multiplication," said Robert.—Selected.

PEGGY'S SURPRISE

Let's play down by the brook this afternoon, David," suggested Peggy.

"Yes, let's Peggy, and we'll sail autumn leaves for boats and make up a game about them," agreed David.

David and Peggy liked to go down by the cheerful little brook in the meadow. In the spring they gathered big purple violets along the bank, and often on summer days they searched for wild strawberries or sailed their toy boats.

The brookside looked a little different now from the way it appeared in the summertime. There were stalks of seeds instead of small flowers, and here and there David and Peggy spied a wild strawberry leaf that had turned red.

The children had brought along some big yellow catalpa leaves to sail for pretend-boats.

"They're fun," said David.

The catalpa-leaf boats sailed nicely, but Peggy's got caught on a root which jutted out into the water. She hurried to poke at it with a small stick, but while she was busy doing that something happened that made her cross.

"Oh, David, I think you're mean to throw little pebbles and sand at my legs while I'm trying to get my boat free," she exclaimed.

David, who was sailing his leaf in a small pool a few feet down the stream, was astonished.

"What do you mean? I didn't throw any pebbles or anything else, Peggy," he answered.

"But I surely felt something!" cried Peggy.

She got her catalpa leaf free, and looked about to see what could possibly have hit her. Then she noticed something in the top of her sock. It was a tiny, hard round black thing. Peggy held it out on the palm of her hand.

"What's this?" she asked.

"Why, that's some kind of seed, Peggy. I think it may be a violet seed," said David.

"But how did it hit me? And it felt as if there were a number of little things like that being thrown at me," said Peggy, very much puzzled.

She and David began to look among the violet plants. They could see plenty of green, three-cornered seed-pods, and some empty pods that were wide open now. Then David touched a brownish seed-pod that looked just ready to unclose. In a second something surprising happened. The pod snapped open so hard that a whole stream of tiny, round, black seeds came shooting, and were thrown a little distance.

"Oh, David, that's what happened!" cried Peggy. "I must have disturbed a ripe violet pod, and the seeds popped out at me. Don't they pop out hard, though?"

The children told mother about Peggy's surprise at the brook. "I really thought David was teasing me by throwing something at me, mother," said Peggy.

"Well, nature has given the violet plants this way of bursting their pods open so hard that the seeds are thrown a little distance so that they won't all drop close by the plant, and will have some room to grow," explained mother.

"I'm glad nature did that, mother," declared Peggy. "The violets are so pretty that we all like them, and we're glad that each year there are more and more plants down by the brook."

"Let's try to learn a little about the different seeds we come across, and find out how they discover places to grow, Peggy," suggested David. "I know about the thistle and milkweed seeds. The seed is at the end of the white, downy part, and the wind carries it here and there as it blows."

"And burrs are another kind of seeds that are carried about. They cling to our clothes, and to animals," put in Peggy. "Yes, let's gather different kinds of seeds and find out about them, David. We'll have fun doing that."—Grace Helen Davis, in Story World.

THE HOME OF THE ELVES

By Laura Dickson

I turned the shiny silver key
  That fits the magic castle's door;
So many things are strange to me—
  I never saw an elf before.

But many dwell within these walls;
  And coming from a thousand looms
Are fluff-of-dandelion shawls
  And scarlet caps with scarlet plumes.

The weavers say the cook is cooking
  (He bears the title, Kitchen Elf).
When lunch gets done, if no one's looking,
  He always eats it up himself.

The baby elves now form a ring
  Outside the castle, on the sands;
They shake their hooded heads and sing
  And softly clap their mittened hands.

First Neighbor: "How did that naughty little boy of yours get hurt?"

Second Neighbor: "That good little boy of your hit with a brick."

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DURHAM DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

June

Duke Memorial, 7:30 10
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July

Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Hatteras, Buxton (youth rally), night 12
Hatteras (youth rally and Q.C.), night 13
South Camden, Sign Pine, 11 15
Gatesville, Harrel's, 3 15
Edenton, night 15
City Road, night 18
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July

Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

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THIRD ROUND
ZONE CONFERENCES

June 16, 3 p. m.—Creston, Green Valley, Helton, Jefferson, Laurel Springs, Sparta, Todd, Warrensville, Watauga, all meet at Boone.

June 17, 3 p. m.—Millers Creek, North Wilkesboro, Ararat, Dobson, Bryant Memorial, St. Paul, Jonesville, Trap Hill, Moravian Falls, Wilkesboro, all meet at Elkin.

June 23, 3 p. m.—Cooleemee, Davie, East Bend, Farmington, Mocksville, Mocksville Ct., Yadkinville, meet at Advance.

REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

June

Ararat, Chestnut Grove, 11 15
Bryant Memorial, 3 15
Lobson, Rockford, night 15
Sparta, Shiloh, 11 22
Laurel Springs, 3 22
Jefferson, Orion, night 22
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 11 29
Wilksboro, Union, 3 29
North Wilkesboro, night 29

July

Boone, 11 6
Watauga, Henson's, 3 6
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 6
Todd, Calvary, 11 20
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 3 20
West Jefferson, night 20
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

East Rockingham, 11 15
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 15
Laurinburg, 8 15
Red Springs, 8 16
Rockingham, 8 17
Hay Street, 8 18
Caledonia, 11 23
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July

Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August

Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Pink Hill, Webbs, 10:30 14
Morehead Ct., 11 15
Beaufort, North River, 3 15
Morehead City, 8 15
Dover, 10:30 17
Jones, Shady Grove, 10:30 18
LaGrange, Institute, 10:30 19
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 10:30 20
Newport, Riverdale, 3 22
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 22
Oriental, Kershaw, 10:30 24
Pamlico, Vandermere, 10:30 25
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July

Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Aurora, Bonnerton, 11 6
Mt. Olive, Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

June

Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 13
Erwin, Angier, 11 15
Smithfield, 8 15
Stem, Roberts, 8 18
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 22
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 8 22
Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11 29
Selma, 8 29

July

Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 6
Franklinton, Wesley, 3 6
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 6
Oxford Ct., Gray Rock, 8 9
Princeton, Fellowship, 8 11
Newton Grove, Wesley's Chapel, 11 12
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 13
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 3 13
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8....27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30

August

Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

June

Spring Church-Garysburg, 11 15
Enfield, Central Cross, 3:30 15
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Middleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
McKendreee, McKendree, 8 29

July

Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

June

Whiteville, 11 15
Pembroke Parrish, Pleasant Grove, 3:30 15
Lumberton, 8 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 29

July

Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June

Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 10:30 13
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 10:30 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Pollocksville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

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June 22, 3 p.m.—Barnardsville, Ivy, Weaverville, Weaverville at Salem, Weaverville Ct.

June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.

July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.

July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.

July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.

July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mills River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.

August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.

August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.

August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.

August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

June

Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 15
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 3 15
Calvary, 8 15
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Marshville, Center, 3 22
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 8 22
Wesley Heights, 8 23
Brevard Street, 8 25
Thrift-Mcores ,Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July

North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 11 15
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 15
Lowell, Ebenezer, night 15

Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain; Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July

Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Glenwood, 7:30 13
Reidsville Ct., 11 14
Summerfield, 11 15
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 7:30 15
Flat Rock, 11 22
Stoneville, 7:30 22
Sandy Ridge, 11 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

June

Richland, Union, 7:30 12
Seagrove-L. J., Seagrove, 2 14
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 15
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 7:30 15
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 16
Ward Street, 7:30 18
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

July

Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30

August

Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Rutherfordton, 11 15
Broad River, Providence, 3 15
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 15
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July

Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences will be held in groups as follows:
Cabarrus County at Epworth, Concord, 3 ..... June 29
Rowan County at Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, 3 .. July 6
Stanley County at First Street, Albemarle, 3 .... July 13
All preaching engagements made directly with the pastors.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Granite Falls, 11 15
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 15
Hudson, Colliers, night 15
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July

Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

August

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

June

West Forsyth-Tabernacle, 11 15
Doubs, at Doubs, 3 15
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, at Hiatt's, 7:30 15
Morris Chapel, 11 22
Maple Springs, 7:30 22
Erlanger, Yadkin College, 11 29
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 29

July

Trinity Bethel, 7:30 6
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27



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In Memoriam

BARBER—On February 14, 1941, after a year of declining health my friend, Mr. J. M. Barber, died at his home in Mill Springs. He was 81 years of age, having been born July 14, 1859. His funeral was held at Brittian Presbyterian church in Rutherford county.

It was my privilege to know Mr. Barber intimately. He was a Christian gentleman, a good neighbor and a kind father. Mr. Barber and his wife reared a large family, three daughters and ten sons, three of whom are ministers: J. M. Barber of Hickory Grove, F. B. Barber of Marion, both members of the Western North Carolina conference, and Rev. Ernest Barber, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Aberdeen.

His life was lived in accordance with the words of the prophet, "What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God."

P. T. Dixon.

RUCKART — Mrs. Georgia Ellen Ruckart, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Kennedy of Winston-Salem, passed to her eternal reward at Thomasville, N. C., on March 28, 1941. This young Christian lady was born at Catawba, N. C., while her father was pastor there on the Catawba charge, the date of her birth June 14, 1925.

Georgia gave her young life to Christ when she was just a small girl and united with the Methodist church while living at Catawba, and since that time her sweet influence was a great blessing to all who knew her and had the privilege to be in her company.

On July 28, 1934, she became the happy wife of Mr. Nathan Ruckart, and to this marriage was born one sweet little girl, Miss Carolyn, who is now living and being trained in the same home her mother was, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Kennedy.

The funeral was conducted from the Trinity Methodist church in Thomasville by her pastor, Rev. W. N. Rathburn, assisted by Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent of Winston district, and Rev. J. E. McSwain of High Point. May God bless her parents, one brother and one sister, and the great host of other relatives and friends, and especially little Carolyn.

A Special Friend to the Family.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mount Pleasant Methodist church of the Winston-Salem disrtict, wish to pay tribute to its beloved and faithful member whose name we bear, Mrs. Lillie Augusta Ball, who went from us into the church triumphant March 9, 1941. It was very fitting that Mrs. Ball went to her heavenly home on the Sabbath day.

Mrs. Ball, having been a member of Mt. Pleasant church since childhood and one of the charter members of the missionary society, we are grateful for the influence and priceless memory of her beautiful Christian life so cheerful and unselfish in her church, accept her example and pledge ourselves to continue an interest in the activities that were so near her heart and mind. We request that a copy of these resolutions be sent to each one of her children, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. O. B. Williams,
Mrs. A. R. Craven,
Mrs. W. D. Payne.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Miss Ida Hawkins, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Hawkins, deceased, departed this life February 3, 1941.

She gave her heart to God at an early age, joined the Acton Methodist Church, and was life long, loyal, sincere member.

She loved the church, the cause it represents, and was very active in its service, having for a number of years taught in Sabbath School, and at the time of her death was a member of the Board of Stewards, and Woman's Society of Christian Service.

She attended Scarritt College for one year, but instead of going to foreign fields she spent her time nearer home teaching in public schools and using her influence for good to those she came in contact.

The members of Garden Center Club of which she served as president for two years following the death of Mrs. U. G. Speed, the organizer, has lost a faithful worker.

Her love for nature, and all that Garden Center represents, was outstanding.

She is not here in the flesh any more, but we feel her good deeds will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

To the bereaved brothers and sisters we extend our heartfelt sympathy in the passing of Miss Ida, also the recent death of another sister, Mrs. Gussie Caldwell, whose body was laid to rest in Hickory, N. C., May 24, 1941.

Members of Garden Center Club and Board of Stewards of Acton Circuit.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On April 21, 1941, Gad called to her reward in heaven a good and faithful servant, Mrs. Martha J. McDuffie. Her daily life testified to her love for her Lord. In his service no duty was too small, no task too great to be cheerfully undertaken. By scores her friends were numbered, her kind, gentle disposition winning the love of old and young. The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Singletary church resolve:

That we hold in our hearts the memory of her bright, Christian life. Thought she is sorely missed, we know our loss is heaven's gain, and humbly we say, "Thy will be done."

That we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy, and the comforting thought, "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal."

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, one to her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Gillespie, and a record be kept in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. David Willis,
Mrs. T. G. Tatum,
Mrs. John A. McDowell.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

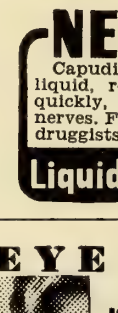
Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call to himself our beloved sister, Mrs. Lizzie Mason Spencer, therefore be it resolved by Creswell Woman's Society of Christian Service, Creswell, N. C.:

First, That in her death our society laments the loss of a faithful and consistent member, one who was ever ready to lend a helping hand and voice of sympathy whenever needed; whose place in our community will be filled only by recollection of her kind and neighborly deeds.

Second, That we extend to her beloved ones our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to her sweet Christian character and our dear heavenly Father.

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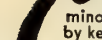
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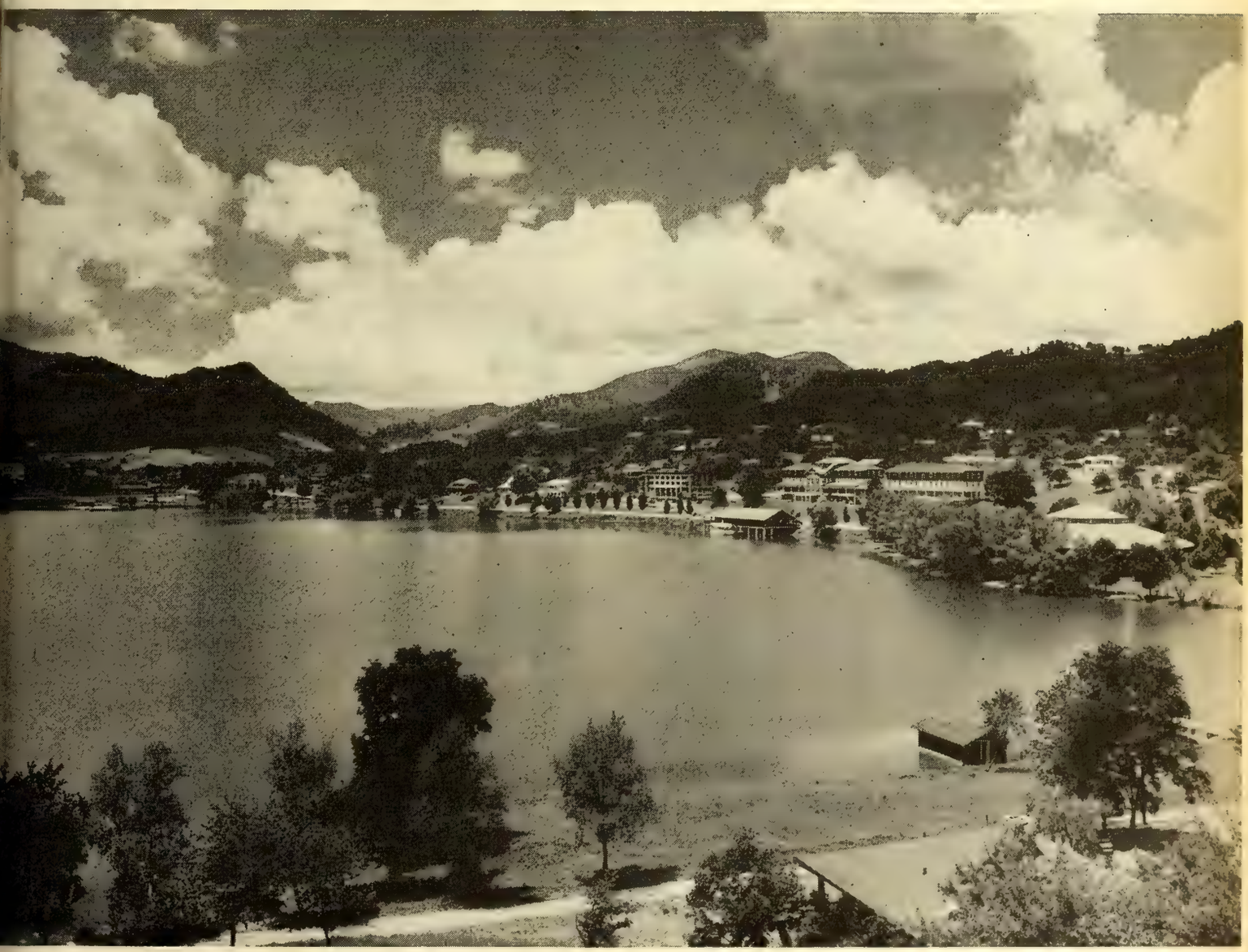
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"Summer Capital of Southern Methodism"



1941 PROGRAM

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LAKE JUNALUSKA, N. C. (27 MILES WEST OF ASHEVILLE)

BISHOP CANNON GOES AFTER HITLER LIKE HE GOES AFTER THE LIQUOR CROWD

Here is one of his latest samples:

The south believes that we should use police power to prevent crime. The south believes that we should use the militia to put down riots and mob law. The Gallup poll indicates that the south believes that we should use force to protect the innocent, to prevent oppression, cruelty and persecution, and to secure freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of action, freedom of the seas, freedom of religion. Our Lord said, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword." Hitler has taken the sword, has lied shamelessly just as he advocated in his book **Mein Kampf,** has attacked innocent, peace loving people, has sent them to concentration camps, to firing squads, and has carried on widespread persecution such as the world has never known. Hitler "shall perish with the sword." By whose sword? By the sword of those nations which rise up to defend the innocent against persecution and death. Will not the people of the United States be guilty before God if they fail to join with full force those who are fighting that Hitler may "perish with the sword"? After he has perished, and justice and righteousness have prevailed ,then we can follow Saint Paul's injunction, "First pure, then peaceable," and establish a world peace based upon justice and righteousness. But Hitlerism must first be destroyed.

James Cannon, Jr.

SOLDIERS FEEL AT HOME IN NEW SERVICE CLUB IN FAYETTEVILLE

The former Methodist parsonage has now been converted into a recreation hall for men in uniform.

Mrs. Florence Highsmith is senior hostess and Mrs. Laura Scott is co-hostess of the enterprise which owes its being to the Methodist church which donated use of the building and to free will contributions that are maintaining it.

Formal opening of the club last Saturday was a success. Three hundred soldiers registered the first day. All afternoon soldiers wandered in, were met with a smile, and given the run of the house from the spacious downstair lounges and game rooms to the writing rooms and music room upstairs.

Mrs. Highsmith stated that dances would not be promoted at the club, and that always "we will remember this is church property."

The club will be open afternoon and evening. Longer hours will be observed on pay days and week-ends.

Each soldier visiting the house is asked to submit a name for it, and a prize will be given to the soldier who submits a name that fits the club.

Although the Methodist church gets credit for turning the old parsonage over to the city recreation committee, Mrs. Highsmith was quick in pointing out that every church in Fayetteville co-operated in putting the project over. She especially gave credit to the Women's Soldier Service Club here, which she said, gave a benefit for the club. She stated that all organizations had contributed.

DR. HARRY E. WOOLEVER PASSES

Zion's Herald reports the death of Dr. Harry E. Woolever at Conden, N. Y., May 30. This good brother was a favorite with the editors of this Advocate. He won friends many whenever he came into this section of the country. We sorrow that we shall no more enjoy his fellowship at Methodist assemblies. He had filled a large place in American Methodism.

Dr. Woolever was born in Van Etten, Chemung county, N. Y., March 19, 1881, and graduated from Syracuse University in 1907 and from Drew Theological Seminary in 1909. The following year he was ordained to the Methodist ministry and appointed editor of the Northern Christian Advocate. When that paper was merged with the New York Christian Advocate in 1915, he went to New York as assistant editor. From 1923 to 1936 he was editor of the National Methodist Press with headquarters in Washington, D. C. He then became director of the American Christian Foundation and editor of These Times. Syracuse honored him with the doctorate of divinity in 1916. Dr. Woolever was a delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Church in 1924, 1928, 1932, and 1936, to the Ecumenical Methodist Conference in 1921 and 1931. He served as secretary of the General Conference Commission on International Relations from 1928, and as executive secretary of the Joint Commission on Methodist Union from 1928, until the three branches of Methodism were merged into The Methodist Church. He took the retired relation at the session of the Central New York conference last fall. Surviving him is his wife, the former Marien Eloise Andrews of Syracuse, N. Y., to whom he was married in 1909.

WAYSIDE SHRINES

One day, in a poorly kept country cemetery in southwest Arkansas, with my two older boys, I stood beside the grave of my precious mother. As a lad of six, I had followed her body to that new-made grave, never again to know the comforts of her unselfish love. But on the day of which I speak I laid one hand on the marble stone that marked her resting place, the other on the head of my eldest son who stood beside me, and renewed the promise I made her while on her death bed, to try to be a good man and meet her in heaven. As I moved away, I felt that my soul had been bathed and cleaned.

Even now, I can see standing yonder against the horizon a great man who wore the Confederate Gray. He was a colonel in the army. He had a contempt for everything that was cheap and little. He was the soul of honor. He was my father. I am far removed from him in time and space, but today, aside from my Christ, he is the greatest influence that ever touched my life. He was, and is for me, "the shadow of a great rock in a weary land."

You may be thinking of a mother, a husband, a teacher, or a pastor. Maybe it's a child, a son or a daughter. No matter, just so they serve in the capacity of wayside shrines.—Forney Hutchinson, in Arkansas Methodist.

EXHIBIT OF ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN

Give close attention to the report of our Advocate campaign on page 18.

Does your name and church appear in that interesting exhibit?

Not quite one-half of the pastors in the two conferences so far have made a report. Why not get in the game?

True, the many demands during the year have pushed aside the church paper; but, we trust, a better day is ahead. One new subscriber from each church and Society of Christian Service which has not yet reported would change the entire situation.

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This is a special Junaluska edition of the Advocate, and we suggest that our subscribers keep it handy for reference in regard to Junaluska Assembly affairs this summer. It contains what you will desire to know from time to time.

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For years Lake Junaluska was called "The Summer Capital of Southern Methodism." Since the union of American Methodism it is fast coming to be called the Summer Capital of American Methodism, especially by the people of the southern section of the United States. Another decade of growth and widening influence will give this beautiful spot a place in the eye of the nation.

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Dr. Alexis Carrel, one of the most distinguished in the surgical and medical world in this or other lands today has said: "Today, as never before, prayer is a binding necessity in the lives of men and nations. The lack of emphasis on the religious sense has brought the world to the edge of destruction. If the power of prayer is again released and used in the lives of common men and women; if the spirit declares its aims clearly and boldly, there is yet hope that our prayers for a better world will be answered."

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The Lake Junaluska Assembly is not only beautiful for situation but thousands upon thousands from every part of the nation turn each year to this particular section of the mountains of North Carolina where are located the Smoky Mountains National Park and the Pisgah Forest National Park. According to the official records more people visit the Smoky Mountain Park than any other on the continent. These visitors far outnumber those who go each year to the Yellowstone National Park. In fact these travelers to the Smoky Mountains almost equal the records of any other two parks, if one may rely upon the figures of the United States Park Commission. This park lies immediately west of the Assembly grounds. The Pisgah national forest is about an hour's drive southeast of Lake Junaluska and is perhaps the largest unbroken primeval forest in the whole range of the Appalachian Mountains. In it deer are abundant and bear not a few, as well as other wild animals. Many people visit the park to get a glimpse of the deer in their native haunts as well as to enjoy the drive through this immense virgin forest that is round about Mount Pisgah and adjoining territory.

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Have you noticed that the men who belonged to the 4,000,000 boys that served in the first World War are not saying much one way or the other in these present hectic days. As true soldiers and citizens they go about their tasks of the hour, while the old fellows who are shouting about what others ought to do, have "never shouldered a musket," to use an old and out moded expression. We know some editors who spin off pages about what the government and its citizens ought to do in war when these very editors are only hot air artists while their conduct in the past annuls their multitude of belligerent editorials.

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The editor of the Statesville Landmark has not yet reached the allotted "three score and ten" but he can talk intelligently about "them good old days" that are gone, thanks to American progress. Listen to this editor talk unpleasant things of the past: Washing the family flivver is one grand sweet song compared with rising long before the burst of dawn to make three-four fires, which happened to be only the prelude to a day's work that was not completed until it was too dark to see—in the days when our dreamers had not thunk up wage-hour laws and such. The modern lad has a veritable gravy train. He doesn't even have to wash behind his ears.

The Vestments and the Vision of the Christ

I

THE vestments—the externals—of all life are secondary. Man is more than the garments he wears or the position he holds.

"For there is neither border, nor breed, nor birth,
When two strong men stand face to face
Though they have come from the ends of the earth."

The Christ and the body of Christ — the Church—is more than all the accumulated externals of the centuries gone.

Be careful to distinguish between the Church and the ecclesiasticisms of high pretentions. Creeds, the products of intellect; Ritual, the casement of religious feelings expressed; Polity, institutional proceedure, are not the Church which the Apostle terms the body of Christ. The Church is composed of the great body of faithful men and women in whom the Church dwells and through whom he carries out his purposes. The vestments count for little; the body makes Christ to live in the world.

Art, Literature, Science, the Humanities, so much magnified in the making of the modern world, are but the rich garments of the Christ as he lives and works through the centuries. He has dominated art and literature, made possible the scientific advance and the humanitarian endeavor of the past centuries and makes bearable these bloody days.

Too often, however, the effort is to substitute the garments for the Christ. Science, and art, and literature, humanitarian schemes are put above the One who is greater than all of these. Men still gamble at the feet of the Cross. Europe could boast of all the rich robes of a Christian civilization and lay claims to world conquest, but we all know now that Europe is pagan and not Christian at the core. A tribal God bears rule and the ethics of tooth and nail proves to be the rule of action. Had Europe been Christian at heart this war had not been. It is one thing for the world to be a neighborhood—it is something else for it to be a brotherhood. Government as well as individuals must be Christian.

II

The Vision—the gleam—in all life is primary. Without this men and nations sink to the dead level of existence. Where there is no vision the people perish. Youth dreams dreams and sees visions, eager for the fray. Young men fight the battles of the world. Young women rush into matrimony. For the young, all the doors of life stand wide open. The young man can do whatever he may elect; the woman can marry whomever she may choose. The visions dance and play and sing and lure.

The Hebrew prophet was primarily a man of vision. His message came into him and he became the seer. With an awful sense of God and a fine realization of the needs of his times he rebuked kings, princes and people. Amos, the prophet of righteousness; Micah, the preacher for the poor; Isaiah, the court-preacher; Jeremiah, the suffering servant; Ezekiel, the man of the captivity, all lived true to the heavenly vision. This made the preacher and this makes the preacher still.

The poet lives in the realm that overbrims with passion and thought. The poet sees and feels more and discriminates with greater nicety than does the average man. Homer, though blind, could see and speak across the centuries. The visions of the youthful Milton perished not with the going of his eyes. Late in life he did write a poem that the world will not willingly let die. The poets of music and song keep the world singing. Could we live without the seers? "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision."

History Repeats

UNLESS memory plays us false we were told in 1917 that America must get into the war to brace the allies and encourage our English cousins. No emphasis was placed on sending our boys to fight in France. But it wound up with two millions across the water in the effort to make the world safe for democracy. Then we sold Liberty Bonds and scattered money across the nations to dethrone the Kaiser. Well, he was put in retirement for two decades and he has passed on into the great unknown.

Now a similar effort is being repeated to put down Hitler. Not an American boy is to go abroad, but we must stiffen the British by every other possible means to make secure the defense of America. The same old plea with assurance of freedom in name of defense.

Whatever the end may be for us as a people, Hitler will go down as did Kaiser Bill. He will suffer the fate of all other dictators of earth; but this will not end the tragedies of this and of all other calamities that follow war.

We suffered numerous hurts for twenty years following 1918 and we may be sure that a similar fate awaits the certain fall of Adolph Hitler. Disappointment always follows the crash and calamity that ends in an armistice and treaty of peace.

The lying propaganda that goes with all wars and the assurance of the freedom and welfare of man mislead the people, though the leaders and war lords may know better. They continue to wade through slaughter.

Many of the boys who returned from the World War said the French did not appreciate what America had done for them, and the English soldiers boastfully insisted that the Americans were raw recruits. Whether that was true or not, the glory "over there" had faded and the glamour of the Argonne was no more. Yes, history certainly has a way of repeating itself.

We are doomed to future disappointment.

A Bride's Prayer

THE greatest day of a girl's life is her wedding day. Very properly she is the cynosure of all eyes at her marriage, because she has fathomed the depths of the hour and entered more fully into the enchantments of love's young dreams than anyone else except those who may have entered into a like experience. And to these she is a delightful reminder of what it is to be a bride.

From the Christian Index, an excellent Baptist paper of Atlanta, Georgia, we clip "A Bride's Prayer," which was written on her wedding day. Read it:

"O Father, my heart is filled with a happiness so wonderful that I am almost afraid. This is my wedding day, and I pray that the beautiful joy of the morning may never grow dim. Father, may its memories become more precious and tender with each passing anniversary. Thou hast sent me one who seems altogether worthy of my deepest regards. Grant unto me the power to keep him ever true and loving as now. May I prove a true helpmate, a sweetheart, a friend, among all the temptations that beset the impulsive hearts of men. Grant me the skill to make the home the best loved place of all. Help me to make its lights shine farther than any glow that might dim its radiance. Let me, I pray thee, meet the little misunderstandings and cares of our new life bravely. Be with me as I start on my mission of womanhood, and stay thou my path from failure. All the way, walk thou with me, even unto the end of the journey. O Father, bless our wedding day. Sanctify my motherhood, if thou seest fit to grant me that privilege. And when our youthful dreams are realized, let the ripening years hallow our companionship. And so, may we walk hand in hand down the highway of life, even to the 'Sunset and evening Star.' And this I ask in the Name of Jesus, and for his sake. Amen."

Lessons of War Times

THE summer slump and prolonged holidays have no place in these days of defense, if we are to give ear to much we hear. Would it not be well for all of us who have to do with the Church of God in its complex and far-reaching efforts to learn the lesson. Especially urgent are the demands everywhere for enlistment of every element of the nation in the service. Are we who are the custodians of the moral and spiritual forces of the nation going to be less alert than are those who martial the material and the man power of America? Are we going to drift with the world or stand against it?

All this material equipment for war at the cost of millions will soon be the cast off rubbish of the past. We will then be in the throes of a depression — material and moral — as it was following the World War, with its welcomed Armistice of 1918. But the Church of God endures and its work will go on. The spiritual and moral energies stored up will be the hope and strength of the dismal years so surely ahead. Hard is it for men to get this truth in their heads during the eager noise and excitement of the drum-beat of marching armies. The more true is this in these days of mechanized might on sea and land and in the air.

During these months of opportunity here in North Carolina the Methodists of the state should do all possible from day to day to keep fresh and strong the real defense of the people. Much of this present talk about "defense" counts for little and fails to touch the real and lasting essentials. It belongs to the Church of God to build up the real national unity and the enduring social order. Not that we would line up the churches with this national defense scheme. We would do just the opposite—hold the churches to their real work with the ministers as the spiritual leaders of the people. Then we will have a defense able to withstand the world, the flesh and the devil, as well as the onslaughts of Hitler.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Read the Advocate Campaign Report on page eighteen of this issue.

Home coming day will be observed at Maiden the fifth Sunday in June. An all day program is being planned with picnic dinner on the grounds.—Mrs. E. Wilkinson.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Dr. C. M. Pickens as supply pastor of Matthews station, Charlotte district, Western North Carolina conference.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl Reginald Allison announce the marrigae of their daughter, Ruth Elizabeth ,to Mr. William Samuel Abernethy on Thursday, the twelfth of June, nineteen hundred forty-one, at four o'clock, Trinity Methodist church, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Rev. W. A. Betts, retired Methodist minister, residing at Bamberg, S. C., when attending the finals recently, discovered that he is the oldest living graduate of his alma mater, the University of North Carolina. At the approaching autumnal equinox he hopes to reach his 84th milestone.

On Sunday, June 8, 1941, the Jackson Park church, Kannapolis, celebrated its third anniversary. Some of the high spots in the day's program were: An address at the 11 o'clock hour by A. J. Kirby, our conference lay leader. a picnic dinner at noon, and a sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell in the afternoon.

Collier's church (Hudson charge) near Lenoir, on the Connelly Springs road is to have a home coming on the fifth Sunday in June(29th). This church is more than 100 years old and has a splendid record of achievement. All former pastors and old friends of former days are invited and urged to be present and help to celebrate.—Robert E. Hunt, Pastor.

Through the columns of the Advocate I wish to express my very hearty appreciation for the many letters and telegrams thus far received from my many friends, both preachers and laymen, expressing tender sympathy for me incident to the recent passing of my noble son. These messages heartens me and I thank every one for these fine words.—J. A. Dailey. Address is 1825 W. Adams St., Phoenix, Arizona.

Harmony church helped in the union daily vacation Bible school. They had 90 members on roll with an average attendance of 70. Mt. Bethel on the Harmony charge had a daily vacation Bible school with 25 attending regularly. The Fannie Harmon class of the Harmony church has decided to sponsor a little boy four years old over at our Children's Home. Our new parsonage is coming along fine. We hope to have it completed in a very short time.—Mrs. Ralph V. Moore.

The First Methodist church, Charlotte, bulletin of last Sunday carried the following call to prayer: **"As a suggestion of the Spiritual Life Group of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the ringing of the chimes of our church each day at twelve o'clock noon will be the signal for a call to prayer. An invitation is exended to all people in the community to share in this time of worship. We believe you will join with this group in the feeling that these are times demanding a sincere consecration on the part of Christians everywhere."**

Ballinger's Chapel church of the Connelly Springs charge cordially invites all former pastors and their families and all friends of the church to attend a special program on the fifth Sunday in June. Basket dinner served picnic style on the church grounds.—Rev. J. N. Randall, Pastor; G. B. Tomlinson, S. S. Supt.

Supt. C. K. Proctor of the Masonic Orphanage and Gov. Clyde R. Hoey have agreed to be our speakers at the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in this month. Dr. Proctor is to speak at 11 o'clock and Governor Hoey at 2 o'clock, and there will be interesting exercises by the children of the home. That will certainly be a great day at the Methodist Orphanage, and the people will certainly flock to those exercises.

In last week's Advocate we made a jocular reference to the A. P. report that Mrs. Roosevelt lectured for a hospital in Vermont and that it required the entire proceeds of the lecture to pay for the lecture. After this had gone to press the A. P. reported that Mrs. Roosevelt returned the money upon learning for the first time the facts in the case. Also the hospital denied the hasty statement of Representative Plumley, that there was no benefit money left, and stated that they were proud of having brought the first lady to Burlington. We are happy to make this correction in fairness to all parties concerned.

Shiloh, Shiloh Charge, Rev. T. G. Madison, Pastor.—Much activity and interest among our people. With S. S. enrollment of 353, we had attendance of 290 Sunday. Sunday marked the closing of vacation Bible school held at Shiloh for one week, but taking in Friendship church too, an enrollment of 87, with some 20 or more from Friendship. Teachers were: Beginners, Mrs. Joe Sink; primary, Ruth Sink; junior, Mrs. Floyd Leatherman and Miss Lelia Byerly; adults, Mrs. Wiley Shoaf. Each department had its part in the service Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Our pastor was unable to fill his appointment. However, he is feeling much better. Rev. Odell Leonard of Second Reformed church, Lexington, at six o'clock gave the address at the young people's meeting on the subject "Man," using text, "And they found a man"—Simon of Cyrene, who helped to carry the cross of Jesus. Our Woman's Society of Christian Service is planning a special service, hoping a returned missionary may be secured. Regular monthly prayer service at 11 o'clock by the young men's class.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.



Assembly Auditorium, Lake Junaluska



Swimming and Boating in Lake Junaluska



One way to get religion, according to Mr. A. Wuzzer, is to go to a church supper and pay 35 cents for a meal worth 75 cents at any good restaurant.

In listing the amounts received for general and conference benevolences (World Service) to May 21, 1941, on page 18 of last week's Advocate, First church's (Charlotte) amount is listed at $31.19. It should be $3,100 for general and conference benevolences, and $19 on the general administration fund. First church has this year contributed $393.44 to the Golden Cross.—Clara Short.

The Advocate of the 22nd of May had a most interesting "write up" of the Trinity Methodist church's (Wilmington) 50th anniversary. This carried me back to days when I visited friends who at that time lived on the corner of Ninth and Market. We enjoyed going over to the little Methodist mission when Rev. J. W. Craig would have prayer meeting and preach good old gospel sermons. The list of pastors that served the church was also interesting to me, several of them having been my former pastors. The little mission has grown rapidly into a large, influential membership. If dear Brother Craig (old saint he was) could only know the gospel seed he planted 50 years ago had produced an hundred fold, how happy he would be!—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

In the spring of 1938 at the quarterly conference of the Trinity Methodist church, Kannapolis, E. M. Jones, pastor, with Dr. C. N. Clark, the presiding elder (now district superintendent) presiding, that the congregation of the Jackson Park Methodist church was authorized. The group first met in the Jackson Park school building on Sunday, June 5, 1938. The following were leaders of the various groups: J. Julius Holmes, pastor; W. J. Clayton, church school superintendent; J. B. Hipps, chairman of the board of stewards; S. N. Nash, chairman of the building committee; Mrs. O. B. Loudermilk, head of the woman's work; and Mrs. A. L. Watson, adult counselor for the young people. This group along with other leaders and co-workers have contributed much toward making what is now Jackson Park Methodist church. Since its organization 267 people have united with the church. The church school enrollment now stands at 321. Among other fine things the women have furnished the parsonage and the kitchen for the church. A $17,000 stone building has been erected and more than half paid for. Outstanding accomplishments since conference include: the installation and payment for a $1100 heating plant for the church, the furnishing of the church kitchen, the purchase of shrubbery and song books for the church, the purchase of an additional lot for the parsonage, and the installation of a refrigerator for the parsonage. Financially speaking, for all purposes during the past three years a total of $16,000 has been raised. From the beginning each one that has united with the church has felt that here was an opportunity to do something for their Christ and has willingly done their part.

MRS. BEULAH BURNS LILLARD HIGGINS

Mrs. Beulah Burns Lillard Higgins, daughter of Henry Clay and Julia Terry Lillard, was born November 22, 1879, Origan Hill, Rockingham county, North Carolina. She died June 15, 1941, age 62 years, 6 months, 24 days. Her mother died when she was three days old, and she grew up in the home of Henry and Mary Jeffres, thus she was known by the name of Beulah Jeffres.

The Jeffres' lived in the Mount Carmel Methodist church community, now a part of the Reidsville circuit.

When a girl eight years old, Mrs. Higgins joined Mt. Carmel Methodist church. She was active in this church and served as organist for several years. After moving her church membership to the several charges served by her husband, she placed her letter in Friendship Methodist church, of which she was a member at death.

On December 18, 1907, she was married to the Rev. S. Starr Higgins and they lived happily together until his death November 24, 1936. To this union were born five children: James Sylvester and Charlie Burns Higgins, Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Morris, Sidney Starr and Edward Burr Higgins. These all survive, also one grandchild, one brother, Oscar Lillard, Ruffin, N. C., her stepmother and three half sisters, several nieces and nephews.

She was an ardent lover of flowers, and a devoted mother who made many sacrifices for her family and friends. G. A. Stamper.

YADKIN COLLEGE, JUNE 17, 1941

You are most cordially invited to attend the 15th annual home coming on June 26 at the Methodist church of Yadkin College. The program will begin at 10:30 with the president, Lucy Owen English (Mrs. J. R.) of Martinsville, Va., presiding. Hon. Z. F. Walser of High Point will be the principal speaker. A memorial service for former students who have died during the past year will be in charge of Rev. G. L. Curry of Denton, chairman of the memorial committee. At 1:30 a brief historical pageant by descendants of Hon. Henry Walser, founder of the college, and descendants and friends of others connected with the college will be presented. The program has been prepared and will be directed by Rev. O. B. Michael, S.T.D., historian of Mount Jackson, Va. Bronze tablets will be presented and the marker located on Yadkin College hill will be unveiled.

Come, bring your basket and enjoy the day with us.

Mayree Oakes Greene (Mrs. H. L.), Sec.

Lake Junaluska Assembly Program, 1941

Sunday, June 22—HAYWOOD COUNTY DAY.
11:00 A. M.—Address, The Honorable J. M. Broughton, Governor of North Carolina, "Patriotism and Religion."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, The Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., "The Christian's Large Room."

Monday, June 23, 8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Walt Disney Festival Show," and Disney Cartoon, "The Autograph Hound."

Tuesday, June 24, 8:00 P. M.—Negro Spirituals, led by Lucius Pitts.

Wednesday, June 25, 8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Andy Hardy's Private Secretary," and Disney Cartoon, "Officer Duck."

Thursday, June 26, 8:00 P. M.—Choir Concert.

Friday, June 27, 8:00 P. M.—Artists' Night.
Piano Solo, Ruth Gutierrez
Readings, Anna Lee Styles
Flute Solos, Emil Medicus.

Saturday, June 28, 8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Bittersweet," and Disney Cartoon, "The Riveter."

Sunday, June 29, 11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Dr. M. T. Smathers, "The Human Side of the Church."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, The Rev. W. G. McFarland, "Like-minded with Christ."

Senior Assembly, W. N. C., June 30-July 4 (Education Building)

Monday, June 30, 10:30 A. M.—Address, The Rev. W. L. Hutchins, "Humorous Experiences of a Modern Circuit Rider."
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Kitty Foyle," and Disney Cartoon, "Donald's Dog Laundry."

Tuesday, July 1, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Mrs. G. Latta Clement, "Native Plants," Kodachrome Slides of Native Flowers, including Trilliums.
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Professor Mason Crum, "Negro Life (Gullah) in the Carolina Sea Islands" (with illustrated slides).

Wednesday, July 2, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture and Songs, Princess Ataloa (in costume), "My Indian People."
8:00 P. M.—"Original Mountain Ballads," sung to the Dulcimer, Professor and Mrs. I. G. Greer.

Thursday, July 3, 10:30-11:15 A. M.—Concert, Central Methodist Church, Asheville, Double Quartet, directed by J. Francis Griffith.
8:00 P. M.—Choir Concert.

Friday, July 4, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Dr. Frank C. Foster, "Education and the Public Defense."
4:00-5:00 P. M.—Waynesville Band Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Address, The Honorable Clyde R. Hoey, former Governor of North Carolina, "Our Country—Peace or War."

Saturday, July 5, 10:30 A. M.—Program by Ivey Playground Children, directed by Miss Martha Frances Morgan.
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Nice Girl," and Disney Cartoon, "Tugboat Mickey."

Sunday, July 6, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Dr. J. B. Craven, "America and the Task of Christendom."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, The Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, "The Art of Keeping in Love With Life."

Young People's Assembly, July 7-11 (Education Building)

Monday, July 7, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Adams, "Studies in Hymnology."
8:00 P. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.

Tuesday, July 8, 10:30-11:00 A. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.
8:00 P. M.—Dramatic Impersonations by Plonk School of Creative Arts (Asheville).

Wednesday, July 9, 10-30-11:00 A. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (a) "The Philosophy of the Totalitarians."

Thursday, July 10, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (b) "The Ideals of Democracy."
8:00 P. M.—Choir Concert.

Friday, July 11, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (c) "The Challenge to Democracy."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (d) "The Challenge to America for World Leadership."

Saturday, July 12, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (e) "The Challenge to the Church for World Brotherhood."
8:00-9:30 P. M.—Personal moving pictures (South Africa), with interpretative lecture, Professor C. C. Norton, including,
(a) "Wild Animals of Africa."
(b) "Congo Bantus and the Pigmies."

Sunday, July 13, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern

Monday, July 14—10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Linden S. Dodson, "Living in One of Uncle Sam's Planned Communities" (Greenbelt, Md.) (with slides).
8:00 P. M.—Address, The Rev. John Everington, "The Gardens of Old England" (with hand-colored slides).

Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, "Conformity or Transformity."
8:00 P. M.—Waynesville Band Concert.

Wednesday, July 16, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Bishop James Cannon, Jr., "Our Responsibility."
8:00 P. M.—Artists' Night.
Elda Vettori, Dramatic Soprano (Italy).
Blanche Loftain, Impersonator.
Ruth Gutierrez, Concert Pianist (Australia).
Leopoldo Gutierrez, Dramatic Baritone (Chile).

Leadership School, July 17-24 (Education Building)
District Superintendents' Conference, July 17-24 (Auditorium)

Thursday, July 17, Morning and afternoon (Auditorium)—Registration for District Superintendents Conference.
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Arthur J. Moore

Council of Conference Lay Leaders for Southeastern Jurisdiction, July 18-20 (Terrace Hotel)

Friday, July 18, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop J. L. Decell

Saturday, July 19, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Magnificent Obsession," and Popeye Cartoon, "Proteckin the Weakerist."

Sunday, July 20—9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. Oscar T. Olson
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner

Junaluska School of Religion, July 21-August 30 (Affiliated with Duke University) (Education Building)

Monday, July 21, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs

Tuesday, July 22, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop W. T. Watkins

Wednesday, July 23, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson.
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop W. W. Peele

School of Missions, July 24-August 5 (Mission Inn)

Thursday, July 24, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Art of Thinking."

Friday, July 25, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Flowering of Virginia and Charleston."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Flowering of New England."

Saturday, July 26, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Realism and Romance of the West."
8:00 P. M.—Personal Films of Gardens and Trips, presented by Mr. J. B. Ivey and Mr. George Ivey.
9:00-10 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Arkansas Traveler."

Sunday, July 27, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Dr. Y. C. Yang, "China, Today and Tomorrow."
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Lay Sermon, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Culture and Religion."

Monday, July 28, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Sectionalism and Nationalism."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The International Mind."

Missionary Conference, July 29-August 5 (Auditorium)

Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Literature as a Personal Resource."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. W. G. Cram, "Missions and World Revolution."

Wednesday, July 30, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. A. R. Perkins, Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Dr. W. G. Cram, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Henry G. Barnett, "Christianity and Crisis."

Thursday, July 31, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. Henry G. Barnett, Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Dr. Elmer T. Clark and Miss Dorothy McConnell, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P.M.—Address, Bishop Paul B. Kern.

Friday, August 1, 9:40 A. M.—Address, Dr. Karl K. Quimby, "The Challenge of the Present Crisis."
11:00 A. M.—Bishop Paul B. Kern, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Scarritt College Night.
Address, Dr. Hugh C. Stuntz, "Attempt Great Things for God."

Saturday, August 2, 9:40 A. M.—Deaconesses Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Miss Sara McCracken, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Journey to Jerusalem." (Sound and pictures from actual play on Broadway, New York).

Sunday, August 3, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop W. T. Watkins
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. E. Stanley Jones

Monday, August 4, 9:40 A. M.—The Missionaries Speak.
11:00 A. M.—General Forum Hour (Missionaries).
8:00 P. M.—Missionary Night.
Presentation of Missionaries, Mrs. Otis Moore and Dr. R. T. Henry (China).

Pastors' Conference, August 5-10 (Auditorium)
Youth Conference, August 5-16 (Education Building)

Tuesday, August 5, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. C. K. Vliet, Forum Hour.
10:45 A. M.—Dr. Wm. F. Quillian and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, General Forum Hour.
11:30 A. M.—Closing Address, Dr. Karl K. Quimby, "The Christian Church and the World Order."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Life Begins."

Wednesday, August 6, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, "Seventy Thousand Sent Forth, Two by Two."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Life Expands."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, Efficient Visitation and Family Evangelism."

Thursday, August 7, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "The Inner Circle."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, "To Serve the Present Age."
4:00-5:30 P. M.—Tea by Ministers' Wives of the Waynesville District at the Mission Inn.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, "The Mind of a Christian."

Friday, August 8, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, "Assimilating and Reclaiming Inactive Members."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Expanding the Circle."
7:30 P. M.—Address, Dr. Y. C. Yang, "The Future of Missions in China."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. W. G. Cram, "Present-Day Missionary Challenge."

Saturday, August 9, 8:00 P. M.—Address, Mr. Paul Super (Poland), "I Saw What Happened in Europe."
9:00-10:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Last Stronghold."

Sunday, August 10, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Clare Purcell, "The Inner Man."
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Paul Neff Garber, "Our Homiletical Heritage."

Monday, August 11, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Mr. Paul Super, "Why France Fell."
DUKE DAY
6:00 P. M.—Duke Picnic Supper.
7:00-7:30 P. M.—Waynesville Band Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Addresses by Dr. R. L. Flowers and Mr. Henry Dwire.

Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (a) "Methodist Portraits."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Frank P. Graham, "Religion and Democracy."

Wednesday, August 13, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (b) "Unspotted from the World."
8:00 P. M.—Play, "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," by Plonk School of Creative Arts (Asheville).

Thursday, August 14, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (c) "The Methodist Meeting House."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What About the Church?"

Friday, August 15, 10:30 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "Does the Church Last?"
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "Who Are at the Cross?"

Saturday, August 16, 10:30 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What Is Your Own Church Attitude?"
8:00 P. M.—Coronation of Junaluska Queen.

Sunday, August 17, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What Is Your Attitude Toward the Bible?"
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What Are the Sins of Youth?"

Leadership School, August 18-29 (Auditorium)

Monday, August 18, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Inter-relatedness of Religion and the Emotional Life."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Morbid Grief."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. John Q. Schisler

Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Emotional and Religious Development of the Child."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Alcoholism."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern

Wednesday, August 20, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Hidden Energies of the Mind."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Homo-sexuality."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Professor Archibald Rutledge, "The Meaning of Love."

Thursday, August 21, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Problem of Guilt."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Danger Signals of Mental Disorder."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Clare Purcell

Friday, August 22, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Mental Mechanisms That Determine Our Conduct."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Counseling for Marriage."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Edna M. Baxter

Saturday, August 23, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Fundamental Principles of Pastoral Counseling."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Dealing with Tensions in a Time of Crisis."
5:00 P. M.—Boat Pageant.
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "The Devil and Miss Jones," and Disney Cartoon, "Billposters."

Sunday, August 24, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. John H. Hicks
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. R. T. Henry (China)

Monday, August 25, 10:30 A. M.—Fashion Show (Ivey's, Asheville).
8:00 P. M.—Dr. R. T. Henry.

Tuesday, August 26, 10:30 A. M.—Negro Spirituals, led by Lucius Pitts.
8:00 P. M.—Dr. Harrison S. Elliott.

Wednesday, August 27, 8:00 P. M.—Dr. Harrison S. Elliott.

Thursday, August 28, 8:00 P. M.—Dr. D. M. Maynard.

Friday, August 29, 8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Cheers for Miss Bishop," and Disney Cartoon, "Mr. Duck Steps Out."

Methodists Came Early to Tidewater Section of North Carolina

The Methodists have been in Beaufort since 1785. Asbury visited Beaufort, Wednesday, September 21, 1785. Churches had been organized at Beaufort and at Straits by that time.

A paragraph from "The Story of the Methodists in the Port of Beaufort" runs thus: "The writer has been able to find record of five Bishops having visited the



Rev. W. Stanley Potter, Pastor
Ann Street Church

Church in Beaufort: Bishop Francis Asbury, Bishop John Early, Bishop A. Coke Smith, Bishop William W. Duncan, and Bishop Paul Kern. The latter was here in the interest of the Centennial Movement, but did not preach. Bishop Asbury preached twice, making five times we have had the privilege of listening to sermons from our Bishops. Dividing the 163 years of the Church's existence by five, we find it has been our privilege to listen to sermons from our Bishops about once every thirty-three years. If these visits had been spaced at even intervals, Beaufort Children could be born and practically live out their life span, miss but one church service and never hear a Methodist Bishop preach. This makes a visit from our Bishop a tremendously important occasion!"

The name Purvis was informally applied to the Methodist church following a great revival held by James Purvis in 1834. The first Ann Street church was built in 1854. This was used until 1897, when the present church was finished.

Features of 163rd Anniversary, Ann Street Church

To finish paying for the new pipe organ we purchased last year for the church.

Publishing a book for The Methodists in the Port of Beaufort by Miss Amy Huse.

Daily vacation church school June 9-20 with commencement exercises June 22, 8 p. m.

Former ministers preaching. Fellowship hour after evening services in church school building.

Sunday, June 15, 11 a. m. and p. m., T. A. Sikes.
Monday, June 16, 8 p. m., A. S. Barnes.
Tuesday, June 17, 8 p. m., J. H. McCracken.
Wednesday, June 18, 8 p. m., F. R. Munns.
Thursday, June 19, 8 p. m., C. B. Culbreth.
Friday, June 20, 8 p. m., E. B. Craven.
Sunday, June 22, 11 a. m., Bishop Clare Purcell.

Bishop Purcell will climax the anniversary activities on Sunday morning. We are inviting former members and friends of the church to be present for the week and to hear the bishop.



Old Purvis Chapel Church, Beaufort, N. C.



Ann Street Church, Beaufort, N. C. Dedicated 1897

RECEPTION FOR FIRST CHURCH GIVEN BY DR. AND MRS. JORDAN AT THE PARSONAGE

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Minister of First Methodist Church, Mrs. Jordan and their sons, G. Ray, Jr., and Terrell, were "at home" to members of the congregation Wednesday evening, June 11, at their residence at 1226 Dilworth Road.

Between eight and ten o'clock, hundreds of members called at the home, which was beautifully decorated with flowers. Assisting Dr. and Mrs. Jordan in the receiving line were Bishop and Mrs. Purcell, and Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Whisnant, Mr. Whisnant being chairman of the Board of Stewards.

Members of the church staff, and others assisted in showing the guests through the house, and in serving refreshments on the porch. The reception served to express the appreciation of the Jordans to the church, the parsonage having recently been completely redecorated on the interior and refurnished.

All the organizations of the church were represented in the large attendance, with all members of the congregation being invited.

Methodist ministers of the city, and their wives, also were invited to call at this time.—The Charlotte Observer.

EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS ON AUDITORIUM OF BLACK MOUNTAIN CHURCH

Extensive work has been done on the auditorium and we now have a very beautiful place of worship.

We delight to give our Woman's Society of Christian Service, and the Wesleyan Service Guild large credit for this accomplishment. Through their loyalty and hard work they raised and contributed $350 to the enterprise. Others responded privately to the appeal and supplemented the contribution of the ladies to the amount necessary to meet the incurred expenses of the work.

Upon the re-opening of the auditorium Sunday, June 8, we had a big day. Good congregational singing, several special numbers by the choir, a message by the pastor, and a large congregation of members and friends shared in the worship. We serve a good people and are happy.

M. F. Moores, Pastor.

MRS. J. D. WILLIAMS STRICKEN IN HIGH POINT

Mrs. J. D. Williams, wife of Rev. J. D. Williams, pastor of Welch Memorial Methodist church, High Point, and from 1925-1929 pastor of West End Methodist church, Greensboro, died Sunday morning, June 15, at her home in High Point. Mrs. Williams was the mother of Dr. J. D. Williams, Jr., and a sister of W. I. Maynard, both of Greensboro.

Funeral services were held at 11 o'clock Monday morning, June 16, at Orange Chapel Methodist church near Chapel Hill. A great concourse of friends assembled for these solemn services. Officiating ministers were Dr. R. M. Andrews, pastor of West End church; Rev. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the Children's Home in High Point; Rev. Edward Suits, High Point, and Dr. S. W. Taylor.

She was a member of Welch Memorial church.

Surviving are her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Madel Hill of High Point; one son, Dr. J. D. Williams, Jr., Greensboro; one sister, Mrs. F. F. Strowd, Chapel Hill, route one; three brothers, W. I. Maynard, Greensboro; J. R. Maynard, Salisbury ,and George L. Maynard, Chapel Hill. There are also two grandchildren.

Mrs. Williams and her honored husband have rendered long and valuable service in the church and in the communities in which they lived and many friends mourn the departure of this good woman.

NOTES FROM HUDSON

I want to make a short report from Hudson. We have held two of our meetings. Brothers Max Brandon and Ebenezer Myers rendered real help. They were given free rein and preached the gospel effectively. Eleven were added to the church on profession of faith. Others may come later. Our meeting at Hudson is scheduled to begin tomorrow (15th) with Brother D. A. Oakley doing the preaching. A vacation Bible school is to be held in connection with the meeting. That indicates something of the spiritual progress. Other meetings are scheduled for July and August.

Now a word as to the material progress. We have the unified budget. The charge is up to date, though two churches are not quite up. Everything is promising.

Hudson has a splendid new parsonage that would do credit to many of the stronger charges. And are they proud of it? Well, look at some of the things they have done this year. To start the ball rolling one man and his wife put in a splendid dining table and chairs as a Christmas present to the parsonage. Then a good woman had the house guttered as a memorial. This week the Woman's Society of Christian Service put in a china closet and buffet to match the dining table. So this parsonage family is not ashamed to take anyone into the dining room (to look around). This is all to be credited to the Hudson church. But that is not all. All five churches joined together in putting in a water system with complete equipment. They have also joined in grading the front yard and putting down a cement walk. Due to the generosity of a corporation in allowing us to connect with a deep well and furnishing the pipe to bring the water to the parsonage, and a hardware firm who displayed unusual generosity when they render the bill for fixtures, etc., all this work was done at a very reasonable cost. The conference board of church extension made a very liberal contribution. Let nobody get unduly envious.

Now if we can only get the Hudson congregation to visualize a new church. Colliers is in process of adding equipment to their building. Mt. Herman is talking about a new building.

Robert E. Hunt.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MRS. BRAGG McCALL

Forty years ago I knew Mrs. Bragg McCall as a circuit rider's wife at Gibson, N. C. She had her little brood about her, directing and moulding their characters while her husband stood on Zion's wall directing and moulding the character of the public. While she deemed it her duty to take the place of a private in the rear ranks in the church of which her husband was captain, in the home she was the general. By example and precept, act upon act, line upon line, she magnified and drilled those sterling qualities she deemed necessary to true character into her children.

Forty more years transpired, and I was by her side when she went to bed for the last time. Her husband, Rev. F. B. McCall, had preceded her by a few years and she was living in Laurel Hill with her daughter, Lulu. The last time I saw her, with heavy bags of uncirculating blood under her eyes, the look of death stealing upon her, she still had that spark of humor in her twinkling eyes as she sparred with me in our accustomed bandinage. Her body was frail that day, but her mind was keen as she leapt into the verbal fray in answer to my banter. Such a woman! Four score years had but served as a rock on which she whetted the tool of her unusual mind.

To Mrs. McCall, home came first. Her first duty was to her husband and children. Buttoning his collar, pressing his suit, so that he might appear in the pulpit well groomed; making over little dresses, so that her little children might not feel embarrassed in the company of other children, she conceived her first duty. While she was puritanical in her demands upon her own conduct and that of her children, still she was neighborly. I can see her now in the small of the afternoon, neatly dressed in her clean but inexpensive dress, making short calls upon her neighbors. When sickness and death came into the home of her neighbors she was there, rendering service where needed—but modest and unassuming.

While she was reluctantly tolerant of the changes of the modern world in mannerisms, customs, and dress, she was absolutely a stone wall when asked to compromise a single principle that had guided her life. Here she did not know the word "expediency." An attitude or deed was either right or wrong.

So she lived and so she taught her children. As I stood by her grave and looked upon her family of determined and saintly women, I said, "She has wrought well." Her stamp is indelibly imprinted upon every one. Kind and gentle to all, but resistant and repelling when their ideals are attacked, they all follow in their mother's footsteps. And so Mrs. McCall's spirit goes marching on in five Christian daughters—the salt of the earth—a refuge in time of storm—stalwart, dependable, uncompromising.

A Neighbor and Friend.

AN ATTRACTIVE VILLAGE CHURCH

The Methodist church in Franklinton, N. C., is most fortunate in its pastor and its situation. Rev. S. E. Mercer in his fifth year cares for every interest and wins the favor of all. Under this pastor's guidance every need of the church has received attention. Restful, worshipful and inviting, an attractive village church is this, both within and without.

The Vann family that has done so much for the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, from which the Vann building takes its name, has made possible the beautiful setting for this church. West of the church lot is the old home place of the Vann family, and on the east side is the beautiful home of the only son, Mr. A. H. Vann. Beautiful for situation on an ample lot gently sloping back from the street, heavily set with massive oaks and carefully selected shrubbery, this is one of the most attractive homes in the state. All who care for grass and trees and magnolia bloom, shady and restful, will stop and admire this delightful homestead. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rose are responsible for the intelligent care of the place. Doubtless to Mrs. Rose, formerly Miss Alma Vann, is due most credit for continuing so well the work begun by her most worthy father and mother. Her devotion to the past and love of nature and art qualify her to carry on.

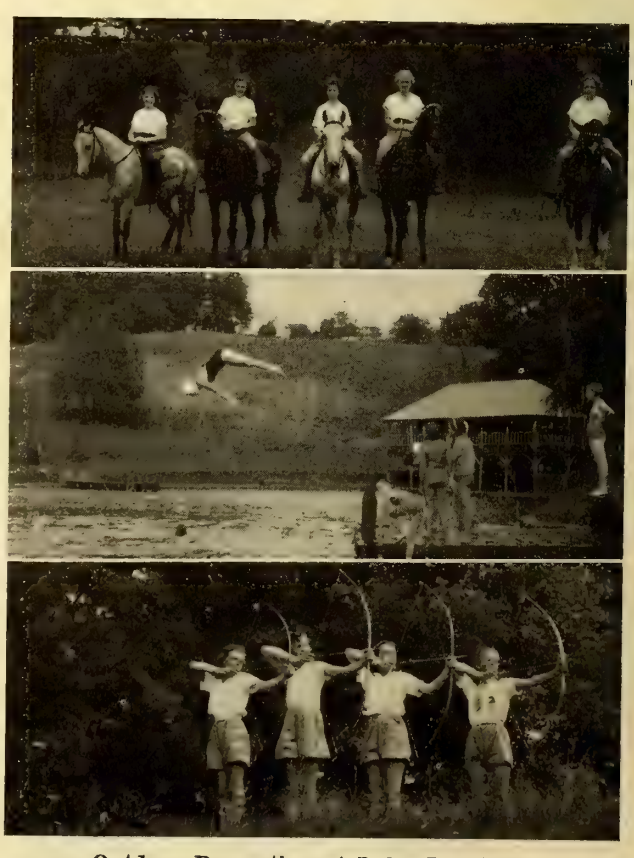
Mr. A. H. Vann has some of the gifts of his sister which have told in a fine way on his house and attractive grounds of more recent origin than the home place of the family begun by the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Vann.

Anyone who will visualize this village church with the setting furnished by the beautiful place of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rose and the equally attractive grounds, though different, of Mr. and Mrs. Al Vann, will freely admit the fortunate setting of this house of worship in the beautiful village of Franklinton on U.S. highway No. 1.

But back to last Sunday morning in this village church so free from the stuffy atmosphere of the average city church. For three weeks Brother S. E. Mercer had been confined in a hospital for a major operation. So I agreed to supply for him last Sunday in his absence. What a surprise was it to see this pastor walk in Sunday morning! A little haggard but wonderfully happy was he. It was indeed a good hour for the pastor, the people and the visiting brother. Brother Mercer expects to be "on the job" in a few weeks to continue his good work.

The hour at noon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cheatham was a renewal of old friendships much enjoyed through the years.

M. T. P.

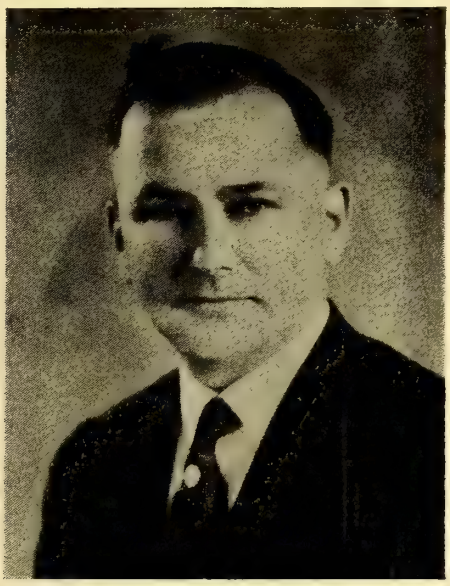


Outdoor Recreation at Lake Junaluska

A TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND GILREATH G. ADAMS

When the Reverend Gilreath G. Adams was taken by death from the ranks of the itinerant ministry of the Western North Carolina Conference on Sunday, June 1, 1941, those who were privileged to have known him in family and church life lost one of God's gentlemen.

Too much good could never be written of this noble man of God. The purity of his life was his greatest sermon. This message he proclaimed from first acquaintance through a simple and reverent walk with God day by day that preached more eloquently than any words one might employ. As a Christian, he was a man of quiet, but impressively tender spirit. One was made to feel that there was virtue in his very presence at any time and in any place. He chose to serve, free from the petty irritations which defeat so many of us.



Gilreath G. Adams

Brother Adams leaves for the inspiration of his brethren in the ministry a career for which no apology need be made. The people whom he served loved him, and through their devotion to him they made all of his pastorates happy and successful. His leadership was not limited to any one department of the church, but included a wholesome emphasis upon the total program of the church.

He carried upon his Shepherd heart the needs of his people. No problem was insignificant to him if it concerned any person, young or old, who looked to him for spiritual direction.

To his devoted wife and two sons we commend the simple trust in God for which this husband and father will be remembered, with the sincere prayer that this shall be to them and to all of us who knew him an inspiration to find for ourselves that trust in God which kept him so well poised during the years of his service for Christ. In this holy task we shall find ourselves perpetuating the memory and carrying on the work of one whom we loved. Howard P. Powell.

ANOTHER MOTHER CALLED BLESSED

Brother John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street church, Raleigh, has experienced the common lot. His mother, Mrs. Mary Ellen Glenn Daniels, 79, died Monday night, June 9, in a hospital in Mobile (Ala.) following a brief illness. She was buried in the family lot in Amity cemetery, near Whately, Alabama.

She left a family able to bless the world for generations. One daughter is the wife of a Methodist preacher; one son is a prominent attorney; two sons are ministers, Rev. B. C. Glenn of the Alabama conference, and John C. Glenn, who is a member of the North Carolina conference. The other children are loyal church members. Thus is manifest some of the fruit of her Christian life in her own home.

In a personal note Brother J. C. Glenn adds these fine words of testimony: "I never knew a finer Christian. For her, 'death was life's most beautiful adventure.' When death hung his sickle on her garden gate, mother was able to say, 'Welcome, friend, come in; I will join you presently.' Thus the dread enemy himself turned into friend. She was ready and prepared for life's most beautiful adventure. So, when the green door of earth closed over her beloved form, her children did not grieve beyond endurance, because they knew perfectly well that 'here lies only the autumn tent,' while the real vital force had been loosened and set free. So we, her children, rise up and call her blessed."

A DOGWOOD LEGEND

The dogwood is a favorite of all those who love trees and flowers. Its beauty in early spring is stimulating and warms the heart. The following legend about the dogwood is reprinted from a newspaper of another state.

"At the time of the crucifixion, the dogwood attained the size of an oak and other forest trees. So strong and firm was the wood of it that it was chosen for the timber of the cross. To be thus used for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree, and Jesus smiled upon it, and in his gentle pity and sorrow, said ot it:

"Because of your regret and pity for my suffering, I make you this promise. Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used for a cross. Henceforth, it shall be slender and bent and twisted, and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross—two long petals and two short petals, and in the center of the outer edge of each there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with blood. In the center of the flower there will be an image of an image of crown and thorns and all who see it will remember that it was upon the dogwood tree I was crucified, and this tree shall not be mutilated or destroyed, and cherished as a reminder of my death upon the cross."

Mrs. F. C. Stoudemire.

IS THIS A GOOD WORLD?

In view of your commendation of the baccalureate sermon at N. C. C. W. by Dr. Edwin McNeill Poteat, may I ask if this is such a "good world" why is God going to the trouble to "burn it up"? (2 Peter 3:10). Now your probable explanation that the terms "world" and "earth" are not one and the same will not suffice. Perhaps you think the Scripture referred to has been outmoded. In another editorial comment you say that "Tact makes speech palatable." Well, even tasteless castor oil cannot be made palatable.

God is going to "bring every work into judgment with everything, whether it be good or whether it be evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:14), and such sermons as I judge Dr. Poteat's was (for I have heard the nauseating comments of these post millenialists), and such misleading comments as yours, will be some of the works which will be brought into judgment. God preserve such small fellows as Ralph Sexton, whom I heard last night begging his audience to flee from the wrath which is coming upon this world—yea, is even now upon it. Mrs. F. M. Felmet.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE ANNUAL RECORD

The first Annual Report of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, has been distributed to the societies of the Conference, and we extend to Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Recording Secretary of the Conference, our thanks and appreciation for this interesting journal for which she is responsible. Knowing the great amount of work and pains-taking care necessary to the issuance of such a record, we feel that Mrs. Hoyle is worthy of heartiest congratulations on the "finished product," and we greatly appreciate her splendid work.

The Journal with its 156 pages, is greatly increased in size over former records, and from the "Information Page" on the inside cover to the "Index" on the closing pages, there is a store of valuable information, and we bespeak for it, not only a careful reading, but a close study, that we may know what the women of our churches are doing in the missionary work. Most appropriately, this Journal is dedicated to the three Presidents of the former Methodist organizations: Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City, of the Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conference of the M. E. Church; Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro of the North Carolina Conference of Woman's Work of the M. P. Church; and Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem of the Woman's Missionary Society, W. N. C. Conference M. E. Church, South, now President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our Conference.

1941 PROGRAM OF LAKE JUNALUSKA

We are greatly indebted to Dr. W. A. Lambeth pastor of Central Church, Asheville and President of Lake Junaluska Assembly, for a copy of the attractive and interesting program of the Schools and Conferences, to be held there this summer from June 30th-August 29th, 1941.

Interesting information carried in the program is to the effect that at its meeting in Birmingham, Ala., in 1938, the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, realizing that the Assembly was completely out of debt, assumed legal ownership and control of the Assembly, elected fifteen trustees to be responsible for its management, which has proven successful during these years.

Quoting the program: "For many years Lake Junaluska has been called the 'Summer Capital of Southern Methodism,' east of the Mississippi. Since the Uniting Conference in Kansas City in 1939, it is fast coming to be called 'the Summer Capital of Southern Methodism' east of the Mississippi and south of the Potomac. Lake Junaluska is twenty-seven miles from Asheville and can be reached by the Southern Railway and United States Highways Nos. 19 and 23. Great advantages are offered at Lake Junaluska each summer and an unusually large crowd is expected this summer to participate in the great "feast of good things" that will be available.

The list of "Who's Who in the Assembly Auditorium and on the Faculties" carries the names of more than one hundred prominent persons who will add to the interest and inspiration of the programs that have been arranged. This list includes Bishops, College Presidents, Missionaries, Secretaries (religious, educational and missionary), Music Directors, Professors, Youth Specialists, Psychiatrists, Governor of North Carolina, and others.

May "On to Lake Junaluska" be the slogan of a host of Methodists during the weeks set aside for these wonderful meetings.

NEW ORGANIZATION

A new Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized at the Danbury Church, on the Danbury charge of the Greensboro District, on April 4th, 1941. With twenty-two members enrolled, with the meetings to be held on the second Monday night of each month at the church. Rev. J. L. Love is pastor of the Danbury Church and the following officers chosen: President, Mrs. D. C. Kirby; Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. Rhodes and Mrs. S. P. Christian; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. C. McCanless; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Wall; Treasurer, Mrs. A. J. Ellington. Three members of this society were present at theGreesboro District meeting and brought reports of a beneficial and inspiring meeting. We are glad to welcome this new organization into our missionary ranks and wish for them greatest of success in their new society (Editor).

SALISBURY DISTRICT MEETING

The following brief report of the Salisbury District meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is sent us by Mrs. Ralph Bisel of Badin: "The Salisbury District meeting of the W. S. Christian Service was held in Kannapolis at Trinity Church, May 29 with Mrs. George Moore, District President presiding, assisted by Mrs. Z. V. Moss, District Corresponding Secretary. The meeting opened with devotional by Rev. W. A. Kale, pastor of the church, followed by music by the high school Glee Club. The speakers of the day were Miss Leila Epps, of Brazil; Misses Ruth Diggs and Mabel Cherry, recently returned from Korea, each of whom brought messages that were interesting and inspiring. Rev. I. L. Shaver, missionary to Japan also brought an interesting message from his work there. Reports of the Secretaries of the various departments were heard, with Mrs. C. N. Clark, Conference Secretary of Spiritual Life assisted by Mrs. W. P. Moore, District Secretary of that department, bringing a most impressive presentation of the work. The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Conference Treasurer, and was followed by prayer by Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte, a visitor at the meeting. The attendance at the meeting was most encouraging. A plate lunch was served at the noon hour by the ladies of the Kannapolis church.

MISSIONARIES RETURN FROM CHINA

Among the missionaries of the former M. E. Church, South, who have returned from China recently are Miss Kate Hackney of Asheville, now with her sisters; Miss Minnie, Nell and Amy Hackney; Miss Nettie Peacock of Macon, Ga., where she is visiting homefolks, and Mrs. Sidney Anderson, daughter of Mrs. B. W. Lipscombe, who is now with her mother in Mississippi.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT MEETING

Liberty Church was the hostess to the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the High Point District, May 21st, with Mrs. W. C. Hammer, District President, presiding. "Take Time to be Holy" was used as an opening hymn, after which the opening worship service was led by Rev. George R. Brown, pastor of Liberty Church, who used as his theme the promise, "Lo, I am with you always," and the command, "Go ye into all the world," emphasizing the importance of carrying the Gospel, before one could have real fulfillment of the promise.

Mrs. Herbert Smith extended a cordial welcome to the group to which Mrs. Hammer responded. The following appointments of District officers were made by the President: Young Women and Girls' Work, Mrs. Lawrence Sours, Asheboro; Literature and Publications, Mrs. C. C. Chisholm of Asheboro; Supplies, Mrs. Joe Hill, Denton; Students' Work, Mrs. Don McGlohon, Asheboro. An encouraging Denton; Students' Work, Mrs. Don Mcreport of the district work was given by Mrs. W. T. Powell, District Corresponding Secretary, urging too, the sending of reports to the proper Conference officer. All societies were urged to study and attain the Efficiency Aim.

The pledge of $4,750.00 for the High Point District has almost been secured in pledges, all societies in the district having been heard from excepting one. The $14 for room at Scarritt College has also been secured. Mrs. Powell urged her chairmen of North Carolina Christian Advocate subscription campaign to continue earnestly in their work.

Miss Ruth Diggs, Korean missionary and Scarritt College representative, gave much valuable information about the work in Korea and urged the group to support Scarritt in the Scarritt Fellowship Plan, all such funds to be sent to Mrs. W. M. Lanier of Cullowhee, N. C.

Eighty-eight delegates representing fifty-nine organizations in the district answered to roll call. Visitors present

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TWO ROADS OF LIFE

There are two roads of life: 1—Road of "Do as you please." To travel this road one does not have to have any aims. It is a road of selfishness. It will end in defeat. 2—Road of unselfishness, service, The King's Highway. To travel this road one soon learns that he must make sacrifices. He who travels this road admits brotherhood to everyone else. It is a road of surrender of the human will to God's will. It is a road of happiness.

ECONOMIC RELATIONS

"Christianity and Economic Problems" is the heading of the elective unit which has been written by Dr. Gilbert Cox for The Adult Student, July-September issues. According to the editors making the announcement in the June issue this course of study has been written because of continued requests for a study that points out the relationship of Christianity to economic questions. To those of us who may not have a chance to study this course as members of a Sunday School class I hope it can be used by them in some way in our Christian Social Relations study individually or in group study. It is hoped that it will prove practical and meaningful in our local communities.—Elva Norton.

Editor's note: Miss Norton is Chairman of the Committee on Economic Relations of the Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities Department in the North Carolina Conference. This helpful suggestion from her should stimulate interest in this avenue of service.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

When a group of consecrated women endued with faith to believe that "With God all things possible," gather to lift their voices in songs of praise and consecration; read and meditate upon the Scriptures and discuss questions of vital import to the soul, surely God is in the midst of them and inevitably His power will be felt because of their having drawn apart to be with Him and to seek His will. Such a group, representatives of the North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S., met at Louisburg College on June 10-11 to consider such questions as "The Love of God for us," "What Salvation means to us;" "What the Love of Jesus means to us;" "Our Responsibility to others because of what Christ means to us as individuals;" "Preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit;" "Witnessing unto Christ." Miss Elizabeth Lamb of Fayetteville, Conference Secretary of Spiritual Life Groups, led the assemblage in a two-hour meeting on the evening of June 10 and a four-hour session the following morning. Each person present participated in the discussions, Bible reading, prayers and other features of the sessions. Those attending, in addition to Miss Lamb were: Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, Mrs. Leon Russell, all of New Bern; Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Mrs. M. C. Betts, Fayetteville; Mrs. Archie D. Craig, Mrs. Walter Davis, Miss Ida Hankins, Mrs. W. M. Hibbs, all of Wilmington; Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Warrenton; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Miss Mary Gardner, Mrs. John Parks, Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Mrs. A. D. Soar, Mrs. Lucius Howell, all of Raleigh; Mrs. Carl Sykes, Mrs. Thalo Smith, Mrs. C. L. Spencer, Miss Mary Jobe, all of Mebane; Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson; Miss Addie Young, Mrs. B. L. Rowland, Mrs. Owen Edwards, Mrs. Dorsey Edwards, all of Kittrell; Mrs. Walter Patten, Miss Elizabeth Davis, Louisburg.

A SPIRITUAL WAY TO GIVE

The Mary Hambrick Woman's Society of Christian Service of Long Memorial Church, Roxboro, led the Conference in Week of Prayer offering last year. At the recent meeting of the Durham District Mrs. R. F. Baynes, President of the Mary Hambrick Society told of the method used by these women, which method was a manifestation of the Spiritual attitude and purpose of the givers. Interesting programs were planned. At the Circle meetings preceeding the Week of Prayer each member was given an envelope by the Treasurer of her Circle. At some time during the Week of Prayer each member returned the envelope to her own Circle Treasurer. The Treasurer made no effort to collect any of these envelopes but each woman was possessed with a Spiritual urge to make a sacrificial offering. Quiet, unostentatious, sacrificial giving! Is this not the way in which our Christ would always have us make an offering to His cause?

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount District Secretary, writes: "On May 16, with the help of the pastor and friends the ladies of Evansdale Methodist Church, Stantonsburg Charge, organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service. At this writing the name of the President of this group has not been sent me but Mrs. F. T. Banks, Wilson, is Corresponding Secretary. For a while Sandy Cross and Tabor Churches have been dormant as to a W. S. C. S. Recently each have written that their interest has been revived and now they are re-organizing with Mrs. D. A. Willis, Nashville and Mrs. J. F. Shaw, Littleton, respectively as their presiding officers. The entire District welcomes these new organizations and will be happy to have them fall in line with us and enjoy the rich blessings that all of us realize as we render this bit of service for Him who served all humanity. Friends and neighbors, do all you can to strengthen these 'toddling' groups." Editor's note: These and all new organization are welcomed into the fellowship of service in the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. with the hearty and sincere wish of all members throughout the Conference that they may receive the full measure of joy in the work of the great missionary enterprise.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Mission classes, Bible classes, lectures, addresses, happy associations will be some of the chief features of the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska on July 24-August 5. Every woman in the North Carolina Conference who can possibly do so should take advantage of this opportunity for broadening horizens of vision and service. Write TODAY to Mrs. Katherine Ray Atkins, Lake Junaluska, N. C., for catalogue of the Lake Junaluska Assembly in which will be found a program for the Missionary Conference and a list of hotels and boarding houses on the Assembly grounds.

SEVEN SCHOLARSHIPS

Dr. Walter Patten, President of Louisburg College, has announced that in recognition and appreciation of what the former N. C. Conference Woman's Missionary Society has done and what the North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S. is doing to aid the college, a $50.00 scholarship is being given by the college to each of the seven districts in the Conference and that the District Secretaries will have the privilege of making recommendations of worthy students for the use of these scholarships. A great majority of students at Louisburg College would be deprived of the advantage of a college education were it not for the plan of self help there and that fact, together with the fact that only a comparitively few societies have by contributing to the growth and promotion of Louisburg College, helped to make this gift possible, presents a direct challenge to other Societies in the Conference to respond to the call for aid to ambitious and worthy students who desire an education there.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

"In our new church perhaps no organization has met such unanimous and enthusiastic approval as the Wesleyan Service Guild . . . The Wesleyan Service Guild is, in a very special sense, the gift of the women of the former Methodist Episcopal Church to Methodist women the country over." These quotations are taken from an article by Miss Louise Young which was published in the May issue of The Methodist Woman and they should startle us into a realization of the value of this department of our work. The W. S. G. is an organization for business and professional women and is a unit of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in every church where there are as many as six business or professional women a guild should be organized. Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, is Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild work and will be happy to assist in organization and promotion of Guilds wherever possible.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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IT RAINED

Here it is nearly noon and no Advocate notes are written. Other things will have to be done this afternoon. So something must be written, and written in a hurry. When in doubt, write about the weather. After six weeks of drought a rain has come to see us. It was most cordial. In fact, it came with overflowing cordiality. Three inches of rain over all our whereabouts can make a big showing. It came at night in a sort of a tantalizing fashion. A few drops came ,then a few more, and then all was quiet on the roof above. A fellow couldn't get out to see whether there was any more coming so he just waited, somewhat tantalized. But after awhile it rained, brethren and sisters, it rained upon the old parched earth. Now things look different.

SOFTENED UP

School closings and readjustments connected with temperaments, privileges and liberties call for a lot of patience, poise and purpose in dealing with a family as large as ours. So many foolish episodes have had to be reviewed as to cause a hardening of one's nerves and a thickening of one's vision. In the midst of the hard-boiled attitude came an opportunity yesterday to soften up a bit. Early in the morning on answering the door bell this scribe found a flock of little primary girls from the Smith building standing in front of the door wreathed in smiles. The little speaker for the party presented a Father's Day gift. It was a lovely container of shaving soap. Evidently there was need for some better facial expression. Later in the morning a primary lad from the Anna Hanes cottage came over with a cute envelope packed full of paper, on the front of which was, "Dear Pop, we love you,' 'and then there followed the autographs, scrawled, written and printed, of every little fellow in the cottage. There was evidently some need for heart treatment. It is wonderful how a little child can lead a fellow around.

THE GRADUATES

We are about to get through with our graduating, but we are still in the marrying business. Twenty-five high school seniors have their diplomas. A half dozen nurses, former members of our family, have their diplomas and three of our college students have received what used to be called a sheepskin. By the time we have gotten through remembering all these happy youngsters we have mighty little left to remember the June brides and bridegrooms, let alone those who are announcing the arrival of heirs in their homes. We are in the midst of a heap of living. Ours is a big family.

HE HAS MUMPS

The picture this week is that of Thomas Horney. His cheeks this morning are inflated somewhat after the fashion of a football. Thomas has mumps(as do fourteen other youngsters now located in our infirmary. But there's more reason than mumps for presenting young Horney's "mug." He is a lovable youngster. He smiles most of the time and works willingly. This lad, soon thirteen years old and just promoted to high school, is sponsored by Mrs. W. B. Richardson and children of Reidsville.

"THEM APRICOTS"

Over in town on Broad street is an apricot tree that has its roots in somebody's garden but the entire body of the tree leans over the sidewalk. This is the first fruit tree in Winston-Salem

Blown up with the mumps

to bloom each spring. For the past seven years its blooms have been killed and it has borne no fruit. But this year it is filled with apricots, just getting ripe. Being located so near where our frying-size boys disembark from our bus and there to wait while a load of girls come over to also disembark and then to form into a company for going into church, some misgivings were held as to what fifty boys might do to that apricot tree. So before going over we all talked about the apricots, how pretty they looked, how good their taste would be, held our teeth together, smacked our lips and then said "Um, um, um." Then each boy thumped his head a little bit and declared that what it took to leave "them apricots" alone he had it. The apricots are still on the tree and the boys have scored a victory over their appetite.

MORE THAN REAL ESTATE

C. C. Smithdeal is a prominent member of the Smithdeal Realty and Insurance Company of Winston-Salem. He knows and loves real estate. He also knows and loves humanity. As a prominent member of the men's Bible class of Ardmore Methodist church, he has taken a great interest in Don Welborn, whom the class has sponsored through his high school days unto graduation. This group of men had Don over Sunday morning before his graduation and presented him with a lovely wrist watch and a Bible on which was printed the name, "Donald Welborn." In writing about Don, Mr. Smithdeal says: "Our class has enjoyed having Don and all of the fellows feel proud of him. We think that Don has a bright future before him and hope that he will make a fine success for himself. I think our class has meant something to him. I also think that he has meant more to the class. Our class wishes to thank you for lending him to us and we want you to pick another boy for us as soon as possible."

A FULLER BRUSH MAN

From over in Bluefield, West Virginia, comes the following letter on Fuller Brush Company stationery: "You won't know me of course, but you do know my mother, Mrs. J. L. Swaim of Kernersville, formely of Sedge Garden. Mother has always had a great interest in the Children's Home. Her Sunday school class at Sedge Garden once pledged itself to clothe one of the girls at the Home, as I recall, asking for one in whom nobody else had shown any interest. My wife and I are interested in clothing one of your children. Pick out one that has so far been unremembered." So young Mr. and Mrs. Swaim, whose brother is Rev. J. C. Swaim, pastor of the Macon circuit ,are among our choice sponsors. Like mother like son.

A GREAT DAY COMING!

There's a great day coming. It is the fifth Sunday in June. It will arrive on the twenty-ninth of this month. Get ready for it. It will be coming around the mountain when it comes. It will be coming over the hills and through the valleys when it comes. There will be joy in the meeting houses when it comes. There will be happiness at the Children's Home when it comes. A great day is coming!

SOMETHING TO SAY

When you get up to tell the folks to give liberally to the Children's Home family you might remind them that this family numbers about 400 children in Winston-Salem and some seventy odd at High Point; that these two families are coming together on July 1 and then we will have just one Children's Home in which there will be just one big famiy. To be sure, there are now some variation in our numerical tabulation. A number of children have gone and are going to new homes and a number of children are coming to take their places. This going and coming, while beneficial to the children, is costly. Children leaving must be outfitted and children coming must be infitted. It takes a lot of clothes to outfit and infit. A lot of clothes require a lot of money. That's the reason for telling the people something.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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GOVERNOR HOEY—The Methodist Orphanage feels like congratulating itself on securing Governor Clyde R. Hoey to speak to the thousands of visitors who will gather on the Methodist Orphanage campus on the fifth Sunday in June. Governor Hoey is one of North Carolina's most distinguished Methodist laymen. There is a treat in store for the three or four thousand representative laymen and lay women who will be our guests on the fifth Sunday in this month.

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SUPT. C. K. PROCTOR—I learned a few days ago that Dr. W. K. Green could not be with us for our fifth Sunday Orphanage Rally Day service. I am happy to announce that Rev. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Masonic Orphanage, will fill Dr. Green's place on the program at the 11 o'clock hour on that Sunday. I regret that Dr. Green cannot be with us, but I am happy that Supt. C. K. Proctor, who is such a splendid substitute, will fill the engagement for Dr.Green.

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A GREAT OPPORTUNITY — We have another fifth Sunday on June 29. Our annual conference in session at Wilmington voted unanimously requesting every Sunday school in the conference to make a free will offering each fifth Sunday for the benefit of the Methodist Orphanage. It is earnesty hoped that on the fourth Sunday each church school superintendent will call the attention of his Sunday school to the fact that the following Sunday is Orphanage day, and every class is expected to bring a free will offering for the benefit of our three hundred children.

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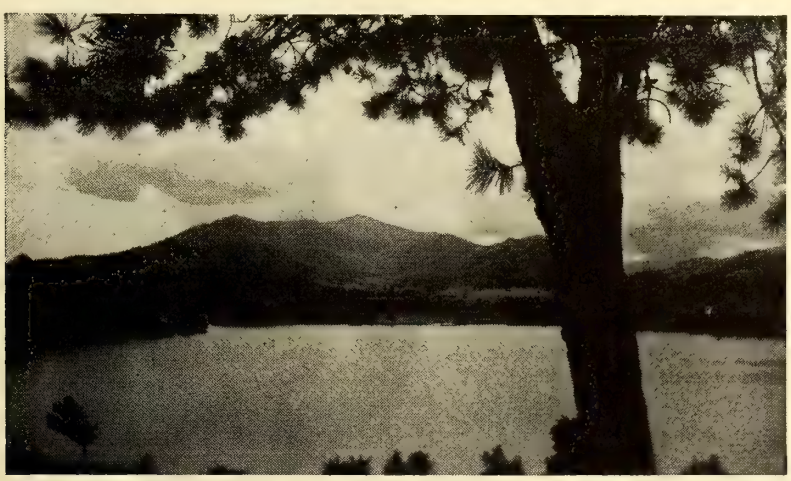
URGENT—I am counting on the societies of the Christian Service to keep up an active campaign to raise funds for our large dining room. Octagon soap coupons sent to the Orphanage will enable us to secure $1500 for the purpose of purchasing battleship linoleum to cover our large dining room floor. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, secretary of the North Carolina Conference Society of Christian Service, is in charge of the Octagon soap coupon campaign, and she is counting on all the local societies throughout the conference to bring the Octagon soap coupon campaign to a successful conclusion.

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VISITORS WELCOMED—The Methodist Orphanage felt highly honored the second Sunday in this month to have had Mrs. H. B. Porter and a large delegation of young people from the senior department of First church Sunday school, Wilson, to visit us. They spent three or four hours on the campus visiting the different cottages and contacting our children. They also attended services in the chapel at three o'clock. In my absence Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, showed the visitors every possible courtesy. I want to thank Mrs. Porter, and others who accompanied these fine young people to the Methodist Orphanage. I regret exceedingly that an engagement necessitated my absence from the Orphanage.

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SILER CITY—Our singing class had a most enjoyable day in Siler City on the second Sunday at the 11 o'clock hour. A very large and appreciative congregation greeted Mrs. Rives and the singing class. Just before the sacred concert was put on I had the privilege of saying a few words about our home. Brother C. B. Culbreth had advertised the class, and there were many interesting friends who were eager to hear our children. I carried two girls with me who came to us from the Children.s Home at High Point ,and they were also warmly welcomed ,along with the singing class. The children, Mrs. Rives, Mrs. Pridgen and I were entertained at dinner in the different homes of the congregation. I enjoyed the hospitality of the Chatham hotel, along with Brother C. B. Culbreth. Before leaving Siler City, Brother Culbreth handed me a check which finished paying the ten per cent apportionment on the Siler City church. Such evidences of good will and love are sincerely appreciated.



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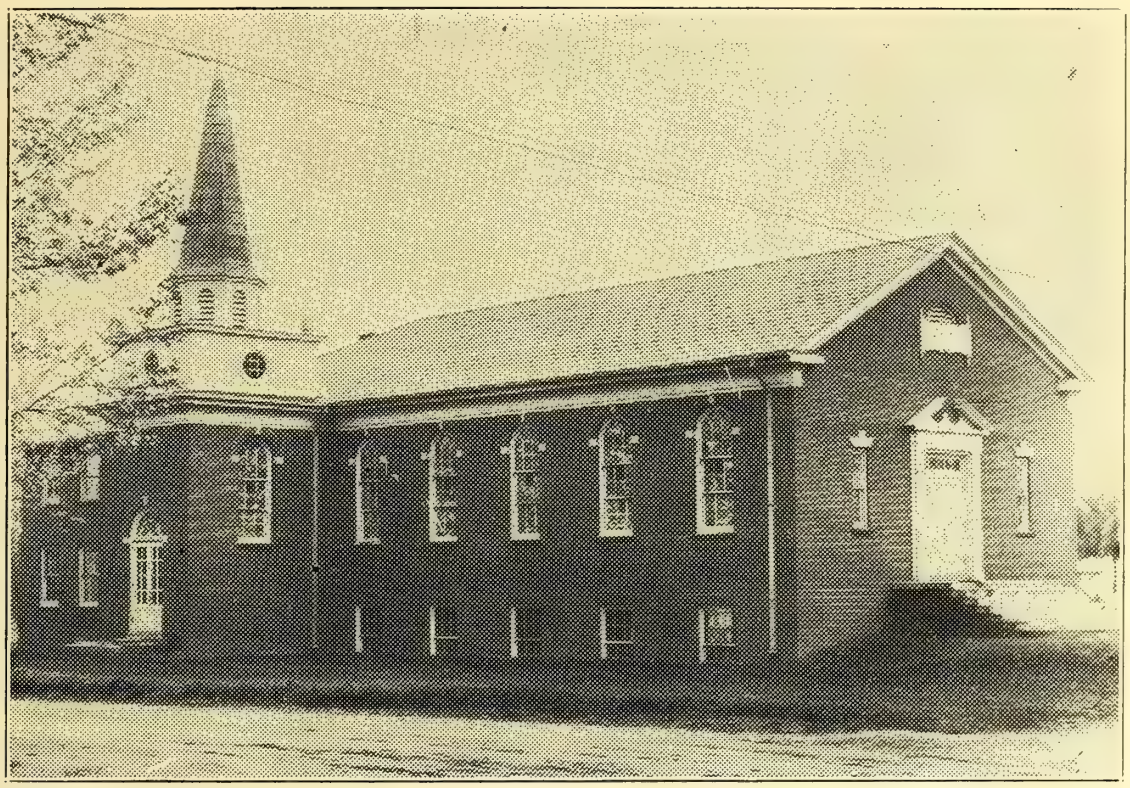
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Gold Hill, L. S. Furr ..... ½

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Broad Street, H. G. Allen 27½
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First Hickory, W. A. Rollins ... 7½
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Broad Street, V. R. Masters 7
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Shepherds, A. G. Lackey 6
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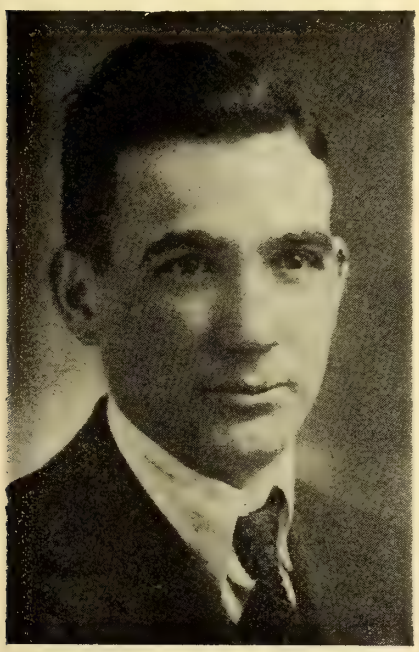
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Angier Memorial Methodist Church Dedicated Last Sunday



Built at cost of $16,000 and named in honor of the late John C. Angier, who contributed so much to the church and to the community of Angier. Dedicated June 15, 1941.

Dedication of the substantial and adequate new church in Angier last Sunday was a notable occasion for the community and for friends from elsewhere. Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent, preached the dedicatory sermon, following a special message by Rev. Frank Culbreth at 10:30. Then came the service of dedication. The pastor, Rev. I. S. Richmond, presided. Others taking part in the services of the day were: Reverends Paul N. Garber, J. J. Boone, Leon M. Hall, and James H. Butler of the Baptist church.



Rev. I. S. Richmond, Pastor

Included on the program was a picnic lunch, and special music under the direction of Mrs. Glenn Wilson. Miss Marie Gregory was the featured soloist.

Many former members and friends from other cities were present for the dedicatory exercises.

The John C. Angier Memorial Methodist church, erected in the town of Angier at a cost of $16,000, is a handsome brick structure. It is two stories high with a basement underneath the main church auditorium and the educational plant occupies two stories also.

The late John C. Angier played a prominent part in the founding of the town which bears his name and in many ways he helped to develop it. He erected a large lumber plant there and he played a major role in the building of the Apex-Angier railroad, now a part of the Durham and Southern line. He was active in church work there and as a member of the Methodist denomination assisted in building a strong church.

During the building of the church Rev. Frank Culbreth wrote: "We are also much indebted to Mrs. John C. Angier, Durham, for her interest and financial support. In fact her help has made the building possible. The church when completed will be one of the best arranged, constructed, and most complete church plants to be found in any small town or rural community in this part of the conference."

The growth and progress made by the church in recent years has been notable. The new church replaces the old Methodist church building, erected in 1907. The church has shown substantial growth in membership, finances and an enlarged church program during the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Richmond.

Sunday, June 15, 1941, should be marked with a white stone in the life and work of the Angier Memorial church. The past has been one of conquest from small beginnings; the future should be one of steady progress with the passing of the years. The future prospects are most promising.



Rev. H. I. Glass, District Supt.

Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 22

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By Rollin H. Walker

First Jerusalem Conference on World Missions

Acts 15:1-35; Galatians 2

The problem of the early church as to whether circumcision should be demanded of Gentile converts seems the farthest removed from present day interest. Yet we who pity the narrowness of those first century Jewish Christians who insisted that non-Jews should conform to this rite, are all the time tempted to a similar emphasis on non-essentials.

It will do us no good to point to those other sects who would exclude from the table of the Lord saintly Quakers and all who have not been baptized after a certain outward form, or to mention such extreme cases as the Seventh Day Adventists and the Roman Catholics. Let us give our exclusive attention to the Methodist brands of narrowmindedness, of which, alas, there are not a few.

Indeed this problem as to whether down deep in our hearts we are to recognize brethren as belonging to the inner circle who do not conform to our pattern of religious propriety, is a matter that should cause the most broadminded reader of these lines to search his heart. A distinguished Harvard professor once said to the writer, "The most bigoted man I ever knew was one who was all the time insisting on broad views in religion, but who tabooed every one who used a traditional religious phrase."

Of course there is great danger here. In the interest of breadth we are apt to understress the essential doctrines of Christianity and to ignore its exacting morality. Only the enduement of the Holy Spirit and deep familiarity with the teachings of Jesus will enable us to discriminate between liberality and looseness.

But Paul and Barnabas knew that if the church insisted that every man who came in from the pagan world should submit to the repulsive and meaningless rite of circumcision, the progress of the gospel would be permanently arrested. And not only that, but those who did submit to this rite would be confused and divided in mind, like a baseball player of whom it was demanded that he should not merely keep his eyes on the ball, but also assume a certain precise posture when the ball was coming to him.

Paul and Barnabas were doubly sure they were right, because they were constantly seeing men changed and baptized with the Spirit when they received Christ without any accompaniment of Jewish rites (Galatians 3:1-4). Yet the apostles were wise enough to see that the division of the church into two sects, the free Gentile Christians and the stricter Jewish Christians, would be a calamity both to the Gentiles and to the Jews. The Jews needed the broadening influence of Gentile contacts; the Gentiles needed the steel reinforcement of Jewish moral standards. So these two broadminded progressives were willing to go to any amount of trouble to keep the factions together.

How shrewd they were! When they went up to Jerusalem they first saw all the leaders privately and won them over, lest there might be a stampede in the public meeting (Galatians 2:2). After this the circumcision party was allowed the fullest expression of its views. When a narrowminded bigot is allowed to talk himself out he often experiences an inner reaction. Then, probably by pre-arrangement, grand old Peter told them of the broadening experience that came to him when he saw the Spirit descend on the uncircumcised household of Cornelius (Acts 10). After that Paul and Barnabas told the thrilling story of their God-honored missionary adventures. Then finally the rock-ribbed conservative James proposed a compromise. All that was to be required of the new Gentile converts was to abstain from the use of meat offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication. (Fornication, of course, was a prevailing Gentile vice against which Paul and Barnabas had always thrown the full weight of their authority, and eating meat offered to idols was often perilous (1 Corinthians 8-10). The other requirements, though utterly non-essential, were not burdensome, and could be accepted for the time being in order to soothe the feelings of the conservatives. It was a bit of inspired politics.

There is such extreme necessity today for stressing with every ounce of our energy the essentials of the Christian faith, that it should be a part of the daily litany of every church to pray, from all stressing of non-essentials, good Lord, deliver us!

AS TO DEFENDING THE BIBLE

Spurgeon said that it was like proposing to defend a lion. If you just let him out he would defend himself. The young man in this incident, recalled by The Lutheran, may never have heard of Spurgeon's reply, but his own illustrated its truth:

A story is told of an atheist who sent a young man a parcel of infidel literature advising him to read it in preference to the Bible. In reply, the young man wrote:

"Dear Sir: If you have anything better than the Sermon on the Mount, the parable of the Prodigal Son, and that of the Good Samaritan, or if you have any code of morals better than the Ten Commandments, or anything more consoling and beautiful than the Tyenty-third Psalm, or, on the whole, anything that will throw more light on the future and reveal to me a Father more merciful and kind that I find in the New Testament, send it along."—The Presbyterian.

Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.—Bishop Hall.

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Children's Storyland



THE BACK HALL SECRET

By Miriam Eyde Bixler

"Billy, did you rake the leaves in the garden?" asked Mother. "And Joan, have you dusted the living room? It seems to me I'm always reminding people to do things around here."

"But, Mother," said Joan. "It isn't that we don't want to do those things, it's just that we forget sometimes."

"I know, dear," said Mother. "We all forget sometimes, but I don't like to have to remind you. It's an unpleasant job and sounds so like nagging."

"Mary!" shouted Daddy to Mother. "Did you sew the buttons on my blue shirt?"

"Oh, dear!" laughed Mother. "Now it's I that needs reminding. I wish someone in this house were clever enough to think of a nice way to remind us of things we should do, then maybe we wouldn't forget so easily."

Just then the telephone rang. Mother answered it, then turned to Joan. "You didn't tell me that Mrs. Ellis called yesterday. It was important."

"I'm sorry, Mother," said Joan. "You were out shopping and by the time you came back I'd forgotten about the call."

Billy went out in the garden and raked all the leaves. Then he went down the cellar to the workshop that he and Daddy had fixed up for themselves. Billy tried to think of some good way that he and Joan and Daddy and Mother could use to remind each other of things to do. There must be a way that would be fun!

At lunch time Mother called to Billy. She said, "Whatever have you been doing in the cellar all morning, Billy?"

"I smell paint," said Joan. "I bet he's making another sailboat."

"It's a secret," said Billy. "No telling 'til later. Mother, may I put two nail holes in the wall of the back hall?"

Mother thought a moment. "Why yes, Billy," said she, "if you really think it important."

Just before Daddy came home from work Mother and Joan heard some mysterious pounding and queer noises in the back hall. They could hardly keep from peeping to see what Billy was doing.

When Daddy came up the back walk Billy called, "Please go around the front way, Dad." Then in a few minutes he called the family to see his secret in the back hall. They came out eagerly, then puzzled, stopped a moment to look at something hanging on the wall.

It was a bulletin board, made of a piece of plywood two feet wide and three feet long. A bright green border was painted around its edges. On the board attached with thumbtacks were four grown-paper bags (two-pound ones). The edges were neatly folded down halfway so that they looked like was tacked a white card with a name written on it. There was one which ready "Billy," another "Joan," another "Mother," and another "Daddy." To the far side of the bulletin board was fastened a pad of paper and a pencil tied to a string.

"Well," said Daddy, "this is something! But what?"

"I know," guessed Joan. "Let's look in our bags."

Daddy, Mother and Joan looked into the bags under their names. There were little notes for each one which said, "This is a family postoffice. Let's do our reminding by writing notes to each other. It will be fun to have our real mail put here and any other messages that are important."

"What a clever idea," said Mother. "I've got some writing to do right now."

She wrote three little notes and stuck them in the postoffice. Then she hurried off to the kitchen.

Daddy and Billy and Joan laughed when they read their notes. Daddy's said, "Supper in the garden tonight. Will you carry out the folding chairs?" Joan's read, "Supper in the garden tonight. Will you please help to fix the trays?"

Billy's read, "Supper in the garden tonight. Would you like to start a fire in the outdoor fireplace? And thank you for making such a lovely family postoffice."—Juniors.

HOW THE ELEPHANT GOT HIS TRUNK

By J. S. Draper

"I'm going to town," the elephant said,
With a wink of his eye and a nod of his head.
"I am going to town this day to see
The monkeys' dance at the jaboree."
So he packed his bag and away he went,
Gay and dapper and well content.
At last he came to the jungle town
Where the streets were crowded with monkeys brown.
There were bears and camels and tigers too,
And a great big capering kangaroo.
At length, when the day was almost done
And he'd spent his money and had great fun,
Just one thing only was left to see—
The monkeys' dance at the jamboree.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A city Methodist and his family were visiting a summer resort one weekend. On Sunday they attended the local Presbyterian church. After scanning the order of service carefully, the youngster of the party excitedly exclaimed, "That woman goes to our church." In response to the mother's question, "Who?" the child's finger ran down the page and came to rest opposite "Gloria Patri."

* * * *

Mother: "When that naughty boy threw stones at you, why did you not come and tell me, instead of throwing them back at him?"

Junior: "What good would it do to tell you? You couldn't hit the side of a garage."



Children Playing on Supervised Playground at Lake Junaluska

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 21
Leasburg, Union, 11 22
Person, Lea's Chapel, 3 22
Branson, 7:30 25
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July
Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
South Mills, Sharon, 2 20
Manteo, 11 22
Stumpy Point-Dare, Machoes, 2:30 22
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 25
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin. N. C.
THIRD ROUND
ZONE CONFERENCES

June 23, 3 p. m.—Cooleemee, Davie, East Bend, Farmington, Mocksville, Mocksville Ct., Yadkinville, meet at Advance.

REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

June
Sparta, Shiloh, 11 22
Laurel Springs, 3 22
Jefferson, Orion, night 22
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 11 29
Wilksboro, Union, 3 29
North Wilkesboro, night 29

July
Boone, 11 6
Watauga, Henson's, 3 6
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 6

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Caledonia, 11 23
St. John, 3 22
Hamlet, 8 22
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July
Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
LaGrange, Institute, 10:30 19
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 10:30 20
Newport, Riverdale, 3 22
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 22
Oriental, Kershaw, 10:30 24
Pamlico, Vandermere, 10:30 25
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July
Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Aurora, Bonnerton, 11 6
Mt. Olive,Calypso, Calypso, 8 6

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 22
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 8 22
Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11 29
Selma, 8 29

July
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 6
Franklinton, Wesley, 3 6
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 6
Oxford Ct., Gray Rock, 8 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 22
Littleton Ct., Vaughan, 3:30 22
Rosemary, 8 22
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Midleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
Littleton, 8 29

July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 22
Scott's Hill, Union Chapel, 3:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29

July
Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 10:30 13
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 8 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Maysville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July
Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

June 22, 3 p.m.—Barnardsville, Ivy, Weaverville, Weaverville at Salem, Weaverville Ct.

June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.

July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.

July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Marshville, Center, 3 22
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 8 22
Wesley Heights, 8 23
Brevard Street, 8 25
Thrift-Moores ,Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July
North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 22
Shelby Ct., 2:30 22
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 22
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Flat Rock, 11 22
Stoneville, 7:30 22
Sandy Ridge, 11 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

July
Danbury, 3 6
Midway, 7:30 6
Ruffin, 11 13
Hickory Grove, 2 13
Mitchell's Grove, 11 20
Calvary, 7:30 20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

June
Why Not, N. Z., 2 21
Linwood, Macedonia, 11 22
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 22
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

July
Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Forest City, 11 22
Gilkey, 3 22
East Marion, 7:30 22
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences will be held in groups as follows:

Cabarrus County at Epworth, Concord, 3 ..... June 29
Rowan County at Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, 3 .. July 6
Stanley County at First Street, Albemarle, 3 .... July 13
All preaching engagements made directly with the pastors.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Troutman, 11 22
Shepherds, McKendree, 2:30 22

July
Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Highlands, Horse Cove, 10 22
Highlands, Highlands, 11 22
Highlands, Clear Creek, 2:30 22
Bryson City, 8 22
Whittier, Mt. Olivet, 11 29
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 8 29
Dellwood, Elizabeth, 8 30

July
Robbinsville, Maple Springs, 11 6
Andrews, 8 6
Bethel, 8 9
Morning Star, 8 10
Cullowhee, 11 13
Love's Chapel, 2:30 13
Sylva, 8 13
Clyde, 8 16
Canton, First, 11 20
Canton, Central, 8 20
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

June
Morris Chapel, 11 22
Maple Springs, 7:30 22
Erlanger, Yadkin College, 11 29
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 29

July
Trinity Bethel, 7:30 6
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13

W. N. C. WOMEN

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were Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Mrs. R. G. Rives, Dr. Joy Glascock of Greensboro, Rev. G. L. Curry of Denton and Dr. S. W. Taylor, District Superintendent. Mrs. W. T. Powell was elected delegate to the General Assembly which meets in St. Louis, in December, with Mrs. W. C. Hammer as alternate. Mrs. T. R. Wall sang a beautiful solo, after the business session. Miss Leila Epps of Brazil used pictures to illustrate her work in Brazil which proved most interesting and her talk was followed with prayer by Dr. S. W. Taylor. After the lunch hour the afternoon session opened with Scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. Reginald Turner, followed by Open Forum, led by Mrs. Powell. Reports of Conference and District officers were given and were heard with interest. With a very impressive talk by Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea and Brevard College worker, the meeting closed with prayer.

ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN REPORT

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Race St., F. H. Price	5½
Statesville Ct., G. F. Houck	5½
Grace-Rhodhiss, J. M. Brandon	5½
Lenoir Ct., W. L. Harkey	5
Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate	5
Granite Falls, Reid Wall	5
Harmony, R. V. Martin	4½
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Hudson, R. E. Hunt	3½
Highlands, J. P. Hornbuckle	3
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	2½
Union Grove-Zion, J. O. Cox	2½
Newton, M. Q. Tuttle	2½
Stony Point, Mrs. Dwight Sharpe	2½
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	2
Balls Creek (Friendship) Miss Keron Love	1½
Central, D. P. Waters	1
Olin, P. F. Snider	½

Waynesville District

Jonathan, R. Odell Brown	19
Webster, J. C. Gentry	13½
Macon, J. C. Swaim	6½
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In Memoriam

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father, agreeable to that promise made by Him and repeated by his Son, that the pure in heart shall see God, has seen fit to call into his presence our friend and brother, N. B. Braswell, who, out of the good treasure of his heart continually brought forth that which was good, thus inspiring all who came in contact with him to emulate him: Therefore be it resolved

First, That the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C., has lost a gentle and diligent worker, and the Men's Class has lost a faithful and loyal member.

Second, That while we extend to the family the sincerest sympathy, we rejoice with them, happy in the knowledge that the spirit of our brother has gone back to God who gave it.

Third, That although the Board of Stewards has lost a willing and generous worker, and the Men's Bible Class has lost a genial and kindly member; the veterans of the World War have lost a brave comrade, and the army of the Lord has lost a gallant soldier who could fittingly say with Paul, the Apostle, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the Board of Stewards, one to the Men's Class, and one to The North Carolina Christian Advocate.

O. M. Ayers,
J. W. Hester,
F. D. Voss,
C. H. Smith,
L. P. Burns,
W. C. Tise,
R. S. Whitaker.
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. W. H. Culbreth ,one of the oldest and most faithful members of Bethlehem church, Bladen circuit, died suddenly on March 3, 1941. He would have been 76 years old on the day of his funeral, March 4.

He will be missed not only by his devoted wife, who was Miss Della Cain of White Oak, but the whole White Oak community is saddened at his passing. The women of the Society of Christian Service will especially miss him, for Mr. Walter as we all knew and loved him was always ready and willing to help us with any of our undertakings.

He was a steward of Bethlehem Methodist church for many years.

Mrs. S. G. Council,
Mrs. W. M. Durham,
Mrs. H. L. Tatum,
Mrs. T. J. Dailey.

IN MEMORIAM

On Saturday May 10th, 1941, our brother and co-steward, Elijah Rayfield Mixon's soul took its flight to the celestial kindom, to dwell eternally in the presence of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who redeemed him with his blood shed on the cross of Calvary.

Brother Mixon's passing was not death, it was a transition of the soul from the body inanimate, to a glorified body, to live through eternity. Brother Mixon was a faithful steward of the Methodist Church for the past 40 years, he loved his church, and was always ready to serve where duty called, he contributed liberally to its support and its institutions connected thereto.

Brother Mixon's departure from us has caused our hearts to pulsate with the consciousness of his many virtues, and consecrated life that he gave to his church that he loved so well, we deplore his passing from us.

Resolved First, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to his bereaved family, and commend to them that their beloved one is safe within the celestial home of our Lord, and the heavenly host for ever,

No long dark night is there,
No light from sun or silvery moon is given,
But Christ, the Lamb of God all bright and fair.
Illumes the city with effulgence rare,
The glories of heaven.

Second, That a copy of this memorial be sent to the family of our departed brother, and that a copy be sent to The North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be spread upon the permanent record of the Board of Stewards.

J. F. Buckman,
F. W. Ayers,

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The men of the Grace church Baraca Sunday school class offer the following statements of their appreciation and sentiment in memory of their esteemed friend and fellow churchman, Mr. F. R. Brittain. Resolved:

First, That Raymond Brittain was respected, honored and trusted by the whole community for his integrity, straightforwardness and utter freedom from guile and dissembling.

Second, That his faithfulness to duty and responsibility won for him the confidence of his government and employer, and of all those who worked with him or dealt with him in any capacity.

Third, That his intellectual curiosity, breadth of interests, wealth of knowledge and zest in thoughtful challenge of issues were distinctive and worthy of emulation.

Fourth, That his hearty recognition of worth in the person and performances of others was a source of delight, encouragement and happiness to those who often do their best.

Fifth, That his manly strength in facing issues openly, and in living a clean God-fearing life as a true expression of himself made him a man to be cherished long in memory.

Key L. Barkley,
Thos. B. Waugh,
A. H. Johnson.
Committee.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has called to her heavenly home Mrs. R. J. Lewis, a beloved member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and

Whereas, she has for more than thirty-five years consistently given her support to the cause we represent,

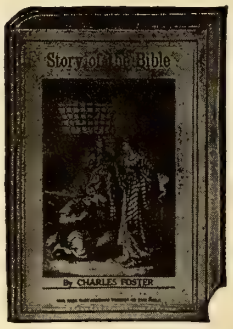
Be it resolved: That our society has lost a faithful member, and that we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

Be it further resolved: That copies of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the Christian Advocate and to our local newspaper.

Miss A. B. Thorne,
Mrs. Horace Palmer,
Mrs. Matt W. Ransom.
Committee.

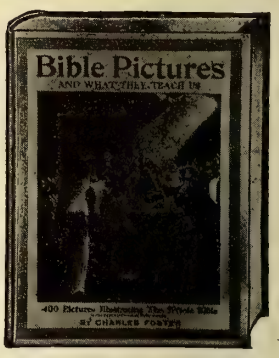
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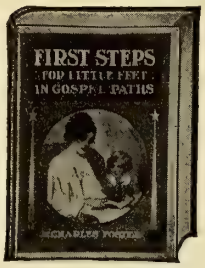
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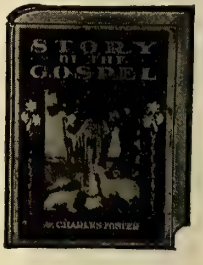
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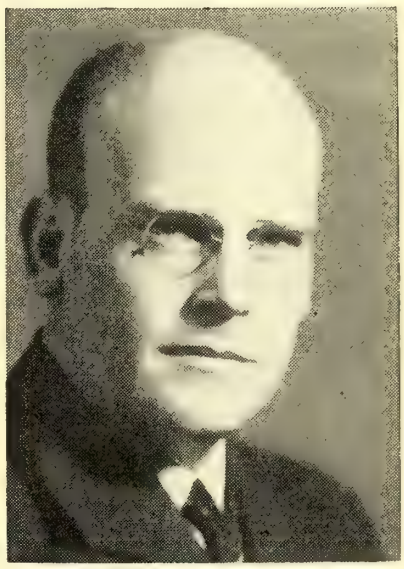
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IMPORTANT STATEMENT ON CHURCH INDEBTEDNESS BY BISHOP PURCELL

The attention of our pastors and official boards is called to the fact that now is in all probability the best time to retire indebtedness. Business activity in the United States is at a very high peak. Money will not be so easily raised a few years hence as now.

A study of the reports of the annual conferences of 1940 shows that in the North Carolina conference there was a total indebtedness on churches and parsonages of $277,723, and in the W. N. C. conference a total indebtedness of $1,250,672. There were in the N. C. conference 36 charges owing at that time $1000 or more on church and parsonage property, and in the W. N. C. conference 87 charges owing $1000 or more. These charges are distributed as follows:

North Carolina Conference

Durham district, 9; Elizabeth City district, 3; Fayetteville district, 7; New Bern district, 6; Raleigh district, 4; Rocky Mount district, 3; Wilmington district, 4.

Western North Carolina Conference

Asheville district, 10; Charlotte district, 12; Elkin district, 1; Gastonia district, 14; Greensboro district, 7; High Point district, 10; Marion district, 4; Salisbury district, 10; Statesville district, 7; Waynesville district, 0; Winston-Salem district, 12.

Many of these debts are for relatively small amounts and certainly could be retired this year. Several of the larger debts have been retired already and doubtless many of the smaller ones.

The W. N. C. Conference Commission on General Indebtedness has made an appeal which I am pleased to support. Our pastors and stewards would be wise to make an unusual effort to clear all indebtedness in the near future. I trust our next annual reports may show a great reduction in these amounts.

Clare Purcell.

MACON HAS COUNTY-WIDE REVIVAL

Rev. E. E. Snow in a sermon in Friendship Tabernacle, Franklin, where he is holding a county-wide revival under the auspices of the Ministerial Association of Macon count, declared:

"Many of our Methodist and Baptist homes have their tables loaded down with dime novels and cheap detective stories. Many of these same homes refuse to take the Biblical Recorder and the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This trashy literature in our homes means only one thing, it means sowing to the flesh and 'He that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.' Let us have a house cleaning in the Baptist and Methodist homes of our state! Let us take out this abominable literature that is surely poisoning the minds of our young people and put in its place the Biblical Recorder and the North Carolina Christian Advocate, literature that sows to the spirit, for 'He that soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.'"

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Lindbergh avenue in Charlotte has been changed to Avon avenue. The Roman Catholic Church is wise in canonizing saints after they are dead, and some of them have been dead a long time before their names are placed with the immortals.

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"Retreat," "Mark Time," "Advance," are three big words in a soldier's movements. And soldiers of the cross, perhaps waste more hours marking time than any other class of soldiers. They do not move backward, neither do they go forward. They stand in one place and mark time. How many churches do you know that do little except mark time! And they have been at it for years.

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Next Sunday will be a great day for the orphan children of North Carolina. All our people of the North Carolina conference will be of one mind and heart with the thousands who gather under the trees and hold fellowship with the children at Raleigh as they sing and eat and rejoice together. The personal representative of this Advocate eagerly awaits. Oh, what a gathering that will be!

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Bishop John M. Moore, editor of the Southwestern Advocate, has joined the ranks of those who insist upon the correct use of titles. Listen to this bishop-editor: "Do you say Rev. Moore, Hon. Hull, Sir Wood? If so, you speak incorrectly. These three titles can be applied only to the name in full, or the given name, or to some other title which the person may have. The title Sir is always and only applied to the given name or the full name. One should say, Sir Kingsley Wood, or Sir Kingsley. In addressing him one says, Sir Kingsley. The title Honorable cannot be applied alone to the surname. One may say the Honorable Cordell Hull, or the Honorable Mr. Hull, but not the Honorable Hull."

Arthur Wentworth Hewett in "Highland Shepherds" says of the rural pastor: "Do you think of going from country to city as 'getting back to civilization'? Then in God's name go! What good can you do to a people that you are longing to leave and to places which you despise? Do you feel that the city has more advantages to offer than the country? Then in God's name go. You do not know what it is all about."

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Fundamental Methodist doctrine: "You cannot transfer people from one class to another like sheep from pen to pen. You cannot change character as easily as that. Hitler has transplanted over a million Poles from their native country to Germany, but he has not made them into Germans by that method—thank God. Rather are they more fiercely Polish than ever before. Which simple fact places the finger upon the whole fundamental issue. To transfer a man from the kingdom of the Pole to the kingdom of the German still leaves him a Pole. But to transfer a man from the kingdom of Evil to the kingdom of God is to create a new being."

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William Allen White, the great Kansas editor, when asked by Dr. Gilroy, editor of Advance, whether he had made a certain statement replied with the following adroit and commendable answer:

Dear Mr. Gilroy—

I am deeply saddened that my friend, Oswald Villard, has dug up the statement attributed to me which I find in your letter. I have no recollection of writing it. But it easily could be mine. At the time of the Spanish-American War, I was in my early thirties. I was a conservative who believed that the world was perfect; that the poor were serving in their God-appointed place. In the files of the Gazette you will find plenty of that nonsense. And when we took over the Philippines, I wrote about the kind of stuff and nonsense that Mr. Villard has quoted. But I haven't believed it for years and years and he knows it, and I am sorry and sad.

It is refreshing to run across a man who will admit that he did not possess all knowledge when a kid.

When the Church Fails

WHENEVER the church fails to hold tenaciously to its spiritual mission, its glory fails—its waning vigor appears. This inevitably follows man's reliance on the gathered resources of this world and the conquests made by might and by power. Evermore true is this in the periods of prosperity and of war.

The silent and the unseen, the intangible and the spiritual fail to make serious appeal to the outward and the material. Then we rely on the things that do appear and we are moved by material conquest in the midst of the shouts and tumults of war. The growing temptation in such times is for church leaders to form a copartnership with the powers of earth and the force of arms. The Prince of Peace is forced to take orders from Mars, the god of war.

Never for one moment should we forget that the church is the one and only agency on earth to provide the things of the spirit—to to keep fresh and strong and regnant that which Jesus put to the front. Says he, "My kingdom is not of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now is my kingdom not from hence." His kingdom is within. So long as the church of Jesus Christ keeps its feet firmly planted, and with a tight grip on the best of its heritage, it can with confidence look to the future conquest. The nations may continue to kill and to slaughter as they lay waste the world, but out of this wreck will emerge and rise the spiritual forces that endure.

So, in the church and of the church true to its spiritual mission remains the saving remnant. Truly, this Advocate as an organ of the church of Jesus Christ has primarily a spiritual and humanitarian mission. In these days of defense effort in which all are enlisted ours is to hold to the spiritual which lies at the innermost core of all effective defense. Most assuredly the chief mission of the Methodist Church these turbulent times is to stress the spiritual.

Why Do People Go to Church?

MOST people go to church to hear about God and not to hear about Hitler. The most up-to-date student of current events will be bored by a sermon composed of radio news bulletins. Religion is the one great pulpit theme. Not newspapers but the Bible is the book to be read in all the churches, and it is the book that must furnish the subject matter of all sermons that meet the spiritual needs of the congregation.

People who attend church are eager to hear a man, who has been appointed to speak for God, show that his message is aflame with the spirit of God. This will likely lead him to be dogmatic in his utterance. But why fear dogmatism? It was Arthur Hewitt who said, "we have gone to the dogs for fear of the dogmatic." Of a certainty we must know Him in whom we profess to believe and with confidence tell the things that we have seen and heard about salvation as it is in Jesus Christ.

*"The Soong Sisters"

THE three charming and courageous sisters are Eling, Chingling and Mayling, the daughters of Charlie Soong who became "Madame Kung, wife of China's Morgan, Madame Sun Yat-Sen, wife of the father of the Chinese Revolution, and Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Generalissimo." These three notable women of the famous Soong family constitute a modern dynasty that wields a marvelous influence in modern China. A most interesting and informing volume is this by Miss Hahn, who has known China a long while and has enjoyed an intimate friendship with the Soong sisters.

But back of this is the unusual story of the young Chinese boy who ran away from his uncle in Boston and as a stowaway took shipping south on the S.S. Schooner Colfax. How Captain Charles Jones of the Colfax displayed an interest in him and cared for him in Wilmington, and how General Julian S. Carr brought him to Durham and took him into his own home, and afterwards sent him to old Trinity College in Randolph county and later to Vanderbilt University is a familiar story to many in North Carolina.

In Wilmington, at his own request, as a compliment to his first benefactor, he was baptized Charles Jones Soon. This was by Rev. T. Page Ricaud, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist church. Before Christmas of his first year at Trinity College Charles was taken into the church and Dr. Craven preached on the text, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Before his return to China Charles Jones Soong was received on trial into the North Carolina conference and transferred to the China conference. Then be-

gan his remarkable work in his own land. In all his later years he was closely associated with Sun Yat-sen in his revolutions.

These three daughters of Charles Jones Soong were educated at Wesleyan College in Georgia and at Wellesley College in New England. A most unusual mother and a father out of the ordinary were theirs. Into their own lives came much of the West which has aided them in the marvelous movements of modern China, so that they now rank as the three greatest women in China.

*The Soong Sisters. By Emily Hahn. Doubleday, Doran & Co., Inc., New York, 1941.

Dr. O. P. Gifford's Epigrams

THE ability to cram a paragraph into a brief sentence or to put a column into a paragraph is a gift to be eagerly sought after. It is a gift, but a gift that can be cultivated.

We append several brief paragraphs to illustrate what we are driving at. Listen to this great preacher:

"The Sea of Gennesaret gets and gives, the Dead Sea gets and never gives; one is the cradle of the River Jordan, the other is the grave of the River Jordan.

"War is not hell; it is the ripe fruit of human passions. Hell takes in no man who does not belong there; war smites good and bad.

"Character is more than circumstance; what you are is more than where you are. Circumstances are like barrel hoops; they hold the staves in place; character is like the sap in the tree, it gives life and form. A barrel holds what you put into it; a tree bears the fruit that is in the sap. Be a tree of the Lord, not a barrel held by circumstances, and holding what is poured into you."

Tell Them Over Again

THESE are days when men would do well to refresh their minds and their spirits, too, with the oft quoted lines of Browning in those times that called for red blood full of iron in the veins of those who would win or to speak a bit more accurately could not be defeated. Here they are:

One who never turned his back but marched breast forward,
Never doubted clouds would break,
Never dreamed though right were worsted, wrong would triumph,
Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better,
Sleep to wake.

Red Heads

MOST if not all great peoples can boast of some red haired man or woman who "leads all the rest." The Hebrew people had David, Israel's sweet singer, and the king that had no equal in the traditions of that people. In the forefront of Briton's rulers appears Elizabeth, the red-headed queen, who stamped her name upon England's golden age of literature. The Father of his country who was "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen," was a red-haired man.

But our interest just now is centered upon a red-headed woman who has remained "unhonored and unsung." Her name is Mary Towles Sasseen, a red-haired school teacher who taught in a little red school house in Henderson, Kentucky. Miss Sasseen, according to the Religious Telescope, in the spring of 1887 invited the mothers of her pupils to visit the school and participate in a ceremonial organized in their honor and to the honor of motherhood. A program of songs and recitations about mother, motherhood and the home was presented, and the event was so successful that Miss Sasseen held a Mother's Day ceremony each year thereafter while she remained in school work. Also, she quietly promoted a Mother's Day observance in other communities. This red-headed school teacher of Kentucky seems to be the mother of that great second Sunday in May known as "Mother's Day."

Whirling Wheels in the Church

IS Arthur John Gossip in the realm of the imagination, or in the sphere of actual fact when he describes the modern church in such telling phrase as the following? "We still believe mainly in fuss and noise and crowding and organization and machinery. If things drag, we evolve some other type of meeting, add one more to the already deafening intricacy of whirling wheels. And when it, too, is whirling with the rest we feel more happy. There may be no spiritual outcome whatsoever, but we are pleasantly tired, and there is a wind blowing in our faces, and so we have sensed something is being done. So long as we are hot and perspiring, are talking and meeting, are bustled and rushed, we feel that things are happening, for we trust in efficiency and business, and a certain material capacity far more than in the Holy Ghost."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Are you a Methodist interested in needy children? Then pass this word along: Meet me at Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, the fifth Sunday, the red letter day for the children.

Chestnut Ridge church, Orange charge, will observe its annual home coming Sunday, June 29. There will be a program by the children at 11 a. m. Dinner will be served picnic style. In the afternoon there will be an address. All former members, pastors and friends are invited back for the day.—C. P. Morris, Pastor.

The annual home coming at Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant charge, will be held June 29. Rev. B. Wilson, a former pastor, will deliver the sermon at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served on the grounds. An afternoon program is planned. All friends and former pastors are cordially invited. A representative of the Advocate certainly would be welcome.—S. R. McEachern, Gen. Supt.

We are in the midst of our union evangelistic crusade in Aberdeen. Dr. Robert King, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Johnson City, Tenn., is doing the preaching. With four services daily Dr. King is giving us a rich program of group-graded evangelism and is following the teaching method. His messages are superb and his methods are engaging. Our citizenship will be greatly blessed.—Sam Maxwell.

We would like our friends and the friends of Fuquay charge to know that we are in the midst of a very busy but a very happy year. The months have been passing so rapidly that we can hardly realize so many of them have gone since our last annual conference. One finds among these people some of the very best in all our conference. They are interested in all parts of the program of the church and in the preacher and his family. Never before have we received kinder or more whole-hearted support anywhere. Our congregations are splendid. The people come and keep coming.—R. G. L. Edwards.

It is said that never before has considerably over 50 per cent of World Service funds been raised and paid in this early in the year, one of the churches having paid in full for the year. More money has been sent to our orphanage than our ten per cent assessment would ask, and still our orphanage is being helped each month. In a word, we are happy here at Fuquay and we are just praying that the three revivals into which we are entering now will be great soul winning and strengthening services.—R. G. L. Edwards.

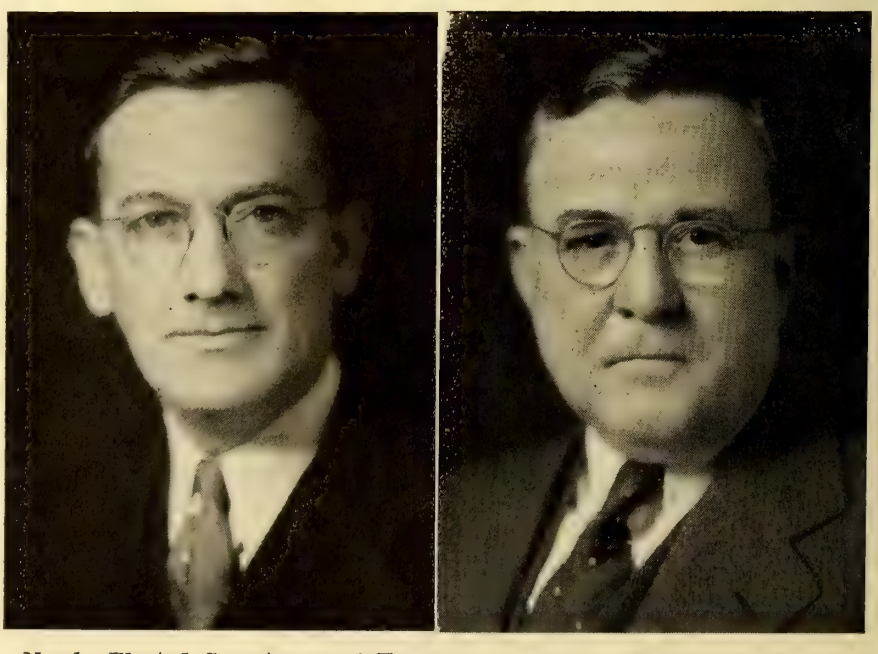
Methodist members of the General Commission on Army and Naval Chaplains in addition to Bishop Leonard, the chairman, are: Col. John C. Boggs, Front Royal, Va.; Dr. Ernest H. Cherrington, Washington, D. C.; Dr. E. D. Kohlsted, New York (ex-officio); Dr. Edgar A. Love, Washington, D. C.; Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Boston; Bishop W. W. Peele, Richmond; Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte; Dr. Fred C. Reynolds, Baltimore; Rev. C. A. Richardson, New York; Rev. John Paul Tyler, Portsmouth, Va.

Walter Winchell says: "In Poland, the Germans put up posters showing a Polish soldier against a background of ruins pointing an accusing finger at Churchill and Chamberlain. The caption read: 'England, this is thy deed!' The Germans soon had to take down the posters because Poles all over the country had painted Hitler mustaches on Churchill and Chamberlain and had substituted 'Hitler' for 'England.' "

Methodist ministers on the average are living more than a decade longer than they did sixty years ago. Statistician Thomas P. Potter, asistant editor of the General Minutes, has come to this conclusion from a study of the ages of death of ministers in the Northeastern and North Central jurisdictions in 1940 as compared with figures on fall conference members who died in 1882. Today's ministers attain an average age of 72.7 years, with somewhat more men dying above the average age than below it. In 1882 the average at death was 61.8.

Stokesdale Methodist church will observe home coming day next Sunday, June 29. Church school at 10 o'clock; preaching at 11 by Rev. M. E. Leftwich of Lowell, a former pastor. At 12 a picnic dinner will be served on large table in the grove. The afternoon will be given to singing by some special quartettes and by the congregation. Also an address by a visiting speaker. At 8 p. m. Rev. L. B. Hayes, D.S., will hold our quarterly conference and preach the first sermon in our revival. This will continue through the week with preaching daily by Brother Hayes at 4 and 8 p. m.—W. T. Albright, Pastor.

Canaan, North Davidson Charge.—The work here is going on well in spite of sickness. Mrs. A. P. Clodfelter, one of our oldest members, fell and broke her leg. She is geting along fine. She is most faithful to her church. We are hoping she will soon be back. The Sunday school here is very good. The revival starts the fourth Sunday in July. We are hoping that much good will be accomplished. We invite all our neighboring churches to attend these services. The Woman's Society of Christian Service is still working for better things. Our attendance each month is good; every member is alert and trying to do all she can for the kingdom. We meet next with Mrs. John Robbins.



Newly Elected Secretary and Treasurer of Duke University. Left, Mr. C. E. Jordan, Secretary and Mr. Charles B. Markham, Treasurer

YOUNG PREACHERS GET ASSIGNMENTS



Pictured above are the 67 students in the Duke University School of Religion who have just received their assignments for summer assistance to Methodist preachers in many sections of North Carolina, beginning June 10. Through the program sponsored by the Duke Endowment and Duke University for 15 years the selected Duke ministerial students have spent ten weeks each summer helping preachers, most of them over-worked rural ministers, in their work. They will preach, direct choral music, Sunday school and young people's work, teach at training institutes, and hold evangelistic services. The experience is of great help to the young ministers, much as hospital clinical work trains the young physician and also benefits the local churches. Dr. J. M. Ormond, in charge of the program since its establishment, and Dr. Paul N. Garber, registrar of the Duke school of religion, are pictured with the theological students.

To the lawyer, evil is crime; to the physician it is disease; to the reformer it is vice; to the psychologist it is a complex; to those in religion it is sin. We find sin everywhere except in ourselves; there we call it behaviorism.—Sizoo.

At the quarterly conference recently held by our district superintendent, L. B. Hayes, a parsonage building committee was appointed. Twelve hundred dollars has already been raised in cash and a beautiful lot has been bought. Plans are now being made for the parsonage. Those elected on the building committee are L. B. Coletrane, chairman, W. C. Lambert, D. S. Gray, R. W. Stanley, J. G. Richardson, W. L. Moser, H. G. Waynick, William P. Zink and V. M. Kirkman. Glenwood church is moving forward. —Reporter.

Bishop Adna Wright Leonard of Washington, D. C., was elected chairman of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains at its annual meeting in Washington, June 11. He succeeds Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, pastor of the First Baptist church of Washington. Bishop Leonard's episcopal service was given in the San Francisco, Buffalo, and Pittsburgh areas prior to his appointment to Washington by the General Conference a year ago. In addition to this new duty, he has a similar responsibility to the Methodist Commission on Chaplains. He is also chairman of the Methodist Commission on Camp Activities which governs the expenditure of the portion of the Day of Compassion offering to be devoted to this type of ministration.

Friends of Dr. J. D. Williams were saddened by the passing of Mrs. Williams, his beloved companion through a long ministry, Sunday, June 15. Dr. Williams is now pastor of Welch Memorial church in High Point. A great many church improvements are being made in the High Point district. Archdale has just completed a new hut. Lebanon is planning to build a parsonage and to paint their church, and Wesley Memorial is laying plans to make extensive repairs perhaps at a cost of $8,000 or $10,000. In keeping with this improvement an effort is being made to have all Methodist churches properly marked. The beautiful new plant of South Main Street church will be officially opened Sunday, June 29, with a fitting program both morning and evening. This church has recently engaged Rev. Samuel B. Moss of Albemarle and a Yale graduate as associate pastor. Mr. Moss will take over his duties on August 1. Dr. Taylor, district superintendent, says that reports on finances and accessions through May were very gratifying.—J. C. Madison, District Reporter.

The best school of missions that I have had anywhere has been held at Fuquay. Every church on the charge taking part. Under the direction of Mrs. R. E. Prince, Mrs. Robert Johnson and Mrs. W. W. H. Proctor, together with numbers of others, both men and women, the school was great. The Holy Week services were well worth while. Ten were brought in the church Easter Sunday morning. We are just now beginning our revivals. The month of July will be filled with them, and a daily vacation Bible school at Fuquay in which we are to have the assistance of Miss Alma Cade. Right now the ladies of Fuquay are busy in a Bible study work, meeting two days a week in this work. —R. G. L. Edwards.

Dr. Albert C. Outler of the Duke University department of Religion, addressing the annual Methodist Young People's Assembly at Louisburg College, called upon his listeners to admit that they are God's children and to follow Christ to a new fellowship. Dr. Outler said: "Deny yourselves and do not be ashamed to admit that you are only another of God's children. When you take up the cross to follow him you will find a new fellowship in active religion." He reminded the assembly that the responsibility of being able to follow Christ is the responsibility of being a leader. In illustrating one of his points the speaker described many worshippers as "Gesture children who thought they were accomplishing a great deal in their religion when their accomplishments were little."

URGENT APPEAL FOR CHAPLAINS

The General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains has made a most urgent appeal to Methodist ministers for service in the chaplaincy. Methodism is allotted 399 chaplains. Less than half this number have entered the service.

While millions of American boys are drafted into the service of their country, Methodist ministers cannot be indifferent to this appeal. The age limit for the army is forty-two and for the navy, forty-four. Any men under these ages who may be interested may write me for further particulars. We should have twelve or fifteen more men from North Carolina to enter this challenging field of service.

Clare Purcell.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF MAIN STREET CHURCH, HIGH POINT, NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, June 29, we are celebrating the official opening of the new church at Main Street. Rev. George F. Kirby of Beaufort, S. C., the first pastor and organizer of this church, will be with us and speak at 10 a. m. Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, will preach at the 11 o'clock hour. The Wesley Memorial congregation will worship with us Sunday evening at 7:45 and Dr. E. H. Blackard will bring the message.



Rev. George F. Kirby

In November, 1939, our former church building was declared to be unsafe for assembly purposes and since then we have been having to worship in cramped and inadequate quarters in the educational building. Upon the condemnation of the old church we were immediately faced with the necessity of erecting a new building or discontinuing as a church altogether. To discontinue Main Street church, many felt, would be nothing less than a tragedy. Born in 1902 and having lived worthily for 39 years it had become a necessity in the life of this community. But what could we do about it? That was the question that disturbed our minds. To build a church adequate to meet the needs of our congregation and the community in which it is, was a task too great for us and far beyond our resources. But alas! the job is done; the church is here. How did it all come about? Well, in the first place we found a friend. A friend who believes in the church and the things for which the church stands. We found this friend in the person of Dr. E. H. Blackard and his congregation at Wesley Memorial church. This friend came to our help with a donation of $10,000, our own people, loyal and true and with a sacrificial spirit have gotten together approximately $16,000, the General Board of Church Extension granted us a loan of $15,000, so that today there stands at the corner of South Main and Mallory streets in the city of High Point one of the most beautiful churches of Gothic design to be found anywhere.

The outlook for Main Street church is exceedingly hopeful. We recently employed Rev. Samuel B. Moss of Albemarle, who this month graduated with the B.D. degree from Yale Divinity School, and he will take up his duties here the first of August as director of Christian education and associate pastor. For the presence and help of Brother Moss we are again indebted to Dr. Blackard and the board of missions of our conference.

We shall endeavor, by the help of the Lord, to train the young life of this community, to form Christian character, encourage and inspire those who are in life's middle passage, care for and comfort those who are growing old and stricken with years, whose hair is white with the frost of many winters, and if possible make real to them the promise, "At evening time it will be light."

We have a membership of seven hundred and twenty-five, a church school enrollment of six hundred, and the church located in the center of a community of many thousand.

The pastor and people of Main Street shall make it the supreme business of their lives to worthily represent Him, who came to bring light to the benighted, joy to the sorrowing, hope to the despairing, and holiness to the sinful. We look at that wondrous life so gentle, so pure, so mighty. Wherever Jesus went sorrow found a friend, the hungry food, the outcast shelter, the weary rest. One word from his life and the fallen arose at his feet and went forth to sin no more. May he add the divine to the stature of this church that it may go forth in his name and do likewise.

To all former members, pastors and friends we extend a hearty invitation to come and worship with us on June 29.

N. C. Williams.

NASH-ALDRIDGE NUPTIALS AT HIGH NOON

Miss Maria Aldridge, daughter of Professor and Mrs. F. S. Aldridge of Durham, became the bride of Clarence Olive Nash of Durham at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, June, 23, in an outdoor ceremony at Lake Junaluska, summer home of the bride's parents.

For the wedding scene the mall of the Lake Junaluska auditorium was transformed into a garden setting, reflected in the waters of the lake. The bridal couple stood beneath an arbor of Dorothy Perkins roses to take the vows.

The officiating minister was Rev. Dr. Zadok Paris, a lifetime friend and the first teacher of the bride's mother. The single ring ceremony was used, following the ritual of the Methodist Church.

A program of wedding music was given by Mrs. Walter Vassar of Greensboro, pianist, preceding the ceremony. The bridal party entered to the strains of Lohengrin's bridal chorus, and Mendelssohn's wedding march was used as the recessional. During the ceremony Mrs. Vassar played "O Perfect Love" by Barnby.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore the wedding gown of her sister, a bride of two years ago, and her sister, Mrs. Alfred J. Henderson of Winchester, Ky., dame of honor, wore the dress which Monday's bride wore as maid of honor for Mrs. Henderson.

Lyman E. Gery of Durham served as the groom's best man. Edward C. McClees, Jr., of Elm City, cousin of the bride, served as junior usher. Other members of the bridal party were the young niece and nephew of the bride: Cornelia B. Aldridge and Fred C. Aldridge, Jr., of Wayne, Penn., as junior bridesmaid and junior groomsman: Allen Aldridge of Durham and Julian McClees Aldridge of Rocky Mount, were trainbearers; and Willis H. Aldridge, Jr., of Durham carried the ring, which was concealed in a lily.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents entertained the bridal party and out-of-town guests with a luncheon at the Colonial Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash went by motor for a beach honeymoon. They will be at home after July 1 in Durham, where they have taken an apartment at 901 Fifth street.

CITIZENS OF BREVARD PLEDGE SUPPORT TO BREVARD COLLEGE

The citizens of Brevard and Transylvania county have accepted the challenge of the college administration and the board of trustees to raise a substantial amount of money for Brevard College. The plan now is to conduct a financial campaign in the mountain counties within the next three months. An effort will be made to provide funds for a new science building, a new library, and a new dormitory for young women.

At the recent commencement exercises there was unusual interest in the future development of the institution. Alumni and friends of the college are determined to guarantee the permanency of the institution. They have indicated that they will not be content until the college is placed on a solid foundation which will make it thoroughly acceptable to the Methodist Church and to the various accrediting agencies in this territory.

Within the past three weeks there have been several meetings of interested citizens. Raising the money for the college project has become the special business of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and other civic clubs of the community. At a meeting Friday evening, June 20, a steering committee, composed of twelve leading citizens of the town and county, was set up. Mr. S. E. Varner, prominent Methodist layman of this territory, will be temporary chairman of the committee. Mr. C. E. Buckner, dean of the college, will give a considerable part of his time for the next several weeks to the effort to raise money.

Financial conditions in Transylvania county have been greatly improved within the past three years, since the construction and active operation of the Ecusta Paper Corporation. This particular plant has meant the financial salvation of many homes in the county. Business conditions in the whole mountain territory are unusually good. The mountain counties are being rapidly industrialized. Members of the Methodist church will be interested in this effort to maintain Brevard College as a standard junior institution and thus be an outpost for Methodism in Western North Carolina.

SOMETHING REMAINED

I had an hour to spare so I strolled round the village. It was a sad pilgrimage. I remembered it as it had been nearly thirty years before. But the years had brought so many changes that I knew no one, and no one remembered me.

Most of all I missed Old Mother Winship, whom I pictured standing in a sunny doorway, her blue frock and white apron and her wrinkled, smiling face unforgettable. She had vanished, and even her house had gone. A fine new road, it seemed, cut straight through her garden. What a garden it had been! I remembered it as a garden of lavender, full of rare sweetness, a joy to all who passed by. And now, thought I, Old Mother Winship, her house, her garden, her smile—all are gone, all forgotten.

I talked with a countryman. I mentioned Old Mother Winship. He nodded. He smiled serenely.

"Aye," he said, "she's been dead these twenty years or more, and her house and garden have gone. But the lavender's with us still. You see, she was always giving it away to other folk, and it's growing grandly in nearly every garden hereabouts. There's plenty of it in my garden, I reckon, and if you was to come a week or two later, you'd find all the village smelling of Old Mother Winship's lavender."

I left the village with a thankful heart—thankful that, even when God's saints are gone, their fragrance remains.—Methodist Recorder, London.

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

It was my privilege to spend yesterday, June 22, worshipping with Dr. C. W. Bates and his people and my people at Midway on Haw River charge, one of the churches of my boyhood days. It was a delightful day. Many questions were asked about this home and its closing, and among other questions was this: "Can't we country people come to the Children's Home Day on June 29?" To be sure you may, and welcome. The day was thought of and planned by the pastor and our many good friends of the First Methodist church of High Point, the church which the children of this home attended for 28 years. And a program is being planned for the 11 o'clock hour only, the services to be held in the church. But all of us will cheerfully welcome any friends from any and all other churches who can and will come. Following the services at the church the people are to come to the Children's Home for a picnic luncheon in the grove. There is no plan for any public speaking here at the home.

So come to the service if you can, but if you cannot get to the service and can get to the home for luncheon about 12:30, then be sure to come and bring a basket of eats to share with others who may be here.

The Fifth Sunday

Don't forget that it is the fifth Sunday and that all of us are expected to make a free will offering to the Children's Home. So be prepared to make your offerings either at home or here, and your offerings if made here will be forwarded to Mr. O. V. Woosley, Winston-Salem.

We note that Dr. A. S. Barnes is planning a big day that same day at the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. May the dear Father smile upon that gathering and make it profitable for the orphanage.

It is planned to transfer all children here to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem on July 1, and they are getting ready for it bravely and cheerfully so far as we can see. At any rate we are teaching them to meet the change cheerfully and happily. We believe they will.

There will be no "sad farewells" at the church next Sunday, neither will there be here next Tuesday, July 1. Some hearts may be sad, but the faces are not to show it.

CHARLES F. EGGLESTON DIES

Charles F. Eggleston, prominent Methodist layman and a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, died Sunday, June 16, in his home in Sharon Hill, a suburb of Philadelphia. He represented the Philadelphia conference at six general conferences, was active in Methodist unification, and was a member of the first General Conference of the Methodist Church and of the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference. He took a deep interest in the history of Methodism and was prominent in the Historical Society of the church. He collected many valuable books and manuscripts on Methodism. He was solicitor for a number of benevolent bodies of Philadelphia Methodism and for the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he was vice president, a member of its executive committee, and the Department of Church Extension.

Since 1895, when Mr. Eggleston was admitted to the Pennsylvania bar, he had practiced law in Philadelphia. He was a graduate of Wesleyan University, and of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. The son of a Methodist minister, he was born in a Methodist parsonage in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1868.

Asbury Methodist Church to Be Dedicated July 6



Asbury Methodist Church, Macon Circuit, Otto, N. C.



Bishop Clare Purcell

A HISTORY OF THE ASBURY CHURCH

One of the first churches to be built in Macon county was in the Asbury community. It was of log construction and located near the present site of the new church, on the property of Terrill Bradley. This building was used for church and school purposes. Many of the older leading citizens of Otto attended school in this small log building. The second church was also a log house which was located near the site of the present old church. Later a frame building was erected on the site where the old Asbury church now stands, which was burned about 1900, while Rev. John W. Moore was pastor, and the church was soon replaced under his faithful leadership.

As far as our records show George W. Maiden was the first minister to be sent here by the Methodist conference in 1877. All through the years the Asbury churches served the Smithbridge Township and helped to mold the lives of many of the leading men now living in Macon county and elsewhere.

Due to the inadequate condition of the old building, a new church seemed to be the only solution to the problem. This soon became the opinion of every member of the church and the surrounding community. Early in 1940, under the leadership of Rev. J. C. Swaim, the first business meeting was held for the purpose of looking into the possibility of building a new church. From this meeting burst such enthusiasm that by Easter of 1940 the timber, which had been donated by members of the church, was being cut and sawed. A new lot was acquired, partly by donation of land from Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bradley and by a purchase of additional land from the Bradleys.

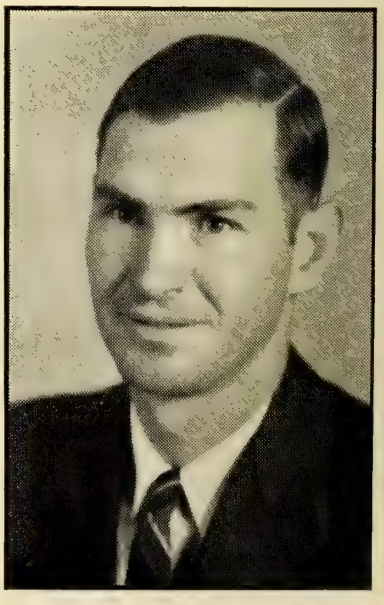
An application was submitted to the Duke Endowment for aid in building and through the kind efforts of Dr. Ormond of Duke University a grant of $1,620 was given us, providing we met the requirements of the Duke Endowment. Matching to a great extent our part with the donation of labor and materials. By July 15 the foundation had been poured. The work progressed steadily, with a crew of 20 men or more working daily for several weeks donating their labor.

The new church is of brick veneer structure, plastered interior, and a life time roof; it is equipped with a hot air furnace, new pews, piano, and hymn books. The church has a main auditorium, which is made quiet and worshipful by stained glass windows; and four church school rooms. The total seating capacity being near 300. The church which judged by many to be the most adequate, as well as the most attractive in structure and appearance, in Macon county is valued at $5,000.

The charge has had many fine pastors who have served the work well and will be long remembered by the people of the Macon circuit. Among these are: Rev. J. L. Teague, Rev. J. W. Moore, Rev. J. E. Abernethy, Rev. J. C. Umberger, Rev. J. C. Richardson, Rev. W. I. Hughes, Rev. Van B. Harrison, Rev. J. B. Tabor, Rev. O. E. Croy and others. Our present pastor, Rev. J. C. Swaim, has served the Macon circuit for four years. The new church at Asbury is due directly to leadership and sacrifice on the part of our good pastor, who worked with his own hands as he led his members to the completion of their lovely new church. We are deeply indebted to Mr. Swaim for what he has done for the Asbury community.



Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Dist. Supt.



Rev. J. C. Swaim, Pastor

The Voice of Niemoeller

Note: The Michigan Advocate is fortunate in being able to bring its readers this vivid account of personal conversations with Pastor Niemoeller by Doctor Stein who was with Niemoeller in the Sachsenhausen concentration camp and has since come to America.—J. E. M.

"For 22 months I was held in German concentration camps and prisons, and for 18 of those months I had as prison-mate Pastor Martin Niemoeller," said Dr. Leo Stein, formerly assistant and staff member of the Berlin University. Interviewed by a Nofrontier News Service correspondent upon his arrival on this side of the Atlantic Doctor Stein gave a fascinating account of what he saw of the martyrdom of Niemoeller, leading figure in the German Evangelical Church.

"I met Pastor Niemoeller for the first time in the prison of court of inquiry in the Moabit suburb of Berlin. We were in the ante-room of the court chamber, where we had several hours to wait. Waiting with us was a former Nazi political leader who had been arrested because he had belonged to the Roehm clique. This man complained bitterly and announced: 'Its a low trick to lock me—an SA leader—up in the same room with this dirty Jew.' Niemoeller's face went chalk-white, but he did not answer the man. He said to me: 'Don't be angry; the man does not know what he is saying.' From that moment a friendship grew up between us.

"While in Moabit I met Niemoeller often. In fact I spoke with him daily in the courtyard where the prisoners were divided into two marching circles, one circle marching fast and one slow. The latter was mostly for sick people, and Niemoeller and I marched in it. During the course of these daily conversations he told me the whole story of his arrest, of how the Gestapo had taken down stenographic reports of his sermons, how they had seized all of the church money which he had administered. I had made a study of ancient church law, and we carried on long discussions about that.

"I shall never forget Niemoeller's words as he described his first arrest. He said: 'When I was first arrested I could scarcely believe that men could be so cruel. I was in the Prinz Albrechtstrasse prison (Gestapo Headquarters), and I heard there how they were whipping the men. All night I heard screams. I sank on my knees and prayed all night, prayed that God would not let me be weak. It was only through prayer that I was able to hold on.'

"During the 18 months we were together, Niemoeller told me that he had twice been asked to give a declaration of loyalty, which he had refused to do, in spite of the beckoning freedom. Then we were both transferred from Moabit to the Ploetzensee prison. Niemoeller was brought here in an attempt to break his morale," Dr. Stein explained, "for it was in this prison that executions were carried out. We both saw these taking place in the prison court. An axe was used to cut off the heads. Most of those executed were political prisoners. Niemoeller consoled one of the condemned men—a Communist—in the prison court, although this was forbidden. 'I will pray for you, my son,' he told him, and he spoke fervently. He spoke those words to all, Jew, Catholic or Freethinker, and all knew that he was in earnest.

"When we were transferred to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp, the camp needed his consolation badly. Officially it was forbidden to the several priests in the camp—we had about 50 of them—to hold divine services or give consolation. But we who were there will never forget how Niemoeller, in spite of the rule, used to go secretly at night through the barracks to visit dying Christians, Jews or Communists and give comfort to them. Another camp rule forbade Christians and Jews to speak to one another, but Niemoeller often showed himself demonstrative toward Jews, and used to say: 'We are all brothers here together'."

Doctor Stein told also of how some Communists had informed against Niemoeller for having spoken to Jews, hoping in this way to help their "good behavior" standing and expedite their release. As a reward the Communists were given a packet of cigarettes and a chance to become "trusties" in the camp. Niemoeller then went to the Communist Reichstag members in the camp and urged them to use their influence on their party-members. This would last about a week, and then the whole process would begin over again.

"Once,' 'said Doctor Stein, "when a guard shouted at a Catholic priest who had just been admitted and struck him, Pastor Niemoeller became enraged and cried: 'Halt! Have you no honor in your body? Have you no respect for a priest's robes?' He cried out in his old military officer's voice, and the guard was so bewildered that he actually stopped tormenting the priest. But when Niemoeller tried this a second time, when a Jew who was sick and had hidden himself so as not to have to do stone-breaking work was whipped before his eyes, Niemoeller was called before the commander of the camp. The commander said to him: 'I most earnestly warn you that I should punish you. I do not wish to, but next time you will be put in solitary confinement.'

"Without desiring it," Dr. Stein continued, "Niemoeller actually had a great deal of authority on all sides. He was the hope of the camp, and even the Nazis had a certain respect for him.—Nofrontier News Service.

REV. J. C. UMBERGER DIES IN CHARLOTTE

Rev. John Crittenden Umberger, 67, retired Methodist minister of Mount Ulla, died in a Charlotte hospital June 20 after an illness of several months. Born in Giles county, Va., Rev. Mr. Umberger was a son of C. W. and Eliza Martin Umberger.

He was licensed to preach in 1905 and became a member of the Western North Carolina conference in 1916. During his ministry he served various charges throughout the state. He was married to Miss Beulah Dwyer in 1917.

He is survived by his widow, three children, C. D. Umberger, a student at State College at Raleigh, John and Miss Margaret Umberger of Mount Ulla; two brothers, O. T. Umberger of near Statesville, and K. M. Umberger of Mount Ulla; three sisters, Mrs. J. M. Terrell of Brazil, and Mrs. J. J. Edwards and Miss Brooks Umberger, both of Mount Ulla.

The funeral services were conducted at Knox's Chapel Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. J. S. Hiatt. Rev. Y. D. Poole, Rev. J. C. Reichard, Rev. G. F. Houck and Rev. J. W. Hoyle, assisted.

WEST DURHAM CELEBRATES NEXT SUNDAY

The Methodist church of West Durham is filled with rejoicing and will have a day of celebration next Sunday. The long expected day has come. A final check for $10,000 ends a troublesome debt of many years.

The congregation will celebrate the cancellation of its debt on next Sunday, June 29, this day having been set aside for a general home coming-birthday celebration. A former pastor, Rev. Robert E. Brown, will preach at the 11 o'clock service. This sermon will be followed by a picnic dinner spread under the oaks just across the rock wall on the East Duke campus. In addition to the congregation all the former pastors and former living members of the church are urgently invited to attend both the sermon and the dinner.

A few facts tell an informing story:

1. The West Durham Methodist church was founded in June, 1896, by Mr. B. N. Duke and Rev. R. Hibbard. In 1927 the location was changed to College Road, and a beautiful new church plant erected. With the completion of this plant the congregation was left with a debt of $35,000.

2. Seven years later this debt was $30,000 and dragging. The "depression" was on in full force, and many of the members were beginning to feel greatly disheartened. But our pastor at that time, Rev. J. Marvin Culbreth, couldn't stand the pressure, and it was in this year, 1934, that he inspired the congregation and a few of its friends to reduce the indebtedness by $15,000.

3. In 1938 (we still owed $13,500) there came to our pastorate one Rev. W. L. Clegg, who like Mr. Culbreth, hated church debts. Joining with him in this hatred was the church's own Miss Mamie Mansfield, chairman of the building fund committee, and one of the city's most capable and faithful public school teachers. Due to their faithful efforts, our debt was reduced to $10,000 by March 1, 1941. But the Clegg-Mansfield combination decided that the church building and the congregation would be grey-headed and feeble before liberation would be reached by the tedious and painful month-to-month payment plan that was in use. They hurled the challenge right into the face of the membership—"We will pay the debt off in full on June 1, or your money will be refunded."

4. Result—a perfectly good check for $10,000 was sent to the Prudential Insurance Company of America on June 1, and that old mortgage marked "paid and satisfied in full" is now in our hands and—"we ain't got no church debt no more."

Of course this good work could not have been done without the whole-hearted co-operation of the church membership. A glorious good day is in store for all next Sunday.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS TO MEET AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE JUNE 30-JULY 3

The North Carolina Conference Christian Workers' Assembly for adult workers in the local church school, for pastors and for young adults will be held at Louisburg College June 30-July 3. Pastors, church school superintendents, adult workers in the children's division, adult workers in the youth division, workers in the adult division and young adults will share in a program of study, worship and fellowship.

Bishop Clare Purcell, Rev. M. Leo Rippy of Nashville, and Major W. A. Graham of Kinston will be among the leaders of this assembly. All workers in the North Carolina conference are invited to attend. The total cost will be $5. Registration will take place at the college Monday afternoon, June 30.

CHILDREN'S HOME DAY TO BE OBSERVED AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, HIGH POINT

The High Point Children's Home, having been at its present location since 1913, will be officially closed July 1 with the transfer of its remaining children to the Winston-Salem Home. Since the home has been located in High Point the children and workers have attended the First Methodist church here and taken an active part in its program. Needless to say the people of the local church regret very much to see these fine boys and girls leave, and of course the same is true of the workers.

As a farewell program for this large part of its congregation the First church is planning a Children's Home service for Sunday morning, June 29. It is hoped that a large percentage of the alumni of the home will be back for this occasion. Invitations have already gone out to the trustees and others who have been officially connected with the home in the past.

Dr. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the home, will preach the morning sermon. He will be introduced by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, and long time friend of Dr. Dixon. It is especially fitting that Dr. Dixon should be the speaker for this occasion, for he has been closely associated with the home from its beginning. He was pastor of First church when it was first located here and has been its superintendent since 1928. Also many boys and girls from the home will participate in this service and an offering for our orphanages will be taken.

Immediately following the program the people of the church and other friends present will go out to the home to share a picnic dinner with the boys and girls. The dinner as well as the service of course is open to any who want to bring a basket and attend. J. C. Madison.

SERVICES FOR REV. F. F. FRISBIE CONDUCTED AT ASBURY CHAPEL

Funeral services for Rev. F. F. Frisbie, 56, pastor of Asbury Methodist Chapel and Oak Grove Methodist church, who died June 17 after an illness of several months, was held at Asbury Chapel. Rev. G. T. Bond, district superintendent of the Methodist church, officiated, assisted by Rev. C. C. Benton, pastor of Central Avenue Methodist church. Burial was in Salem cemetery at Winston-Salem.

Pallbearers at the services were Rev. J. H. Carper, Rev. J. E. Younts, Rev. L. R. Akers, Rev. S. W. Johnston, Rev. Edwin M. Graham, and Rev. E. W. Miller.

Mr. Frisbie, before coming to North Carolina, held pastorates in the states of Washington, Idaho and West Virginia. He also formerly was pastor of Bell Methodist church at Leicester and pastor of a Canton church.

CHURCH DEDICATION IN MACON COUNTY JULY 6

Asbury church on the Macon circuit of the Waynesville district will be dedicated July 6 at 11 o'clock by Bishop Purcell. All former pastors and friends are invited to be present. Picnic lunch will be served for all. There will be an afternoon service at 2:30 with some outstanding Methodist leader speaking.

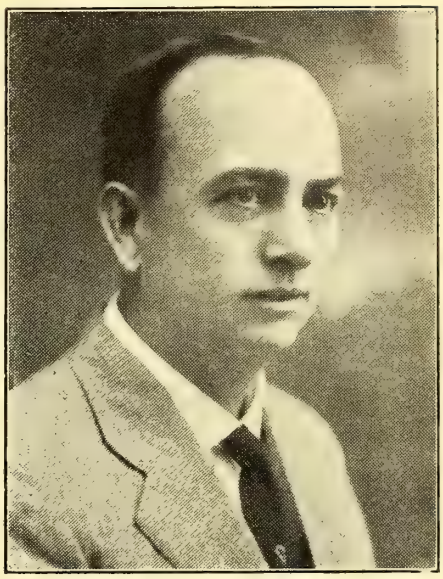
HOME COMING AT CARR CHURCH, CEDAR GROVE CHARGE, SUNDAY, JUNE 29

The annual home coming day will be observed Sunday, June 29, at Carr church, Cedar Grove charge. There will be a program by the church school at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served picnic style. The pastor, J. C. Williams, will preach in the afternoon.

All former pastors, members and friends are invited back for the day. J. C. Williams.



Verona Methodist Church



Rev. Ivey T. Poole, Pastor

Three New Churches on Jacksonville-Richlands Charge

Verona Methodist church will be dedicated by Bishop Purcell on fifth Sunday, June 29, at 11 a. m. This church was completed in 1939 under the ministry of Rev. H. L. Davis.

The Jacksonville Methodist church and the Richlands Methodist church will be dedicated at an early date. Some of the furnishings are yet to be placed.

Not often does a pastor have three churches ready for dedication in one year. But many unusual things are happenings in all that east section at the present time. Vigorous and well equipped churches are much needed.

A Land Largely Unknown to Many

The people of the Coast section of North Carolina know something of the "State of Onslow," but to the people of Western North Carolina this is a **terra incognito.** Much of the land is the finest for agriculture and for timber, but no little of it is sand and pocosin. The inhabitants are among the best that came in with the early settlers of Carolina.

Methodism came into this section early. It lay on the road from Norfolk via Edenton, New Bern and Washington to Charleston. So the pioneer preachers passed this way and called sinners to repentance. Some of the churches date back to the early decades of American Methodism. The Richlands church has made a fine record through all the years. The men on horseback came in the early years of their ministry and usually they took some of the Onslow girls with them on the long itinerant journey. Some claim that in those days that Onslow furnished most of the preachers' wives.

In those far off days the presiding elders covered all this section after the manner of the "horse and buggy days."

But a new day has come. The army and navy are making a great training field of the section that lies between Elizabeth City and Wilmington. The Methodists are on the ground and they should make the best use possible of this opportunity. The new churches are a good omen.

MARVELOUS RECORD MADE AT TROUTMAN

The beautiful Troutman Methodist church building is free from indebtedness. On June 15 home coming day was observed. Brother W. A. Rollins preached a great sermon, and immediately following the preaching hour the people placed more than two thousand dollars on the table. Then last Sunday Brother Joe Hiatt led the service in which the mortgage was burned while our people thanked God. It is of great interest to note that every pledge made during the campaign was paid in full to the last dollar. This is indeed a record. A salute to the Troutman members, to their friends and to the faithful preachers of past years who have so earnestly carried this work toward completion. J. C. Reichard.



Jacksonville Methodist Church



Richlands Methodist Church

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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A MISSIONARY HONORED

Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China, who has recently returned to the United States, has been highly honored by the alumni of the Laura Haygood Normal School of Shanghai, China, with the presentation of $500 as the beginning of the endowment of Kate B. Hackney Scholarship, the interest of which is to be used, year by year, by a student of the department of kindergarten and low grades training. It is in appreciation of the 26 years of loving, faithful service in the cause of kindergarten education in the school that this honor comes to Miss Hackney as a token of the gratitude of her coworkers in the school. We extend our heartiest congratulations to Miss Hackney for this evidence of the love and appreciation of the school alumni—an honor well deserced.

A PRAYER BY GEORGE WASHINGTON

The following is reputed to be a prayer of the Father of His Counrty, which is quoted in the Philadelphia Presbyterian:

"Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with an honorable industry, sound learning and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance; and from every evil way.

"Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Imbued with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be peace and justice at home, and through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all of whcih we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."
—From Charlotte Observer of June 15, 1941.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to call attention of our Woman's Societies of Christian Service to the announcement of program material for 1941-42, carried on page 32 of the June issue of The Methodist Woman. This material for 16 months is published and mailed in two parts for $1 and should be secured as early as possible. Part One bears the title of "Proof Sheets of Power," and is now ready. Contains programs for September, October, November and December, 1941. Part Two—"For the Facing of This Hour," containing the 12 programs for 1942, will be ready by December 1, 1941. These programs can be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, at the price named above.

SUGGESTIONS FOR LOCAL SOCIETIES

(From Annual Mesage of Conference President, Mrs. C. C. Weaver)

(1) Please get your reports out promptly each quarter. When you delay you multiply the work of every officer to whom the report goes.

(2) New handbooks have been issued. Watch the announcements in The Methodist Woman and order accordingly. This is the one MUST publication of your society.

(3) Continue your campaign for new members until you enlist every woman who is on your church roll. Invite them to become members of the largest group of organized womanhood in the history of Protestantism, numbering now one and one-half million with a goal of two million by 1944.

(4) Plan to observe the week of prayer as planned by the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

(5) Make an earnest effort to increase, if ever so little, the total offering for the year. It gets awfully monotonous to hear "we will take the same as last year." It is idle to grow numerically and not grow in liberality.

(6) Those of us who have had the privilege of knowing Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, Mo., are very much delighted to have her as the president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Among the many fine things she has suggested is this—that we take this year two words and really make them live in our organization and in our own hearts. These are "Unity and Love." They go so well together.

GASTONIA DISTRICT MEETING

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Gastonia district met in Mt. Holly May 27 at the Methodist church, with an attendance of over 200, and with Mrs. C. R. McAdams, district president, presiding.

"O Zion Haste" was used as the opening hymn and was followed by a most impressive worship service led by Rev. W. O. Goode. Mrs. O. M. Vernon, president of Mt. Holly society, gave a most cordial greeting of welcome, and response was given by Mrs. S. W. Johnson of King's Mountain.

The report of the district corresponding secretary, Mrs. Wilbur Baber, was most inspiring as she laid special emphasis on the aims of our work for 1941. Increase in membership, life membership, subscriptions to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, larger number of study classes, and greater contributions to supplies were urged by Mrs. Baber, who closed her report with emphasis on the value of spiritual life groups asking that there be a group in each church.

The following district officers were elected: Secretary of missionary education and service, Miss Carrie Mauney; secretary of student work, Mrs. Hunter Ware.

A liberal offering was secured which will go to the expenses of a district representative at the school of missions at Duke University, June 2-7; a student to Lake Junaluska Leadership School and to the Kate Hackney Room in Scarritt College. Mrs. Baber was elected a delegate to the assembly to be held in St. Louis December, 1941, and Miss Leila Epps gave some interesting information concerning this meeting. Mrs. C. R. McAdams was elected alternate delegate.

Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea, gave a very interesting talk on conditions in Korea. Rev. E. M. Jones, district superintendent, was presented and congratulated the women of the district on the efficient manner in which their work was carried on.

The memorial service honoring 19 members of the district who had passed away since last meeting was in charge of Mrs. Baber. The flowers used in the service were placed on the grave of a former member of the Mt. Holly society. Special music was furnished by Gloria Smith and Mary Lou Ellen Ward.

Miss Leila Epps, missionary from Brazil, gave an inspiring and impressive talk on "Open Doors for Christian Service," and at the close of her talk the congregation sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," after which the memorial service was conducted by Miss Epps, with each president of each society in the district participating. Following lunch served at the noon hour, the afternoon session opened with hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," followed by impressive devotional by Mrs. Plato Miller, district spiritual life leader, who used James 4:6 as her scriptural reference, giving in connection with her talk the following beautiful poem:

"He giveth more grace when the burdens are greater,
He sendeth more strength when the labors increase,
To added afflictions he addeth his mercy,
To multiplied trials he multiplies peace.
When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done,
When we reach the end of our hoarded resources,
Our Father's full giving is only begun.
His love has no limit, his grace has no measure,
His power no boundary known unto men,
For out of his infinite riches in Jesus,
He giveth and giveth and giveth again."

Miss Ruth Diggs, missionary from Korea, brought interesting information as to her work in Korea and also from Scarritt College.

The conference and district officers present gave reports of their work, which were most encouraging. Report of the courtesy committee read by Mrs. A. J. Owen, was followed by closing prayer by Miss Leila Epps.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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GLEANINGS FROM MISS LAMB

"The source of power is God and the source of God is prayer. . . . A Christian is a person who literally learns the Word of God and through the love of God makes God known to others—makes God shine so that others may know him. . . . To be born into the kingdom of God is an act of faith on our part. . . . Conditions have nothing to do with the Word of God; changing conditions do not affect an unchanging God."

MISSIONS COURSE AT DUKE

The course "Christianity and World Order' 'taught by Mrs. W. G. Cram at the pastors' school at Duke University recently was considered one of the most successful and challenging ever held and will prove very helpful to the large number who were enrolled in the class from the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conference. The information and inspiration received will mean much in preparing the women who attended to teach this course in the churches this fall. Those who took the course for credit were: Miss Claire Harris, Mrs. Julian Midgette, Mrs. W. L. Maness, Mrs. P. F. Newton, Mrs. W. A. Parsons, Mrs. M. W. Maness, Mrs. W. J. Watson, Mrs. L. C. Larkin and Mrs. B. F. Boone. Those auditing the course were: Mrs. A. S. Parker, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Mrs. G. W. Perry, Mrs. J. W. Page, Mrs. W. T. Phipps, Mrs. H. F. Surratt, Mrs. M. M. Veasey, Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. O. W. Dowd, Mrs. J. D. Crawford, Mrs. D. E. Earnhardt, Mrs. R. G. L. Edwards, Mrs. O. L. Hathaway and Miss Ruth Brooks. Please get your text books early and begin planning for a fine fall mission study class.—Mrs. B. F. Boone, Conference Secretary Missionary Education and Service.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. BROOME

Since the announcement that the new handbooks are ready was published on the woman's page recently, Mrs. R. H. Broome, conference secretary of literature, has received orders daily for them. The handbooks were supposed to have been ready by June 1. However, Mrs. Broome writes that they have not as yet been received by her and that she will fill all orders immediately upon receipt of the books. We are confident that the women of the N. C. conference will understand Mrs. Broome's inability to fill orders yet and that they will patiently await the time when she can do so.

UNION SOCIETY NEWS

The woman's missionary society of Union church in the Elizabeth City district was organized two years ago with seven members and in less than three months we had 20 members. In September, 1940, we reorganized into a Woman's Society of Christian Service with 22 members. The attendance at the meetings is good each month with each member taking interest in the work and making liberal contributions to all causes. To our sorrow we lost one of our very dear members who we believe has gone on to glory. We have an active spiritual life group and The Upper Room is being used. We are taking special interest in Christian social relations and local church activities and are working for a nursery in our church.—Mrs. Mod Keaton.

JULY 24-AUGUST 5

Are dates of vital interest and import to Methodist women. On these dates will be held the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska, and those who attend will be abundantly enriched. Courses in missions and Bible study, forums, lectures, addresses, fellowship and other features will contribute to the occasion. Among the outstanding speakers will be Dr. E. Stanley Jones, minister, author and missionary to India. Reasonable rates at hotels and boarding houses will be available and women are uged to form parties and attend the conference. Write Mrs. Katherine Ray Atkins, Lake Junaluska, for catalogue which contains information concerning the conference and the list of hotels and boarding houses.

DR. KOO SPEAKS

Dr. Koo of China, secretary of World Student Federation, speaking at State College in Raleigh in the early spring, gave some enlightening first hand information concerning attitudes of Chinese and India folk today. Said he: "In India the leaders are thinking today in terms of complete freedom from British rule. There is a contemporary national movement in India today to gain that freedom. This national movement for freedom in India is based on the principle of non-violence. 'Right and truth have the right to win without the necessity for force' is the teaching of Gandhi. The note in China for the past 50 years has been national reconstruction. Old China is suddenly plunged into modern ways which necessitates reconstruction. In 1937 China lost approximately one-half of her schools and colleges, high schools and primary schools. This loss was felt far more than loss of battles or areas. As a result of a meeting called by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in which he appealed to the people to do something to restore educational facilities, 25 refugee schools and colleges in China were established, the government giving the money for them. There is a fine spirit of culture in China. The Chinese haven't shown much of hysteria and fright and that is because the minds of the Chinese have with the thought of resistance coupled the thought of building up. One Chinese meaning of the word crisis is 'dangerous opportunity.' "

MUSIC STUDENTS AMBITIOUS

Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary from North Carolina to Africa, writes: "One of my favorite music students has written that he was beginning to teach four children in the village the 'Halleluja Chorus.' We hitch our wagons to the stars in the Congo. He is really an excellent music student."—The Methodist Woman.

A PRAYER MEETING IN TOKYO

One missionary wrote some time ago that a prayer meeting held in Tokyo in connection with the anniversary celebration was attended by more than 1500 Christians and the writer fittingly inquired whether America has recently drawn together such a crowd in connection with a patriotic celebration.

WHAT DID YOU SERVE?

Summer is here and with it comes thoughts of porch parties, garden teas and picnics. These call for novel ideas in the way of entertainment. It is suggested that the Wesleyan Service Guild members use their imagination in concocting fruit and vegetable drinks. These, of course, are to contain no alcohol. The resulting recipes should be sent to the Guild Office, 150 Fifth Ave., New York City. These will be gathered together into a collection, mimeographed, and offered for sale at a small sum.—The Methodist Woman.

MINISTRY AMONG BOHEMIANS

Although immigration of foreign-speaking groups has greatly decreased in recent years, there are still those groups of first-generation folk of other lands who welcome a religious ministry in their own tongue which they understand. Such a ministry has the Rev. V. J. Louzecky performed among Bohemians in the vicinity of Broadway Methodist church, Cleveland. For 30 years Mr. Louzecky has preached the Christian gospel "in a strange land." He is widely known throughout the neighborhood, and in his kindly fashion he has wrought much good. One women said, after bringing her domestic problems to the minister: "If I had heard this gospel sooner, I don't think my husband and I would have parted. —World Outlook.

ROADS OF LIFE

There are two roads of life: Road of Do As You Please. To travel this road one does not have to have any aims. It is a road of selfishness. It will end in defeat. Road of Unselfishness, Service—the King's Highway. To travel this road one soon learns that he must make sacrifices. He who travels this road admits brotherhood to every one else. It is a road of surrender of the human will to obey God's will. It is a road to happiness.

It is easier to teach twenty what is good to be done, than to be one of the twenty to follow one's own teaching. —Shakespeare.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THAT GREAT DAY

When our children read in the Advocate that a great day was coming to the Children's Home they became somewhat agitated with excitement. They could not quite understand what the great day was about nor when it would come. So, like children usually do, they made inquiry. When told that this great day was a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home day, their anticipation was let down a bit and even one little sister exclaimed, "Is that all there is to it?" Our children, bless 'em, do not have to worry about our finances. But our friends, bless 'em, should and do have a good deal of concern about our finances. The great day that's coming will arrive around 9:45 next Sunday morning. Let's get ready for it.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

The Children's Home will be thirty-two years old the first day of next September. It is one of the youngest child caring institutions in North Carolina. Its growth and development have been very remarkable. Rev. James E. Rink, in his brief history of the Children's Home, says: "The means of supporting the Children's Home has changed least of any aspect of its existence. Two of the three main sources of income for the Home have operated since its beginning: the free will offerings of the Sunday schools every fifth Sunday in the year, and the individual gifts of the friends of the Children's Home. After the first year of operating the Home, it was learned that the income from these sources would not meet the expense of the institution. The board of trustees, therefore, asked the annual conference of 1910 to provide an additional income amounting to ten per cent of the pastor's salary on each charge. This plan was adopted and put into effect the next conference year. Few extra campaigns and projects to provide material aid for the Home have been tried during its history. One was the Work Day project which asked for the earnings of a day's work from each person who was interested in the Home. A few soap coupon campaigns have been under way. But for the most part the financial policy of the Home has been that voiced by the executive committee in 1917 in whose judgment the best plan for the support and maintenance of the Home was an efficient fifth Sunday and ten per cent offering to the Home from the churches."

HOMELIKE ATMOSPHERE

Through a process of ten years there has been a continual improvement of our grounds and our buildings. Half of our brick buildings, those of later construction, are of fireproof construction. The first buildings constructed were of cheaper material. In the run of time plastering fell, woodwork wore out and leaks came through the roof. All the old buildings have been carefully gone over and painted on the inside and out. All our buildings are now in good condition. "A stitch in time saves nine."

THE OLD WAY

Rev. Mr. Rink, recounting in his history the conditions that existed in the four wooden buildings which first housed the Children's Home, says: "The living conditions in those four wooden cottages were quite different from those in the present commodious dormitories. In the cottage for smaller children it was not unusual to find five or six youngsters sleeping crosswise on a double bed. The one stove in the house was in the play room, and running hot water was seldom enjoyed. It does not tax one's imagination very heavily to see the trying problems of a matron with twenty-five or thirty children crowded into a small frame house which was poorly equipped with clothes closets, storage space and other necessities of housekeeping and home-making." At the present time every child at the Children's Home has a separate bed. There are ample bathing and toilet facilities with plenty of fresh air space. No building is heated with a stove and enclosures surrounding furnaces are as fireproof as conditions will permit.



If a girl, be a good one

CLEANLINESS AND GODLINESS

In the congregated way of living cleanliness is absolutely necessary. It is next to godliness. We have seen the time when we were bothered a great deal with scabies, commonly called itch. We havn't had a case in quite a while. After every intaking period there have invariably shown up some "creepers" on children's heads. We never rest until the last one is sent to its happy hunting ground. Cleanliness on the outside tends to encourage cleanliness on the inside. So we proceed to help godliness along with cleanliness.

THE DOG GONE GANG

Junior boys do like gangs. They prefer to gang up for constructive endeavor. We have many gangs here. One of the last to organize is the Dog Gone Gang. The purpose of this gang is to keep stray dogs off the place, in spite of the fact that it is as natural for a boy to love a dog as a duck to love water. But dogs have been killing our little pigs and dogs have been going mad, and the boys have decided that they had better be gone. So they whistle to the dogs and pet them while we call the city's dog catcher for impounding until owners can claim them.

OPEN AIR MEETING

Our high school boys and girls had their religious service last Sunday afternoon in an open air fashion. The lovely Brown building, in which they have been in the habit of holding their Sunday evening services, was being refitted for our approaching orphanage conference, thus giving them a good chance to go up to the football field and there to sit on the bleachers while your humble servant talked to them on "The Value of Talk in Growing a Life." Sometimes we get thoroughly impatient with our older youngsters, but it is never when they are together discussing the best ways and means of growing happy and profitable lives.

JUST PLAIN HAPPY

The picture this week is that of Erline Yarbrough, eight years old and promoted to the third grade. This little youngster, a member of the Smith cottage family, stays happy all the time. She never gets to the top round of happiness and most assuredly never gets to the borderline of unhappiness. She smiles well, works well and lives well. She is just plain happy. Erline is sponsored by the Susanna Wesley Bible class of First church, Salisbury.

THE ARCHDALE WAY

One of our finest supporting groups are our friends at Archdale. These friends seem to love to do more than is expected of them. Added to complete payments of ten per cent apportionments, liberal fifth Sunday offerings and sponsoring children already in process, they are willing to do more. Read what Mrs. A. E. Williams writes: "Archdale Methodist church is doing some fine work with Rev. G. E. White as pastor. Every one likes him very much. I am glad to tell you that our Susanna Wesley class met last night and decided to sponsor a child from the Home. We would like very much to have the fine little girl whose picture appeared in the Advocate this week, Florence Ballinger. If someone has already asked for her we will be glad to have another little girl. We would like to have this girl spend her vacation with us."

THE CLEAN-UP GANG

The big Dodge truck has just come by. It seems to have more boys on it than anything else. As it stops we look out the window and see the boys deploying in various directions. It is the Monday morning clean-up gang. Papers, trash, cans, ashes, garbage and other things are gathered.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....
..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A GREAT CHALLENGE — Every Sunday school in the conference is asked and urged to take a free will offering on the fifth Sunday in this month for the benefit of the Methodist Orphanage.

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ON THE ROAD—Since the commencement and board meeting I have been on the road doing case work preparatory to the acceptance of new children. I have investigated a number of distressing cases, and the need is imperative. It is disheartening to know that we are not in a position to meet all the urgent cases which I have investigated.

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MRS. RIVES WRITES AS FOLLOWS—The day was pleasant that we spent with friends at Mt. Gilead. Rev. M. W. Lawrence is the pastor in charge, and Rev. A. C. Thompson is pastor at West End, where we went for the evening hour. Excellent congregations greeted us at both places. I am sorry we do not have space to say more about this Sabbath day, which the singing class enjoyed so much.

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A WARM WELCOME—In behalf of the boys and girls, members of the Orphanage staff and board of trustees, I wish to extend a most cordial welcome to our thousands of friends who will gather on the Methodist Orphanage campus the fifth Sunday morning to hear Rev. C. K. Proctor, Gov. Clyde R. Hoey and exercises by our children. The program will be an inspiration to all who avail themselves of the privilege of being our guests the fifth Sunday.

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY—Ann Street Methodist church, Beaufort, one of the oldest Methodist churches in the state, celebrated its one hundred and sixty-third anniversary last week. The celebration began on Sunday, June 15, and continued through June 22. A number of former pastors were present during the week and brought messages of congratulation. Being a former pastor of the church it was my happy privilege to have preached on Monday night, the 16th. I was happy to meet many of my old parishioners and take part in the one hundred and sixty-third anniversary. Bishop Purcell was to have preached last Sunday, closing the celebration. Brother W. S. Potter, the popular and beloved pastor, is having a great pastorate at Beaufort. While in Beaufort Mrs. Barnes and I had the pleasure of taking a meal with Mr. and Mrs. James D. Biggs, who were reared in the Methodist Orphanage. I regret that pressing business matters necessitated my early return to the Orphanage.

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EXPECTING THOUSANDS OF VISITORS—Over a period of three or four months preparation has been going on at the Orphanage to make the fifth Sunday in this month a "red letter" day for the Methodist Orphanage. Five thousand representative laymen and lay women have been appointed delegates, and other interested friends have also been invited. A big treat is in store for the thousands of visitors who will gather on the Methodist Orphanage campus this coming Sunday morning and afternoon. Rev. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Masonic Orphanage, Oxford, N. C., will speak at 11 o'clock, and at two-thirty o'clock Governor Clyde R. Hoey will address the gathering. His message will be broadcast over WPTF. In the morning and afternoon there will be interesting programs rendered by the children of the home. We have erected a large platform under the trees on the campus, and we will have loud speakers so that everybody can hear the speakers and the children. All who come are requested to bring a basket dinner, so that visitors and children may eat together on the campus. All the pastors who do not have preaching engagements on the fifth Sunday are urged to spend the day on the campus at the Methodist Orphanage. All superintendents of church schools have been asked to invite and urge chairman of boards of stewards, chairmen of boards of trustees, church lay leaders, teachers of men's and women's Bible classes, presidents and secretaries of Societies of Christian Service, and any others who can come. Let everybody boost the fifth Sunday rally at the Orphanage, so that day will be a glowing success.

JUNE

Joy comes: grief goes, we know not how;
Everything is happy now,
Everything is upward striving;
'Tis as easy now for the heart to be true
As for grass to be green or skies to be blue—
'Tis the natural way of living:
Who knows whither the clouds have fled?
In the unscarred heaven they leave no wake,
And the eyes forget the tears they have shed,
The heart forgets its sorrow and ache;
The soul partakes the season's youth,
And the sulphurous rifts of passion and woe
Lie deep 'neath a silence pure and smooth,
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CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Vacation School Reports

Vacation school reports are now coming in. We take this opportunity to remind you that reports should be mailed to Miss Elizabeth Oliver,, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C., as soon as the school is finished. If you do not have report blanks, write her for them. The following have reported vacation schools held during the past two weeks:

Rev. I. L. Sharpe reports an attendance of 59 children in the vacation school at Rural Hall. Mr. Sharpe says, "Nine very efficient workers; co-operation was fine. In every way, a fine school."

Rev. Robert V. Martin of Harmony reports an enrollment of 90 children, with 12 teachers and helpers. In the union vacation school, Mr. Martin says that they are starting another school soon.

Miss Hattie Poindexter reports the vacation school at East Bend. In this school there were 42 children enrolled with four workers. Miss Poindexter says, "Beginners and primaries were led into a deeper understanding of the wonders of Nature, its miracles and beauty, and that God is the Creator of the land. Juniors and intermediates took an imaginary trip to Palestine to discover and learn about "the lands of the Bible."

Rev. Clegg W. Avett of Landis says, "The school brought a sense of satisfaction and a good time. It was a good experience for the adult helpers. They enjoyed it and looked forward with enthusiasm to a school next year. The children want to have it for some weeks yet to come. I learned to know some boys and girls who heretofore were strangers. There were 11 children enrolled, with three workers."

Rev. M. G. Ervin reports 106 children enrolled, with ten workers, six of whom are regular church school teachers. Vacation school work is a regular part of the program for Chadwick, and means a great deal to the children and workers.

Rev. O. L. Robinson not only reports the vacation school at Taylorsvlile, but sends several kodak pictures, which are very much appreciated. This was a two weeks school in a church where no vacation school was held last year. There were 55 children enrolled, with five workers. This is an excellent step forward in the work of the church.

Space does not allow a comment on the fine schools listed below:

Chapel Hill (Statesville district)—Rev. G. F. Houck.

Pleasant Grove (Marion district)—Miss Ozelle Moore, Supt.

Nathan's Creek—Rev. S. G. Ferree.

Gibsonville—Rev. Robert G. Tuttle.

Morris Chapel—Miss Blanche Westmoreland, dean of school.

Main Street and Cherry Street, Kernersville—Mrs. V. A. Barber, dean.

Vanderburg—Mrs. A. G. Lackey, Supt.

Bethany Church—Rev. W. F. Beadle.

Nesbits Chapel—Rev. W. F. Beadle.

China Grove—Rev. Wilson O. Weldon.

Friendship—Rev. Earl A. Cook.

Wesley Memorial—Rev. Julian Lindsey.

Union—Rev. J. C. Swaim.

East End—Rev. E. W. Needham.

Prospect and New Home—Rev. G. A. Hovis.

Catawba—Rev. Charles E. Shannon, director.

Moriah and Shady Grove—Rev. John F. Cagle.

Central, Canton—Rev. W. R. Kelly.

East Flat Rock—Rev. Irving R: Miller, director.

Boulevard, Statesville—Rev. H. C. Byrum.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLAN FOR A VACATION SCHOOL ON YOUR CHARGE. Write Miss Oliver for helpful materials.

TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR THE SUMMER

In addition to the training classes held in small churches during the winter and spring months, the following have been scheduled already for June, July, and August. If you desire training for your workers, write today to Earl Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury. Many more schools should be planned. We hope your charge is having one or more.

June 8-11, Shiloh, H. L. Isley.

June 8-12, East Flat Rock, C. M. Smith.

June 9-13, Friendship, E. A. Cook.

June 9-13, Mt. Pleasant, T. E. Strickland.

June 9-13, Salem, G. R. Stafford.

June 15-18, Jackson Park, J. G. Holmes.

June 15-18, Bradley Memorial, P. W. Tucker.

June 15-19, Mineral Springs, N. A. Huffman.

June 15-19, Moore's Grove, C. M. Smith.

June 15-21, Thrift, J. H. Carper.

June 16-19, Norwood, C. G. Hefner.

June 16-19, Whittier, W. E. Andrews.

June 16-19, Gethsemane, C. W. Russell.

June 16-20, Bethel, E. A. Cook.

June 16-20, Ledford's Chapel, D. H. Dennis.

June 17-21, Moriah, John F. Cagle.

June 22-26, Long Pine, T. G. Highfill.

June 22-26, Dellwood, C. O. Newell.

June 22-25, McKendree Chapel, A. G. Lackey.

June 22-26, Catawba, W. Q. Grigg.

June 22-26, Hayesville, A. J. Clemmer.

June 22-26, Heath Memorial, N. A. Huffman.

June 22-26, Fruitland, C. M. Smith.

June 23-26, Rockwood, V. A. Morton.

June 23-27, Midway, G. S. Miller.

June 23-27, Bethlehem, G. R. Stafford.

June 23-27, Gilead, T. E. Strickland.

June 23-27, Mt. Tabor, E. A. Cook.

June 27-30, Harmony Grove, V. A. Morton.

June 29-July 4, New Salem, J. O. Banks.

June 29-July 3, Upward, C. M. Smith.

June 29-July 4, Bethlehem, W. Q. Grigg.

June 29-July 3, New Hope, T. G. Highfill.

June 30-July 4, Oak Grove, E. A. Cook.

June 30-July 4, Gold Hill, Lester Furr.

June 30-July 4, Boger City, E. L. Kirk.

June 30-July 4, Arbor Grove, J. L. A. Bumgarner.

June 30-July 4, Zion, G. R. Stafford.

July 1-4, Brown's Chapel, V. A. Morton.

July 6-10, Moore's, J. H. Carper.

July 7-11, Ebenezer, T. E. Strickland.

July 7-11, Elizabeth Chapel, C. O. Newell.

July 13-17, Waxhaw, N. A. Huffman.

July 14-18, Miller's Creek, J. A. Bumgarner.

July 14-18, Maple Grove, C. O. Newell.

July 20-24, Friendship, J. O. Cox.

July 20-24, Concord, W. Q. Grigg.

July 21-25, Mt. Vernon, T. E. Strickland.

July 21-25, Friendship, J. A. Bumgarner.

July 21-25, Marvin, D. H. Rhinehardt.

July 21-25, East Fork, J. R. Bowman.

July 21-25, Mt. Pleasant, G. R. Stafford.

July 27-31, Hopewell, W. Q. Grigg.

July 27-31, Friendship, B. A. Sisk.

July 28-August 1, Selica, J. R. Bowman.

July 28-August 1, McKendree, D. H. Rhinehardt.

August 3-7, Tusquittee, D. H. Dennis.

August 4-7, Myrtle Chapel, P. W. Tucker.

August 4-8, Oak Grove, J. R. Bowman.

August 11-15, Lake Toxaway, J. R. Bowman.

August 17-25, Farmer, J. O. Ervin.

August 24-27, Mt. View Church, J. O. Cox.

REGISTRATIONS FOR ASSEMBLIES

Showers of registrations are pouring into the office for Senior Assembly (ages 15, 16, 17), June 30-July 5, and Young People's Assembly (ages 18-23), July 7-12, at Lake Junaluska. At the time of this writing (June 19) there are 141 registrations on hand for Senior Assembly ,and 70 for Young People's Assembly.

From now on as many as desire may register from any church. Remember that registration cards should be sent to Mrs. John F. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C., with $1 fee. Remaining $9.25 is payable at the Lake. Let the showers continue!

Advocate Campaign Report

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Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 29

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By Rollin H. Walker

Lessons from the Early Church

1 Corinthians 3:1-15

The Corinthians complained of Paul's simple, straightforward preaching. It was too humbling to their pride, too much centered on the cross of Christ, and it lacked high sounding philosophical phrases. Bnt Paul frankly declined to bring into his sermons passages from the prevailing sophist philosophy, for he well knew that this philosophy got nowhere, and would most certainly obscure like a thick fog the thorn-crowned face of Christ. And he added, You haven't even allowed me to give you the deeper philosophy of the gospel; you forced me to feed you on the bottle because your factions made you incapable of understanding the profounder truths. No one can understand the things of God without the Spirit of God, and no one ever has the Spirit of God who does not live in deepest harmony with the brotherhood. Paul was right. A united church, and that alone, forms the lens of the telescope that reaches afar into the great mysteries of God.

Some of the magnificent churches with towers reaching to heaven deserve no other name than that of kindergartens. The gray-haired babies are pulling one another's hair and snatching one another's toys, and yet they pompously demand of the minister sermons that are up to their intellectual standards. These people can no more understand the deeper truths of the gospel than a man can understand Einstein's mathematics who does not know arithmetic.

The true Christian must have his telephone connected with Central so that he can reach and be reached by all the brotherhood. A private line connected with the leader of his faction is not sufficient.

And now Paul turns from the church to the ministers. There is but one foundation, says the apostle, and that is Jesus Christ. And he means by that, not merely the teachings and principles of Jesus, but the living Christ himself. His cross is our salvation from sin, his resurrection our hope of eternal life, his living leadership our guide and inspiration.

But, says Paul, it is possible with a measure of sincerity to build on this foundation very different materials. If a man with no thought of personal aggrandizement works for the spirit of co-operation in a community, keeps back no needed truth from any member of his congregation, however rich and powerful he may be, if he keeps himself from all stress on non-essentials, and refrains from all sectarian rancor, he is building on the true foundation, gold, silver, precious stones. But how easy it is, instead of these enduring materials to build a structure that will suddenly go up in smoke on the day of judgment!

Can there be any doubt that the proselytizing zeal of some ministers is preparing a building for the flames? And hear that Bible teacher as he rants and sneers against the heretics, and teaches his group to trust in themselves that they are orthodox, and set all others at naught. Surely such zeal is building wood, hay and stubble. And hear that all too common teacher who by pious innuendoes covertly raises up a faction opposed to the minister. And listen to the preacher who judiciously soft pedals the truth that his rich parishoners need to hear, strokes the fur the right way and makes the congregation purr like a pussy cat. See them gather around him at the end of the service, and gush over his eloquence. But will his work stand the fire?

And then there is that other minister whose test of efficiency is feverish activity. The other day a huge dog went by in an automobile and barked furiously at the writer, but he was going so fast that his barking caused no fear. And after the same manner some preachers are so feverishly active that their barking does not scare the devil in the least.

In order to make his point impressive Paul makes a sharp distinction between the two kinds of workers, as though all were in one class or the other. But in actual life those who for the most part are building solidly are apt to put in some wood, hay and stubble. That is true of even the great men like Luther and Calvin and Wesley. The fact that a man is wonderfully used of God does not justify him in inferring that the Almighty endorses all he does and says. Even the righteous shall scarcely be saved (1 Peter 4:18).

RULES OF THE ROAD: ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES

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Children's Storyland



THE FLOWERS THAT WENT TO CHURCH

Jean woke up early one morning. The sun was bright outside her window, and she felt all happy inside. For a minute she didn't know why she felt so happy, and then she remembered! Today was Sunday and she and mother were to fix the flowers for the big church today!

She lay there a minute longer, just feeling glad, and then she jumped out of bed and ran into her mother's room to see if she were awake. Sure enough, mother was awake, and Jean said, "Mother, do you remember? Today we fix the flowers for church!"

Mother smiled as she answered, "Yes, Jean, I remember."

"May we get up right now, and go out and pick them?" Jean asked.

"Yes, we will get up right away," said mother.

Quickly Jean and her mother dressed, remembering to put on their old shoes, since they were going into the garden.

As they went downstairs, mother asked, "Shall we have breakfast first or pick the flowers first, Jean?"

"Oh, let's pick the flowers first, please," said Jean.

Together Jean and mother went out the back door and stood looking at the garden. The flowers all looked so fresh and gay that it was hard to decide which to choose.

"I like the purple lilacs best, mother," Jean decided. "May we pick some of those?"

"Yes, I had been thinking that I should like them, too," said mother. "You take the basket and I will take the shears and knife."

Mother cut the tall lilacs, reaching high up on tiptoe for them, and Jean carefully put them into the big basket. When the basket was full of the fresh, sweet blossoms, mother said, "Now let's get some white tulips."

So they went over to the tulip bed, and mother cut the tulips and handed them to Jean. As Jean put them into the basket, she counted—one, two, three, four, five six, seven, eight, nine, ten—ten white tulips.

Jean carried the basket very carefully into the house, and mother put the flowers in deep, cool water to wait until it was time for church. Jean helped her mother get breakfast, and after she and her mother and daddy had eaten, she dried the dishes.

She and mother dressed carefully, putting on their Sunday shoes and dresses. "Hurry, mother, we musn't be late," said Jean.

"No, we mustn't be late today. We must fix the flowers before the people come."

Soon they were ready, and mother put the flowers back into the basket.

"We must find just the right vase for them," said mother, as she and Jean went to the cupboard. Jean saw a bright-red vase. "Let's take that one," she said. Mother got it out, but the purple flowers didn't look right beside the red vase.

"Green would be better," thought Jean; but the green vase was too small to hold so many flowers.

"Let's try the white one," mother suggested, as she took it out. The white one was just right, and the purple lilacs and white tulips looked lovely with it.

When they reached the church there was no one else there, and the building was very still and beautiful with the sun shining through the colored windows. Jean's mother filled the vase with water and carefully fixed the flowers, while Jean watched. She carried it into the church and put it on the table at the front. "I think these lovely flowers will help the people to think of God as they come to church this morning. Don't you?" she said softly to Jean. Jean nodded.

They sat down as others began to come into the church. Soon the organ began to play, and Jean noticed that, as the people came in, they bowed their heads to pray. She bowed her head, too, and said, "Thank you, God, for the lovely flowers. I'm glad that mother and I could bring them to your church."

—Louise S. Linder, Story World.

GROWN-UPS

It seems to me that most grown-ups
Are frowning all the while;
I've watched them as they stir their cups—
They hardly ever smile.

Of course they all are wise and brave,
But still I don't think half
Of them enjoy themselves, for they've
Forgotten how to laugh.

Now I laugh at most anything—
At moonbeams or the sun,
Or if I see a fairy's wing—
Why, I laugh just for fun.

And really it's quite nice, you know,
And it's quite easy too;
I don't care how grown-up I grow,
I'll always laugh—won't you?

—Selected.

A father said to his son: "When I was your age my father would not allow me to go out at night."

"You had a hard-boiled father!" replied the young scamp.

"I had a lot better father than you have!" replied the irate elder.—Christian Science Monitor.

BIRD OF THE DARKNESS

By Jasper B. Sinclair

The raven, sable-hued bird of darkness, figures in more of literature's classic pages than many another feathered creature of the air.

It has its place in the mythology and folklore of the nations, as well as in early Biblical history. The raven has the honor of being the first bird mentioned by name in the Old Testament. And it was the ministry of the raven, of course, that Elijah was fed in his hour of need.

In the folklore of the Northmen the raven was the bird of Odin. From his celestial palace in Asgard, Odin was supposed to have sent out his two ravens to bring him daily tidings of all that was taking place in heaven and earth.

In the classic mythology of the Greeks and Romans the raven was a character of ill-omens. Succeeding writers have sustained that reputation down through the centuries. In that respect the early English dramatists and poets took the lead in lampooning this jet-black bird.

Christopher Marlowe calls it the "sad presageful raven." Shakespeare's works contain any number of similar allusions to the raven's ill-omened appearance and the many superstitions to which the bird has given rise.

On this side of the Atlantic Edgar Allan Poe is in the forefront of those writers who bespeak the bird's foreboding appearance, with his best known poem to "The Raven."

Perhaps, aftr all, the raven has no one to blame but itself for this widespread belief in its ill-omened nature. Its grave manner, its sable plumage and its habit of so readily mimicking the speech of human beings certainly do not inspire any spirit of friendliness or cheerfulness.

It is strange that the folklore and literature of the nations should remember the raven merely as a bird of ill-repute. Christian peoples should be rather inclined to remember it as the bird that performed the miracle of feeding Elijah. For that one friendly act alone it is deserving of a much better fate from the pens of the poets and the tongues of the tellers of folklore.—Our Dumb Animals.

Church School Teacher—"Can any of you children give me one of the Ten Commandments with only four words in it?"

Bobbie—"Keep off the grass!"

Teacher: "Tommy, please translate 'Rex fugit.'"

Tommy: "The king flees."

Teacher: "You should use 'has' in translating the perfect tense."

Tommy: "The king has flees."—Exchange.

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A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Chapel Hill, 7:30 26
Alamance, Bethel, 10:30 28
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 2 28
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 11 29
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 2:30 29

July
Davis Street, 7:30 2
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 29
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 29
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night 29

July
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1 2
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

June
Sparta, Shiloh, 11 22
Laurel Springs, 3 22
Jefferson, Orion, night 22
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 11 29
Wilksboro, Union, 3 29
North Wilkesboro, night 29

July
Boone, 11 6
Watauga, Henson's, 3 6
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 6
Todd, Calvary, 11 20
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 3 20
West Jefferson, night 20
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27

August
Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Goldston, Meronies, 11 29
Siler City Ct., 3 29

July
Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Grimesland, Whortans, 10:30 27
Vanceboro, Chapmans, 10:30 28
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 29
Ayden, Winterville, 8 29

July
Grifton, 10:30 1
Hookerton, Ormonds, 10:30 2
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Aurora, Bonnerton, 11 6
Mt. Olive, Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11 29
Selma, 8 29

July
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 6
Franklinton, Wesley, 3 6
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 6
Oxford Ct., Gray Rock, 8 9
Princeton, Fellowship, 8 11
Newton Grove, Wesley's Chapel, 11 12
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 13
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 3 13
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8 27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30

August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 29
Middleburg, Shocco, 3:30 29
Littleton, 8 29

July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 2:30 29

July
Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13

Institute Conferences

June
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 10:30 13
Shallotte, Sharon, 10:30 17
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek, 10:30 18
Elizabeth, Singletary, 10:30 19
Bladen, Live Oak, 10:30 20
Town Creek, Bolivia, 8 24
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 10:30 25
Maysville, Maysville, 10:30 26
Swansboro, Swansboro, 10:30 27

July
Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

June 29, 3 p.m.—Black Mountain, Swannanoa at Tabernacle, Swannanoa Ct.
July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.
July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.
July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.
July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mills River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.
August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Prospect, Smyrna, 3 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

July
North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 29
Dallas, Puett's Chapel, 2:30 29

July
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Sandy Ridge, 11 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

July
Danbury, 3 6
Midway, 7:30 6
Ruffin, 11 13
Hickory Grove, 2 13
Mitchell's Grove, 11 20
Calvary, 7:30 20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

June
Highland, 10 28
South Davidson, P. G., 2 28
Lebanon, 7:30 29
Calvary, 7:30 29

July
Asheboro Central, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30

August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 29
Burnsville, Bolen's Creek, 3 29
Spruce Pine, 7:30 29

July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences will be held in groups as follows:

Cabarrus County at Epworth, Concord, 3 ..... June 29
Rowan County at Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, 3 .. July 6
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All preaching engagements made directly with the pastors.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

August
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Whittier, Mt. Olivet, 11 29
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 8 29
Dellwood, Elizabeth, 8 30

July
Robbinsville, Maple Springs, 11 6
Andrews, 8 6
Bethel, 8 9
Morning Star, 8 10
Cullowhee, 11 13
Love's Chapel, 2:30 13
Sylva, 8 13
Clyde, 8 16
Canton, First, 11 20
Canton, Central, 8 20
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27

August
Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September
Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

June
Erlanger, Yadkin College, 11 29
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 29

July
Trinity Bethel, 7:30 6
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27

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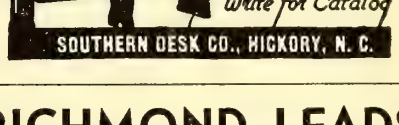
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Books for Examination:

1. Abingdon Commentary: New Testament Articles.
2. Branscomb, The Teachings of Jesus.
3. Pratt, The Religious Consciousness.
4. Stewart, A Man in Christ.
5. Beaven, The Local Church.

For Collateral Study:

1. Book on Luther—to be selected.
2. Selections from Wesley (Edited by McConnell); until this is published use Welch, Selections from Writings of Rev. John Wesley.
3. Waterhouse, Psychology and Pastoral Work.
4. Pastor and Church (pamphlets).
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Books for Examination:

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For Collateral Study:

1. McConnell, John Wesley.
2. Palmer, Art of Conducting Public Worship.
3. Lindstrom, The Church in Rural Life.
4. Religion in Life.
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Books for Examination:

1. Lewis, God and Ourselves.
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4. Bennett, Social Salvation.
5. Fosdick, Guide to Understanding the Bible (second half).

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Ellington Bible class suffers the loss of a valued and faithful member, whose loyalty and devotion exemplified the cardinal virtues of our religion. His courtesy and gentleness of manner will ever linger in memory of those among whom he lived and came in contact.

Our community deplores the death of this straightforward and upright man whose business enterprises were always characterized by fairness in dealing with his fellowmen.

To the grief-stricken family we offer our deepest sympathy, and commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows of life.

Be it resolved that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, to the daily papers of our city, and a copy recorded in the minutes of our class.

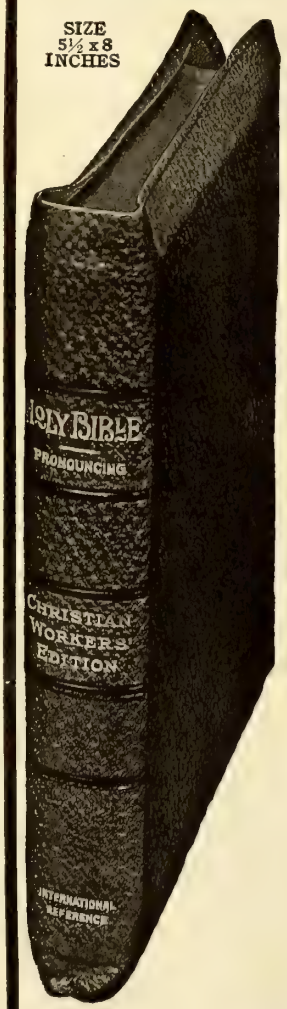
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Liberty At Stake!

By Dr. Charles Stelzle

To most of us liberty is a priceless heritage. We have gloried in our heritage, but some of us have forgotten the price with which our freedom was purchased. We have enjoyed liberty as though it were a gift which carried with it no obligation, and we have been reckless spendthrifts of our inheritance.

It seems a great bore to stand when the band plays "The Star Spangled Banner," forgetting that it represents that for which "our fathers died . . . land of the pilgrim's pride," whereas we should feel like jumping to our feet and waving our arms, with tears in our eyes, because of what "Old Glory" means to us. This may seem a bit hysterical, but the whole world is on the verge of a great catastrophe which may vastly affect our own country.

While we have been enjoying liberty without discipline, the people of the totalitarian countries have been subjected to discipline without liberty. They have been systematically hardened for brutal combat while we have been softened through indifference, self-indulgence and sheer laziness. The virtues which dominated the fathers of our country, who through great sacrifice won for us the freedom and liberty which we still enjoy, have been replaced by sophistication and wise-cracking, and we are permitting crackpots and irresponsible agitators to insult our constitution and ridicule our form of government.

We have supinely accepted teachers of subversive doctrines from abroad, viewed with indulgence leaders of movements who frankly declared that they are trying to create class hatred and race prejudice in our midst, and condoned by politicians who are too spineless to protest against those who are boldly laying the foundations for our destruction. The same tactics indulged in in the countries which they hold up as idealistic would send them to a concentration camp or before a firing squad.

When such enemies of our country flaunt their contempt in our faces, the time has come for every loyal American to stand up in his wrath and speak out as a loyal citizen, particularly as we are now confronting forces which threaten our future as a Republic of free men and women.

We have not attained the full glory which lies inherent in our system of government, although we believe that we already have the best form of government in the world. But we must vigorously oppose those whose sole purpose is our destruction and humiliation, lest we be subjected to the rule of those who are opposed to the principles of freedom and liberty which were bought at so great a price, and which made America the haven for the oppressed of other nations.

Continue to send renewals and new subscribers so as to enhance the showing made in report of the campaign.

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What we mean by liberty is not release from law, but a state of security and sheltered equity under law.—Horace Bushnell.

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Most refreshing is the increasing number of citizens opposed to our rushing into this present war. Not that they would have England to fight her battles alone, but rather they are convinced that for America to get in would be of little if any advantage to England.

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When military power is discredited and the dream of world dominion has proven false, then man will lose confidence in force and he will turn to something else. Then the spiritual has a chance—an inner reconstruction rather than wholesale devastation. Hence the church must ever be in forward movements to keep vital and strong the spiritual.

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On the front page of this Fourth of July number of the Advocate appears the torch of liberty high and lifted up to enlighten the world. We are indebted to "Life" Magazine for the picture which should lead to a fresh dedication of our lives to that civil and religious liberty for which the fathers paid a great price in the early years of our nation's history.

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With Webster may our object be "Our country, our whole country, and nothing but our country. And by the blessing of God, may that country itself become a vast and splendid monument, not of oppression and terror, but of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty, upon which the world may gaze with admiration forever." Let us see to it that our land retains her pride, her freedom, her soul. Then this will indeed be the land of our forebears.

"And the Star Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

"Liberty bonds" of the first World War have in this last become "defense bonds." The one fits in with the freedom of America as a home for the oppressed of every land better than does the other as a barrier set to its own defense. No longer can we say as did our forebears of other years—

"They come—their name is legion—
Unto Columbia's shore;
From earth's remotest region,
They throng our open door."

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The National Conference of Christians and Jews to meet on the campus of Williams College August 24-29 has for its theme, "The World We Want to Live In." As a post-war aim all phases of this theme will be discussed in an effort to arrive at a just and durable peace. Never before have there been so many efforts on the part of so many people to prepare for a just and durable peace following the present war. The reconstruction of society to follow the war enlists the interest of all leaders of all classes and elements of our American people. The hope is to do a better job than that following the Armistice in 1918.

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The American Union has endured 165 years. In crises words that burn have come from the souls of patriots. Again and again, the people have fallen into a slump. Even the burning words of Patrick Henry, "Caesar had his Brutus; Charles I his Cromwell; and George III may profit by their example," fail to arouse the dull populace. Then the words of Rufus Choate crowd upon us—

"Oh! for an hour of Webster now!
Oh! for one more roll of that thunder inimitable!
One more peal of that clarion!
One more grave and bold council of moderation!
One more throb of American feeling!"

The Glorious Fourth

THE Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, is one of the immortal documents in the course of human events. It holds a front place in all our national life and in the march of human freedom. That all men are created equal; that they are endowed with certain inalienable rights, such as life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, have become dominant convictions with the American people. These are fundamental to the American way of life.

In '76 the declaration of independence was against the abuses of George III of England. At that time, we would be free and independent of Great Britain. Now we are intimately linked up with England to save democracy and Great Britain is relying on these former colonies to save the mother country so sorely pressed by the Nazis. So, a marvelous change has come in these last one hundred and sixty-five years. The present celebration of the "Glorious Fourth" is far removed from the celebrations of one hundred years ago. Then we were pressing the western frontiers towards the sunset as we were settling a continent; now we are striving to defend the Western Hemisphere. We have a big job. This requires more than waving flags as we march to the strains of the national anthem and shout glad acclaim on the Glorious Fourth.

We will certainly do well to hold fast to the conviction of our forebears and to walk in the ways our fathers trod as they moved to subdue a continent. Though proud of their country and ready to die for their convictions, they were simply seeking a better country. Had we more of their spirit at this hour many of the ills, such as strikes and lockouts would disappear. Our democracy would then be more secure and our defense more dependable. Our loudly proclaimed social advance in the nation is too largely crudely material. Material security rather than spiritual vigor is our weakness. Our boasted national defense is strong in body but weak in soul subject to communist and other godless elements. Only a genuinely spiritual church can give real significance to the longed for American way of life that had its avowed beginning the fourth of July, 1776.

Ancient Damascus

THE daily press dispatches telling of the English armies in Syria as they press their efforts to take Damascus bring vividly before us this ancient city, supposed to be the most ancient city in the world. Again and again Damascus has been destroyed, but it still lives at present numbering more than 150,000 population. Situated on a plain covered with gardens and orchards watered by the Barrada (Arbanah), Damascus on account of its beautiful surroundings is believed to have been the model for the Paradise described in the Koran.

At the time of the Crusades, Damascus produced a famous type of ornamental steel, so we have the Damascus blade. The street called Straight is familiar because of its association with the conversion of St. Paul. This is one of the busiest and most important streets of the city. Damascus is one of the holiest Moslem cities and noted for its mosques. It continues to be the most thoroughly Oriental in all its features. It is situated 53 miles southeast of its port, Beirut.

The reference in press dispatches to Damascus and Tyre and Sidon of ancient Syria brings close the fighting going on in all that region so familiar to Bible readers. Though mechanized warfare, with its bombing planes, is far removed from that of the ancient times.

The Birthplace of the Best Things of Life

ALL good things in life should be born out of emotion," says Hendrik Van Loon. "Whether that emotion be one of joy or despair is quite immaterial, provided there be an honest emotion. 'Without emotion, no art,' is one of the oldest of all divine laws, and it holds as good on this dreary day in the year of grace 1941 as it did tens of thousands of years ago when unknown painters scribbled their wild animals in the caves of France and Spain."

If art be born out of emotion, music and poetry and religion as truly have their birthplace in emotion. Why then attempt to make a syllogism the birthplace of religion or try to put it in an intellectual straight-jacket? A sermon of cold intellect, without emotion and passion, is but a stack of bones without flesh and blood and life. To parade skeletons in the pulpit is not preaching the gospel of the Son of God.

Why are so many people who should know better afraid of emotion in religion? There is a garden and a hill in our religion. But the garden is called Gethsemane and the hill is called Calvary. The greatest things of earth are not wrought out in cold blood.

The Voice That Comes Out of the Silences

SENATOR JOSIAH W. BAILEY delivered the commencement address this year at Wake Forest College. The subject of the Senator's address was "The Price of Peace." From this remarkably fine address we quote several introductory paragraphs, as follows:

"Better for you now, I think, on the threshold of your careers and in the midst of so great confusion, is the suggestion that one may hear more and find surer direction, if he shall succeed in finding for himself a place of silence and hear and hearken to no voice save that which comes from the eternal realms of help.

"For there is a voice that speaks to every generation, to every age, and to every man if he will; a voice that one may hear best alone and in silence, and that one may understand only in meditation. It is the voice that Moses and Elijah heard, that John the Baptist heard, that Jesus heard, that Paul heard—the voice in the desert and the wilderness, of fasting and prayer. And one may dare to add that Buddha, Confucius, Mahomet heard also—and even Joan of Arc under the trees of Domremy, and John Bunyan in his prison cell, and John Woolman on the highway alone. It is the voice of which the poet spoke when he said:

'Well roars the storm to him who hears
A greater voice across the storm.'

"It is the still small voice that never fails the ear that will hear, that always serves him who hearkens.

"I bid you hear this Voice above them all, if you can—hear and hearken. For perhaps it may bring you peace whate'er betide, and vision in our present great darkness, and through you a way for millions now lost in vast confusion. I repeat, you may hear it, if you will, and you may hearken, if you will."

Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin

THESE three are a product of the social, political, and economic upheavals in Europe that followed the first World War. And this trio of dictators have ushered in a state of affairs in Europe, and by reflex action in other parts of the world, that no man ever dared to dream could overtake the nations of earth in these supposedly advanced stages of modern civilization.

What will take place when the present war ends? Few men would be presumptuous enough to attempt an answer to such a question, hidden as it is among the unknown things of the years that are just ahead. But it appears to us a safe guess that the end of the war will likely mark the end of the public careers of these dictators as the last war marked the end of the Kaiser and of the Czar of the Russias. But let us hope that those who follow these will not surpass in wickedness the present trio.

Just at present Hitler and Stalin are in a conflict of arms no one can begin to foresee the end, though most military men think that Russia cannot last long against Germany.

"The Sunshine on Our Baby's Curls"

DURING her youth Alice Freeman Palmer, once president of Wellesley, spent some time teaching a class of small girls recruited from a tenement district. One day the idea came to her to ask these children, pitifully dirty and unpromising, to find something beautiful in their dingy world and then the next week tell the rest of the class about it. When the next week came one small girl said slowly, "I ain' t found nuthin' beautiful where I lives, 'cept the sunshine on our baby's curls."

Years later, long after Mrs. Palmer's untimely death, her husband was lecturing at a university in the west. His hostess that night could hardly wait to tell him that she had once been a member of a class of small girls taught by Mrs. Palmer. She said: "I can remember that your wife once asked all of us to find something lovely in the rather unpromising neighborhood where we lived. The next week I came saying that the only beautiful thing I had found was the glint of the sunlight on my little sister's curls. But that suggestion your wife made was the turning point in my life. Then and there I began to look for beauty and I have found it everywhere ever since." God's purpose for individual lives? Some of us are sure we see it there. We believe this young teacher was used of God to meet the need of those children.

The foregoing incident given by Gilkey in "The Certainty of God" illustrates how the providential use of human lives becomes evident only after long periods of time have elapsed. Fortunate are we if we can bring ourselves to believe that God is always striving to use us to help other people; and that God is also striving to bring us to the particular place and the particular career in which we can do most for others.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. and Mrs. Matt. R. Gardner of the Roper charge announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Rose, June 6, at the parsonage in Roper.

Rev. F. E. Howard, pastor of Erlanger church, Lexington, was admitted to Thomasville hospital Saturday, June 28. He will undergo a major operation Tuesday, July 1.—Vivian Rathburn.

Miss Dorothea Roberta Brown, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Ellsworth Brown, Methodist missionaries in Chengtu, West China, was united in marriage to John Hiller Patterson of Jackson, Michigan, on June 14, at Berkeley, Mich.

The Advocate campaign now reaches from Manteo to Murphy. The Manteo charge of which Rev. M. W. Maness is pastor reports eight new one year subscribers, and Murphy of which Rev. C. B. Newton is the pastor reports 9½ new one year subscribers.

Says Winston Churchill: "Any man or state who fights against Hitler will have our aid; any man or state who marches with Hitler is our foe." With devil substituted for Hitler this becomes the creed of the old time Methodist preacher: Any man who fights the devil will have our aid; any man who marches with the devil is our foe.

A thoughtful and generous member of First church has given the minister a check for one hundred dollars, to be used at his discretion among the children of the church and community. We take this opportunity to express to him the appreciation of the church and assure him that every dollar will bring a full return of joy and happiness. If there are others who would like to add to this fund please feel at liberty to do so!—Bulletin of First Church, Asheboro.

The Oak Grove church on the Person circuit will observe its annual home coming day on Sunday, July 6. The pastor, Rev. F. B. Peele will preach at 11 a. m. After the basket dinner the church school day program will be given. Former pastors and friends are cordially invited. The revival services which begin July 6 will continue throughout the week with preaching by Rev. W. J. Underwood Monday night at 8 o'clock and the following nights, with afternoon services at 4 o'clock beginning Tuesday.—Ruth Brooks.

With many improvements in script and in cast, The Lost Colony drama will open next week, July 3, at Fort Raleigh, Roanoke Island. Paul Green, the author, is here aiding Sam Selden in supervising the technical details, and producer Brad Fearing is busy with the multitudinous details of publicity and entertainment that hang around on all sides. The Elizabeth City Advance has issued a creditable advance edition, replete with pictures of the show and local scenery, and piles of letters of inquiry are coming into the offices about this summer's production.—Dare County Times.

Union Theological Seminary of New York, traditionally Presbyterian, conferred more degrees upon Methodist students this year than on Presbyterian. The number of Methodist and Presbyterian graduates in the 1941 class, however, was the same, 21. One Methodist received both a degree in divinity and in sacred music. Among the Methodist graduates were Robert E. Luccock, son of Prof. Halford E. Luccock of Yale Divinity School and grandson of the late Bishop Naphtali Luccock. Another was Richard T. Baker, Pulitzer travel-fellowship winner and associate editor of World Outlook.

The annual picnic for the ministers 'families of the Elizabeth City district will be held at the Elizabeth City Country Club Tuesday, July 8. All visiting ministers and Duke students who are assisting the pastors in the district are invited. Let's all be there on July 8 at 11 o'clock for a jolly time together.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Murphy has been heard from in the Advocate campaign. We have received a check for $21 from Rev. C. B. Newton, the pastor, for new subscribers. He says: "This list includes the entire official board of the Murphy Methodist church. Mrs. E. B. Norvel is the Advocate representative here. Other subscriptions have been promised and should reach you within the next few days." We certainly thank Brother Newton and Mrs. Norvel, the Advocate representative, for this fine work which they are doing.

July 1 is the new state law prohibiting the sale of wines of more than 14 per cent alcoholic content in 74 "dry" counties in North Carolina goes into effect. Wine stores and wine salesman are given a word of warning by O. M. Mull of Shelby, speaker of the 1941 House of Representatives. Mr. Mull says the law is adequate to stop the sale of fortified wines and that its enforcement is up to the local counties, towns and enforcement officers and the local courts. The people can stop the wine sales if they want to.

The members of Newlyn Street church are proud of their good pastor, ever ready to help in every good cause. He is firm in what he does and says and has a fine family. Mrs. Latham is a most thoughtful and beloved lady. Another thing, we are proud of our choir. Mr. J. I. Hobbs, choir leader, has done a splendid work. On Sunday, June 22, the choir went to Benson for the state singing contest and won first prize. We are proud of both choir and leader. Mr. Hobbs has worked faithfully with the choir and church; he also has a quartette, girls' chorus and a trio which we appreciate. We will be glad to have anyone visit us, especially those who do not go to Sunday school—Member.

In many places in Europe a half loaf may be better than none; perhaps here in America there are those who would prefer half a loaf to none. But one would hardly place any faith in a half-watch as a timepiece, or a half car as a means of reaching the movies. Nor is a half-Christian very valuable to his church, his pastor or his God. This is no time for half-hearted loyalty. Can you say "I am a Christian?" Will you pledge your loyalty to Christ and his church? Your church, your pastor—God himself is counting on you. Are you a Christian? Is there such a thing as a half-Christian or a nominal Christian? We think not. One is either a Christian or he is a sinner. Then which are you? —W. J. Plint.

First Methodist church, Winston-Salem, completes the first section of vacation Bible school. In lieu of the regular Sunday evening sermon, the members of the congregation were pleasantly entertained and instructed by the program presented by the matriculants of the vacation Bible school under the guidance of Mrs. Stella J. Price. The 14 pupils from the primary department told in song and verse the story of Our Daily Bread. They were instructed by Mrs. N. F. Carroll, Miss Iva Lee Smith, Miss Edna Mae Cheek, and Miss Frances Danner. The 22 pupils from the junior department told, with the assistance of beautifully executed hand work, song, and the spoken word, many famous Bible stories. They were instructed by Miss Ruth Little, Miss Vertie Mae Spry, and Miss Pauline Fishel. The juniors did not present the result of the study of the source "Learning About Our Church" to the congregation, as they thought such knowledge was acquired long since.

FULLER-O'NEAL BETROTHAL IN DURHAM

Miss Lenora Earle Fuller became the bride of Harry O'Neal on Wednesday afternon, June 25, in a wedding of dignity and simplicity. The single ring ceremony and betrothal of the Methodist Church was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. Carlos P. Womack, in Carr Methodist church, Durham, at 5 o'clock.

White pedestals in graduated heights held ferns and evergreens. Between two white standard floor baskets filled with Queen Anne's lace interspersed with graceful sprays of asparagus fern, the predieu with white satin pillow, was placed in front of the white and green altar, upon which the young couple knelt for prayer. Two tall cathedral stands with white lighted tapers formed an arch in the central background, two seven-branched floor candelabras stood on either side illuminating the nuptial scene. Gardenias tied with white tulle bows marked the pews for the bride's family.

Prior to the ceremony soft music was rendered by Misses Josephine and Jessie Fuller, aunts of the bride, who played the piano and violin respectively. Their selections included the following musical numbers: "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms" by Thomas Moore, "Annie Laurie" by Lady Scott, "Love's Old Sweet Song" by J. L. Molloy, "Londonderry Air," "The Rosary" by Nevin, and "Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life" by Victor Herbert. Mr. Clyde Ferrell sang with violin accompaniment "Tell Me Do You Love Me" by Stults and "I Love You Truly" by Carrie Jacobs-Bond. As the soft strains of "To a Wild Rost" by MacDowell were played the vows were pledged. Richard Wagner's Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin" was used as the processional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" as the recessional.

Miss Fuller chose as her only attendant Miss Celeste Mullen, who acted as maid of honor. She wore a powder blue embroidered eyelet batiste frock with a contrasting pink poke bonnet hat trimmed with rosebuds. She carried an arm bouquet of mixed summer flowers tied with an airy bow of pink tulle.

The bride entered alone. The groom and his best man, Fred Scott, entered by the side door, meeting the bride at the altar. Milton Fuller, brother of the bride, and Robert Casey were ushers. Their boutonieres were white carnations.

The bride's dress was fashioned of white embroidered eyelet batiste being cut with a fitted bodice, long waisted with a full graceful skirt. Her hat was a becoming crownless, wide brimmed poke bonnet shape of matching eyelet and grosgrain ribbon. She carried an arm bouquet of white bride's roses, baby's breath and pink double larkspur tied with a white tulle bow and streamers.

Mrs. Fuller, mother of the bride, wore a blue California sheer crepe dress with white accessories. Her shoulder corsage was pink and white roses.

Mrs. O'Neal, mother of the groom, wearing pink completed her costume with a shoulder corsage of gardenias.

The bride, a pretty brunette, is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fuller of Durham. The bridegroom is the only son of Mrs. Bertha O'Neal and the late G. M. O'Neal of Durham.

Josephine Fuller.

A MARRIAGE OF WIDE INTEREST

The Salisbury Times, Maryland, of June 25, carries the following account of the marriage of Miss Edna Wilkins who is widely and favorably known in North Carolina, especially in Methodist circles of the state:

"A very lovely wedding was solemnized in beautiful little St. Peter's Episcopal church at noon today when Miss Edna Wilkins, daughter of Virgil P. Wilkins of Salisbury, became the bride of Mr. Henry Crawford Soper of Washington, D. C.

The bride's sole attendant was her sister, Miss Louise Wilkins, who was her maid of honor. The groom's best man was Walter J. Wilkins of Norfolk, Va.

The bride entered on the arm of her father by whom she was given in marriage. Her gown was of Alice blue chiffon and lace, and she wore a very small shepherdess hat in matching chiffon with veil falling softly to shoulder length. Her corsage was of sweetheart roses, delphinium and baby's breath.

The Rev. Robert P. Frazier, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony and his daughter, Miss Eugene Frazier, played the wedding music and marches. The vows were spoken before an altar adorned simply with white gladioli and candelabra.

Immediately after the ceremony a small wedding breakfast was served at the Wicomico Hotel for members of the family and out-of-town guests, among whom were Miss Edna Kenley of Wilmington, N. C., Mrs. H. S. Purnell and Mrs. Edward Henry of Berlin, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkins and Billy Wilkins of Norfolk, Va.

Later in the day the couple left for an automobile trip through western North Carolina. Upon their return to Washington July 5, they will reside temporarily at the Grafton Hotel on Connecticut avenue.

The former Miss Wilkins is known in Salisbury, as it is her home, and also through her connection with the public schools; and in North Carolina through her work in religious education in the Methodist Church.

Mr. Soper is a native of Washington and is in the service of the United States government, Department of the Navy."

DEDICATION IN ONSLOW BY BISHOP PURCELL

Rev. Ivey T. Poole, pastor of Jacksonville-Richlands, in a personal note adds:

"The dedication service went off in a very fine way. We had a large congregation. The bishop delivered a very appropriate sermon. Rev. H. L. Davis, a former pastor under whose ministry the church at Verona was built, and Rev. A. S. Parker, our district superintendent and also a former pastor, were present and took part in the services."

From coast to mountains might very well indicate the range of one bishop in his circuit of dedication of churches. Last Sunday he was in Onslow near old ocean, next Sunday he is to be beyond the Ridge in the midst of the blue mountains. These high hills are fully 500 miles west of the "vasty deep."

PLYMOUTH ROCK

When the Pilgrim Fathers in 1620 landed on Plymouth Rock, 37 miles from the present city of Boston, it was a barren rock on a bleak north Atlantic shore. But the Rock is no longer barren even if these shores are still bleak amid the storms of a New England winter.

The visitors who are pictured below from left to right are: Mrs. W .T. Powell, High Point; Miss Helen Plyler, Greensboro; Mr. W. T. Powell, High Point; Miss Eleanor Powell, High Point; Mr. George Zink, Andover, Mass. The Powells with Miss Helen Plyler, their guest, are touring New England, and Mrs. Powell with Miss Eleanor Powell and Miss Helen Plyler from June 25 to July 1 attended the national convention of the Kappa Delta Sorority at Swampscott, Mass.



Local People Visit Historic Plymouth Rock

Doing The Impossible

By ERNEST C. DURHAM

The two books I keep closest to me, besides the Bible itself, are "Victorious Living," by E. Stanley Jones, and "The Reason for Living," by Dean Robert Russell Wicks. I have simply filled the margins of those pages with my markings—a habit of mine when reading a book that is really great.

Two pages in those books are dearest to me: on in "Victorious Living" which says so much about doing the impossible; the other in "The Reason for Living"—a page which describes a huge tree that was found by a fisherman in the Adirondack forest growing on top of a massive rock—a tree which, in the beginning, found itself in a bit of earth on top of that rock, but which looked down to the earth beneath and said: "I'll see if I can't send some roots down that far, and, if I can and can strike deep into the earth, the problem will be solved."

And it did just that very thing. Little roots followed some dirt-filled crevices in the rock until they had struck into the fertile soil ,and after the years had passed there stood the great tree held high above the earth by the rock.

It dared to do the impossible, and it gloriously succeeded.

The fisherman turned aside to see that great sight, as did Moses to see the burning bush; and neither of the two men was ever the same again, after having gazed upon the impossible.

You and I don't have to go far today to see people engaged in the miraculous business of doing that which cannot be done. It is taking place every day all around us.

Yonder it is—that mother who lives on water, and atmosphere, and the grace of God, until, after many days, her sick child is brought through a crisis to where it can smile again.

Again I see it—a poor man, living on less than what better paid men spend for luxuries, and sending children through college; and the world turns around and asks him, "How did you do it?" But such as that, in this world of miracles, cannot be explained.

There's another man—look at him: he is wondering, day after day and night after night, how he can meet a certain financial obligation or save an insurance policy from lapsing and finally, after a sleepless night, he is about to decide it cannot be done. And yet he dares to believe the impossible will take place. And his belief is rewarded with victory. If he is a preacher, within almost no time three or four fine young business men, not knowing the minister's circumstances whatsoever, slip into the preacher's hands the prettiest greenback bills you ever saw with the most attractive figures on them—all because they love him so much for uniting them in matrimony to the best young women on earth. If the hard-pressed man is a layman, some forgotten debtor suddenly springs into his office to pay an old, old bill, with interest, declaring he recently got religion—or that religion got him.

The miracle of doing the impossible often works in ways like that. And often it is more significant still. A man comes into a spiritual crisis when faith won't work —there is no faith—there is no meaning to life—there is no consistency between the doctrine of the love of God and the practice of hate throughout a warring world; there is also the practice of selfishness, and the existence of a dangerous class spirit—even among religious leaders who should certainly conduct themselves as brothers; and the man of the crisis throws himself down to die in some wayside place; but even out there where he expected to find nothing beautiful and meaningful, he opens his eyes after a while and beholds all around his body little wild flowers, growing amidst rocks and beneath big, selfish, life-taking trees—flowers protected by the God of the universe and nourished in his own good way. And the man smiles once more; faith begins to revive again, as he says: "If God does all this for the plants in such a wayside place, and keeps beauty growing here, surely he has as much concern for me, and for thousands of others of my kind—and I'll not let a little wild flower outdo me in holding on to the Eternal."

Out of nowhere comes a faith to save a man who was dying in doubt. Again the impossible is achieved.

After such impossible victories, a man thanks God for E. Stanley Jones and his words: "Dare to do that which cannot be done, if you would find joy in living." Really there is no joy like it—that of conquering the thing that cannot be conquered—sometimes this unconquerable thing being one's own self.

And a man who wins such impossible victory and finds such satisfying joy becomes more and more conscious of the fact that there is a grand "reason for living."

SHORT SERMONS

Some recent words of mine on the dangers of long sermons moved one of my readers to tell me about a sermon he thinks must be the shortest on record. It was preached in a West Country circuit some forty or fifty years ago by an old local preacher who, just before he ascended the pulpit stairs in a village chapel, had his shoulder touched by a steward, who said: "Our folks here don't like long sermons, so cut it short, brother, cut it short!"

The old man nodded and proceeded into the pulpit. Then, when the time came for the sermon, he leaned over the pulpit, and said: "My friends, they tell me you don't like long sermons here. Friends, life's short; eternity's long; take care you're not damned!" He then gave out the closing hymn.

My correspondent is wrong, though, in thinking it to be the shortest sermon on record. That, surely, was the one preached by the famous Rowland Hill when he was chosen as the special preacher for a Charity Sunday, and, after announcing his text, "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord," preached a sermon of only nine words, which were these: "If you like the security, down with the stuff!"—Methodist Recorder, London.

He that doeth good is better than the good which he doeth; and he that doeth evil is worse than the evil which he doeth.—Plato.

W. C. HUCKABEE HEADS LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

The Rev. Weyman C. Huckabee, who has recently returned with his family from Japan after seven years of service as principal of Frasier Institute in Hiroshima, has been called to the secretaryship of the Laymen's Missionary Movement for the eastern area of the United States, and will have his headquarters at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City. This office of the Laymen's Missionary Movement has just been organized by a group of influential business men from various denominations in New York and vicinity, and it will have the backing of a group of prominent men of the eastern section of the country. Dr. John



W. C. Huckabee

R. Mott, James M. Speers, Cleveland E. Dodge and a number of other lay leaders of the Christian church have been active in the formation of this Movement to give expression to the large number of men "who believe the condition in the world today call for an active and aggressive forward missionary movement by united Christianity."

Mr. Huckabee was born in McRae, Georgia, the son of a Methodist minister who gave forty-eight years of service to the itineracy. He is a graduate of Duke University from which he holds the degree of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Bachelor of Divinity.

BOOMERANGS

Maybe Uncle Willie wasn't as bright as he should have been, but he was nobody's fool either. By careful gardening and simple living, he made those ten acres of land support himself and his wife.

When he was notified that the new super-highway would cut right through the middle of his property, Uncle Willie didn't object. He didn't even ask for money, but he did ask for an underpass so he could drive his cow to pasture without crossing the road.

The highway commissioner said Willie's request was ridiculous. Willie's neighbors thought it was very reasonable. Willie was invited to take his case before the State Board of Public Roads. Dressed in his Sunday best, he came to the county court house supported morally by the presence of a half-dozen friends. They all groaned when they saw that the commissioner was the presiding officer.

Everybody got a chance to say what he had to say and then Uncle Willie stood up to speak. The commissioner cross-examined him. He shouted at Willie, he threw a blitzkrieg of questions at him, he confused him. Willie got all tangled up. He wanted the road. He didn't ask for any money. He just wanted an underpass for the cow. The commissioner glared at him and made it appear that Willie was obstructing the public good, trying to get graft for himself.

Finally, the commissioner attempted to point out that Willie was incompetent, anyhow. His final line of attack was as follows: "What is your occupation?" "Well," said Willie, "I am a kind of a farmer." "And how is a 'kind of a farmer' different from a first-class farmer?" came the retort. "Well," said Willie, "a 'kind of a farmer' is different from a first-class farmer just like you are different from a first-class commissioner."

Willie got his underpass.—Zions Herald.

A DELIGHTFUL SUNDAY IN MAIN STREET CHURCH, HIGH POINT

The formal opening of the new Main Street Methodist church in High Point last Sunday was unquestionably the greatest day in the history of that congregation which was organized forty years ago, and from a small beginning has enjoyed a constant growth through these four decades.

The church auditorium is entirely new and the interior of this church is as beautiful as any in the state, except the Duke Chapel in Durham. Its Gothic arches are equal to the best and the acoustics all that one could ask. Flowers not only beautified the chancel but they seemed to be everywhere through the big educational building which during the recent improvements had been to all appearances made anew and greatly enlarged. It is now first class every way.

Three interested and happy congregations crowded the church last Sunday. At 10 o'clock Geo. F. Kirby, the first pastor who organized the church in 1901, was the speaker. A. W. Plyler was the speaker at 11 o'clock and E. H. Blackard spoke at 8 o'clock, when the Wesley Memorial congregation joined with the Main Street congregation.

At this service Rev. N. C. Williams, the pastor who has wrought so well during the last four years and whose leadership has been responsible for the new church, spoke gracious words of appreciation for the help that Dr. Blackard and the Wesley Memorial congregation had given in this building enterprise. They put $10,000 into the building and they have a deep and abiding interest in its future which is so full of promise.

Dr. Blackard in his response, among other things, said that usually in a rebuilding or enlarging enterprise those concerned find when the work is done some things have been omitted or overlooked. But it was not so in this instance. On the contrary everything is just as we would have it were it to do over.

It was obvious that the Wesley Memorial pastor who with his people had given such good service was just as happy as the pastor who had led in this monumental task.

At the close of the evening service the congregation was invited to inspect the building. Preparation had been made for this not only by the presence of flowers everywhere, but members of the reception committee were on hand to greet the visitors and members of the congregation. And they did it as if it were a daily experience.

It was the writer's pleasure to take dinner with Brother Williams and his family at the parsonage. Admirable for situation is this adequate parsonage overlooking the park that lies between the big junior and senior high school buildings which have the appearance of a college campus. The Williams family seemed to be rooted to this admirable parsonage home.

We Must Rediscover Real Christianity!

By E. STANLEY JONES

The most pressing question of this hour is: What can save civilization? Can Christianity?

Every civilization is organized around certain basic ideas and emotions—the heart of that civilization. When the heart decays then that civilization perishes. The basic ideas around which American civilization was founded were ideas of liberty and democracy with a definitely religious grounding. Roughly, the underlying basis in New England was Puritanism, in New York it was Calvinism, in Pennsylvania Quakerism, in Maryland Roman Catholicism, and in Virginia Episcopalianism. And shot through it all was the spirit of the Baptists and the Methodists, the Lutherans and many others.

The basis of our American life was Christian—however poor and partial it might be. It was the heart beat of our civilization. But that heart beat began to decay. The effects of this were not at once obvious. But now they are beginning to show. We begin to feel a sense of wrongness—a lack of direction.

We thought that if we had sufficient gadgets life would come out all right. We are like the multi-millionaire who installed in his house the finest pipe organ, and got the best players to perform on it, and who at the close of one of these performances said to a friend, "I've learned how to make money, but I've not yet learned how to live."

American civilization has been so busy with the means of life that we have forgotten the ends of life. Jesus spoke to a civilization in much the same situation as ours when he said, "Save yourself from this untoward generation" —a generation not going toward anything, a generation adrift.

A great Russian writer said, "Europe has lost Christ, and Europe will perish." It seems that this prophecy is in process of fulfillment today.

But what about our civilization—can Christianity save it? It can, provided we turn to it wholeheartedly with sincere national and personal repentance for our neglect and rejection, and provided we discover a more vital type of Christianity than we now have. We have inoculated the people with a mild form of Christianity, so that it is now proof againlst the real thing. We must rediscover that real thing.

That real thing centers in the person of Jesus Christ. Christians are people who believe in God and man and life through Jesus Christ. Christianity has institutions, but it is not an institution; it has its forms and ceremonies, but it is not a form or a ceremony; it has its creeds, but it is not a creed. At its heart, it is an allegiance to a Person, and that Person is Christ.

But when we talk about Christ we must remember he is not a mere Person, however exalted he may be. He is a person in whom a New Order confronts us. "He went out preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God." That was his gospel—the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is God's New Order confronting the whole life with a totalitarian demand, "Repent! Submit!"

We can thank the totalitarianisms of the day for one thing: They have broken the mold of our individualistic thinking, and have made us think in terms of wholes. They have helped us to discover how totalitarian our gospel is; it is more totalitarian than the totalitarianisms, for it goes from the innermost thought to the outmost rim of the social, national and international life, and demands that all life come under a single sway—the will of God. That is breath-taking, and yet it is the heart of our gospel.

That message of the knigdom was modified before he was through. He stepped out and said. "I am the Kingdom." Before Pilate he spoke of "My Kingdom." He was the Kingdom. That is important.

The reason Hitler is significant is that the German people feel that in him the new Germany is embodied; to be loyal to Hitler is to be loyal to Germany. The reason mussolina has power is that the Italian people believe that this new resurgent Italy is embodied in him. Mahatma Gandhi's significance is found in the fact that he embodies the rising nationalism of India in himself—the order and the person meet, and when he speaks India speaks.

Christ's significance is not only in his own person and life, but it is to be found in the fact that he embodies God's final and absolute Order—the Kingdom of God. When he speaks the Kingdom of God speaks. The Absolute Person and the Absolute Order have come together and are one. That makes Christ of cosmic significance. To be in touch with him is to be in touch with a New Order embodied in him. Our religion is at once then individual and social. It is not now individual and now social—it is at one and the same time individual and social.

A personal Christ, without embodying a New Order, cannot save us. But a Christ who is the Absolute Person embodying the Absolute Order can save us. Can save us provided—and the provision is a big one—provided we turn to him in repentance and submission and obedience, in both the individual and national life.

Can Christianity save civilization? It can, provided there is a reawakening and a revitalizing of the center of our civilization—the religious heart. Without that, the periphary dies.

But what we do we must do quickly, for this country is going either Communist or Fascist, or Christian. The decision is at our doors.

NEW METHODIST CHURCH TAKES IN FOUR-FIFTHS OF AMERICAN METHODISTS

Despite unification the 1941 edition of the Yearbook of American Churches, just out, shows that there are still 19 varieties of Methodists in the United States. Baptists number 22 separate bodies.

Of American Methodists of all kinds those who are members of The Methodist Church compose 85 per cent of the total, the remainder being divided among 18 other bodies. Approximately three-quarters of the sanctuaries bearing a Methodist name are churches of the denomination formed by the 1939 merger.

The three bodies ranking next in size are:

African Methodist Episcopal: Churches 7115, members 650,000.

African Methodist Episcopal, Zion: Churches 2252, members 414,244.

Colored Methodist Episcopal: Churches 4000, members 365,000.

Free Methodists have 1275 churches and 45,890 members; Wesleyan Methodists, 730 churches, 26,720 members; Congregational Methodists, 275 churches, 16,508 members. The lesser bodies range from a single congregation to 85 churches.

A DEVOTED AND HEROIC CHRISTIAN

Brother L. L. Yates, known to his friends as Lauda, joined Mizpah Methodist church when he was a boy. After the church was abandoned his membership was transferred to the West Rockingham church where he is now a member. Brother Yates is not able to walk, or feed himself, or propel the wheel chair, or to raise his hands much above the handlebar of the chair. Yet he managers to write letters and statements to customers. He owns and operates a fish and oyster market about a mile from his home in West Rockingham in Rockingham. A helper



L. L. Yates

pushes him to his market every morning and back home in the afternoon. Sometimes he stops at Moss's store on the way home and chats with his friends. His helper carries him to the places where he takes orders for fish and then the helper delivers them. He owns his home and place where the market is held. By thrift and hard work he has managed to buy these places.

On Sunday mornings his friends take delight in pushing his wheel chair down to the church or in carrying him down in a pick-up car. At the church he sits in his chair and teaches a large adult class which has an enrollment of about 100 members. More than 50 per cent of the membership attend these classes. Also, he is chairman of the board of Christian education and a steward of the church. Many invitations come to him to visit church schools and church services. He accepts a few when a good substitute teacher can be secured for his class, but he never leaves his class unless such provision can be made. He does not leave the class without a teacher. Since he was nine years of age he has been afflicted with rheumatism and since 22 years of age has been unable to walk. This affliction has caused Lauda to do much thinking about life and has taught him to be contented, cheerful and friendly. His friends never cease to praise him for his fine Christian spirit. Many folks who complain because of handicaps and troubles have been made ashamed of themselves and they have taken a different attitude toward life. He is a great inspiration to folks who have little to worry about in comparison to what he has to contend with. Lauda was once inclined to complain, but he says when in a hospital he saw many more in a worse condition than he and since then he has stopped complaining. This thorn in the flesh has not embittered him but seems to have sweetened his disposition and helped to purify his love for God and man. He believes that God has left him here with a mission and he tries to carry out that mission in an honest, faithful and loyal way in the fear of God. All who know him love him. He is an ardent prohibitionist. "I do not want to fight, but I am not running from anybody" is one of his sayings. He never runs from duty and he is always ready to fight for the right. J. W. Dimmette, Pastor.

FOR ALL TIME

We walked slowly in the sunshine, she and I. Leaving the farmhouse, we went down the lane to the stone bridge over the stream; and there we stood a little while, she with her arm in mine.

"I hope no one sees us," she challenged, smiling.

I asked why.

"They might talk," she replied.

I had to smile, for my companion is over eighty, though her cheeks are still pink and white, and there are stars in her eyes.

"It was gallant of you to come with me," said she, "and your arm is useful. I'm not as young as I used to be. And now, sir cavalier, by way of reward, I'll let you into a secret. I love this spot more than I can say. I'll tell you why."

But she did not tell me for a few minutes. Instead, she stood looking down at the water rippling under the single arch, with its quivering shadows and sparkling flecks of light. She was smiling to herself.

Then she said: "It was on this bridge, by moonlight, that John asked me to marry him. It's more than sixty years since, but it seems only yesterday."

She paused. Then she added: "He said then that nothing would ever part us—and nothing ever has."

"But he died ten years ago," I reminded her.

She nodded. "Yes," she said. "But we are still together. He is very near—nearest of all when I come and stand here. You understand?"

—Methodist Recorder, London.

A DEAD CHURCH

We read about a dead church in the Bible. Nothing was said about the church building falling into decay. There was no complaint about the pews being empty, though that might have been the case. Nothing was said about the long list of poor preachers who might have been sent there; no mention is made of poor equipment or poor music. The tell-tale story of this dead church at Sardis was written in one sentence, "Thou hast a name that thou livest and art dead." Now death is being out of correspondence with one's environment. And what is the environment of the church? The answer is, "In Him we live and move and have our being." When the church is out of correspondence with God, its real environment, it is dead. Without God the church cannot see its duty and responsibility to the potential sons of God at its door. Perhaps there are many supposedly prosperous churches among us out of correspondence with God—thus dead.—Arkansas Methodist.

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Young People's Assembly, W. N. C.
(Education Building) ..... July 7-July 11
Leadership School (Leadership Building) ..... July 17-24
District Superintendents' Conference ..... July 17-24
Council of Conference Lay Leaders for
Southeastern Jurisdiction (Terrace Hotel).... July 18-20
Junaluska School of Religion, affiliated with
Duke University (Education Building), July 21-August 30
School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 24-August 5
Missionary Conference ..... July 29-August 5

Junaluska Program

Sunday, July 6, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Dr. J. B. Craven, "America and the Task of Christendom."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, The Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, "The Art of Keeping in Love With Life."

Young People's Assembly, July 7-11 (Education Building)

Monday, July 7, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Adams, "Studies in Hymnology."
8:00 P. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.

Tuesday, July 8, 10:30-11:00 A. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.
8:00 P. M.—Dramatic Impersonations by Plonk School of Creative Arts (Asheville).

Wednesday, July 9, 10-30-11:00 A. M.—Concert, High Point College Quartet.
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (a) "The Philosophy of the Totalitarians."

Thursday, July 10, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (b) "The Ideals of Democracy."
8:00 P. M.—Choir Concert.

Friday, July 11, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (c) "The Challenge to Democracy."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (d) "The Challenge to America for World Leadership."

Saturday, July 12, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr., "Civilization at Bay!": (e) "The Challenge to the Church for World Brotherhood."
8:00-9:30 P. M.—Personal moving pictures (South Africa), with interpretative lecture, Professor C. C. Norton, including,
(a) "Wild Animals of Africa."
(b) "Congo Bantus and the Pigmies."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE REPRESENTED AT COUNCIL AND STUDENTS' CONFERENCES

Miss Mary Brock, secretary of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association, and Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, newly elected president of the association, were delegates to the national convention of the American Alumni Council meeting at Atlantic City June 25-June 28, at Claridge Hotel.

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According to Dr. Raymond A. Smith, professor of religion and director of religious activities at Greensboro College, the past month has found Greensboro College students in attendance at a number of Christian conferences, including the Methodist Student Leadership Training Conference at Lake Junaluska, the Southern Student Conference at Blue Ridge, and the Young People's Assembly at Louisburg.

Representing the Y. W. C. A. at Junaluska, June 9-14, were Misses Nell Webb, Cherryville, secretary; Helen Prince, Dunn, treasurer; Gladys Heffner, Maiden, chairman of worship committee; Mildred Whitener, Shelby, publication committee; Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro, and Susan Borden, Wilson, from the local service committee., Miss Minnie Mae Franklin, Stem, president of the Religious Education Club, was a delegate from her group and Misses Bettie Prosser, Greensboro, and Margaret Smith, Mooresville, represented the Campus-Church Relations committee.

Miss Lorene Weaver, Asheville, new president of the campus Y. W. C. A. and winner of the T. C. Smith scholarship founded in the interest of religious education, attended the Blue Ridge conference June 7-16.

Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, vice president of the Y. W. C. A. and president of the youth organization of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, was presiding officer at the Louisburg Young People's Assembly June 9-17. Miss Joyce Griffin, member of the "Y" worship committee, served as treasurer of the assembly, and Misses Dorothy Stevens, Varina, and Johnsie Mae Hyatt, Wadesboro, both 1941 graduates, acted as counselors.

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Among books recently presented the Greensboro College library is a volume, "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," compiled and written by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, historian of Woman's Missionary Society, Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Harris, alumna of the college, member of the class of 1885, inscribed the fly leaf with this message: "Presented to Greensboro College as an expression of my love for this great institution which I proudly claim as my alma mater. In deep appreciation also of the years that I attended Greensboro College as a student and of their great value in my life."

The first page of the book carries a picture of Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, for 36 years president of the Western North Carolina Conference Woman's Missionary Society, and for 11 years president of Greensboro College.

BULLETIN ON TEACHING BIBLE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOW AVAILABLE

(Special Release to North Carolina Christian Advocate)

Bulletin 2-A, Teaching the Bible in the Public Schools of North Carolina, is just off the press and ready for distribution, according to an anouncement from the offices of the North Carolina Council of Churches. This handbook of information on the above subject has been published by the Committee on Week-day Religious Education of the North Carolina Council of Churches, under the able chairmanship of Dr. P. H. Gwynn, Jr., Davidson, N. C.

Such subjects as the following are discussed: Why Week-day Religious Education in North Carolina? Does the Teaching of the Bible in the Public Schools Violate the Principle of Religious Freedom? What Is the Relation of the State Department of Public Instruction to This Movement? How Is the Program Organized and Administered? How Is the Program Financed? What Is the Curriculum of Week-day Religious Education? and Where in North Carolina Is the Bible Being taught?

Copies of Bulletin 2-A may be secured without charge from the North Carolina Council of Churches, College Station, Durham, N. C.

MARION DISTRICT NEWS

The church at North Morganton has been painted, two Sunday schools remodeled and painted, and plans are going forward toward painting and refinishing the church auditorium.

Oak Forest has purchased a lot adjacent to the present church site. Plans are under way for complete remodeling of the church. Sunday school rooms are to be built, and the church will be brick veneer.

The parsonage received two coats of paint in the early spring. Also a good deal of furnishings for the inside were provided. The parsonage improvement program was sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service from each church.

Deyton Bend church, Bald Creek circuit, is being completed. Henrietta church, M. C. Reece, pastor, is being rebuilt after being completely destroyed by fire some time ago. Zion church, Morganton circuit, G. R. Stafford, pastor, is being occupied and expects to have new pews and completed within a short time. The parsonage at East Marion, H .M. Wellman, pastor, has been repaired and painted inside and out, which adds to the general appearance and comfort as well. General improvement all along the line is the order of the day in the Marion district. Forest City, W. H. Groce, pastor, has built a new educational building since early spring. H. M. Wellman, Reporter.

HOME COMING AT ZION METHODIST CHURCH

The annual home coming day will be observed at Zion Methodist church, Seven Springs charge, July 6, with an address by Major W. A. Graham at 11 a. m., dinner on the grounds. In the afternoon Mr. J. W. Jernigan of Fayetteville will speak at 2 p. m. Special music through the day. All members of the church are expected to attend. Former members and pastors of the church have a special invitation to attend. W. E. Howard, Pastor.

FAILURE

By William P. King

It is not a failure to fail. "Low aim not failure is a crime." It is a sin not to try. It is not the matter of failing, but the failure to try that is the sin and shame of so many. The people who deserve and who will receive condemnation are those who through fear of failure will not try. Do not be afraid of failure, be afraid of the fear of failure. Be afraid of the failure to try. There are church members who do not increase in spiritual attainments, and who render very little service to the church through a failure to try. Those who are nervously anxious lest they make a mistake, never make anything. The whole life is a mistake. The man who does not run the risk of failure in so far as some particular achievement is concerned is himself a failure. After all, the only absolute failure is the failure to try. You are not responsible for success. You are not responsible for failure. Too much concern about results, even good and desirable results, weakens the power of life. The man who makes an earnest and worthy effort and fails, in reality does not fail. The outward object may not be accomplished, but there is a reaction, a reflex power that increases the strength of the inner life. Regardless of your theological notions, the God who works even until now knows what it means to fail. "O Ephraim, how shall I give thee up!" "Ephraim is joined to his idol, let him alone." Jesus knew what the pang of failure was. "He could do no mighty works there, because of their unbelief . . . how often would I have gathered thy children together even as a hen gathered her chickens under her wings, and ye would not."

THE MAGNOLIA GARDENS, CHARLESTON, S. C.

Magnolia Gardens, a veritable paradise. No artist can paint nor words describe the beauty and charm of it all. Nestled peacefully amidst the greensward, and hugged by the river, along whose banks arched giant trees, the wide acres spread with richest profusion of gorgeous color and fragrant charm: great banks of azaleas and japonicas of every variety and hue, roses and fragrant gardenias; yellow jasmine, and purple wistaria climbing high-overhead and twining amidst the Spanish moss that hung weirdly from towering live oaks and giant pines; and cypress trees, like silent sentinels along the water's edge, standing guard over the still, dark lakes that mirrored the rare beauty of the intertwining forms and colors surrounding and overhead. We were told that no flowers were ever stolen from that paradise, because there breathed a strange sacredness through it all, as thither came the restless or weary and found solace and peace. Would such overwhelming beauty dim and its charm wane, in time, for the visitor? we asked. In subdued tones, in answer, travelers testified that each year they came as on a peace pilgrimage to this place, with new eagerness, and each season it appeared more beautiful and alluring than before.

The secret of the ceaseless charm of such gardens is that Nature in her wisdom withholds the strewing of the flowers in the year's pathway until such time as the soul is most eager to enjoy them; after the spirit has breathed in the other spring appears. Thus, day follows night; springtime, fragrance and beauty, she gently removes them until winter; and life follows death. Life hibernates, whether in plant or animal, and surges forth again in the springtime at the call of God.

"In the breast of a bulb is the promise of spring:
In the soul of a seed is the hope of the sod;
In a little blue egg there's a bird that will sing;
In the heart of a child is the Kingdom of God."

—The Lutheran.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS, AS OF MAY 31, 1941

Herewith I submit mid-year report made to my office by district superintendents in the two conferences. This report covers the items of our financial giving from the date of the financial giving from the date of the annual conference to May 31.

Members received by vows and by certificates are listed in the last two columns. It will be seen from the report that the entire budget is in very good condition with the possible exception of the asking for general administration. Our pastors and people will be interested to know that general administration contains the expense of the General Conference and the commissions of the General Conference which do not administer funds. Other incidental expenses, also, are provided for in this fund. The asking in each charge is negligible and should be easily paid.

Another noteworthy item is that the two conferences had received 4489 members on profession of faith and 5762 by certificate on May 31. This would indicate a substantial net increase by conference time.

Clare Purcell.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

DISTRICT	Pastor's Salary		District Supt.		Episcopal Fund		Conference Claimants		General Adm.		World Service		Children's Home	Golden Cross	Members Received	
	Accepted	Paid	Accepted	Paid	Accepted	Paid	Accepted	Paid	Accepted	Paid	Accepted	Paid			Vows	Certificate
Asheville	$47380	$22288	$ 4264	$ 2208	$ 1064	$ 596	$ 2840	$ 2063	$ 316	$ 95	$11261	$ 2898	$ 1820	$ 372	216	296
Charlotte	72135	37691	6492	2690	1623	699	6312	2590	502	100	24186	8451	4677	481	385	656
Elkin	35617	16627	3199	1281	789	402	3093	1129	259	4	5694	2008	2159	815	65	161
Gastonia	68575	36480	6172	2560	1523	531	6020	2171	418	.....	15445	8920	5144	967	370	339
Greensboro	71546	34150	6429	2512	1607	791	6245	2313	265	28	17694	7055	4986	41	266	342
High Point	53225	27808	4790	2368	1202	595	4659	2095	376	76	13665	9166	3018	260	263	302
Marion	51746	26586	4649	2145	1160	521	4524	2022	303	115	7798	3176	2641	69	213	230
Salisbury	68815	36332	6193	3014	1503	754	5999	2931	392	63	19542	8600	4254	45	301	378
Statesville	61575	31277	5542	2467	1385	612	5349	2287	460	165	11938	5563	4057	546	345	342
Waynesville	34211	16514	3094	1376	773	336	2990	1036	199	32	5480	1676	1167	24	111	130
Winston-Salem	75260	36449	6767	3184	1680	841	6563	3061	526	209	21171	11337	5681	1008	321	342
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NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Durham	$77441	$35728	$ 6195	$ 2442	$ 1741	$ 663	$ 3099	$ 1044	$ 525	$ 173	$17212	$ 6436	$ 4201	$ 405	273	411
Elizabeth City	47342	18969	3682	1254	1056	336	1898	549	316	.....	10630	4206	2316	30	65	123
Fayetteville	67080	28654	5366	1749	1448	457	2682	883	456	93	20997	4988	2822	238	256	327
New Bern	56497	24237	4500	1464	1269	387	2200	604	393	82	10036	3509	2492	147	198	144
Raleigh	64980	27105	5205	1688	1458	360	2598	597	440	102	11877	4208	3198	170	421	722
Rocky Mount	66365	28085	5293	1856	1530	513	2657	894	447	82	12519	4118	3882	99	227	236
Wilmington	50948	22840	4146	1462	1168	399	2073	657	351	110	11156	3554	3019	189	193	281
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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

"The cry of earth's anguish went up to God,
'Lord, take away pain from the world Thou hast made,
That it love thee the more.'
Then answered the Lord to the world He had made,
'Shall I take away pain?
And with it the power of the soul to endure,
Made strong by the strain?
Shall I take away pity that knits heart to heart,
And sacrifice high?
Will ye lose all your heroes who lift From the flame—white brows to the sky?
Shall I take away love that redeems with a price—
And smiles through the loss?
Can ye spare from the lives that would Climb unto mine—the Christ on the Cross?'"
—Selected.

YOUR CHURCH AND YOU

From the Church School Magazine of June, 1941, we have the following from the pen of Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., pastor of West Asheville Methodist church, which we pass on to our readers:

"One soweth and another reapeth." (John 4:37).

"Long before you were born your church was at work making possible a richer, happier life for you. Your church was planting seeds of truth and justice and good will in human hearts, fighting back the jungles of ignorance and selfishness and hate in the world, calling men to love and serve Christ when goodness was rarer and the forces of evil stronger even than they are now. Your church has given you the gospel and has given you your Bible, and has brought you to the knowledge and love of your Saviour. Your church wants to serve you today. Your church calls you to a worship that will help you to draw near to God and learn of him; to a fellowship that will strengthen your highest purposes and multiply your powers for doing good.

Your church calls you to a program of service that will enable you to share intelligently in the fulfillment of your Lord's command to preach the gospel to every creature.

Your church wants to help you keep that holy faith that has been committed to you; wants to minister to you in sickness, in trouble and in sorrow; to bless your home with the influence of her prayers; to bring you back to God when your burdens are heavy and temptations are great.

Your church wants to comfort your family and honor your memory when you have said your farewell to earth.

Your church needs you; when you fail your church is hurt. When you become indifferent and careless, when your heart grows cold, when your life is wasted and lost to God your church is weakened. When you do your part to make your church what it ought to be, you are rendering a high and holy service to your fellowmen and to your God. Be true to your church."

RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLIES IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Western North Carolina, in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, with her two beautiful national forests—Pisgah and Nantahala—her wonderful mountains and health-giving climate has truly become a mecca for thousands of persons, who come each summer to enjoy the attractions and advantages of this region which has been called "The Summer Playground of Eastern America."

The Summer Vacation Number of the Asheville Citizen-Times tells us that "there are in this mountain section 50 camps for boys and girls drawing youths from all parts of the Eastern United States."

It is of great interest to note that seven summer religious assemblies draw large numbers of persons to the "Land of the Sky" each year "for a comfortable rest in a cultural environment amid the cool mountains."

These assemblies are: The Southern Baptist Assembly at Ridgecrest two miles east of Black Mountain; The Southern Presbyterian Churches in the United States at Montreat near Black Mountain, operated by the Retreat Association; Lake Junaluska, Methodist conference center near Waynesville; Kanuga Lake, six miles southwest of Hendersonville, the summer meeting place of five Carolina dioceses of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Blue Ridge near Black Mountain, serving as a combination of resort, school and conference center, with a Y. M. C. A. training school held each summer; Bonclarken, in Henderson county, the summer meeting place of the Asociate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and Ben Lippen near Asheville, a conference center for Columbia Bible students. These seven assemblies bring to Western North Carolina each summer tens of thousands of persons for conferences, schools and vacations.

MEETING OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

In connection with the conference on "The Task of the Church in Community Building" held at Blue Ridge last week, was a meeting of representatives of Interdenominational Councils led by Mrs. M. E. Tilly of Atlanta, Ga., secretary of C. S. R. & L. C. A. of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, which proved most inspiring and helpful. Mrs. Tilly gave a well written and comprehensive paper on the achievements of the women in the missionary work and explained the set-up of the National Church Council, and brought out much information concerning the work and opportunities of the Interdenominational Councils. Mrs. W. G. McFarland, vice president of the Asheville Council, was presented and told something of what the organization was doing, and was followed by Mrs. W. R. Harris, the first president of the Asheville Council, who gave a report of the work during the years that the council has been in existence. An open forum was held in which several of the representatives took part and discussed various phases of the work, making the meeting one of interest and profit.

W. S. C. S., DILWORTH METHODIST CHURCH OF CHARLOTE

The Charlotte Observer of Sunday, June 22, on its page of "Growth and Progress of Charlotte Churches," carries an interesting account from Miss Jean Hendrix on the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Dilworth Methodist church, of which Mrs. William H. Bobbitt is president, with a corps of splendid workers in the various offices of the society. We note that there are nine circles in the society, which meet in the afternoon and two business women's circles—the Louise Avett and the Wesleyan Service Guild meeting in the evening. The women of this society are carrying out the purpose of the society which is to "unite all the women of the church in Christian living and service ,to help support Christian work among wome nand children around the world, to develop the spiritual life, to study the needs of the world and to take part in such service activities as will strengthen the local church, improve civic, community and world conditions."

During the past year the society has done outstanding work in the field of C. S. Relations, under the leadership of Mrs. Virginia Presnall, working in co-operation with the Community Chest and other social agencies of the city, the society having donated a drinking fountain to the Mecklenburg Tubercular Sanitorium. The society is proud of the fact that it has a regular Red Cross circle which meets once a week in the Red Cross room, and gives hundreds of hours of service each year to this work under the leadership of Mrs. M. L. Black.

The pastor of the church, Rev. H. P. Powell, is giving much of his time to the progress of the organization.

SILVER TEA AT HAYWOOD STREET PARSONAGE

An event of interest in church circles in Asheville was the silver tea given Thursday afternoon at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland by the parsonage fund committee of the church, and which proved to be a most enjoyable occasion for the many who were in attendance. A musical program presented by Mrs. Charles Glass and Miss Nancy Reidel added to the enjoyment of the afternoon. Hostesses of the afternoon were Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Miss Lucretia Cassady, president of the W. S. C. S. of the Haywood Street church, Mrs. D. C. Robinson, Mrs. Alberta Wall and Mrs. J. D. Stowe, circle chairmen, and Miss Nettie Snelson, chairman of the parsonage committee.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

APPROPRIATING FAITH

We need to have appropriating faith in regard to God's promises. We must make God's word our own personal possession. A child was asked once what appropriating faith was, and the answer was, "It is taking a pencil and underscoring all the me's and mine's and my's in the Bible." Take any word that He has spoken and say, "That word is my word." Put your finger on this promise and say, "It is mine." How much of the Word has been endorsed and receipted and said, "It is done?" How many promises can you subscribe and say, "Fulfilled in me?" —From Streams in the Desert.

NEGRO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

For the past several years some of the societies in the N. C. conference have maifested interest in the N. S. School for Christian Workers and the Youth Conference which is held annually in Winston-Salem and which is for negro leaders. Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, is urging that this year many scoieties enter into this most worth while project. The 1941 school will be held on July 7-12 at Hanes Memorial C. M. E. church, Winston-Salem, and the program will consist of Christian fellowship, recreation, study and inspiration. The cost per delegate is nominal—only approximately five or six dollars. Societies which have not already planned to send delegates and can possibly do so, should take advantage of this opportunity for a worthy C. S. R. project. For further information write Mrs. L. V. Scott, 2359 Okalina Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

ON TO JUNALUSKA

The time for the great missionary conference and school of missions at Lake Junaluska is fast approaching and those women who are privileged to attend will receive an inestimable amount of information and inspiration, fellowship and recreation which will make the trip for them a memorable occasion. Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary to India and great Christian leader; Dr. Oscar T. Olson, pastor and author from Cleveland, Ohio; Dr. Hazen G. Warner, pastor Grace Methodist church, Dayton, Ohio; Dr. Edward Mims, professor and author, Vanderbilt University; Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, Soochow, China, will be platform speakers during the conference. Mission and Bible courses will bring information and pleasure to those participating. In a word, the ten days of the conference will be filled with untold joys and blessings to those who attend. North Carolina W. S. C. S. should have a large representation and you are urged to attend if possible. By forming parties to travel in automobiles the transportation cost will be nominal. Rates at hotel and boarding houses are within reach of the average pocketbook. For further information write Mrs. Katherine Ray Atkins, Lake Junaluska, N. C., for assembly program and list of hotels and boarding houses. The conference will be held on July 24-August 5.

ZONE MEETING PLANNED

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary ,announces that the annual midsummer joint zone meetings of that district will be held on three sucessive days, beginning at 9:30 a. m. and closing at 1 p. m. Those attending are asked to bring a lunch. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, and Major L. M. Hall, chaplain at Fort Bragg, will be the guest speakers each day. Each president is asked to give a brief report. Special music will be furnished and various phases of the work will be presented by different women. Every one is invited and the ministers are cordially urged to attend. Alamance and Chatham zones will meet at Mann's Chapel Tuesday, July 8; Durham and Orange at Bahama Wednesday, July 9; and Person and Caswell at Milton on Thursday, July 10. The zone leaders will have the meetings in charge and they are planning short, attractive and informative meetings.

WOMEN IN A CHANGING WORLD

That women have had and do have a place of prominence and influence in a changing world is clearly and interestingly depicted in a pageant published in the May issue of The Methodist Woman. At the general meeting of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church recently this pageant was effectively presented. Mrs. Milton Howell, as narrator, introduced the cast of characters and told of the achievements of the women represented by each. Woman—the Homemaker, Susannah Wesley, was represented by Miss Reba Manning; Woman, the Educator, Mary Lyon, by Miss Mary Lee Vaughn; Women of Healing and Mercy, Florence Nightingale and Clara Barton, by Misses Elizabeth Moore and Mildred Pearson, respectively; Woman, the Citizen, Frances Willard, Mrs. Godfrey Stallings; Woman, the Social Worker, Jane Adams, Miss Marjorie Pearce; Woman, the Voter and Agitator, Susan B. Anthony, Miss Lucille Shore; A Handicapped Life, Helen Keller, Mrs. Lucy Rainey; Woman, the Citizen, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Miss Haskey Ferrell; Woman, the Individual, representing the Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. A. W. Hoffman. Children in the pageant were Gene Rainey, representing John Wesley and Billy Jean Hales, representing a little girl with Jane Adams. Miss Margaret Waddell was soloist and Miss Mary Gardner, accompanist.

THE SUN IS RISING IN AFRICA

"The sun is rising and is driving away darkness in Africa." These words were the train of thought through the happy message of Miss Lorena Kelly when she spoke to the women of the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. at the annual meeting in Rocky Mount some time ago. Miss Kelly, a native of Mooresville, N. C., went to Africa as a missionary a little more than four years ago. She is now at home on her first furlough. Miss Kelly cited many changes which are taking place in Africa today—in customs, in business and in the hearts of the people. The natives are not resorting to witch doctors as 25 years ago, but because of the Christian message they receive medical treatment in hospitals. In our mission hospitals the people are given opportunity to know God as well as receive medical aid. The converted witch doctors become great powers for good to their people. Formerly the women in the Belgian Congo had no choice of their husbands and polygamy was often practiced. This condition is changing. There are 780 native preachers scattered through the Congo. Miss Kelly related incidents of he way in which the people, when they find Christ, confess their sins, find forgiveness, live Christian lives and eagerly share their Christ with those who do not know him. Said she: "The governor general and other state officials praise highly the Christian African people. When they find favor with the officials, we do have faith to believe that the sun is rising in the Belgian Congo."

CHINA WANTS CHRISTIANITY

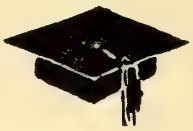
"Work is going at high speed," writes Miss Marie Adams, Methodist missionary in Peking, China. "Each year of this conflict finds China stronger and stretching herself up to God as never before. The Bible society cannot provide enough Bibles; the schools cannot find enough Bible teachers; the Christian movement cannot keep up with the growing revival among the Chinese. Every week I see girls come into the kingdom from my classes. I feel as if I am living in a little heaven on earth, even if war is going on all around us."—World Outlook.

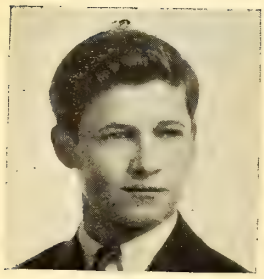
W. S. C. S. IN ASIA

Interesting reports are constantly coming of the work of the W. S. C. S. as organized in Asia. At Central conference held in Delhi in January the society was organized on a national basis with Mrs. Chitmabar as national president. The hope is to press forward until the organization for women becomes a force in every local church. Miss Edna Bacon writes of the interest of local societies of the W. S. C S. in knitting and sewing for the Warne Baby Fold, where Geraldine Johnson of Singapore has been made secretary of the W. S. C. S. for Malaya, and writes of the growing strength of the societies in the churches.—The Methodist Woman.

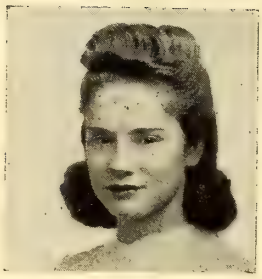
The philosopher hath said: "Intelligence is a gift, moral conduct is an acquirement, but habit is the master of all things."—Talmud.

Children's Home Graduating 1941 Class





CHARLES ARMSTRONG



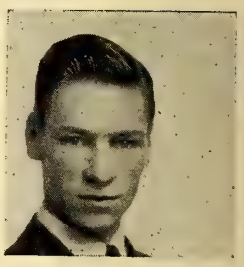
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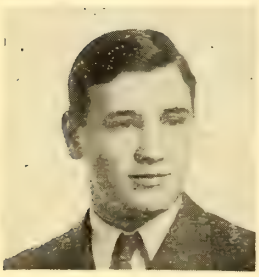
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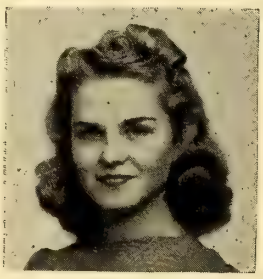
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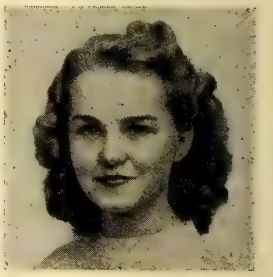
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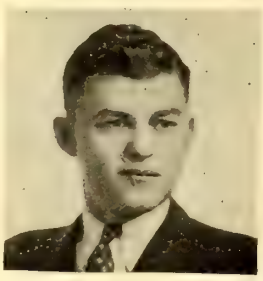
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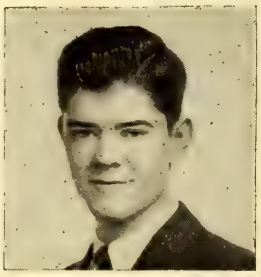
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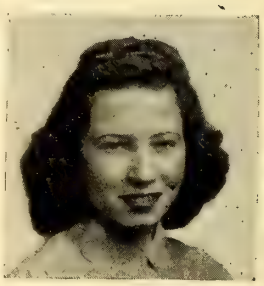
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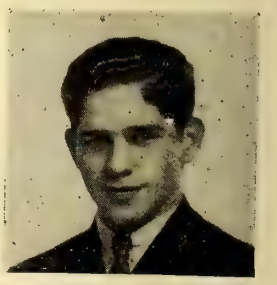
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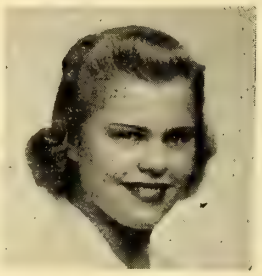
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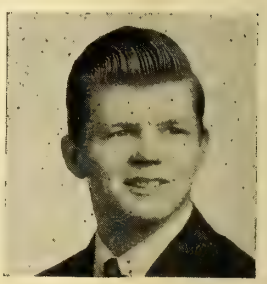
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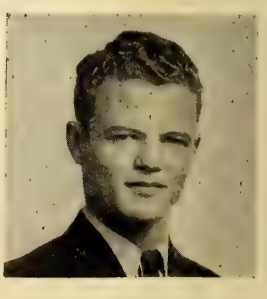
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MRS. RIVES WRITES AS FOLLOWS—We left the Orphanage just after lunch to be with Rev. O. C. Melton at Antioch church on the Garland charge. We were heartily received by these friends. After our concert we hastened on to Winter Park, Wilmington, to hold the evening service. Rev. W. A. Tew is pastor. Our congregation was splendid. He had advertised well our coming. We had pleasant visits with friends in our day's service.

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A WARM WELCOME—Last week the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage accepted 16 new children. By the the time the Advocate leaves the press these children will have arrived at the Methodist Orphanage. It makes my heart happy because our conference can offer these little children a lovely home and Christian training. In the course of a short time a wonderful transformation will take place in their young plastic hearts and lives. I wish all the friends of our great conference could realize more and more that what they are doing for dependent orphan children is applied Christianity. When all of us realize that we are doing this in His name, the support of the Orphanage will not be simply a duty to perform, but a privilege which will enrich our own lives.

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ORPHANAGE CONFERENCE—The twentieth session of the Southern Methodist Orphanage Conference was held at the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, last week. Representatives were present from Maryland to Texas. Important papers were read and public addresses were made by a number of promienent speakers. Without doubt it was one of the most constructive and outstanding conferences that we have ever held. Delegates returned to their homes enriched and inspired to do better work in their respective institutions. Superintendant and Mrs. W. O. Woosley, their staff and children, entertained the conference in a most hospitable manner. They have the art of making everybody who visits their beautiful campus feel perfectly at home. The Children's Home is the largest Methodist Orphanage in the United States. The campus is beautiful and the cottages home like and attractive. The thing that impressed the conference most favorably was the fine results which they are achieving in the lives and character of the four hundred and eighty-six children who make up the Children's Home family. Brother Woosley has a constructive program for his children and the results are highly gratifying. Mrs. Barnes and I were happy to be guests in the home of Brother and Sister Woosley. The Western North Carolina conference is most fortunatee in having these two great souls to head up their Children's Home.

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ORPHANAGE DAY RALLY — A crowd of approximately 1500 leaders from the North Carolina conference were in attendance at our first Orphanage Day Rally on June 29. Threatening weather made attendance from more distant points smaller than was anticipated. However, the interest manifested by those who visited the home and by a great many others, who because of either conflicting meetings or the uncertain weather were unable to attend the rally, would indicate that an annual Orphanage Day Rally would be an important factor in stimulating more adequate support of the Orphanage throughout the conference.

During the morning program the visitors enjoyed a number of selections by the smaller children of the Orphanage under the direction of Mrs. Nellie Rives and Miss Mary Ferree. Supt. C. K. Proctor of the Oxford Orphanage delivered a very effective and inspiring address during this service. Supt. Proctor was introduced by Judge T. H. Calvert, a member of the board of trustees.

At 12:30 o'clock a bountiful picnic style dinner was spread on long rows of tables under the trees of our spacious grove. The three hundred children and staff of Orphanage workers were guests of the visitors for dinner.

The afternoon program began at two o'clock with several selections by the Orphanage high school glee club, directed by F. Stanley Smith. Mrs. Katie Richardson Morton of Albemarle delighted the audience with her singing in both the morning and afternoon programs.

Mr. N. E. Edgerton of Raleigh introduced former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, who delivered a splendid address in which he called upon Methodists to render liberal support in the training of boys and girls in its orphanages. At the conclusion of Governor Hoey's address Mrs. Hoey was presented to the audience and made some inspiring remarks.

As a result of the first Orphanage Day Rally it is evident that our home has numerous friends who are more loyal and more enthusiastic than ever in the great work which for over 40 years has been very close to the heart of North Carolina Methodism.

Sobriety is the bridle of the passions of desire, and Temperance is the bit and curb of that bridle, a restraint put into a man's mouth, a moderate use of meat and drink, so as may best consist with our health, and may not hinder but help the works of the soul by its necessary supporting us, and ministering cheerfulness and refreshment.—Jeremy Taylor.

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The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the North Carolina conference held its young people's and senior assemblies at Louisburg College from June 12 to 20 with a registration of 200 young people and 238 seniors. The main theme for the periods of worship, open forums and fellowship was "We Follow Thee."

The assembly speakers were Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton of Adams, N. Y., noted author and lecturer on the problems of youth, and Dr. Albert C. Outler of Duke University. They served as platform speakers and leaders in the forums.

Other parts of the daily program were the "Thought for the Day" before breakfast, periods for recreation and the vesper services.

Much interest centered around the colorful Gypsy banquet which featured Gypsy music, fortunes and reading of the tea leaves. Another big event of each assembly was the student-faculty soft ball game.

Under the direction of Rev. Leon Russell, New Bern, quest period was held in the auditorium preceding classes. He discussed "Faith" as it applies to the problems of youth.

Eight courses of study were offered in each assembly as follows: Life of Jesus, Rev. Henry G. Ruark; Use of Leisure, Rev. Leon Russell; Worship in the Youth Division, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers; Methodist Church in Service, Rev. F. M. Patterson; Living As Christians With Other Races, Miss Hazel Copeland; Personal Devotions, Rev. T. J. Whitehead; What It Means to Be a Christian, Rev. O. L. Hardwick; Ideals for Christian Homes, Rev. F. B. Joyner.

In addition to the regular classes there were interest groups and "workshop" groups. The "workshop" groups made a study of the commissions and other organizational bodies of the Methodist Youth Fellowship: Worship and Evangelism, Community Service, World Friendship, Recreation, Officers' Group and Union Officers' Group. The Interest Group topics were Banquet, Dramatics, Assembly Paper, Poster Making, Choral Singing, Recreation and Photography.

Officers of the assembly working with Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, executive secretary and director of young people's work in the North Carolina conference were: Dean, Rev. M. W. Lawrence; assembly mother, Mrs. B. F. Boone; assembly nurse, Mrs. F. D. Culpepper; director of music, Mrs. John O. Wood; organist and pianist, Max Warren; director of recreation, Rev. F. D. Hedden; hostesses, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Mrs. Wilbur Underhill Miss Elizabeth Montgomery, Miss Fannie O'Keef, Miss Jocelyn House, Miss Flora Thompson, Miss Dorothy Stevens, Mrs. C. F. Heath, Miss Sara Massey. District directors: Durham, Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr.; Elizabeth City, Rev. O. L. Hardwick; Fayetteville, Rev. D. L. Fouts; New Bern, Rev. C.W. Robbins; Raleigh, Mr. Francis Edwards; Rocky Mount, Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr.; Wilmington, Rev. F. B. Joyner. Assistants to the director: Rev. Linwood Blackburn, Miss Juanita Bracey, Joseph Newsom, Miss Johnsie Mae Hyatt, and Rev. B. F. Boone.

Youth officers of the conference for 1940 were: President, Kitty Wilson Warrenton; vice president, Wesley Cullipher, Elizabeth City; secretary, Katherine Highsmith, Raleigh; treasurer, Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs; publicity superintendent, Charles Davis, Roanoke Rapids.

Officers elected for next year are: President, Kitty Wilson, Warrenton; vice president, Ralph Rogers, Durham; secretary, Reba Young, Rose Hill; assistant secretary, Lois Asbell, Belvidere; treasurer, Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs; assistant treasurer, Pat Cherry, Tarboro; publicity superintendent, Harris Proctor, Durham; assistant publicity superintendent, Thurman Brooks, Wilson.

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The first Christian Adventure Assembly was held at Louisburg College June 20-24 for boys and girls 12-14 years of age, with Mr. Robert W. Bradshaw, our Uncle Bobby, in charge. His staff included Rev. N. M. Grant, dean; Mrs. B. F. Boone, assembly mother; Mrs. F. D. Culpepper, assembly nurse; Linwood Blackburn, director of recreation; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. C. F. Heath, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Mrs. John O. Wood, Misses Mary Elizabeth Myers, Sarah Massey, Jocelyn House, Elizabeth Montgomery, Dorothy Stevens, Hazel Copeland, Fannie O'Keef, Johnsie Mae Hyatt, Katherine Highsmith, Joyce Griffin, Minnie May Franklin, Ruth McDonald, Jane Gray Perry, Kitty Wilson, and Charles Davis, Harris Proctor, Joe Newsom and Max Warren.

After registration of the 123 delegates we played games on the campus. At six o'clock a bell rang, someone said "Supper," and the rush began. After vesper services out on the college steps we assembled in the chapel and Uncle Bobby introduced the staff members and made anouncements about our schedule. Following this, we had a swell party in the social hall with games led by Linwood Blackburn. After refreshments we formed a large friendship circle, sang a hymn and taps. Uncle Bobby dismissed us and we went to our rooms. Before going to bed we met in small groups with our counselors for our goodnight prayers. Our little prayer groups will always be remembered as a perfect finish for the day. Each morning we went out on the campus alone with our Bibles and had our morning meditation until the breakfast bell rang.

After breakfast we went to one of these classes: God in the World Today, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw; Materials of Worship, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers; What It Means to Be a Church Member, Rev. N. W. Grant; Getting Along with People, Miss Sarah Massey; Our Neighbors in China, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell. Play time came next and then our business meeting. The following officers were elected for this assembly: President, Pat Buckler, Rocky Mount; vice president, Judy Parham, Oxford; secretary, Jean Hogan, Chapel Hill; publicity superintendent, Fred Page, Zebulon.

In our committee meetings we studied the work in our church. Then we had lunch and our rest hour. After that we had interest groups where we could work on the assembly paper, banquet, dramatics, music, party favors or poster making.

There were several highlights in our assembly. Saturday afternoon we all hiked out to Green Hill House where the first Methodist conference in North Carolina was held. Mr. Davis, one of our oldest ministers, who lives there, told us the history of the house. We had a picnic supper and vespers on the lawn. After getting back, Linwood Blackburn, our recreational leader, left for New York.

Sunday morning we walked in a body to the Louisburg Methodist church and enjoyed the good sermon by Mr. Hedden, the pastor. A group of assembly students formed the choir, under the direction of Mrs. Wood and Max Warren.

Sunday afternoon the class studying China entertained at a Chinese tea, with Chinese decorations, costumes and a fine Chinese exhibit. As we entered we greeted Uncle Bobby, the honorable old one, as he sat in the corner smoking his pipe and sipping tea.

Another wonderful part of our assembly was the campfire service Sunday night. Songs and stories about the symbols of the campfire made up the program. Uncle Bobby lighted his candle by the campfire and then lighted the candles of the counselors. They in turn lighted those of the students. Singing "Follow the Gleam" the procession in single file marched back to the dormitories, where we had our prayers by candle light.

Monday night we gathered by Indian tribes for our banquet. After a good dinner we had toasts to the Big Chief, warriors and squaws. Percy Weeks of Clinton was the sensation of the evening. His wonderful unchanged voice pleasantly surprised everyone. The banquet was followed by a talent program. The climax of the assembly came Tuesday morning when the group went to the church for our communion service.

All of us appreciate everything Uncle Bobby and his staff did to make us have so wonderful a time. We hated to tell our new friends goodbye, but we left promising to meet them at Louisburg next year.

Fred Page, Publicity Supt.

This is temperance's highest aim: it looks not to the afflicting of the body, but to the peaceful action of the soul's functions.—Gregory of Nyssa.

RATIONALISM VS. FAITH

By J. W. Moore

Rationualism has always assumed a top-loftical air towards faith. Patronizing pity has characterized it even when contempt was carefully concealed. I know of no better illustration of it than that incident recorded of Elisha's conflict with the king's adjutant as recorded in Second Kings.

Samaria was being besieged and famine reigned. The king, leaning on the arm of his adjutant, sought Elisha. This prophet who truly represents faith said, "Tomorrow at this time a peck of fine flour will be sold for a half crown and two pecks of barley shall be sold for a half of a crown."

Our rationalistic adjutant makes a sneering reply. Impossible! The experiences of the past years gives no promise for any such hope. Reason protests against it. If the Eternal were to cut sluices in the sky this could not be. Thus has rationalism always talked. "Impossible" is a great word in its vocabulary. Human experience will not warrant such high hopes.

The Sequel

The king's adjutant was appointed to guard the gate. He was placed there by the king to keep people inside the walls. He was an obstructionist. Always and ever the rationalist has been an obstructionist. Can anyone name any great movement that has been led by rationalism? How many movements have been led by men of faith? Rationalism in the guise of deism stood in the gate in the time of John Wesley and over its prostrate form Wesley's revival ran roughshod. In America French philosophy had gained a commanding hold. Thomas Jefferson had edited the supernatural out of the gospels. At our educational institutions students called each other infidel celebrities. Rationalism was in full charge of the gate. Francis Asbury and a small band of ignorant preachers thought they were called of God to "spread scriptural holiness over this continent." To the rationalist it was a funny meeting—that conference in Baltimore—that could not even boast a stove to keep it warm. Eight million Methodists attest its virility.

Faith Has Food

Faith has food—food for the hungry soul. That famishing crowd could not be restrained by brass buttons or gorgeous uniform. Authority of great names and kings' commands will not restrain the hungry today.

"Here see the Bread of Life; see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of God, pure from above;
Come to the feast of love; come ever knowing
Earth has no sorrows that heaven can not remove."

Rationalist, get out of the way, Faith leads and the faithful are on the march. If you still obstruct you must needs be run over.

I would close this sermonette with a quotation from Dr. Rollin H. Walker: "A fundamentalist is like a man who believes that God made bananas and therefore it is his duty to eat the peeling; whilst a modernist is like the man who has found that the peeling is not good to eat, and therefore he throws away the banana. While artillery can easily demolish the claim, the law of the Lord is perfect, teaching geology, it can not make a dent on the statement the law of the Lord is perfect restoring the soul." Says Dr. Walker: "Many modern commentators on the Bible give us the impression that they are making desperate efforts to prove themselves scholars by loftily patronizing the biblical writers."

WILSON'S TENTH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The tenth annual vacation Bible school held its closing exercises in the social room of the church Friday, June 20. Miss Gertrude Flowers, church secretary, was the director. The children entertained their parents with a resume of the work that was done this year.

Mrs. Oscar Farmer, with Miss Marjie Little had charge of the beginner group. They told of the good times they had had during the school and presented their mothers with a growing plant they had watered and cared for during the ten days.

Mrs. E. B. Pittman had charge of the worship in the primary department. This course was "Learning About the Church," under the direction of Mrs. Frank Bishop, Mrs. W. B. Willis, Mrs. R. W. Shackelford and Mrs. R. P. Dew. Mrs. Dew introduced a member from each class and they told of their work. Many things were on display for the parents to see.

The junior department studied "What Is in Your Bible?" The boys were under the direction of Miss Claudia Lucas and Miss Mary Eccles Cheatham. Miss Lucas showed the guests a village of Palestine as made by the junior boys, also stamp posters.

Mrs. W. L. Dickerson's class plans were told by Virginia Turner. They had made beads and posters illustrating their theme song, "God Who Touchest Earth with Beauty."

Mrs. Neal Bass' group were showing a city house in Jesus' time in comparison to a modern one. Their work was told by Virgina D. Taylor. Mrs. M. G. Bass' group had made a church of biblical times. The altar and sacrifice were shown. This was discussed by Betsy Ann Hayes. Mrs. H. B. Porter was pianist.

The group was invited to go on a trip by "Magic Carpet" to foreign lands. When they arrived they found children dressed in costumes of the following countries: Ann Bridgers, America; Gordan Hearne and Mildred Horne, Mexico; Julia Anne Hutcherson and Joe Hearne, Greenland; Anne Sumner and Marie Pridgen, Korea; Peggy High, Myrtle G. Dickerson and Constance Barnes, Egypt; Pattie Leach and Sarah Smith, Siam; Berkley Hodges, Persia; Harry Dew, American Indian. They told the story in song and verse.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Gospel Is Taken to Europe

Acts 15:36 to 18:21

After the decision of the Jurusalem Council approving Paul's contention that the Gentiles were not to be burdened by any merely Jewish requirements, Paul and Silas visited the churches of Asia Minor and told them the good news. How grateful the disciples must have been to hear that the highest authority in the church had united in saying that to become Christians men needed only to forsake their immoral practices, trust in Christ for salvation ,and overflow with grateful love toward God and man.

Then, we are told, were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily. When the gospel ship is freed from barnacles it always sails faster. If the devil cannot make a church loose in its morals, his next tactics is to make it puritanically straitlaced, for that always repels many reasonable and well meaning men, and makes the gospel processional sound like a funeral march. Any religious teaching which has so little confidence in the guidance of the Holy Spirit that it does not leave many details of conduct to be decided by the individual conscience, is missing the mark. The Christian copy book should be unruled save for the basic line of fundamental morality.

After Paul and Silas had visited all the churches the question arose, Where shall we go next? Naturally they thought of turning to the left toward the great city of Ephesus, but they were forbidden of the Holy Spirit to speak the word in that province. The air brakes seemed to be turned on whenever they thought of it. Well, then, said they, we will go to the right; but the Spirit of Jesus suffered them not. A mysterious influence, like the raised hand of a traffic policeman, said, Stop! Most men would have turned back, but that was not Paul's way. So they went ahead, as the seamen would say, on dead reckoning.

It must have been a painful experience. Where were they being led? But finally when they came to the sea at Troas and could go no further, the vision of the man of Macedonia, saying, Come over into Macedonia and help us, reassured them; and we concluded, says the record, that God had called us to go into Macedonia. (Here is the beginning of the famous WE section, as though the author had joined them here).

When they arrived at Philippi they were disappointed at finding no synagogue, but some one told them that the Jews were accustomed to go down by the riverside for prayer. So they went there, but found no men, only a few women. One seems to have a faint remembrance that the same thing has happened here in America.

But the disciples did not despise the day of small things, and Lydia, a dealer in fine dry goods, was converted, and urged the apostles to make her home their headquarters. Thus they had the courtyard of a good Macedonian house as a gathering place for the disciples.

But it was not long before the apostles were terribly beaten and lodged in jail. In the vision the man of Macedonia said. Come over into Macedonia and help us. But it now seemed that he really meant, Come over into Macedonia and we will beat the life out of you. They must have been sorely tempted to doubt the reality of the divine leading, but faith triumphed. At midnight they prayed and sang praises to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. The apostles were seeing to it that the poor fellows heard the gospel (Philippians 1:12-13). As Stanley Jones puts it, they were "evangelizing the inevitable."

Those apostles in the inner prison were a perfect symbol of the Christian church in many countries today. Indeed we are all, to some extent, in a jail of hindering and malign circumstances. But if our faith is unfaltering, if we raise a song in the night, God Almighty will suddenly show his hand. Some kind of political and economic earthquake will loose our bonds, and make our jailer say, What must I do to be saved? This has happened again and again since the morning that the angel descended and rolled away the stone from the sepulchre of the Crucified.

Everything depends on keeping up the music. If we do, the roar of God's mighty drums and his loud sounding cymbals and his great trumpet will soon join in as an accompaniment, and convince the world that he is on our side.

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The third way of supporting the church brings the church close to personal experience. This is the way of Affection. With it any other way may accomplish much more than its intended purpose. For the gift is part of the giver. The offering is an expression of love—love of God and of God's children.—The Expositor.

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THE REAL PARTY

"Mother, may I have ice cream for my birthday party?" Anna May wanted to know.

"No," replied Mother.

"O Mother, a birthday party won't be like a real one unless there is ice cream."

"Anna May," said Mother, "you should not ask for ice cream when you have a big birthday cake, and plenty of strawberries with fresh cream. Right across the railroad track lives little Annabelle. She was born on your birthday. Just go over there and see what kind of birthday she has."

Anna May went outside, and sat down on the stoop. Another girl in town born on the very same day?

"I think I shall go and see what kind of birthday party Annabelle has," she said to herself. So she and Spot strode on down the road. She had not been walking far when she met Tommy.

"Do not forget," he reminded her, "we are going to have the circus this afternoon."

"How can I forget when Spot is one of the most important animals?" Anna May replied.

Annabelle was sitting upon the porch in the sun. She was little, and thin, and seemed to shiver even in the sunlight.

"Happy birthday!" Anna May said to her.

"How did you know it was my birthday?" Annabelle wanted to know.

"Because it is mine, too. I came over to see what kind of a birthday party you are going to have."

"I am not going to have any birthday party," said Annabelle. "I am never going to have any birthday party at all, ever!"

"Why?" asked Anna May in surprise.

"Because my mother is sick in bed, and my father is not working."

Anna May got to her feet, and looked in through the open door. She also shivered as if she were cold. There were no curtains at the windows, and there was no cloth upon the table. Anna May took Annabelle by the hand. "Good-bye," she said, "but I am going to see you soon again."

Annabelle did not say anything. She merely sat and stared before her as if she were looking into a different world.

Strange thoughts came to Anna May as she walked home. She had so much —carpets on the floor, curtains at the windows, a mother that was well, and plenty of good food to eat. Suddenly she began to feel it was not right for her to have so much when someone born on the same day had nothing.

As Anna May walked along, a mighty resolution took hold of her. That afternoon when her company came she said to them, "This is not my birthday party at all. I just fooled you. It is going to be a party for a girl by the name of Annabelle, and you are to give your gifts to her instead of me. And we are going to have our circus for Annabelle. She is going to be our guest of honor."

The rest of the children thought that was much fun, more fun than just having a birthday party. So Anna May gave Annabelle one of her party dresses so that she might feel like a real guest of honor. Annabelle had so much fun!

The editor of the newspaper heard about Annabelle's party. Both girls had their pictures in the paper with a story about the party. The editor called this the first real birthday party that anyone had ever given in the town. That evening when Anna May went to bed she said, "I think this is the happiest day I ever had."

"I think it is my happiest day also, said Mother. When Anna May was going to sleep that night, she found herself wondering why it should have been Mother's happiest day also.—Nora Burglon, in "Storytime."

The new electric refrigerator was turned on after two-year-old Jewell Ann was in bed. Next morning when she came downstairs she heard the refrigerator motor running and with a perplexed look gazed around the room. Finally she spied the refrigerator and located the sound.

"Mother," she exclaimed, "the new refrigerator likes us so well it's purring."—Boston Globe.

TRAIN SONG

By Idella Purnell

I am a little girl,
My name is Mary Jane.
There's nothing I like better
Than riding on a train.

All my dolls and I,
Papa and mamma too,
Are riding on this train
That says choo-choo, choo-choo.

Or sometimes a jolly song,
Ding-dong, ding-dong, ding-dong,
And where the way is rough
It goes puff-puff, puff-puff.

I like this happy train
That takes me far away,
And then it brings me back—
It's what I like to play.

HIS DOG

By Maud Darlington

He told me that he was fifteen, though he didn't look that by two years. For a year he had delivered the morning paper in our neighborhood, and always the black collie was at his heels, as much a part of him as his pack, his bodyguard as he traveled along the dark streets. We had a bell on the door of the enclosed porch which rang when it was opened, and each morning at about 5:30 I would hear the bell ring and the thud of the paper.

I met him one late afternoon coming along the street with a load of the evening papers. It was January and the temperature several degrees below zero.

"What's the matter? Give up the morning route?" I asked.

"No, Mam," he said. "I'm carrying the Post, too, now."

"And still going to school?" He nodded. "I's kind of tough, isn't it, getting out twice a day like this?"

"Uh, huh," he said, "but I don't mind it much."

It was then I noticed that something was lacking and saw that the dog wasn't with him. "Your dog isn't with you today."

His face grew serious. "Scotty got hurt; got smashed up pretty bad."

"How?"

"A car hit him." It was a tender subject. He blinked a little and stared down at the sidewalk, kicking the snow about with his foot. "Doc says he'll be all right, though, but it'll take a little time. That's why I'm carrying the Post. It's costing a dollar a day for him—you see he's at the dog hospital —and then there's the bus fare." He saw my puzzled expression. "I go out and see him every night," he explained. His face brightened. "He's where he can see the door and Doc says every night at seven he watches it, waiting for me to come. He'd get lonesome or homesick if I didn't." He shifted the pack on his back, a heavy load for such a slender frame. "Well, I guess I'd better be moving along."

The doorbell rang as usual the next morning and I could hear the crunching of the boy's feet on the frosty sidewalk as he made his way along the street. He was whistling cherfully and I wondered, as I lay on my warm bed, if Scotty had some way of knowing, in his dog mind, of this doubling up of work, this bucking the frost and snow twice a day, instead of once, and all for him. Perhaps he did.—Our Dumb Animals.

Good Dr. Bell fell in the well,
And died with one loud groan,
He should have catered to the sick
And let the well alone.
—P. R. Fahey, Aetnagram.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 10:30 5
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 11 6
Milton, Semora, 7 6
Trinity, 7:30 8
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Soapstone, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 11 6
Plymouth, night 6
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 10:30 5
Aurora, Bonnerton, 11 6
Mt. Olive, Calypso, Calypso, 8 6
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Carthage, Center, 11 6
Broadway, Memphis, 3 6
Sanford, 8 6
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 6
Franklinton, Wesley, 3 6
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 6
Oxford Ct., Gray Rock, 8 9
Princeton, Fellowship, 8 11
Newton Grove, Wesley's Chapel, 11 12
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 13
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 3 13
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8 27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30

August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 6
Seaboard, Concord, 3:30 6
Conway, Severn, 8 6
Kenly, Lucama, 8 9
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Clinton, Keener's, 11 6
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 6
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13
Town Creek, Bolivia, 8 13

Institute Conferences

July
Roseboro, Andrews Chapel, 10:30 8
St. Paul's, Barker's, 10:30 9
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

July 6, 3 p.m.—Hot Springs, Marshall at Walnut.
July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.
July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.
July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mills River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.
August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
North Monroe, New Hope, 11 6
Morven, Shiloh, 3 6
Belmont Park, 8 6
Hickory Grove, 8 7
Chadwick, 8 9
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

July
Boone, 11 6
Watauga, Henson's, 3 6
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 6
Todd, Calvary, 11 20
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 3 20
West Jefferson, night 20
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27

August
Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 6
Stanley, Stanley, night 6

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND

July
Danbury, 3 6
Midway, 7:30 6
Ruffin, 11 13
Hickory Grove, 2 13
West End, 11 27
Russell's Temple, 3 27

August
Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

July
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 5
Randleman-Union, Union, 3 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30

August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 5
Bakersville, 11 6
Micaville, Martin's, 3 6
Linville Falls, 7:30 6
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

August
North Forest, 11 3
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 3
Cross Mills, 7:30 3
Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October
Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

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STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Lenoir, First, 11 6
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 2:30 6
Whitnell, night 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

August
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3

Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July

Robbinsville, Maple Springs, 11 6
Andrews, 8 6
Bethel, 8 9
Morning Star, 8 10
Cullowhee, 11 13
Leve's Chapel, 2:30 13
Sylva, 8 13
Clyde, 8 16
Canton, First, 11 20
Canton, Central, 8 20
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27

August

Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

July

Trinity Bethel, 7:30 6
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of Denver Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of our most beloved and honored members, Mrs. E. Y. Martin, who passed away suddenly on Wednesday, May 7, 1941, into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is true that one's life is not to be measured by the number of years one may live, but more accurately by the quality of life for which they will be remembered. Mrs. Martin will be remembered as an unselfish Christian. This unselfishness expressed itself through a devotion to her husband, her family, her church, and her friends. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of Denver Methodist church extend to the members of the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Second, That we wish to thank God for her beauiful life which was to us an inspiration and to all who knew her.

Third, That we commend to the members of the church her life of patience and sweetness of disposition during the short life she lived.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and one placed in the records of the church.

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Committee.

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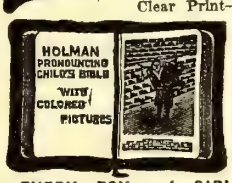
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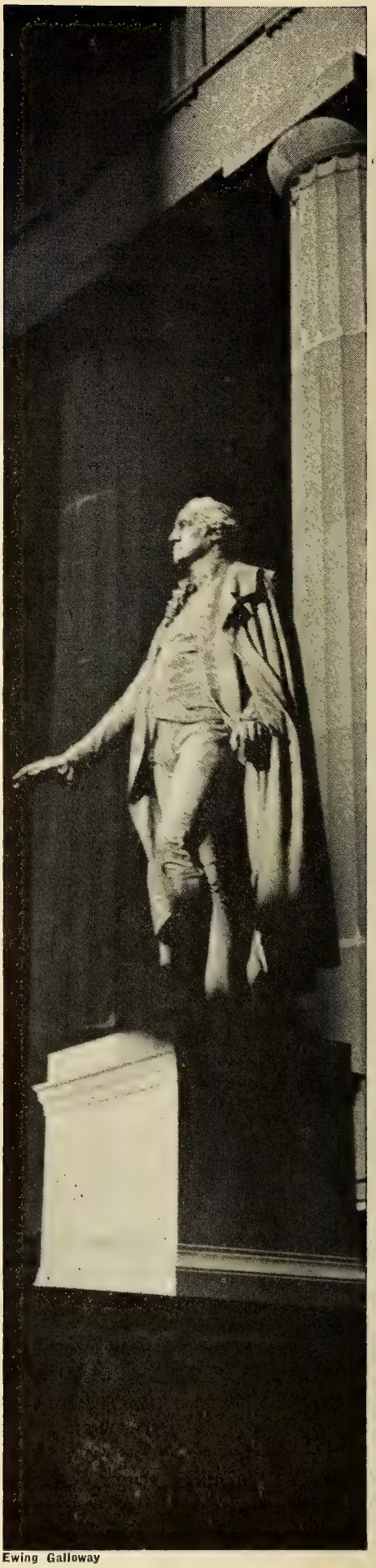
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divided, and he walked between them into the new Senate chamber.
From there he was escorted to a balcony in front,
approximately where his statue now stands on the steps of
the Sub-Treasury Building at Broad and Wall Streets.
There he took the oath,
as administered by the Chancellor of the State of New York,
while the assembled citizens watched and listened.
As he finished, the guns at the Battery roared their salute
and a long shout burst from the crowd—
"Long live George Washington, President of the United States!"

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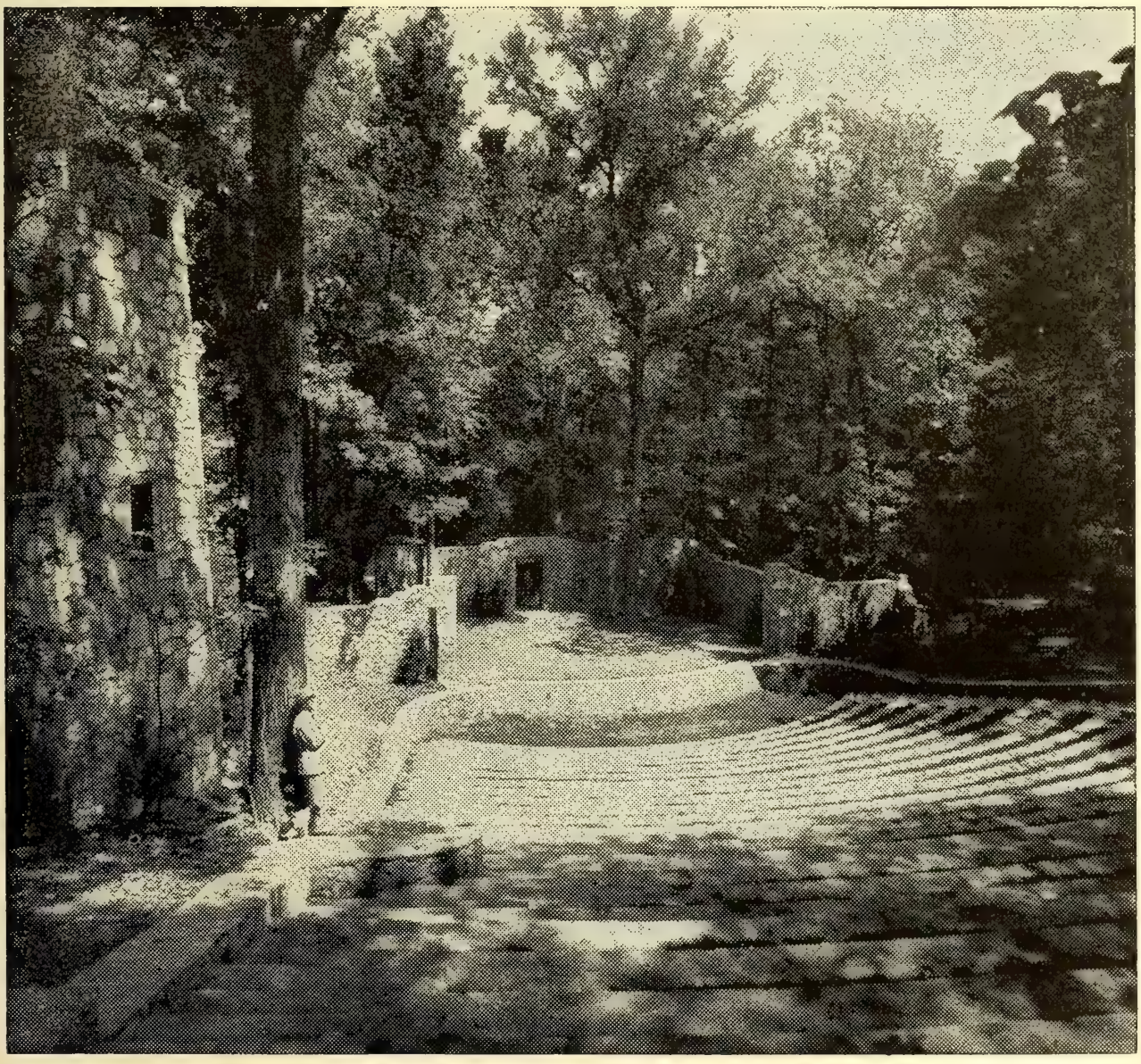


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Iceland Commands Front Page Headlines Since Our Navy Entered Reykjavik

By A. W. PLYLER

To most people Iceland was little more than a name on the Arctic Circle until our navy on July 7 took command of this little island, replacing the army and navy of Great Britain. But now it is of interest in every part of the world. This fact leads me to recall a day's stop in Iceland when on a cruise six years ago to the "Land of the Midnight Sun," Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Russia and Germany.

At eight o'clock Friday morning, July 6, which was six years and one day before the United States Navy entered that port, our ship reached Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland.

I was on deck at 7 o'clcok as we approached the first stop to get a view of the entrance to the harbor and of the little city that had been reported to have a population of 26,000. Seven o'clock seemed an early hour to get out even if the sun had been up considerably more than five hours, and I was well repaid for the extra exertion. For the morning was beautiful and pleasant as a morning can be in any clime. It was a case of the sunshine after the rain, in fact after many days of rain. Treeless mountains furnished a background for the rolling section of country around the town, much of which is covered with grass that becomes pasture land for the cattle. The site of Reykjavik is rolling. The first view of this compact little city was an agreeable surprise. I had expected a dingy, drab town, scarred by the fierce attacks of the arctic winters. But on the contrary, the town was bright and attractive with more signs of fresh paint than one has been accustomed to see at home in recent years.

Our ship on account of shallow water anchored outside the walls that enclosed the harbor and promptly established a line of launches to the shore. These launches were available at all times during our twelve hours stay.

A block away from the landing stood long lines of cars in waiting to carry the cruise party to points of interest in and about the city.

We visited the boiling springs just a little way outside the city. This water has a temperature of 187 degrees and is now being used to heat the houses of the town, just as natural gas is used in our country. In more primitive days the people gathered at the springs to do the family washing, but now only the poorer class use nature's big wash pot without money and without price. Two women were bending over the wash tub the morning we were there.

From the Hot Springs we drove across lava fields a distance of six or eight miles to a fishing hamlet with the impossible name of Hafnarfjardur. On the way we saw chickens, and cows, and children in abundance. The cattle which would have done credit to the best North Carolina herds were grazing upon the fresh, green grass. The question arose in my mind as to how the chickens know when to go to roost in the summer where there is no night, or to get off the roost in the winter when there is no day.

I put this question to a bright and attractive young blonde down in the house of parliament, who in addition to her mother tongue spoke English, German and French. This young lady promptly and aptly replied: "Like the people they go to bed when they get tired and likewise get off when they get tired."

That fishing village proved to be quite an interesting place, even if the odors were a mixture of fresh fish and salt fish. They bring in the codfish that measure about 20 inches in length. Like oranges in a packing house (a long way to go for an illustration) these fish must be of a uniform size. The heads are cut off, the fish dressed, salted, dried in the sunshine, and then stacked as so much cordwood on the vacant lots near the factory. These stacks of dry, salted fish are of a uniform size; approximately six feet wide, ten feet long and three feet high. These stacks are covered with heavy waterproof canvas which being drawn close around the sides of the ground is tied with hemp rope. Later these fish are shipped to foreign shores. Many of them go to Spain and France, I was told. It is of interest to note that Iceland sells annually over 40,000,000 krones worth of codfish. A krone is 22 cents in U. S. money.

Upon our return from the fishing village we stopped to see a colossal bronze statue that stands upon an eminence in the city which commands a wide view in every direction. The statue is that of an early Norse seaman with a heavy sword swung to his belt, an uplifted battle-axe in his right hand, and his left hand pressing a cross against his heart. On the pedestal in bas-relief is the following:

EIRICSON SON OF ICELAND DISCOVERER OF VINELAND. THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PEOPLE OF ICELAND ON THE ONE THOUSANDETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALTHING, A. D. 1930

The Althing is the parliament of Iceland, now 1011 years old and the oldest legislative body in the world.

After the conventional round with guides and groups of fellow travelers, I put off afoot and alone to see the town and its people. I first went to the park on the slopes of the hillside overlooking the harbor where hundreds of children gamboled on the greensward like so many lambs in springtime. Many of these children clad in red and other bright colors were attractive in appearance and all of them appeared to be well fed and healthy. What I saw in the parks I saw on the streets wherever I went, and it was easy from their behavior and their garments to conclude they were on dress parade.

This was no occasion for surprise when one remembered that more than a thousand visitors from the United States of America had come to a town of 26,000 people. On the other hand one must not overlook the fact that the coming of such parties has been an annual occurrence for years and while two cruise ships were there two others were to arrive the day following.

But in spite of all this and the unusual beauty of the day which brought out the little people in great numbers, it remains obvious beyond all controversy that there is no race suicide in Iceland and these children constitute a hopeful feature of this little nation situated on the Arctic Circle.

I was also interested in the dress of the elderly ladies whom I saw on the streets. There was nothing especially unusual about the dress of the young and middle aged men and women, but the women fifty years and beyond seemed without exception to wear little black skull caps and skirts that reminded one of the skirts of Catholic sisters, while about their shoulders were large, heavy fringed shawls that gave them the appearance of old fashioned grandmothers.

In my walk about town the vegetable and flower gardens commanded attention. In the vegetable gardens were Irish potatoes, turnips and a number of vegetables that were beyond my acquaintance. In the flower gardens were pansies, tulips and poppies of enormous size and very beautiful. I noted one bed of roses, but the roses had not yet begun to bloom. I even visited the cemetery of many acres, which appeared to be one huge mass of blooming flowers.

When one looks upon the gardens and the green fields of Iceland and notes the absence of snow except patches on the high mountains, it becomes evident that Iceland has been misnamed. It should have been called Greenland and the barren waste of ice to the west known as Greenland should have been named Iceland.

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We sing "God bless America" and we are "treading where the saints have trod," but how about the "woe unto them that build a town in blood and establishes a city in iniquity"?

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"Just Work; That's All" is the caption of a recent editorial in the Charlotte Observer. The editor insists that the oratory of the Fourth of July leaves nothing for us to do until Armistice Day, November 11, but "just work; that's all." He might well have added a familiar old Iredell county injunction, "Keep busy and tend to your own business." Then, we may have another Armistice Day with fewer disappointments than the one on November 11, 1918.

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Sherwood Eddy for more than three decades has been an American crusader. He is always ready to ride forth to the wars. During the World War he was an ardent foe of the Kaiser. During the period following the overthrow of Kaiserism he became an outstanding pacifist. Later he was the interpreter of soviet Russia as a substitute for capitalism. Now he is a bitter foe of Hitler and all his ways. He finds now that America's most priceless foundations are in religion. Sherwood Eddy seems to be a new man.

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Did you ever hear of "termites"? You have heard of smallpox and leprosy. You know something about bombing planes. But none of these should alarm you like "termites," those little insects that destroy the foundations of your home. If you believe those racketeers who go about the country seeking to have you pay them several hundred dollars to save the foundations of your home, they are to be feared more than the pestilence that wasteth at noon day, because these work in the dark under our house and eat out the foundations. These termites are as bad as Hitler if we believe these termite specialists.

Eben Rexford's prayer might well be our own—

I do not ask a lifted load,
Nor for a smooth and thornless road;
Simply for strength enough to bear
Life's daily burdens anywhere.
Strength for each trial and each task,
What more, my Father, should I ask?
Just as I need it, day by day,
Strength for my weakness—this I pray.

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If white preachers would take lessons from negro preachers we would get rid of much of that sort of gospel which puts people to sleep. Here is a sample:

A colored preacher was trying to explain the fury of Hades to his congregation.

"You all has seen molten iron runnin' out from a furnace, ain't you?" he asked.

The congregation said it had.

"Well," the preacher continued, "dey uses dat stuff fo' ice cream in de place I'm talkin 'bout."

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On page nine is presented the plan for the building of Fairmont Methodist church in Raleigh near State College. The students of the college and this rapidly growing section of the city make a most promising situation for Fairmont church. Methodists all over the state should read the statement by Brother H. M. McLamb and get acquainted with the plans for the new church and be ready to aid in this enterprise—a work that has been delayed too long. This enterprising congregation under the leadership of Brother McLamb and the congregation of Person Street led by Rev. D. M. Sharpe give every assurance of a better day for Methodism in both sections of our capital city. The members of these two churches should have the encouragement and help of the Methodists in all of Raleigh and of many over the state who patronize the colleges of the city. Be sure to ponder well the statement found on page nine. That plea should get a response from every Methodist.

Making America Safe

MORE than two decades ago we went "over there" to make the world safe for democracy; the present slogan just now, repeated day after day by press and radio, is for us to make America safe. Then, we were sorely disappointed as to the results of our expenditures of money and men for the enthronement of democracy around the world. Our present effort to make America safe for the long years ahead is a big order. We may appropriate billons of money and make use of our vast mechanism in turning out the tools for industry and the implements for warfare, but all these materials will fall far short of making safe this Republic. Patrick Henry in those revolutionary times asserted that "three millions of people armed in the holy cause of liberty are invincible by any force the enemy may send against us." Why? Because he relied upon the active, the vigilant, the brave citizens in those revolutionary days when men did not hesitate to pledge their lives and most sacred honor to the cause of freedom.

One hundred and thirty millions of people armed with cannon and bombing planes are weak unless they possess those elements which have made illustrious a hundred and fifty years of our marvelous history. The one question for the last man of us is, "Am I doing my bit to keep this a nation worth defending? The orators may talk glibly about our going "over there" and sweeping totalitarianism from the world, but such is much more foolish than was our former effort to make the world safe for democracy. To keep democracy so vigorous, unselfish and brave as to sweep totalitarianism from our own land is taxing our best efforts. For more than a century we have been a haven of refuge for the oppressed of every land. But that day seems to have passed.

Now we are deporting the undesirables from within our barred gates while many talk glibly about sending our boys across the water to re-enforce the armies of other nations until totalitariansim is no more. Blood and slaughter "over there" and building strong barricades about our own shores may contribute to our defense, but the bigger and more far-reaching work is that which transforms the inner life of a people—that which makes new the soul of a nation. Truly, the effective and enduring elements in making America safe remain in home, the school, the church, the civic groups and with the crusaders for justice, for morality, and for spiritual conquests until our whole industrial and social order is shot through with that spirit that has made America great. Lodged in the depths of a people's life are their best and finest defenses.

An Up-to-Date Preacher

WHAT in the estimation of quite a number of people both in the church and out of the church is the prime qualification for a present day up-to-date preacher? Must he be a prophet, that is a man who can speak for God? Such was the prime qualification of Old Testament preachers and of the Apostolic preachers of New Testament times. But that is not the first qualification at the present hour. Must he be a man of prayer? Very little is ever said about that. Must he be a great scholar whose wisdom has been born of experience? No one ever insists upon any such qualification. What then is the first and essential thing? He must be a man of "pep." And what is "pep"? "Pep" is to the preacher what jazz is to music. And we all know what this is in this jazz age. The preacher must be able to pep up the Sunday school, pep up the Epworth League, pep up the prayer meeting, pep up the Sunday morning service, and he must fill the Sunday evening service so full of pep that the leading officials of the church will be moved to come out to church twice every Sunday. Pep! Pep! Pep! Any church can afford to pay a good price for pep.

Those Fiery Methodists

FIRE has always been a characteristic of the Methodists, says Dr. Dindale T. Young, the great London preacher. "There was a day when if a minister of another church preached without manuscript, and if he had a message to declare, instead of a philosophy to expound —the highest compliment which could be paid to him was to say, 'Sir, you preach like a Methodist preacher.' A cold, phlegmatic Methodist would never have won the victories that red-hot Methodism did in the past." What is the lesson here for preachers? It is this: Leave the manuscript in the study and enter the pulpit with a heart and mind saturated with a burning gospel message. But let no man think that the absence of a manuscript is the guarantee of a red-hot message. It may be only a guarantee of nothing but a lot of gospel peanut hulls which like the bones Ezekiel beheld in the valley, "are bone dry."

Keeping in Touch With Draftees

THIS Advocate has sent a number of durably and appropriately bound New Testaments to draftees in the various camps. Pastors and other friends order these, with the name of the draftee in gold letters, to be sent as a token of interest in the boy away from home. What could be a finer link between home and camp! Then, too, this is a fine souvenir of former camp life in the years to come! We trust many pastors will find this a valuable way to hold the young soldier's interest in the church at home.

Why not make use of some such reminder for the young people who are being received into the country churches these summer months? More than is often done should be made of the occasion of joining the church. To give an inscribed New Testament or some other appropriate book will mean much for the after years. With the renewed interest that comes with the revival in the church it would be well to put the church paper into the home. Many new subscriptions to the Christian Advocate could be secured during the revival season were the pastors to turn attention to this work. Give the printing press a larger place in the coming of the kingdom.

Volunteer enlisting in the church and draftees sent to the camps should all be shown more careful attention. A little attention would count for much with both.

Why Does the Senator Prefer Mecklenburg Over Guilford?

THE Statesville Landmark begins a half column editorial with the following paragraph:

"Senator Bob Reynolds, back in Washington after a careful inspection of the docking facilities of the Sugaw Creek wharf in Charlotte, reports that while in North Carolina he talked with many people who voiced misgivings over the proposal to tax the people of this country to raise funds to make Europe safe for Communism, which would be the inescapable result of a soviet victory."

We are not here interested in the least about Senator Reynolds' opinion of Communism, but we are eager to learn why he makes a trip to Charlotte to inspect the Sugaw Creek navy yard when he fails to make any tours of inspection at Greensboro. It is true that we have no navy yard in Greensboro like Charlotte has, but we do have a battlefield. Guilford Courthouse is one of the historic battle grounds where a lot of shooting was done in behalf of freedom. Why does the senator fail to pay us a visit in Guilford?

The Fall of France

BERNARD RAYNER—in France for nineteen years as newspaper writer and publicity council for French National Railways prior to his return to America in 1940—in a contribution to the Christian Advocate says the virus of doubt, with its consequent softening of character and weakening of the will power, entered the French body politic. Life, to them became a pleasant game, something to be seen and enjoyed but not participated in. He writes:

> True, there were military reasons for the French defeat—unpreparedness, an inefficient industrial machine, shortage of tanks, lack of planes, outmoded tactics, defective strategy, and a general staff that was deaf, dumb and blind and asleep. But in the final analysis, all this boils down to one calamitous phrase—lack of faith. As Marshal Foch once said, "Victory is essentially a thing of the spirit." . . . . .
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> Hundreds of business men—I regret to report—did not have faith in France, or in the French way of life. They did not understand that totalitarianism enslaves both capital and labor. So, they were afraid to give democracy a chance, fearing it would deprive them of their privileges. They even flirted with Nazi ideas, and contributed money to subversive and undercover groups whose avowed aim was to set up a French version of the Hitlerian tyranny in Paris. Certain business men knowingly sold war materials to Germany (some of them, even after the declaration of war) and made profits at the expense of their country.

Says Rayner, "The nineteen years I was in France not a single French premier was a 'practicing' Christian; a man who took his religion seriously and attended divine service with some regularity.

"There was no leader in 1940 of electric faith who could inspire the nation with some such stirring slogan as that of Marshal Petain in 1916: 'They shall not pass.'"

In this situation there is a lesson for us. To sing "God bless America" or to celebrate the Glorious Fourth with much waving of the flag is no substitute for a heroic patriotism born of a Christian faith made manifest in the doing of "mighty works." French soldiers were not capable of many mighty works because of unfaith. They pursued a policy of indolence and evasion—that of letting things slide. The world knows the consequences of such a course.

Are we going to be wise enough to profit by the fall of France?

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

The Baldwin church on the Helton charge will be dedicated by Bishop Purcell Sunday afternoon, July 13, at 3:30 o'clock. All former pastors and friends are cordially invited to worship with us.—R. J. Starling.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. Dowd Bangle as pastor of Huntersville charge, Charlotte district, Western North Carolina conference.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

Through the Advocate I wish to express to my friends my sincere appreciation of the many kind messages of sympathy which I received from them during my recent bereavement.—J. D. Williams.

We are grateful to our friends for their kindness to Mrs. Stott during the two weeks or more she was at Duke hospital for an operation. We brought her home (723 W. Morgan, Raleigh) Sunday, and we are glad to report she is getting along well.—J. D. Stott.

The Oak Hill church on the Acton charge, near Asheville, has just closed a very successful revival meeting. It was conducted with the help of Mrs. C. L. Steidley. Eleven were received into the church on profession of faith and five by letter. Rev. H. E. Bolick is pastor of the Acton charge.—Richey.

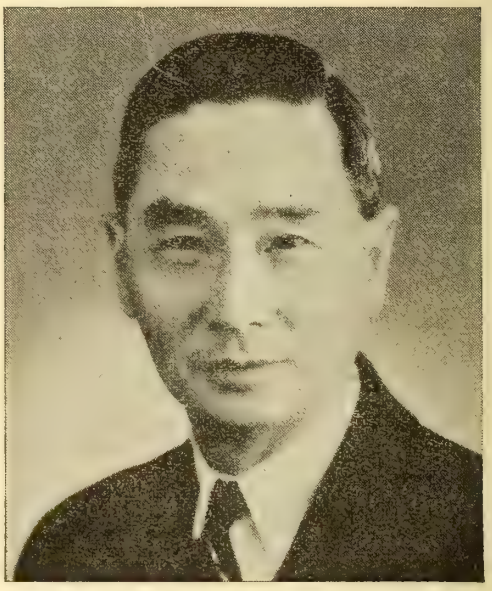
Last week for six days we enjoyed a typical rural revival at Cokesbury church with Tom Lee. Large congregations, half of whom were young people, came nightly. A fine class of young people were received into the membership of the church. A splendid program is being carried out on this charge by Brother Lee.—Sam Maxwell.

The ministers' wives of the Waynesville district will entertain with a tea on August 7 from 4 to 6 p. m. at the Mission building at Lake Junaluska. Honor guests will be missionaries, conference officers and wives of the bishops. All "wives" visiting at the Lake are invited, and we hope will make their plans now to be present.—Mrs. R. O. Brown, Pres.; Mrs. J. S. Higgins, Sec.

Miss Mae Louise Ward, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Ward of Old Fort, became the bride of Thomas Jefferson Byrum of Dillon, S. C., on June 21, in a ceremony in the Bethel Methodist church in Old Fort. The brides's father performed the ceremony. The bride is a graduate of Brevard College and Berea College and has done post graduate work at the University of N. C. For the past two years she has been a social case worker in Wadesboro. The bridegroom is a graduate of Duke University in electrical engineering. He is connected with the Carolina Power and Light Company in Dillon, S. C. After the wedding trip the couple will reside in Dillon.

Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson, chairman, has called a meeting of the Commission on Ritual and Orders of Worship of the Methodist Church, to be held at the La Salle Hotel in Chicago from Wednesday, July 30, to Friday, August 1, inclusive. Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, is a member of this commission and will attend the meeting in Chicago. Readers of the Advocate are requested to write to Dr. Gobbel promptly if they have suggestions concerning the revision of the Ritual and Orders of Worship. Any suggestions for revision will be taken to the commission for consideration. Suggestions should reach Dr. Gobbel on or before July 24.

The Rev. John Wesley Frank, for forty years a missionary of the Methodist Church in Japan and a leader in directing "newspaper evangelism" in northern Japan, has taken the retired relationship on reaching his seventieth birthday. He and Mrs. Frank are now making their home at 185 Rockford Street, Mount Airy, N. C. Mr. Frank has had a number of speaking engagements since his return from Japan and expects to be busy this summer in various North Carolina pulpits.



Rev. Z. T. Kaung

Chinese pastor of the Moore Memorial church in Shanghai, and the clergyman who baptized Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, was elected a bishop by the China Central conference. He was assigned to the Peking area.

"The China Relief Legion," authorized by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of China's Generalissimo, for recognizing and honoring in the United States those who give one hundred dollars for human relief in China, is now being used by the United China Relief of which the Church Committee for Relief in China is a part. The U. C. R. is uniting the major appeals for help to China in one effort across the country and especially in the churches. Donors of gifts from $100 to $1000 receive membership in the Legion. Those donating $100 or more are awarded the "Fellowship of the Plum Blossom"; $5000 or more, "Fellowship of the Wisteria"; $10,000 or more, "Fellowship of the White Orchid"; $25,000 or more, "Fellowship of the Lotus." Each "fellowship" will be accompanied by a scroll signed by Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

Wanted: A rector for St. James church, Milwaukee. He must possess all the Christian graces and a few worldly ones; must have such tact as will enable him to side with all parties in the parish on all points, giving offense to none; should possess a will of his own, but agree with the vestry; must be socially inclined and of dignified manners; affable to all, neither running after the rich nor turning his back upon the poor; must be willing to preach first-class sermons for second-class pay, salary should not be so much thought of as the desire to serve the parish; each sermon must be short, yet complete within itself, filled with sound theology in modern dress. Applicants should be young enough to be enthusiastic, but should possess the judgment of ripe years. For further information apply to any member of the congregation.—The Living Church.

The defendant in police court testified as follows: "Judge, Your Honor," she said, "it was like this. I was coming up the backstairs and she was coming down with her laundry. She said to me, 'If your little boy throws mud on this wash I'm goin' to whip him. And if I whip him he's not goin' to like it. And if you don't like it I's going to whip you. And I don't think you're goin' to like it, so we might as well start now.' And with that, Judge, she drops the clothes basket and the fight begins."

Our work at Mt. Zion church on Pinnacle-Mt. Zion charge progresses nicely. Preaching services every third Sunday at 11 with our pastor, Rev. J. D. Morris, in charge. The young people of Shoals and Mt. Zion churches gave on fifth Sunday a program based on the works of our missionaries, by giving examples and talks about the works and experiences of several of them. Our Sunday school has 172 on roll with an average attendance of 85. Our revival meeting begins the third Sunday in July and continues through the following week. Rev. E. A. Bingham of Albemarle will assist our pastor. Everyone and all are invited to attend any of our services.—Bryce Needham.

Bethany, Randolph-Gray's Chapel Charge.—We are looking to the third Sunday of July when the revival services begin at Bethany. Rev. C. H. Hill will be the pulpit help. Our pastor, Rev. H. L. Isley, in his last sermon asked, "Are we yearning for the souls of the lost in the community?" We ask the prayers of the Christian people that we may have a great burden for them and that they may be saved. Since our last report we have painted the interior of the church and placed new railings around the cemetery. We are hoping in the near future to be able to paint the church on the outside. Our Sunday school holds the interest of the people. We have something like 120 to 130 almost every Sunday.—Reporter.

Since the evacuation of Methodist missionaries from Korea and our return to the States last November, Mrs. Lewis and I have tried on several occasions to get in a visit to our friends and home conference in North Carolina. Each time it seemed wise to cancel such plans and delay our trip to that section. This has disappointed us very much, for we have been and still are anxious to see you. We are hoping that it will not be much longer before we shall be able to get over that way. The rest and treatment of these months have brought improvement in health and we are trusting that the doctors will soon allow me a great deal more physical activity. With best wishes to you and others of our friends in the conference, I am, Ralph H. Lewis.



Rev. George Carleton Lacy, D.D.

Formerly secretary of the American Bible Society in China, was elected a bishop of the Methodist Church at a recent session of the China Central conference and assigned to the Foochow area.

REV. J. R. ANDERSON PASSED LAST MONDAY

Rev. John Rogers Anderson, 68, one of North Carolina's evangelical ministers, passed away Monday, July 7, at the parsonage of the Randleman Methodist circuit. He was a native of Georgia.

Mr. Anderson served as president of the Georgia annual conference of the former Methodist Protestant Church before coming to North Carolina about 20 years ago. North Carolina pastorates served included Albemarle, High Point Welch Memorial, Lincolnton, Mount Hermon circuit in Alamance county, and the present pastorate.

Surviving relatives living in North Carolina are his wife, Mrs. Louise Couey Anderson, and two daughters, Johnnie and Fay, all of the home.

Mr. Anderson was especially successful in evangelistic services. Much of his attention was given to assisting other pastors in revivals. Annually he returned to his native state of Georgia and conducted several camp meetings. He was a member of the Randleman Lions Club. Funeral services were conducted in Atlanta and burial there. J. E. Carroll.

DR. STOKES REPORTS THE FRANKLIN INTERDENOMINATIONAL REVIVAL

Perhaps you can find space in the Advocate for a brief report of the Macon County Interdenominational Revival meeting. This meeting, held every year in a tabernacle built for the purpose, has in the past attracted such speakers as Dr. George Truett and Gypsie Smith, Jr. Last year we had the services of Rev. C. E. Rozelle. The Methodists of Macon county were pleased that a member of our conference was again this year invited to be the guest preacher.

Rev. E. E. Snow of Lowell, N. C., gave us two full weeks, June 16-29. The high order of preaching that has in the past marked this union revival was again in evidence this year. Ministers and members of all denominations cooperated in a beautiful spirit of Christian love. A number of people found fellowship with Christ by the "old-fashioned" way of the altar. We feel that a spiritual refreshing has come our way. J. L. Stokes, II.

CALVARY METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

For 15 days Rev. P. Raymond Powers was with us in a meeting which began May 1, 1941 Permit me to say that Brother Powers is a great gospel preacher. He is firm and does not mince words, yet unoffensive, sympathetic, beautiful in spirit and at the same time bold in his declaration of truth. His ability to get church members to work ,to plan for the future, to conserve the results of a revival is marvelous.

He is genuinely brotherly to work with. His methods of evangelism and type of preaching will last. To my way of thinking, Brother Powers is a Christian gentleman, altogether worthy and equal to any task the church has. He should be used to the extreme limit of his strength.

At the close of the above meeting 42 people were received into the church. Thirty-seven on profession of faith. It was a great meeting, indeed. S. M. Needham, Pastor.

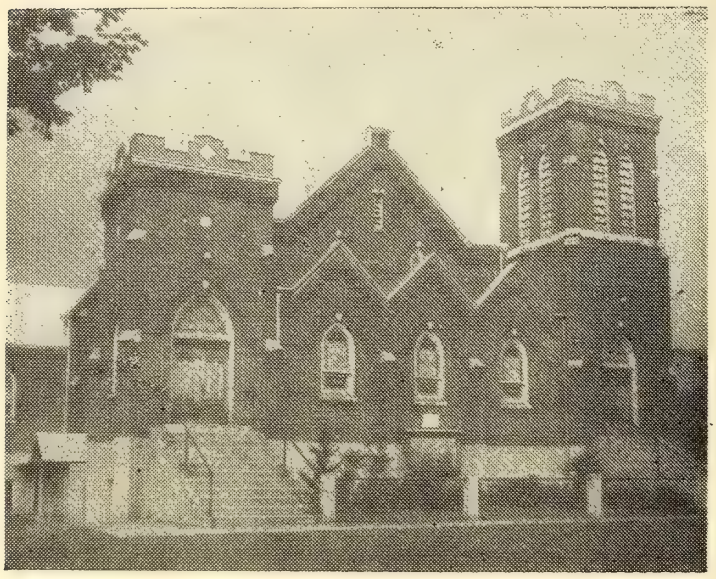
REV. J. M. RHODES DIES IN FLORIDA

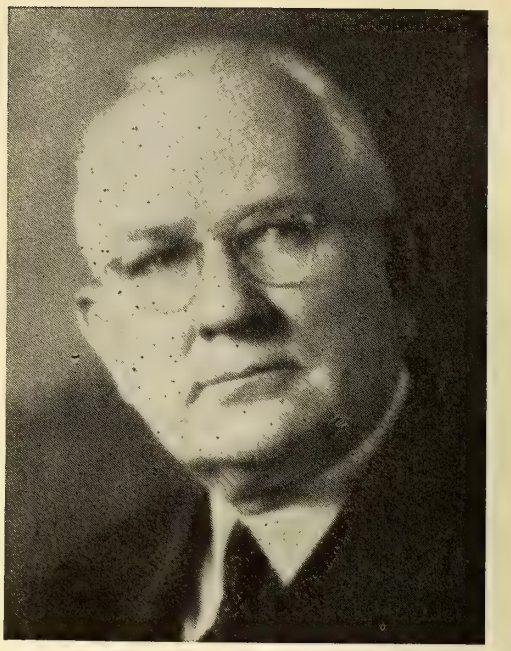
Rev. J. M. Rhodes, 91, former president of Littleton College and the oldest Methodist minister in the North Carolina conference, died July 2 at his residence in Bartow, Florida. Burial was at Littleton.

Rev. Mr. Rhodes is survived by one adopted daughter, Mrs. Harold W. Alberti of Tulsa, Okla. His wife died four years ago. A citizen of Littleton, he has been living in Florida since 1928.

CAMP FREE, CONNELLY SPRINGS, N. C.

Date, August 3 to 10. Workers, Revs. C. F. Wimberly, J. W. Groce, Jim H. Green, Victory Quartette, and others. Address Rev. W. J. McDaniel, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs, N. C.





Henson's Chapel in Watauga County to Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell July 13

In the beautiful Cove Creek valley of Watauga county stands Henson's Chapel, a spacious modern church that was erected at no little sacrifice on the part of Rev. R. A. Taylor, the pastor, and the heroic band that followed him to the completion of the church. Rev. M. A. Osborne, the present pastor, paid the last of the debt that has been hanging over the property for several years, and on Sunday, July 13, Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate this church which will be sufficient to meet the needs of the community for many years to come.

A Partial History of Henson Chapel, by Don J. Horton

About the year 1850 or before, there came from different sections of the country ministers and elders who stopped at the different homes in the beautiful Cove Creek valley and began preaching Methodism. As a result of this ministry, over a period of years, a small band of followers gathered at the home of Mr. George Bingham, Sr., which was located in the bottom now owned by Mr. Ila Bingham, and organized a church with about 35 charter members. A partial list of their names follows: Mr. and Mrs. John P. Combs, Sheriff A. J. McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Farmer, Martha and Sarah Farmer, Thomas Bingham, Adaline Henson, Sallie Henson, Polly Bingham, Ben, James and Polly Council, Sarah Horton, Jane Harbin, Newt Combs, who later became a useful preacher, Sarah Harbin, Carrie Shull, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Isaacs, T. P. and Leah Adams, Mrs. Nettie Davis, Mrs. Polly Bingham, T. B. and Julia Harbin, Benjamin Fletcher, Betsy Henson, L. D. Cole, who became a valuable local preacher.

Rev. W. H. Cooper was pastor and W. C. Dailey presiding elder. At this time, 1858, this little band of pioneers held their services in a one-room log house on the hill just across the road from the present church. This log house, becoming inadequate for a church, was turned into the first parsonage, having only sheets and quilts for partitions, and was used by pastor, elders and visitors, while the first church was being erected in 1868. This was a small one-room log house which stood on the present church ground. The ground was donated by Elizabeth Henson. The church was worthily named "Henson Chapel" in her honor.

By this time there were several churches organized by these same preachers over a wide area of western North Carolina, East Tennessee and Virginia, and added to the Holston conference.

For 20 years this little log cabin stood here as a sacred place to our parents who were its ardent supporters. The membership increased through these years. Rebuilding had waited through several years and it came when J. A. Duvall came as pastor and saw the inner meaning of this religious center. So he said: "Let's go up to the mountain and bring wood and build the house of God. Also let us build a house for the men God sends and he will be glorified and have pleasure in us."

It was then in the year 1888 that the little log church was replaced by the more modern one-room frame structure which now stands across the creek on the Harris property. The house for the men God sends still stands and is being occupied by the last man he sent. Thirty-eight years passed. The history of these years is very sacred to the most of us because, within those walls, many of us have had various experiences.

Then across the horizon dawned a modern day, a day of restlessness, a day when young people were dissatisfied and older ones were wondering what could be done. To answer this question there came another man of God who looked far into the future to generations yet unborn. He it was who instilled into the minds of the members of this church that if they want their children to grow up with high regard to spiritual matters, if they wish themselves and others to grow in grace and spiritual power, they must have a permanent, beautiful church, as attractive as means will permit.

Then it was in 1926 that through R. A. Taylor's leadership this magnificent structure was begun. Through a period of five years the auditorium with pews, seven Sunday school rooms, a full basement and heating plant, were completed at a cost of $20,000, leaving an indebtedness of $2000 at the bank and $1400 to the Wolfe Brothers Furniture Co. Most everyone responded loyally to this building program, some making large gifts according to their means, others making smaller gifts but with no less self-sacrifice.

The church since its organization has had about 35 pastors and 25 elders, also a number of bishops have preached here. During the past 15 years the church has had a struggle. This debt hung over our heads like a huge mountain until, through the leadership of Rev. G. C. Graham and the co-operation of the faithful members, a part of the debt was paid. Then came Rev. J. W. Parker, who dug hard to tumble this mountain into the past. But still $1150 stood there as a challenge to our faith.

In November, 1940, Rev. M. A. Osborne came as pastor. He found the faith in finishing the task very much shattered and various opinions as to how, if at all, the debt could be paid. But under his efficient leadership the Wolfe Brothers Funiture Company donated $300, and the people rallied to one last effort with hopeful anticipation of a day of freedom and dedication to God. That day of freedom came at 11:45 February 26, 1941. The day of dedication will be July 13, 1941, with Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, officiating.

REV. GASTON TROY ADAMS, 76, SUCCUMBS IN SANFORD

Rev. Gaston Troy Adams, 76, a widely known member of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, died at his home in Sanford July 4, 1941, after a brief illness. His death was due to a heart ailment.

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W .G. Adams of Harnett county, G. T. Adams graduated from Trinity College, now Duke University. Following graduation he had charge of the New Bern schools until he resigned to take the course in theology in Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. Having finished his course at Vanderbilt he joined the North Carolina conference in 1897. He was actively engaged in the Methodist minstry until 1931, when, owing to poor health, he took the retired relation.

Ordained to the ministry more than 50 years ago, he served pastorates in a number of places in the conference, including Wilmington, New Bern, Durham, Goldsboro, Raleigh, Dunn, Sanford and other towns, and as presiding elder of the Elizabeth City district.

In 1927 Dr. Adams came to Sanford as pastor of the Steele Street Methodist church, his last charge. Retiring in 1931, he continued to make his home in Sanford ,and was active in the religious life of the community. For several years he had been the teacher of the T. R. Moffit Bible class in Steele Street Methodist church.

Dr. Adams was twice married. His first wife was before marriage Miss Mattie Manning of Nashville, Tenn. She died many years ago and afterwards Dr. Adams married Miss May Gibbs of Oxford, who survives.

Surviving also are two daughters, Mrs. J. W. Winslow, Jr., of Goldsboro, and Mrs. John T. Davenport, Jr., of Sanford; a brother, John C. Adams of Linden; two sisters, Mrs. B. F. Vinson of Macon, Ga., and Mrs. William McDonald of Greenville, and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday from the Steele Street Methodist church. Officiating were Rev. A. P. Brantley, the pastor of the church, Rev. A. J. Groves of Sanford, and Rev. J. D. Bundy of Fayetteville, both retired Methodist ministers. Burial was in Willow Dale cemetery, Goldsboro.

FAIRMONT, RALEIGH, STILL ADVANCES

Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, plans to begin construction of an educational building in September. The building site, on the corner of Horne street and Clark avenue, cost $2500, and is clear of indebtedness. The congregation has assumed responsibility for $30,000 on the educational building, exclusive of land and furnishings. On June 15 a drive was started to raise $13,000 in cash by September 1. The amount received in cash and pledged to be paid by September 1 is $10,390. After reaching the $13,000 cash goal, $17,000 will be financed out of the anuual budgets over 10 years.

The church is near State College and the State School for the Blind, which have a total of 800 Methodist students. Being a young and growing church, it is impossible for the congregation to build adequately for its present members, its future growth, and the student needs without assistance. A committee from the church appeared before Bishop Clare Purcell and his cabinet of the North Carolina conference at pastors' school in June. A plan was approved whereby Methodist individuals of the state will be asked to help build the part of the church necessitated by the student situation. The 18 district superintendents of the two conferences of the state will provide names of laymen in their districts who might be interested. Bishop Purcell will write a personal letter of commendation to all these persons. Fairmont church will mail a booklet about the facts and possibilities of the student work of the church. The state drive will be made in July and August. Members of Fairmont church will give their time in following up the letter and booklet with personal solicitations. The goal set for the drive is $20,000, which if reached, will make possible a $50,000 educational building.

The church was organized in December, 1937,, in Pullen Hall, the State College auditorium, where services have been held since that time. The membership is now 402. Bishop Purell will preach at the church December 7 in observance of the fourth anniversary of the church.

Howard M. McLamb, Pastor.

"WE MUTUALLY PLEDGE"

By Ruth Taylor

One hundred and sixty-five years ago this Fourth of July there rang forth upon a then unheeding world the "unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America."

At that time, though the bells rang and the crowds in the streets of Philadelphia cheered, only a few far-seeing individuals realized the true significance of the Declaration of Independence. To the rest of the world the proclamation was just words.

But those words made a nation, and more than a nation, they made a way of life. It was a revolution, but not merely a revolution against a constituted authority—it was a return to first principles, to the basic ideal of all religions, that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights."

In this Declaration, the thoughtful, conscientious men who worked it out affirmed what has come to be called "Americanism," that spirit which animates and unifies this nation composed of so many divergent and different racial, national, and religious groups. They proclaimed the philosophy that the people should and could govern themselves, and that by working together in a spirit of equality, they could insure to themselves and to each other the unalienable rights of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

The pledge which they then made, and which the President of the United States in his clarion call to the nation called upon us all to make anew, is still the price of our rights. "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

This is a pledge that enjoins each and every one of us, regardless of our work or condition in life, young or old, rich or poor, black or white, worker or employer, to support and defend those principles by which and through which we live and enjoy our freedom.

In this hour of national crisis and upon this solemn and sacred anniversary, let us put aside our differences, and renew our mutual pledge, so that we may present a united front to those who would destroy our way of life. With this spirit we shall win, and in the winning retain our democratic way of life for all the generations to come.—Zions Herald.

Wanted—An Open Bible

By J. C. STOKES

Less than five hundred years ago the Bible was a closed book to the great majority of Christian people. This was made doubly the case because the Scriptures were scarcely to be found in a language of Europe other than the Latin, which was known only to the scholars; and because each copy produced had to be painstakingly written by hand, or printed from carved blocks, page by page.

The English-speaking people first had opportunity to read the Bible in their native language when William Tyndale, carrying out his declaration to a polemical divine—"if God spare my life, I will cause a boy that driveth the plough shall know more of the Scriptures than thou dost"—produced and printed an English version of the New Testament. His work was banned from England and drastic though futile efforts were made to destroy all copies of it.

Since that time the pages of the Bible have been freely opened for anyone to read who would. The Bible is an open Book throughout this land; but it is so often also a closed Book. It is not a closed Book because of persecution against its use, nor because one would endanger his life if he looked into its pages. It is a closed Book because we leave it closed. It sits in solemn majesty upon the tables, in the book cases, and upon the mantels of our homes, its voice of truth hushed, its pages a silent mystery.

In our hurried haste we pass it by. We are too busy doing things to bother with it. We don't quite know always why we do them, or what we are going to get out of doing them in the end. We seem driven on by an indefinable urge to action. So, we hurry by the Bible as we go out, and when we come in at night, our minds fevered, our bodies tired, we give that Book scarcely a glance as we wearily prepare for bed. We say to it: "Some other time, when I'm not so rushed nor so tired I'll make a date with you." We are too busy solving the problems of life to consult the text book which contains the answers we need. We are so preoccupied with picking the locks to the doors of opportunity that we forget that the master key which can open them all is within our reach.

The Bible has been waiting patiently for men and women to open it and to let the truth of its inspiration shed radiant light upon their pathways. In the ages of the past, it waited as only God could wait, while for centuries it remained a concealed captive in the confines of monasteries, convents and awesome cathedrals. It did not grow impatient as the language in which it was penned came to be a dead language, with its message muted, its truths darkly hidden.

Then came the printing press, and the minds of men leaped to the task of translating its truths into the vernacular of the common folk. It once more became a Book of Light and Life and Truth. Under the pale of its influence those twin giants. Truth and Light, arose and crusaded together across the world in righteous strength. Wherever they went, whether into the coal mines, or to the broad, flat plantations, or among the masses gathered around factories and foundries, or into charity-lacking churches, they wiped the sweat from heated brows and broke the chains of bondage. They put bread into the mouths of hungry children, and ointment upon the hurts of the wounded. They brought a pure white light for those living in darkness, and put a song-bird, which should sing a melody of eternal hope, into the despairing souls of men. So did the Book of Light and Truth become a mighty force for good.

For many years now the Bible has been the world's best seller. It has sold among every race and nation on the face of the earth. It is still the best seller in the book stalls and publishing plants of the world. But I wonder what percentage of all of the Bibles sold in the world are never read. I wonder how many copies there are, the pages of which have never been looked upon by human eyes. Perhaps, if the Bible could speak for itself, it would cry out against this neglect. It would recall its past history of solitary confinement while the world waited for the printing press; and its centuries of enforced muteness as it lay buried within a dead language. Then, in agrieved anguish, it would enunciate aganist a fate which has given it a ten-fold life by virtue of mass publication and the services of a consecrated scholarship, only to be met by an honored indifference from those whom it would serve.

The Bible has been the blue print upon which the structure of the world's most elevated system of life has been modeled. All that is finest and best in Western culture has germinated within the content of its exalted message. Today this culture is imperiled, perhaps, as never before in its history; imperiled from within and imperiled from without. As we consider measures to be taken in fortifying the endangered structure of our culture, we would be wise to consult the original blue prints. Then, perchance, we should know more clearly what is wrong and how the weakened parts may be strengthened.

In past centuries, the Bible has always had a relevant message for those who were wise enough to seek it and willing enough to see it. It had something to say to kings and beggars, to parents and children, to brethren and strangers, to saints and sinners. It spoke of many things having to do with the complex relations of life, so that it may be boldly asserted that there is no life-situation in which a man may find himself for which it does not furnish a wise answer.

The Bible has not only spoken in the past; it can and it will speak just as effective a message today and to us if we will but let it. Surely there has never been a time when men and nations and society were more needful of prophetic guidance than now! Consultation of daily newspapers may tell us what has happened in the past few days, but it will never inform us as to what we ought to be and to do in the future. Moreover, there is no earthly school of prophets which we dare trust for all the answers. But there is one Book which, though hoary with age, is as new as tomorrow's newspaper. It's wisdom is for the ages, but its wisdom is also for this moment of our need.

Great men are the inspired (speaking and acting) texts of that divine Book of Revelation, whereof a chapter is completed from epoch to epoch, and by some named history.—Carlyle.

EFFECTIVE EVANGELISTIC PREACHING

By S. A. Maxwell

Christian evangelism as expressed through the evangelistic sermon sets forth the purpose of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It announces, declares, and urges but it never argues, dictates, or abuses. It is patient, longing tide from an infinite deep flooding his heart and life. He is radiant, warm, tender and compelling. In all such preaching there must be the consciousness of a power totally different from and utterly transcending mere intellectual fitness. The chief concern in evangelistic preaching is with the great spiritual facts of sin, penitence and redemption; its battlefield is the unregenerate human will; its message is the love and judgment of God; its objective is the winning of men to Christ. The sermon will not meddle with questions concerning which it cannot speak with conviction and intellectual authority. Its cardinal note will be that Christ is doing something "that He might bring us to God." A careful study of the Gospel impresses thoughtful men with this truth, that Jesus aimed at a perfect society whose creation would come only by the regeneration of the individual. This is the only reason for the Gospel. In sharp contrast the world's way is to get right institutions, right laws, right customs, right methods and instruments, hoping that with these right men will inevitably appear. The only way the Kingdom of God can come is through the preaching of the Gospel and the conversion of men one by one. The evangelistic sermon places the emphasis where Jesus places it, on winning men. It must carry conviction, appeal, and inspiration. A free and glorious religious faith shines out in effective evangelism. We must proclaim the evangel of personal, then social redemption, fearlessly. Such truths are given to be shouted, sung and chanted, to be whispered to little children and made glorious in courageous sacrifice. It is a day of good tidings in religion, and we dare not hold our peace. There is a side of God which is immutable and inevitable. He lives in the laws of His universe. But there is also the Heavenly Father whom we never know until we choose Him. Only those who approach Him through Christ can enjoy this relationship.

The evangelistic sermon must push for Christian enlistment. It is a propaganda for the redemption of man. It must therefore cooperate directly with Christ in His supreme effort to bring men to God by an oblation of Himself on the Cross. Until the individual listener can sing out of a transforming experience:

> " 'Tis done the great transaction's done!
> I am the Lord's and He is mine;
> He drew me and I followed on,
> Charmed to confess the Voice divine."

The evangelistic appeal is incomplete. The purpose of evangelistic preaching is to win men to Christ. It must not only inform and inspire but it must elicit favorable responses, guide in redemptive decisions, and secure working enlistments. Every element in the sermon must be selected with this very practical purpose in mind. Such supreme purpose will exercise veto over every idea, every word, every illustration, every impulse, and every appeal in the sermon. It must recruit men for the Kingdom! It must set forth Christ as the noblest picture of God, the Saviour of mankind. The evangel will set forth a Saviour of measureless love, rendering matchless service, and due endless praise. The Kingdom waits only for effective evangelistic praching. Our world presents us with a giant hour. God rules sometimes in a "mysterious way, His wonders to perform," but

> "His purposes are ripening fast,
> Unfolding every hour."

THE MAN WITH A NEW AND BIGGER JOB

By Elmer A. Leslie

There came to Moses at the burning bush a new program. At the time he was a shepherd, and a good one, for the shrewd sheik, Jethro, would not have put his great flock in a weakling's hand, and already the prudent Arab had observed his son-in-law for several years. To be a good shepherd is not a bad program. But that day a new chapter was to open in Moses' life, to which all that had gone before was but preparation. Our lives do not develop all at once but by stages. Often we cannot see how one stage but prepares us for what follows. But then as in a flash we realize that what we have been doing is but a training ground for what God wants us to do. That day Moses' program was changed from leading a flock of sheep to shepherding an oppressed people. The same good sense, the same inner integrity, the same dependability which he had shown as a shepherd was now given a nobler, more exacting, more challenging outlet.

"Come, I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt."

And oh, how they needed him! They were a group of Hebrew refugees, needing a leader to champion them, needing an advocate to plead for them, needing an emancipator to liberate them, needing an umpire to settle their disputes, needing a statesman to mould them into a nation, needing a teacher who could, as Jethro later said, be "for the people to Godward,' 'needing an intercessor generous enough to pray for them when they bitterly criticized his leadership, needing above all one who would make their cause his cause, and take it upon himself. I am convinced that God has for each of us his program. Many a man who has sheep as his chief concern was intended by God to be a leader of men. Many a gifted mind caught in the mad race of selfish acquisition was intended by God to use that brilliant business ability to bring health, healing, and future opportunity to great numbers of people who seem to be in a treadmill of discouragement and hopelessness.

I do not wonder that Moses trembled when that new program lay clear and compelling in his mind. And I am deeply grateful for the illuminating glimpse we are given of the hesitation: "Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and bring forth the children of Israel?" But he went. He was not disobedient unto his heavenly vision.

Finally, the burning bush experience marked the beginning of a new power in his life. The climax of this high hour was not the vision of the flaming bush. Rather was it the mighty assurance that came to him that God would be with him. The newly felt Presence would encourage, strengthen and uphold him as he entered upon the new program of his life.

"Certainly I will be with thee."

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Young People's Assembly, W. N. C. (Education Building) ..... July 7-July 11
Leadership School (Leadership Building) ..... July 17-24
District Superintendents' Conference ..... July 17-24
Council of Conference Lay Leaders for Southeastern Jurisdiction (Terrace Hotel).... July 18-20
Junaluska School of Religion, affiliated with Duke University (Education Building), July 21-August 30
School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 24-August 5
Missionary Conference ..... July 29-August 5
Pastors' Conference ..... August 5-10
Youth Conference (Education Building) ..... August 5-16

Junaluska Program

Sunday, July 13, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern

Monday, July 14—10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Linden S. Dodson, "Living in One of Uncle Sam's Planned Communities" (Greenbelt, Md.) (with slides).
8:00 P. M.—Address, The Rev. John Everington, "The Gardens of Old England" (with hand-colored slides).

Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, "Conformity or Transformity."
8:00 P. M.—Waynesville Band Concert.

Wednesday, July 16, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Bishop James Cannon, Jr., "Our Responsibility."
8:00 P. M.—Artists' Night.
Elda Vettori, Dramatic Soprano (Italy).
Blanche Loftain, Impersonator.
Ruth Gutierrez, Concert Pianist (Australia).
Leopoldo Gutierrez, Dramatic Baritone (Chile).

Leadership School, July 17-24 (Education Building)
District Superintendents' Conference, July 17-24 (Auditorium)

Thursday, July 17, Morning and afternoon (Auditorium) — Registration for District Superintendents Conference.
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Arthur J. Moore

Council of Conference Lay Leaders for Southeastern Jurisdiction, July 18-20 (Terrace Hotel)

Friday, July 18, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop J. L. Decell

Saturday, July 19, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Magnificent Obsession," and Popeye Cartoon, "Proteckin the Weakerist."

"LOYAL OPPOSITION"

It now appears that the "America First Committee" and similar isolationist groups have rendered America a distinctive service. Had the administration followed the lead of those who cried "all aid to Britain, now, at any cost" America would likely have been already in a shooting war with the European nations with perhaps Russia in with Germany against us. As it is, America is still outside the arena watching the dictator nations waste themselves in a death struggle.

So, perhaps, freedom of the press and freedom of speech has again saved America from war and set her on the march to preserve democracy in America. And if America can continue to show to the war-weary nations of Europe that she has a democracy in which people can oppose war, in which people, by free discussion, can determine when, where, and how they want to defend themselves, a democracy in which little dictators cannot rule long enough to get the people into war unless the people want to go to war, then she will have gone a long ways towards making the people of Europe democracy hungry for the next 50 years.

Yes, war and dictators are terrible things, but how much better it is, on this Fourth of July, 1941, to see Germany and Russia, Nazism and Communism, fighting it out between themselves, than to see our American boys falling over there with them in a second attempt to "make the world safe for democracy." I thank God and the American people, the Congress of the United States, and some newspapers, for keeping America, so far, out of this war!

E. C. Crawford.

LAURINBURG MAKES A GOOD SHOWING

First half-year tabulates as follows:

Members received by baptism or profession of faith, 32; by transfer, 19; Thanksgiving offering for orphanage, $78; Day of Compassion offering, $109; Easter offering, $512 School of missions, average attendance 55, with three speakers from foreign lands—Brazil, China and Korea. Active young people's choir, in addition to adult choir. Religious census of city completed in co-operation with other local churches.

Mr. Alvis A. Waite, Jr., has taken up his work as director of young people's activities at the Methodist church for the summer months. Mr. Waite has recently completed his third year as a ministerial student at Emory University.

Nursery service is now available for the young children of mothers who would like to attend the 11 o'clock service on Sunday mornings. All mothers who would like to avail themselves of this are invited to bring their children to the nursery room just before the church service begins.

All earnest Christian people long for peace, righteous and lasting, on this our Father's world. All are deeply interested in the welfare, physical and spiritual, of our boys who are in the nation's training camps or other armed services. And many are concerned about great numbers of others who are away from home in defense work or for other causes in these unusual days.

Christine McDougald, Sec.

NEWS NOTES FROM CRESWELL

Commencement exercises for the Creswell Methodist vacation Bible school ended a two weeks' session Friday night, June 20. Following the candle light service, in which each department participated. Rev. R. N. Fitts, pastor of the church, awarded 36 certificates of membership. Class rooms were then opened to exhibit the work done by the pupils in the school. The teachers were: Mrs. R. L. Spruill, in the beginner department; Miss Pauline Fitts, primary teacher; Mrs. C. N. Davenport, junior instructor; and Rev. Edwin Carter of the Duke school of religion, superintendent and intermediate teacher. Miss Matilda Alexander assisted with the music in all departments.

The re-establishment of a Sunday school was the result of the vacation Bible school held in Mount Elmer Methodist church on the Creswell charge, June 22-28. Beginning with eight pupils and two teachers, the enrollment increased to 20 pupils before the week had ended in this the first Bible school in that community. The closing service was given Saturday night with all pupils having part in the candle light program, following which Rev. Edwin Carter of the Duke school of religion preached on "What the Church Should Mean to Us."

Sunday morning, June 29, fifty persons were present to begin work in the new Sunday school.

Teachers in the vacation Bible school were: Rev. Edwin Carter, superintendent and intermediate teacher; and Pauline Fitts, teacher of the smaller children.

DR. L .R. AKERS TRANSFERRED TO STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

Dr. L. R. Akers, former president of Asbury College, after a successful pastorate in the Bedford church in Cleveland, Ohio, in which more than 300 members were added to the church, a huge church debt refinanced and partially paid, young people's organizations quadrupled and the church school increased by 35 per cent, has been sent to the leading church of Steubensville, a thriving city of 40,000. There are five Methodist churches in this city. The Northeast Ohio conference closed its annual session June 30 in Cleveland amid an unprecedented June heat wave. Dr. Akers' new address will be 1308 Maryland Ave., Steubenville, Ohio.

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LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, JUNALUSKA, JULY 17-24

What is known as the short term Leadership School, scheduled at Lake Junaluska for July 17-24, is being sponsored by the Board of Education, Nashville, and the annual conference boards from the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Workers with children, leaders of youth and representatives from adult divisions should attend. The expense is reasonable. Rates may be secured by writing Mrs. George Foard, Lower Lakeside Lodge, or Mrs. M. L. Hill, General Board Cafeteria, Lake Junaluska, N. C. Leaflets explaining the courses may be secured by writing Dr. J. Fisher Simpson, 810 Broadway, Nashville. We should have a large attendance from the two North Carolina conferences.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, JUNALUSKA, AUGUST 5-15

This conference is primarily for Union presidents, adult counselors of Unions, and other officers and leaders among the young people. The quota assigned to the Western North Carolina conference is 37. Registrations should be sent to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

CAMP CARLYLE FOR GIRLS

The Christian Adventure Camp for Intermediate girls, ages 12, 13, 14, at Camp Carlyle, June 14-21, was a rollicking success from all standpoints—enrollment, entertainment, and enjoyment. A capacity group of ninety girls joined in the activities of the week which included discussion of local church problems, recreation, athletics, handicrafts, vespers, morning meditations, and banquet.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Salisbury, were in general charge of Camp Carlyle, assisted by a camp staff of 19 counselors and teachers. Outstanding in this group were Miss Marcia Wang, dean of girls at Nanking University, now studying at Drew University, and Miss Mabel Cherry, returned missionary from Korea.

A Day at Carlyle

A "Carlyle Day" was so packed full of things to do, and each day brought such a host of new and exciting things that it would be impossible to satisfactorily describe "A Day at Camp Carlyle." From necessity, only high lights can be mentioned here.

The morning discussion period, one hour in length, included: Choosing Our Heroes; Materials of Worship; Our Neighbors in China; What Prayer and the Bible May Mean to Me; Our Church; Getting Along with People. The girls chose the group which they were most interested in and spent the week in one group, doing special study, getting suggestions for the local church work.

Morning commissions were: World Friendship; Worship and Evangelism; Citizenship and Community Service, Recreation and Personal Development. Each of the commission groups had a definite part of the week's activities for which they were responsible.

World Friendship

The World Friendship Commission sponsored "World Friendship Day" on Wednesday. All programs during the day centered around the theme, "In Christ There Is No East Or West"—and with Miss Wang and Miss Cherry present to relate the customs and the ideas of the Orient, world friendship became a reality. When an offering for Chinese Relief was taken at noon, the girls gave from their own spending money $7.

Vespers and Morning Meditation

The evening vesper programs were planned by the group on Worship and Evangelism. Vespers were held every evening at 7 o'clock, on what is generally called "Vesper Hill"—a sloping hill overlooking the lake, with a background of giant mountain peaks. Campers took the lead in these services, using as their theme for the week "My Father's Work—and Mine." Morning meditation thoughts centered around the same theme. To direct the early morning thoughts of the campers, mimeographed meditation sheets, with suggestions for the fifteen-minute individual worship, were given to the girls each morning.

Citizenship

The Commission on Citizenship and Community Service was kept busy with odd jobs—cabin inspection, changing flowers on the tables in the dining hall, and supervising the table changing at meal time. Table changing, once each day, is a regular part of the Carlyle program, because by circulating around, and eating with different girls, everyone gets a chance to know everyone else.

Banquet

The banquet on Thursday night was the responsibility of the Commission on Recreation and Personal Development. "Stars" twinkled that night, for that was the theme of the evening's fun. The dining hall, decorated with long blue tapers and silver sprayed leaves for centerpieces, and star-decked place cards, and song sheets, was a perfect picture of blue and silver color. On the banquet program was toast-making, singing, and a skit, "The Stars Went Out," and, as an appropriate end for the banquet hour, Miss Mabel Cherry spoke to the group. She gave a most inspiring talk on the promise of the stars that as long as they shine, one can rest assured that "God's in his heaven. All's right."

Interest Groups

Afternoon interest groups, with plenty of variety so that every girl could find an interest, were: Camera club, archery, dramatics, handicrafts, story-telling, folk songs and games, learning to swim, art and poster making.

The camera club took pictures of everybody and everything; then, as their contribution to each camper's scrapbook of memories, they made blue prints of some of their best snapshots for every girl. The dramatics interest group presented a skit, "On the Road to Damascus," the story of Paul's conversion, written and played by members of the group. The art and poster making fold did the poster announcement of all important events of the week. Approximately 25 girls expressed an interest in learning to swim—and the majority of them took to the water well before the week was over. Handicrafts always draws a crowd and this year was no exception. Bracelets, pocketbooks, and belts were much in evidence as the girls learned to do things with their hands.

The camp program is full, but there was always a few minutes in which to snatch in a good game of tennis, or ping pong, or horseshoes, or badminton, or to enjoy a good boat ride.

Cook-Out Suppers

Hiking and open-fire cooking was not neglected. Cook-out suppers were initiated into the camp program this year. Each afternoon two cabins gathered up their steaks and buns and all the trimmings along with a plentiful supply of marshmallows, and hiked to a not-too-distant open-air furnace for supper. These cabin groups had their vesper service there, after supper, and returned to camp in time for the evening program.

Evening Programs

The evening program at Carlyle means singing, folk games, talent night or, as the case this year, a talk one evening on Indian lore, by Clifford Peace. The informality of the evening program gave an excellent chance for the girls to get acquainted with each other as they hopped, and jumped, and skipped about to the tune of old familiar songs.

Consecration Service

On Friday, the last night of camp, the group joined in a consecration service. Sitting according to cabins before a beautiful campfire, with the shadows of the night enveloping the world, every person lighted her candle, symbolic of a rededication of her life and service for God. Following the consecration service was the candlelight procession from the campfire to cabins, and there each cabin sang "Taps"—the end of a perfect week.

Leadership

Misses Mary Elizabeth Bunch, Statesville; Mabel Cherry, Brevard College; Louise Clay, Lawndale; Mary Drum, Catawba; Blanche Gluck, Winston-Salem; Janette Gore, Waxhaw; Grace Haynes, Salisbury; Mary Margaret Johnson, Charlotte; Frances Kelly, Mt. Holly; Janella Kirk, Lincolnton; Mary Emma Knox, Cleveland; Majelle Morris, Salisbury; Elizabeth Oliver, Salis-

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

ATTENTION!

During the missionary conference at Junaluska July 24-August 5, special conferences will be conducted on the spiritual life work by Miss Daisy Davies, chairman of Spiritual Life and Message of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Mrs. W. M. Alexander, chairman of Spiritual Life of the Woman's Division, will conduct a seminar each morning and Miss Davies will have conferences in the afternoons. We are asked to bring to these meetings materials which have been used in the spiritual life groups, such as worship and retreat programs, scrap books or anything else that has been helpful in promoting the work. Will the society leaders please get this material to your district leader or to me AT ONCE! Be sure to put your name and address on the package so that it may be returned. It is important that I have this material immediately. Send it NOW to either your district leader or to me.

Mrs. Charles N. Clark,
328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

We are indebted to Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, conference secretary of children's work, for a copy of the New Plan for Missionary Education of Children in the Methodist Church, "whereby an essentially unfied program of missionary education is provided for all children in every Methodist church. This new plan seeks to introduce all primary and junior children of the Methodist Church, in normal and effective ways, to the entire missionary and benevolence program of the church, including those general benevolences and missionary responsibilities comprehended under the term 'World Service' as well as those activities carried on by the Woman's Division of Christian Service."

Copies of this plan have been distributed to the leaders of the children's work in our conference by Mrs. Hoyle, with the hope that the program it provides may be carried out in each group.

The new plan goes into effect October, 1941, and it is urged that the Council of Children's Workers, which is the responsible planning group in the churches, meet early in September and make necessary arrangements.

Three quarterly reports are to be made and blanks for such are provided in the secretary's book of each local society. One of these reports is to be kept in the society, the other two to be mailed to the district secretary, who in turn will mail one to Mrs. Hoyle and one to the secretary of children's work in her district. It is earnestly hoped that any existing set up of work with children in the local churches will be brought into this one plan and be continued as an integral part of the program of our church for children. If you have not received a copy of this plan write Mrs. George Hoyle, Shelby, and she will send you one.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD IN INTERESTING MEETING

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Old Fort on the Marion district recently enjoyed a most interesting meeting held in the community building, with 29 persons in attendance. A patriotic theme was carried out in the decorations and supper which was served prior to the meeting.

A playlet, "Follow the Gleam," was presented with six of the members composing the cast, viz, Misses Lois Early, Lou Moore, Katherine Epley, Dorothy Rhinehart, Katherine Kanipe, and Mrs. Melvin Johnson. Hostesses were: Misses Laura Hicks and Marie Sabom, Mrs. Carlisle Nesbit, Mrs. Hugh Hensley, Mrs. Max Hunt and Mrs. Clifford Steppe.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

The two weeks' meeting, July 24-August 5, of the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska is being anticipated with great interest by the missionary workers of our Western North Carolina conference, and a large number of representatives of the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service are expected to attend these helpful and inspiring mission and Bible study courses, forums, lectures, etc., which will add to the interest of the two weeks' programs. An array of outstanding speakers including bishops, educational and missionary secretaries, prominent ministers, deaconesses, missionaries (including Dr. E. Stanley Jones) have a part on the program and will bring messages of interest and profit.

GREAT ADDRESS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., IN 1925

The coming of Dr. E. Stanley Jones of India to Lake Junaluska for the missionary conference, where he is scheduled to preach on Sunday evening, August 3, in the auditorium, brings to those of us privileged to hear him 16 years ago in Washington, D. C., at the great foreign missions convention, memories of his great address on "The Aim and Motive of Foreign Missions" —an address which electrified the vast audience gathered in the new auditorium of the nation's capital to listen to his message. From that address we want to quote one paragraph in which he compared the different religious systems showing what the aim and end of the whole progress had been. He said: "Here was Greece: Greece said 'Be moderate, know thyself'; Confucianism says: 'Be superior, correct thyself'; Buddhism says: 'Be disillusioned, annihilate thyself'; Hinduism says: 'Be separated, merge thyself'; Mohammedanism says: 'Be submissive, bend thyself'; Shintoism says: 'Be loyal, suppress thyself'; Judaism says: 'Be holy, conform thyself'; Modern materialism says: 'Be industrious, enjoy thyself'; Modern dilettantism says: 'Be broad, cultivate thyself'; Christianity says: 'Be Christ-like, give thyself'. Now if the end in view of Christian missions," said Dr. Jones, "is to produce Christ-like character that it may give itself as Jesus gave himself, I suggest that we have no reason to apologize in the silghtest degree for the end and motive, since there is nothing higher for God or man than to be Christ-like."

FORMER CONFERENCE OFFICER HONORED

The Greensboro Daily News a few days ago carried a splendid cut of Mrs. G. W. Whitsett of Greensboro, lifelong member of the Woman's Missionary Society of West Market Street church, and for seven years recording secretary of the former Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina conference. Mrs. Whitsett, one of Greensboro's outstanding citizens, has recently celebrated her 81st anniversary and her many friends throughout the conference will join us in our best wishes on her birthday.

Mrs. Whitsett has spent her entire life in Greensboro and has seen the city grow from a population of 5000 to the many thousands now composing the population. She has been identified with the religious, civic and social life of the city and was a charter member of the Friday Afternoon Club which early federated with the N. C. Federation of Woman's Clubs; from 1911- Greensboro College (then G. F. C.) in and for many years directed the missionary work of the state Sunday school body. She graduated from Greensboro College (then G. R. C.) in 1878 and has always been a loyal friend of this valued institution of learning in her home city. Our heartiest congratulations are extended Mrs. Whitsett.

DEATH OF MRS. J. S. HANDTE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Charles Wesley Byrd Bible class of Central church, Asheville, are deeply bereaved in the passing of one of their most active and most loyal members—Mrs. J. S. Handte, who passed away suddenly Friday, June 27, following a heart attack. She will be greatly missed in her church and community, and we are grateful for her Christian life and honor her memory. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Dr. W. A. Lambeth and her body laid to rest in Riverside cemetery with her bier covered with beautiful floral offerings, evidences of the esteem in which she was held. She is survived by her husband, three sons by a former marriage, Marvin McCulloch of Asheville; Milton McCulloch of Kinsport, N. J.; Franklin McCulloch of Dallas, Texas; a step-daughter, Mrs. Elta Blanchard; two sisters, Mrs. H. H. Sullivan of Asheville and Mrs. Alice Hanger of Fitzgerald, Ga.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

MEDITATION

Someone has said "the greatest need in the church people of today is that of feeling our utter dependence upon God both as individuals and nationally and until we do that, the world cannot be saved." It seems to be the truth when we look around us and see the empty pews in our church services and the huge crowds at the movie theatres, the ball game, a big social function, etc. We just are not hungry for the things of the spirit. If we were hungry for them it would be because we felt our utter dependence upon the things of the spirit—upon worship, prayer and meditation for God's guidance in our lives. We would appreciate our Sabbath more because we would know it is a day of rest from physical toil that we might refresh our spiritual life in meditation, communion or whatever might uplift us into an atmosphere of the reality of life linked with God. . . . The desecration of the Sabbath is the strongest proof of our dependence upon God in obeying his commands. —From Spiritual Life Program, July 1941, prepared by Miss Elizabeth Lamb.

A NEW CONFERENCE BABY

The arrival of Marietta Arrington Dunn on June 22 at the Edgecombe General Hospital, Tarboro, inspires cause for congratulations to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Enfield. Mrs. Dunn, the former Mussette Kitchin of Scotland Neck, is conference secretary of young women and girls' work.

COURSES AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

Courses to meet many needs of the various departments of work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be offered at the school of missions and missionary conference to be held at Lake Junaluska on July 24-August 5. These courses will include: The two mission themes "Christians and World Order" and "Christianity and American Democracy"; a Bible course, one on The Christian Home and a methods course. There will also be conference periods on different phases of the work, vesper services, chapel hours and missionary addresses. In short— **information, inspiration, fellowship, all of which will bring an enrichment which will make for a more spiritual outlook and more effective Christian service.** Many women should attend this conference. For information concerning hotels and boarding houses write Mrs. Katherine Ray Atkins, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

A BUSY GUILD CIRCLE

The Mary Pescud Unit of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church has been about the Master's business. During the quarter just ended some particularly worth while Christian social relations work was accomplished by the members of this circle, some of which were: Knitting for the Red Cross; two registered for volunteer service in service organizations working with national defense; cash contributions to British Relief were made; clothing to Family Service, a department of the Community Chest, was given; $75 contributed to Greek Relief fund; movie tickets and lunch given to some visiting soldiers; the circle co-operated with the Wake county inter-racial committee in securing a suitable entrance for negroes at the new bus terminal in Raleigh; co-operated in recitation contests sponsored by the Raleigh chapter of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union; co-operated in promoting alcohol education in schools and church schools; paid $25 to Louisburg College to be applied on the indebtedness.

GOOD SUMMER PROJECT

Last year the women of the N. C. conference manifested an active interest in the purchase of an electric range for the Methodist Orphanage by sending redeemable coupons to the orphanage. This range has been a boon to those who work in the kitchen there. A great and urgent need now is linoleum for the dining room floor. This summer is an excellent time to become even more orphanage conscious and to gather all the coupons from Octagon soap, Octagon powder, Octagon cleanser, Octagon soap chips, Octagon granulated soap, Rumford Baking Powder post cards, Luzianne coffee and tea, and Ballard's Obelisk flour coupons, and to send them to the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh. This is a great and challenging need and the women should respond with hearty and cheerful accord.

GLIMPSES OF LIFE IN AFRICA

On a recent date some excerpts from an address by Miss Lorena Kelly, a N. C. missionary to Africa, delivered at the annual meeting of the W. N. C. S., North Carolina Conference, were published on the woman's page. In the second address before this boy of women Miss Kelly gave some interesting side glances and instances concerning the life of the African folk. Said she: "The people in the Congo arise about 3:30 or 4 o'clock in the morning and immediately go to church. The women go to the gardens to cultivate food, then home with food and wood to cook the meal, oftimes with a baby on the hip. Then they go to the water place and get water, pound the food and cook a large pot full—always a large pot if they have to borrow the pot from a neighbor. After the food is cooked the wife gives it to her husband and she does not eat until later. While the women are out farming the men are sewing, cutting down trees in the rice gardens, make and keep roads, and build houses. All homes in the Congo are covered with grass. This roof will last about six years unless white ants get into it. The women help to build the homes and make them attractive. When a girl is to be married she has to bring to her husband's people something of worldly goods, sometimes in form of goats, chickens, money, etc. Educational work is one method used in bringing the message of Jesus to the people.... . In Africa the people have a high sense of rythm and now are beginning to manifest much talent. Our ultimate goal in going to the Congo is to point the people to Christ, help them accept Christ and be guided by him. In one series of service 79 boys came to a decision to make a public confession for Christ and said that they wanted to be preachers. It is our responsibility to help cultivate them. After 25 years of mission work in the Congo many natives are able to do the work of the missionary."

WANT TO GO?

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, is desirous of filling her car with women who plan to attend the missionary conference and school of missions at Lake Junaluska on July 24-August 5. Anyone wishing to go with Miss Robertson is requested to communicate with her at Burlington. There should be many cars filled with enthusiastic women who are willing to give their time and means in order to become better informed members of the W. S. C. S. Miss Robertson's car is an excellent opportunity for four women who do not have way of transportation other than bus or railroad.

NEWS FROM MEXICO

Miss Martha Daniels, who was recently transferred from Guanajuato to Chihuahua, Mexico, has organized a troop of Girl Scouts which already has 50 members. She is also sponsoring a new venture in international relations called the Pan-American Student Forum. The members are young people from various English classes in the city. At the organizational meeting these students chose as their motto, "Of one blood are all nations made." "How selfish we have been," remarked one of the girls, "for we have been thinking only of Mexico and have forgotten other countries."—The Methodist Woman.

CHRIST CHANGES THE HEART

Discouraged and heart sick because of the Japanese invasion of China, a young Chinese man said that he would not be satisfied until he had killed at least two or three Japanese. One day Jesus came into the heart of this young Chinese. Following his acceptance of Jesus as his Saviour his once rebellious attitude and hate-filled heart changed completely. He then was a passionate seeker after souls of men and said that he would not be satisfied until he had won at least two or three Japanese for Christ. Christianity does make a difference.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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NO DULL MOMENTS

The June fifth Sunday came and many of our friends remembered us. Some good tidings are coming in. Then came the Methodist Orphanage Conference. Our staff had worked well in preparation for it. Our buildings were clean, our grounds were well kept, our children made our friends happy. The conference was a mighty good one. Then came an opportunity for taking our four delegates to the senior assembly at Lake Junaluska and the doing of some case work on the trip. Tuesday, July 1, brought forty-one promising children and youngsters from our High Point Children's Home to us. They are here, very much here, and all but two or three are happy and buoyant. We got our delegates home from the Junaluska conference amid the downpour of rain throughout the way. Most of this day has been spent with one adolescent boy who is truly an adolescent, one who wants to get there and after having arrived, wants to get back. We have no dull moments.

OUR HIGH POINTERS

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon, assisted by several of their alumni, brought to us a fine group of their boys and girls. They are already at home here. They are entering into their work assignments and into the family life with a spirit of co-operative endeavor. They seem to have the stuff. We were glad to have the Dixons with us and will be glad to have them return to us from time to time as they continue to show their love and devotion to some boys and girls with whom they have associated for several years.

A GOOD CONFERENCE

Our orphanage conference got off to a good start, continued with sustained interest and ended in a blaze of glory. Our fellow workers came from ten southern states ranging from Waco, Texas, to Sykesville, Maryland. All our speakers were present with the exception of Bishop Purcell and Hubert T. Johnson of Texas. Their places were ably filled by Dr. Charles C. Weaver, superintendent of the Winston-Salem district, and I. G. Greer, superintendent of the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage. The next conference will be held at the Florida Methodist Children's Home at Enterprise, Florida.

PROUD OF HIS SPONSORS

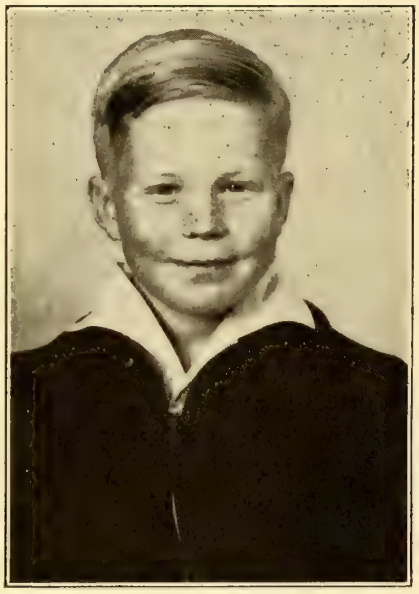
One day last week in stopping in at the Norfleet building I learned from the boys that they had been visited by M. D. Stockton, one of our benefactors and staunch friends. He had dropped in to see "his boy," James Smith, whose picture is herewith presented. Like Biblical David, James is "ruddy, and of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to." The lad's eyes sparkle with interest when reminded of his sponsor.

THEY CAME, SAW, AND SAID

In the following paragraphs there appear quotations from some of the visitors who attended our recent orphanage conference. When our friends returned home they took time to write expressing some reactions that occurred to them following our association with one another here. These expressions mean something to us and may mean something to those who sponsor our undertaking. They are listed by states:

Mississippi

"We want to thank your fine staff for their warm smiles of welcome and untiring efforts to make our recent stay with you most pleasant. Your



Count those freckles

children were most entertaining. They literally opened their arms in welcoming us. Their feet were swift and sure to do those things which would make their guests comfortable. You and your good wife have proven yourselves to be outstanding leaders in orphanage work. God never gave a man or a woman a nobler task or a greater joy. Your trustees, as well as all the Methodists of western North Carolina, are to be congratulated upon the two they have selected to direct their orphanage work."—Fred J. McDonnell, superintendent of the Mississippi Methodist Home.

Alabama

"We returned to Alabama full of good resolves to try to make our Home approximate the goal set by yours, to give our children that something more than food and clothing that makes for better men and women, to show our children they need not be ashamed to be a Home child but to be proud of their large family and many parents. To you and your staff we send our sincerest thanks and appreciation."—Miss Tava Horne, supervising matron, Alabama Orphanage.

Georgia

"Just a line to thank you for the splendid time you gave my wife and me in Winston-Salem. The trip to Roaring Gap was one of the most interesting we have had and we saw country that neither of us had had the pleasure of visiting before. We want to congratulate you and Mrs. Woosley on the fine work you are doing. I hope some of these days that we may be able to bring our Home up to the standard you maintain."—H. B. Mays, Jr., superintendent of the Methodist Children's Home of the North Georgia Conference.

"The entertainment was all that it possibly could be and was given without the ringing of bells or the sending up of sky-rockets. To you, the little wife, the staff and all the children we are indebted for one of the most delightful sessions of our conference that I have ever attended."—Rev. J. A. Smith, financial agent, Methodist Orphan Home of the South Georgia Conference.

Florida

Your Home is often referred to as the outstanding Children's Home in our church. Perhaps many have in mind when they say that your unexcelled plant, but the work you are doing with the children themselves and the many exidences of an efficient, effective program in your Home speaks more loudly for your Home than even the buildings. We want you to share our expression of appreciation not only with your staff but with those of your children who helped to entertain us so royally."—Rev. Harold R. Barnes, superintendent of the Florida Methodist Children's Home.

South Caorlina

"Henceforth, when Winston-Salem is mentioned I shall think of the Children's Home . . . the good man and his wonderful helpmate who guide the affairs of the institution . . . the lovely spirit of the workers . . . the bright faces of the children . . . the new Stockton Home and its 'Rumpus Room' in patriotic furnishings . . . the beautiful campus . . . the awakening chorus at dawn by the birds . . . the congenial fellowship of the delegates . . . the ride to Roaring Gap, the dinner at Graystone Inn, the enjoyment of every minute while at your Home."—Mrs. Frances R. Morris, children's worker, The Epworth Orphanage of South Carolina.

Tennessee

"We are sorry that we cannot adequately express our sincere appreciation to you good people for the two most pleasant days spent with you recently in our meeting. We agreed that there was nothing omitted that could have added to the good time we had. Every feature of the meeting was well planned and carried out perfectly. To you, your workers and the boys and girls of your Home we extend our sincere thanks and best wishes."—J. L. Hardin, superintendent Holston Orphanage.

North Carolina

"I think the whole conference began and ended on a high plane. The setting was not only beautiful but ideal.

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....
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GREETINGS—I received the following telegram at our fifth Sunday Rally Day service: "Affectionate greetings to all friends of our Orphanage. Best wishes for the future."

Clare Purcell.

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LETTERS OF APPRECIATION — Beginning with this issue of the Advocate I am publishing letters written by two of our seniors just before leaving the home. I expect to publish one or two each week from now on until letters from all the seniors appear in the Advocate.

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VACATION TIME—On the third Sunday, July 20, a large number of our children will have the privilege of visiting relatives, Woman's Societies of Christian Service, Sunday schools and individual friends. They will return on August 3, and the second group will leave that day and return to the home on August 17. A little recreation and change of scene will prove beneficial to the children. Occasionally a few of the children return from their vacations a little homesick, but that soon passes. Taking everything into consideration the benefits derived from their vacations overwhelmingly offset any unfavorable results.

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RESOLUTION OF THANKS — The Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, N. C., has, for many years, felt the need of additional facilities to encourage the physical and recreational activities of the boys and girls at the institution, and having had that need so splendidly provided through the gift of Mr. Graham Woodard, a member of the board of trustees, of a gymnasium at the cost of nearly $18,000; and

Being desirous of expressing our appreciation of his beneficence in the munificent gift which has added so much to the welfare and enjoyment of the children; be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees extend to Mr. Woodard our sincere thanks for his generous gift, and assure him that through his kindness the health and happiness of all at the Orphanage will be greatly enhanced.

R. L. Flowers,
E. L. Hillman,
Thomas H. Calvert,
Committee.

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ORPHANAGE RALLY DAY — Friends who spent the fifth Sunday on the Methodist Orphanage campus were so delighted with the day's program they requested that we make it an annual affair. Proceedings of the fifth Sunday Rally were of a high order. It was no picnic occasion, though dinner was served on the Orphanage campus and the visitors and children ate together and enjoyed wonderful fellowship. Had the weather been more favorable over the conference we would have had two or three times as many friends present as were here. Those who came were representative men and women of our church, and I think they returned to their homes feeling that the day was well spent and would prove profitable to the Orphanage. There are tens of thousands of Methodists in the conference who have never visited the Orphanage, and know nothing about the workings of the home except by hearsay. We want to sell the Orphanage in a large way to our Methodist constituency. I know of no better way to accomplish this end than by inviting our friends to visit us and mingle with our splendid boys and girls. I am grateful to the twelve or fifteen hundred friends who enjoyed the day with us on the fifth Sunday.

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The Methodist Orphanage has been my home for the past twelve years. During this time I have attended school regularly and have looked forward to the time when I could receive a high school diploma, realizing that this event would mark an important milestone in my life. In thinking about this event I have a feeling of gratitude and deep appreciation to those who have made this great opportunity possible.

I should like to thank each person who has taken a part in giving me the proper training.

Especially do I wish to thank Rev. A. S. Barnes for the love and support he has always given me, no matter what the situation might be.

For the past four months I have been given vocational training at N. C. Products, Inc., here in Raleigh. I wish to thank all that have made this possible for me.

I wish to express my deepest appreciation to the ladies' Bible class of Carr Methodist church for the loyal support that has been given me for the past twelve years. I am sure that the members of this class will be rewarded.

Many happy days have been spent at this home and I am very proud of the fact that I can call it my own. I shall always remember it and always do my best to help in its development.

Again I wish to thank each of you for making my stay in this home such a pleasant one. LeRoy Heath.

DEAR LORD, FILL MY HEART

Dear Lord, fill my heart
That lips may speak no thought
But truth.

No word but kindness
To help guide the blindness
Of youth.

Let my hands be strong
With gentleness, along
Life's shore.

Grace to do for Thee
Where Thou leadest me—
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By Rollin H. Walker

Christianity Expands in Asia

Acts 19:1

Nothing wears down the health like great popularity, unless it be an environment full of hostile and murderous plots. During Paul's great campaign in Ephesus these two conditions combined. Paul was constantly sought after by crowds of eager inquirers, and at the same time hounded by malicious enemies (Acts 20:19). How could he hold up against such killing conditions?

Perhaps the hardship that Paul endured working at his trade to support himself and the young men who were on his staff, while it seemed a burden, was really his salvation. His tentmaking was his golf.

And of course Paul's great accomplishments through the power of God stimulated him like wine from heaven. And doubtless Paul fulfilled his own exhortation, In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And as a result the peace of God which passeth all understanding kept his heart and mind in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:6).

Then Paul's human contacts kept him from thinking about himself and his aches and pains. Many people would get well if they had no time to be sick.

But we are faced with the question not merely how Paul stood the strain, but how he accomplished such great things in spite of the insurmountable difficulties. We must picture Ephesus as a great city, one of the four largest centers of population in the Roman empire. How did Paul succeed in making the gospel not only a subject of common conversation in Ephesus, but in spreading the news throughout the adjoining province? He had no newspapers to assist him, no radio with which to broadcast his message. He had no money for advertising purposes, and he did not even have his own time to devote to the task. Much of his time and strength was consumed in earning a living at his trade. And yet we are told that the message spread far and wide.

Doubtless when merchants came from the surrounding towns to order a stock of goods, after they had closed the deal they would ask, What is interesting now for me to see and hear? And of course they would be told of the gladiatorial shows, and then it would be added, There is a little Jew who speaks in the school of Tyrannus, he is the most extraordinary person we have ever seen; you should go and hear him. And as a result these merchants would some of them believe, and go home and tell the great news. Doubtless also Paul woulld send out gospel teams from Ephesus. He knew how to use the enthusiasm of young men.

The sheer novelty of the message was also, of course, an element of power. Paul was preaching that a man crucified by the Roman government was the Son of God and the Saviour of the world. How absurd! and yet how intriguing.

But of course the chief reason was that the message of the Crucified fitted into the deepest needs of the tragically unhappy multitudes of Ephesus, and its preaching was accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit. Paul's gifts of healing would also greatly re-enforce his message.

When Paul made the superstition of the necromancers and the clairvoyants seem so absurd that they came and burned their book of magic, that bonfire, of course, was a great advertisement.

It is interesting to note that his large public audiences did not for a moment tempt him to neglect personal hand-to-hand work. He says in his subsequent address to the Ephesian elders, I taught you publicly and from house to house. We note also his combination of utter frankness and great tenderness. He warned every man day and night, but he did it with tears.

Paul's work at Ephesus is a heart stimulant to every man who faces a seemingly impossible task with great physical and financial handicaps. It is a commentary on his own words concerning Christ who is "able to make all grace abound toward you, so that ye always, having all sufficiency in all things, may abound unto every good work." If the story of Pentecost with its rushing mighty wind and flames of fire were brushed aside as a legend, what this humble stranger accomplished in this vast city would prove that the promise of Jesus had been fulfilled, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you."

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Remember that an evil eye is a wicked thing;
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Children's Storyland



THE PARROT CHOOSES

By Marjorie Barnhardt

In a white house lived an old woman. And on the front porch of the house hung a red cage with a green parrot in it.

One day Alice, Betty, and Catherine passed the house, and the old woman said to them, "Little girls, run and ask your mothers if you may have a parrot. I have had mine for many years and I am tired of its chatter."

The little girls hurried to ask their mothers a,nd ran back.

"Give me the parrot!" panted Alice.

"I want the parrot!" cried Betty.

"I'd like to have the parrot, too!" said Catherine.

"Well, well, well," laughed the old woman. "I have only one parrot, and all three of you girls want him. Let's sit down and think what to do."

So they all sat down on the front porch steps and thought.

After a time the old woman said: "Each of you may have the parrot for one week. While you have him, feed him and care for him." She pointed to Alice and said, "You teach him to say, 'Good morning.' And you, Betty, teach him to say, 'Good afternoon.' Catherine, you may teach him to say, 'Good evening.' When the three weeks are up, bring the parrot back to me. I shall find out which of you may keep him for your very own. Here, Alice, you shall have him first."

"I think," whispered Alice, "that the one who teaches him to speak the best will be the one to keep him."

"I think so, too!" answered Betty and Catherine.

Alice hung the parrot's cage in the parlor when she got home. Every day she sat beside the cage to teach the bird to say "Good morning." But he was slow to learn, and Alice didn't have much time to help around the house. Whenever her mother called, Alice would answer, "Not yet, wait a while," and she would go on talking to the parrot. At last he learned to say, "Good morning," and Alice was very happy.

Then Betty took the bird to her house. She hung his red cage in the attic where no one would bother her all day long. From morning until night she sat beside the cage. Whenever her mother called, Betty answered, "I don't want to!" But before the week was over, she had taught the parrot to speak in the very nicest of manners.

When Catherine took the parrot to her home, she hung its cage in the kitchen so that she could talk to the bird while she washed the dishes and swept. Often she would sit down beside the cage and talk to the funny green bird. But whenever her grandmother called to her, she answered, "Here I come, grandma!"

At last the three weeks were up, and the girls brought the parrot to the little old woman. They put the cage on a table. Then they all sat down to wait.

The parrot looked at each of the girls and jumped to the bottom of the cage. Then he laughed, "Haw, haw, haw," and said, in a squawking voice, "Good morning, good afternoon, good evening."

"Oh, dear," said Alice, I "don't see how you can tell which of us taught him the best. He said 'Good morning' as nicely as he said 'Good afternoon' and he said 'Good evening' as well as he said 'Good morning.' "

"Well," smiled the old woman, "we shall see something else!" And then she smiled a sly smile which wrinkled up her eyes. Then she raised her voice and called, "Alice, Alice, Alice!" in just the same voice Alice's mother had used when she had called Alice to ask for her help. The old woman had no sooner called when the parrot opened his mouth and shrieked, "Not yet, wait a while."

"Now, who do you suppose he heard say that?" exclaimed the old woman. Alice did not say anything, but she knew.

Then the old woman called, "Betty, Betty, Betty!" and the parrot answered, "I don't want to," in his harsh voice.

But when the old woman called, "Catherine, Catherine, Catherine!" the bird said, "Here I come, grandma!"

"Ho, isn't he the smartest bird you ever saw?" cried Alice. "May I have him, please?"

But the bird answered, "Not yet, wait a while."

"You'll come home with me, won't you?" pleaded Betty.

"I don't want to," said the parrot.

"I'd like to take the parrot home," said Catherine.

The little old woman smiled and the bird flapped his wings.

"Here I come, grandma!" it shrieked.

"You see," said the old woman, "the parrot had made up his mind, and he has answered you in the very words he heard you say. So Catherine, he is yours."

"Haw, haw, haw," laughed the parrot. And he flapped his wings gaily as Catherine carried him home in his big red cage.—The Star of Zion.

WHEN I PLANT A GARDEN

When daddy makes a garden,
He plants such things as these:
Potatoes, beans and carrots,
And rows and rows of peas.
He plants a lot of spinach,
And common things like that;
Some turnips for our rabbit
And catnip for the cat.

Now, when I plant a garden,
No common things you'll see;
I'll raise dear little kittens
On a pussy-willow tree.
I'll plant a row of dogwood
And raise puppies by the score,
And chickens from the chickweed,
Right by the henhouse door.

There'll be no end of foxes,
For I'll plant foxglove, too,
And on the little cowslips,
The tiny calves will moo.
To scare thieves from my garden,
Where the moon forgets to shine,
There'll be ugly jack-o'-lanterns
On a great, big pumpkin vine.

—Junior World.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

The minister's son was in the habit of going to church every Sunday with his granddad.

"Billy," said the minister one Sunday, "I've been giving you a dime every Sunday to keep your grandpa from sleeping, yet he sleeps."

"I know," said Billy, "but grandpa is giving me a quarter to let him sleep."

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A troop of Boy Scouts was encamped on the creek bank on the Blogg farm. The Scoutmaster announced that they would have stew for dinner and told one of the boys to ask Blogg for a turnip.

"Do you want a fairly big one?" asked the boy.

"About the size of your head," said the Scoutmaster.

Fifteen minutes later Farmer Blogg raced into the camp. "One of your boys needs attention!" he yelled at the Scoutmaster. "He's pulling up my turnips and trying his hat on them."—Exchange.

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Not a Centipede

I'm very, very glad indeed
That I am not a centipede;
For think of walking in the street
Or garden with one hundred feet!
For how they would get in the way
Whenever I went out to play,
And, oh, how cross my nurse would get
If all my hundred feet got wet!

Suppose, when I began to run,
That half my feet should stop, for fun,
While fifty more went rushing past—
What would become of me at last?
And, oh, what pain if someone chose
To tread on my five hundred toes!
Oh, yes; I'm sure I'm quite agreed
I would not be a centipede.

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THIRD ROUND

July
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 10:30 12
Duke Ct., Stadium, 2 13
Rougemont, Riverview, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 15

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Washington, First Church, 11 13
Bath, Ware's, 3 13
Murfreesboro Youth Assembly, Murfreesboro 14-18
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 19
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 20
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27

August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Seven Springs, Beston, 11 13
Pikeville-Elm St., Saulston, 3 13
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 13
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Biscoe, 11 13
Mt. Gilead, Parson's Grove, 3 13
Mt. Gilead, 8 13
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Rockdale, Ledbetter's, 8 27

August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Princeton, Fellowship, 8 11
Newton Grove, Wesley's Chapel, 11 12
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 13
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 3 13
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8....27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30

August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 13
Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Rocky Mount, Marvin, 8 14

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 11 13
Tabor City, Bethel 3:30 13
Town Creek, Bolivia, 8 13

Institute Conferences

July
Garland, Centenary, 10:30 10
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 10:30 11
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 10:30 15

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

July 13, 3 p.m.—Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy at Leicester.

July 20, 3 p.m.—All other Asheville churches and Asheville circuit at West Asheville.

July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mills River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.

August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.

August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.

August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.

August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 13
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 13
Derita, 8 14
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3 20
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

July
Todd, Calvary, 11 20
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 3 20
West Jefferson, night 20
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27

August
Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Coolemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND

July
Ruffin, 11 13
Hickory Grove, 2 13
West End, 11 27
Russell's Temple, 3 27

August
Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

July
Randolph-G. C., G. C., 2:30 13
First Church, H. P., 7:30 16
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30

August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Elk Park, 11 13
Avery, 3 13
Old Fort, 7:30 13
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27

August
North Forest, 11 3
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 3
Cross Mills, 7:30 3
Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October
Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D. S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

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STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 13
Jones Memorial, 2:30 13
Mooresville, Central, night 13
Union Grove-Zion-Smith's Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27

August
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Morning Star, 8 10
Cullowhee, 11 13
Love's Chapel, 2:30 13
Sylva, 8 13
Clyde, 8 16
Canton, First, 11 20
Canton, Central, 8 20
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27

August
Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September
Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
THIRD ROUND—INPART

July
Trinity Cove, Palmyra, 11 13
Pilot Mountain, Pinnacle, 7:30 13
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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Your hospitality was unbounded, and the many courtesies to us from you friends, your staff members and children were all that the most fastidious could ask. The lovely trip to Graystone Inn and other points on the way was simply marvelous. Mrs. Barnes and I feel highly honored to be the guests of you congenial friends."—Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage.

COMMUNITY PRAYER
By O. K. Taylor, Jr., U.S.S. Omaha

The topic of this poem means a lot to me,
It's a beautiful thing, as everyone can see;
When I stop for a moment, and think of it,
I pray, that in the Kingdom of Heaven some day I'll sit.
There's nothing better than to get together and pray,
That we'll all come nearer to our Lord each day.
And it makes me happy to know that God up there
Is bringing us closer to him through community prayer.

Prayer service, to me, means more than I can tell,
But in the house of our Lord all of us should dwell;
None of us know when judgment day is near,
So let us all trust in God, so we've nothing to fear.
If we believe in him and lift up our face,
I know that in the life which is coming we'll have his grace.
All of us know when we're doing wrong,
It makes us feel that we're not where we belong;
And when we visualize our fatal mistake
It causes the love for God in our hearts to awake.

Our love grows stronger for our Lord each day,
Until all of our sins have been cast away;
And when the great day comes we're fully aware
That to Him we were drawn through community prayer.
And now I close with this thought in mind,
"Trust and believe in God, who is our Saviour divine."

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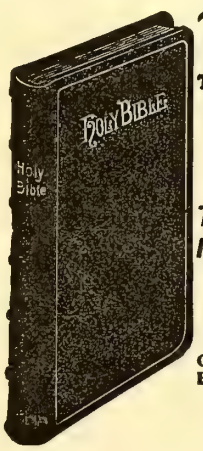
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In Memoriam

MISS SARAH EULINE THOMASON

Just six months ago you left us,
And dreary is the way,
For life is not the same to me
Since Euline was called away.
In my heart Euline's memory lingers
Sweetly, tender, fond and true.
There is not a day, dear Euline,
That I do not think of you.
Yet I hope you are gone to rest
And that I will meet you over there,
In that beautiful place called heaven,
Where no farewell tears are shed.

By a grandma, Mrs. D. G. McDuffie.

FOUST—John M. Foust of Bethel church, Alamance county, died at his home in the community of his birth June 19, and was buried at Bethel the following Saturday. Surviving are his wife, two sons, two daughters, two sisters, two brothers, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. As a neighbor he was accommodating and always ready to help in time of need. For 60 years he was an active member of Bethel church, always ready and willing to do his part. The church has lost a loyal member, the family a devoted husband and father, and the community a good neighbor. His body now lies in Bethel church cemetery.

G. L. Reynolds, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the young people's society of Shiloh Methodist church, record the passing of Miss Hazel Marie Simmons from this life to life eternal.

She was born October 24, 1922, and died April 16, 1941. She was a member of this church and society. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Simmons; two sisters, Mrs. Cecile O'Neal and Johnnie Ray; two brothers, Herbert and Paul; a grandmother, Mrs. Dill Reaves.

She was laid to rest in Shiloh cemetery beneath a beautiful mound of flowers. Rev. J. I. Starnes, pastor, conducted the services.

Be it resolved, that we shall cherish her memory and that we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy. Be it further resolved, that a copy of this be sent to the family, one sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and one placed on the minutes of our society.

Mrs. J. C. Nye, Supt.
Miss Katie Nye, Pres.
Miss Eva Reeves, Sec.

IN MEMORIAM

At 5:15 on the morning of April 25, 1941, Albert Eaton Hibbard passed to his reward. He was born January 1, 1865, and had lived a useful and happy life. He had reared a fine family of sons and daughters who now pay tribute to their father. Mr. Hibbard had contributed in a large way to the community in which he lived. He was a Christian gentleman and a tireless worker. He was devoted to his family and to his church. He was one of the most faithful and loyal members that Centenary church, New Bern, ever had. He served in many official capacities in the church, was a member of the board of stewards and also the board of trustees when he died. He had been a delegate to many of the conferences of the church, and always enjoyed going to church meetings so that he could meet his friends and have fellowship with them. He numbered the preachers in the conference among his best friends, and he was always happy to perform some act of service for any of them. No task in the church was too small or too heavy for him, if his church called on him to perform it.

He had been in failing health for the last few years and could not do the active work he wished to do in the church, and often said that he wanted to get well again so that he could attend church and be active again. He is missed by his friends very much. His family cherish in their hearts the memory of a good father, one who tried in every way possible to provide well for them and lead them in the Christian life. His children have a heritage surpassed by none, in the knowledge that they had in their father a godly man. To them their church expresses its sincere sympathy and appreciation for the work of their father in the church he loved so much.

We mourn his passing, but at the same time we humbly bow to the will of God and pray that we will all meet in God's good time.

W. C. Chadwick,
R. W. Brothers,
Miss Lizzie Hancock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Front Street Methodist church of Burlington, N. C., pause to pay tribute to one who for more than 50 years has been one of our faithful and loyal members.

On the afternoon of May 9, 1941, the gentle spirit of Mrs. Ada Ingle Isley slipped from its earthly moorings to the haven of eternal rest.

In appreciation of her life among us and our loss at her home going, we offer the following resolutions:

First, That in this dispensation of divine providence we bow in humble reverence before one who is too wise to err and too good to be unkind.

Second, That we extend to her children and other loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray that her mantle of goodness and unselfish devotion may ever abide as a rich heritage with each of them.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of her children and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy filed with the permanent records of our organization.

Mrs. W. T. Williams,
Mrs. L. E. Atwater,
Mrs. W. F. Dailey.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the passing of Mrs. W. H. Woods on May 4, 1941, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the West Durham Methodist church lost a loyal and beloved member.

Mrs. Woods will be remembered as a true and devoted Christian. Her unselfishness expressed itself through her devotion to her husband, her family, her church, and her friends. She leaves to her family a priceless heritage, a good example of godly influence. Therefore be it resolved:

First, We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, extend to the members of the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Second, That we are thankful for her beautiful life which was an inspiration in the work in which she encouraged us.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one placed in the permanent records of the woman's society.

Mrs. C. D. Nabers,
Mrs. C. L. Bunting,
Mrs. J. C. Dailey, Jr.

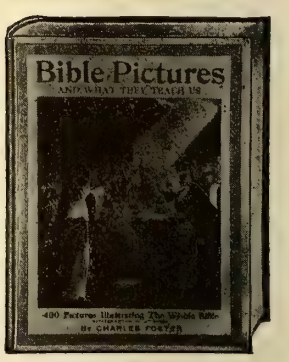
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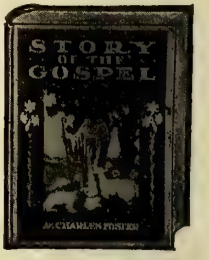
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DRAFTED FOR WHAT?

When hundreds of thousands of our finest young men are being drafted for service in our army camps it is strange that the American public cannot provide safeguards to protect them from immoral exploitation. The original Sheppard bill was designed to eliminate prostitution from camp areas. Amendments to it included in bill H.R. 2475 include a provision prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor in all army and navy establishments. Secretary of War Stimson and Secretary of Navy Knox have already voiced their disapproval of the amendments which prohibit the sale of intoxicants saying this would be an invasion of American rights. These statements from these leaders of national defense become all the more ridiculous when we remember that from 1901 to 1935 there WAS A LAW prohibiting the sale of intoxicants at army and navy camps. Did anyone say this was an invasion of American rights? Many of these young draftees came from territories where liquor is not publicly sold. They were drafted from dry communities and put down in camps where it is freely sold. Perhaps thousands of these young men have taken their first drink while serving Uncle Sam. For what were they drafted? To cultivate a habit which, if continued, will wreck their lives? Or were they drafted to give their best in defense of their country? If the public pays the bill for the training of its young men for defense the public has a right to see that her young men are not exploited. Who is fighting bill H.R. 3475? The brewers and some of our high ranking army officers. We quote from Brewer's Digest of May, 1941, "One of the finest things that could have happened to the brewing industry was the insistence by high ranking officers to make beer available at army camps . . . Here is a chance for brewers to cultivate a taste for beer in millions of young men who will eventually constitute the largest beer-consuming section of our population." So far as the brewers are concerned there is no secret in their nefarious designs. They want to cash in for years to come on the beer-consuming young man who got the habit in an army camp. Who can best defend America? The clear thinking young man who uses no intoxicants or the man who has the habit of drinking? We charge that these seekers for blood money are impeding our progress for real defense. The American people ought to awaken to the situation for it is their defense for which a nation is preparing. The least that can be done is that of sending a letter to our senators and representatives urging their support of H.R. bill 2475.—Arkansas Methodist.

GENERAL EDUCATION BOARD TO CLOSE

In 1902 John D. Rockefeller founded the General Education Board for the purpose of helping various programs of educational value in America. No section of the nation has profited more from this philanthropy than our Southern States. Educational institutions of all types and for both races have been given large sums for the betterment of their work, increased endowments, research and experimentation. With the benefit from these gifts education in the South has made far-reaching advances and progress has been multiplied during the past forty years.

This general board has given away for the purposes since its founding a total of $271,307,835. With only a few million dollars remaining in the fund and these largely earmarked for special types of work, no additional money will be available for other projects. Plans have already been adopted to finally close the work and bring to an end the General Education Board. It has been easy to ridicule "Big Business" and condemn the big business man, but such gifts and generosity have been responsible for much of our advance along all lines of Christian work. A lasting debt of gratitude is due to the memory of John D. Rockefeller for what he has done for humanity with the money he made. He was a laborer with God for the good of all.—Southwestern Methodist.

DAY OF COMPASSION OFFERING SAVES THOUSANDS OF WAR SUFFERERS

For us, vacation days are bright and happy. Rest and recreation strengthen tired bodies and wholesome food brings renewed energy.

But for the millions of innocent victims of war, in a score of countries, summer days are like all other days—no vacation, but starvation! NO VACATION FROM STARVATION! While we grow strong and fat, they grow thin and weak. In the midst of food, can we forget God's other children who cannot still the pangs of hunger?

Methodists in their Day of Compassion offering (March 2, 1941) laid upon their altars a magnificent gift of nearly one million dollars. One-fourth of this fund goes to religious work for Methodist sons in the camps in the United States. One-fourth goes to the mother church in Britain for relief and for the many urgent needs of the home and foreign mission work there.

One-half of that offering is now at work around the world "in the relief of human suffering without distinction of race, color or creed." It helps to feed the starving fifty million homeless people of China. It gives milk to hungry children of Europe. It provides social, educational and religious work for prisoners-of-war in camps on both sides of the lines. Bibles in a dozen languages are sent to prisoners, evacuees and refugees. Where doctors in China are forced to operate without anaesthetics, for lack of drugs, this fund comes to the aid of the wounded and the sick. Disease quickly strikes at undernourished bodies, and the prompt gift of food saves lives before sickness or plague can take their toll.

BRITISH METHODISTS REPORT 1,000 CHURCHES, MANSES DAMAGED

"We are greatly cheered and encouraged by the knowledge that our fellow Methodists in America are so mindful of us and so ready to minister to our need," writes the Rev. Edwin Finch, head of the War Emergency Fund of British Methodism, to Bishop Edwin Hughes of Washington, in acknowledging receipt of "Day of Compassion" funds. This is to be used for direct relief in Great Brtain and for the maintenance of the missionary work of British Methodism.

"That need grows with each day that passes," says Mr. Finch. "Up to the time of writing there are over 1,000 of our churches and manses which have been damaged by enemy action, nearly 400 of which are either demolished or cannot be used again. In addition, some of our churches have been increasingly denuded of members owing to evacuation or other causes. The work, however, must be maintained in these areas and the difficulty of finding the wherewithal to maintain it becomes greater. It is to minister to such need that the help forthcoming from the Methodist Church in other lands is being used and will be used.

"I am glad to say that in spite of all, we are envisaging a forward movement, the object of which is not only to maintain our work but to deepen the spiritual life of our people.

JOURNALISM GOES TO CHURCH

William H. Williams in this week's Biblical Recorder tells how he took the Recorder to church:

"This year I had some of our laymen tell us why they took the paper. I had a different man each Sunday morning and allowed each speaker only two minutes."

Why not try out some such plan for the Christian Advocate?

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"A fine English observation: "The loving heart may be revealed more truly by sharing a cup of tea than by giving a pound of tea."

S S S

Bishop Ralph A. Ward, writing of the conference in sorely stricken yet wonderfully hopeful China, says: "The major emphasis for the coming year was a warm, helpful, converting and spiritual outreach throughout the conference." Such would be fine in North Carolina.

S S S

We must never forget that our religion is built on the forward look, upon expectation, rather than on the cherished past or the glory that now is. Every new day a new birth ends in the coming of the kingdom of God. Ours is the religion of adventure—the lure of achievement.

S S S

Chiang Kai Shek has said, "To know what is good and not to have the will to carry it out has been the besetting sin of our forefathers." May we not with equal assurance say that this is true of our fathers here in America as well as of our forefathers? With our feet firmly planted upon the best in our heritage we should be able to look to the future with hope and glad assurance.

S S S

Every critical period in world history turns loose upon over curious and credulous men and women speculative interpretation of prophecy by men who revel in such things. It was so during the days of the World War twenty-five years ago and these interpreters of prophecy have grown busy again in these turbulent times. They have made large use of Hitler in explaining the hidden prophecies of Daniel. These interpreters have also used the alliance of Germany and Russia as being the Gog and Magog of Ezekiel. Now Germany has turned against Russia and thereby spoiled their Gog and Magog alliance. It will be interesting to watch them explain from prophecy the present great battle raging in Russia.

What seems to be a successful method for getting rid of those pickets who become quite annoying, which generally is their primary purpose, is told as follows: When a picket paraded before his garage in October, 1935, Walter Johen, of Alton, Illinois, hired a corpulent woman to walk at the picket's side carrying a sign reading: "Just Married."

S S S

The Charlotte Observer last Tuesday morning carried a cartoon that depicted Ananias, a long bearded old man, gaunt and overworked, seated at typewriter with Hitler standing over him with the command, "Take a communique," while Stalin hurries up from behind crying, "Take a bulletin." In perplexity old Ananias with uplifted hand exclaims: "One at a time, please." The cartoon is highly comical and has only one defect. It should show the liars from Washington in the picture along with Hitler and Stalin. These would be only midgets when stood beside Hitler and Stalin.

S S S

These are great days for the propagandists. England would pull us into the war. Many of the news agencies of the land are busy to the same end. Some members of the Cabinet are eager for war. But the mass of the American people are for us to keep out. The propagandists are not so busy urging the Congress to keep faith with the boys drafted for twelve months' training—unless the peril of the nation becomes more imminent. Churchill's speech Monday of this week to the jubilant group in London, the situation in Syria, the troubles of Hitler, the increasing strength of America, certainly indicate a situation constraining Congress to keep its contract with American boys and their families. These have rights on a par with the war lords who build armies. The best way to disintegrate an army is to break down the spirit of a people. Let the adminstration keep faith with the fathers and mothers and the youth of this Republic and in doing so give due respect to our democracy.

Keep the Country Church to the Front

THE town church may get on at a poor dying rate without a revival, but without this the country church cannot even make a start for fresh new conquests. We are doing much in the effort to train a leadership, but all this will count for little without that evangelistic passion which too often fades away in academic shades. We must see to it that this fire never goes out and that the enthusiasm of the early days remains with us. We must do our best to be saved from a lot of cultural nobodies who would substitute smooth homilies for a "Thus sayeth the Lord."

The eighteenth century was an age of reason and moderation in religion. All enthusiasm was tabooed by the philosophers of that day and discounted by the ministers of religion. Religious enthusiasm had had its day. Men would not stoop so low as to indulge in emotional outbreaks. Then of a sudden came the little scholar of Oxford with the warm heart and a glowing enthusiasm following his experience of Aldersgate and his fellowship with the Moravian brethren. Soon the commons were alive and the masses astir as he flamed over England. Before long the itinerants—those heroes in the forests and into the waste places calling men to repentance. Inspired by these mighty men of God the multitudes broke forth into song and prayer and then went away to tell of the wonderful Saviour they had found.

We must see to it that this fire never goes out and that the passion of our fathers save us from a ministry of dull routine and soft words.

Our country churches and our fine boys and girls from our country homes must be saved from a mediocre round of religious effort devoid of that passion born of intimate fellowship with Him who makes the heart to burn within. Evangelism must be kept to the front in all our country churches so that there our youth will kindle the fires of their devotion.

Ninety-five Years of Age and Still Going Strong

DR. S. K. SPAHR, pastor-emeritus of Grace Methodist church, Greensboro, N. C., is in many respects a remarkable man. Among these is his remarkable mental and physical vigor at the age of ninety-five. He preaches occasionally, attends church regularly, drives his car daily about the streets of Greensboro, and each year makes a trip to his old stamping ground in and about Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Spahr was born in Ohio July 10, 1846. He was educated in Adrian College at Adrian, Michigan, and later attended the theological Seminary at Springfield, Ohio. He has been president of three Methodist Protestant conferences during his ministry.

For many years Dr. Spahr was in the New York conference where his pastorates included Long Island, Brooklyn and the western shore of the Hudson. From that conference he went to Pittsburgh conference where he holds membership at present. He was awarded the doctor of divinity degree in 1898 at Kansas City Uuiversity, Kansas.

In 1924 he became pastor of Grace Methodist church, formerly Grace Methodist Protestant church, where he rendered four years of valuable service before he retired in 1928 and was chosen pastor emeritus. He is one of the most highly esteemed ministers in Greensboro, loved and honored by all who know him. For more than a decade he has celebrated his birthday at dinner with his good friend, J. Norman Wills of Greensboro, and he expects to dine with Mr. Wills again July 10, 1942.

Without Price

OUR evangelical Christianity has been able to win its way through the centuries because it could be lived and preached. Out of a living experience men could tell what God had freely done for them and in them. With Paul each one could say it pleased God to reveal his Son in me. To all such religion was free—a gift from God.

The early Methodists had much to say of the gift of God. They sang joyfully of the free salvation for all able to obtain it without money and without price. For them the poor man had an equal show with the rich man. Salvation for all and preaching without pay were stressed by the early Methodist preachers.

Laymen naturally are disposed to set a price on all they have to offer. They are in the world of business. A good business man expects to pay well for what he gets. He sets his price on the preacher and expects his religion to cost him something. Some preachers are eager to put a price on their own labors and on the gospel they preach. So our peril in the church today is ministers classified by the money received rather than by the free salvation they have to offer "without money and without

price." If the modern preacher is to save himself from becoming a hireling he must guard this point. He must be free himself if he is to preach a free salvation.

Moses Brock and Peter Doub

YOUNG Moses Brock encouraged young Peter Doub to make a start in the way of salvation. Peter joined the Virginia conference in 1818 and Moses in 1820. Ten years later both were presiding elders, leading the hardy and heroic itinerants of these early days. In the decade of the thirties Moses Brock as presiding elder had charge of the Neuse district in North Carolina which extended from, including Raleigh, to the Atlantic ocean, and Peter Doub had the Yadkin district covering more than twenty-eight counties of Piedmont Carolina and Virginia. Such militant leaders as Brock and Doub laid deep and strong the foundations of our North Carolina Methodism. This was the day of camp meeting glories and the achievements of hardy itinerants all across the land.

Moses Brock retired in 1841. But after a marvelous century of Methodist history he lives on in Methodist traditions. So does Peter Doub, who gave full fifty years to the Methodist ministry. Such district leaders as these did a work destined to live on "unto the last syllable of recorded time," to use an expression so familiar in their day.

Is the World Going to the Dogs?

THAT is the age-long question which gets two answers. Some say "yes," others answer "no." The Bible tell us, Ecclesiastes 7:10, "Say not thou, what is the cause that the former days were better than these? For thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this." Yet in the very face of Holy Writ men persist in declaring that the world gets worse and worse.

Listen, however, to this from Bulletin of New York Sabbath Committee:

> My grandpa notes the world's worn cogs
> And says we're going to the dogs.
> His grandpa in his house of logs
> Said things were going to the dogs.
> His grandpa in the Flemmish bogs
> Said things were going to the dogs.
> His grandpa in his hairy togs
> Said things were going to the dogs.
> But this is what I wish to state:
> The dogs have had an awful wait!

Blessed Are the Peacemakers

THIS declaration of the Prince of Peace is accepted as an axiom of human life in the church of God. But whenever the nation becomes involved in war then we begin to act as though the converse is true. To many the war monger becomes blessed. Then the war lords are able to speak the master word.

Thankful should we Americans be for every one who has in any way or in every way done something to keep us out of this present war. The peacemakers are indeed the children of God and the real followers of the Prince of Peace. But whenever wars and rumors of wars are abroad then the peacemakers are branded as enemies. We begin to call them names—epithets take the place of arguments. Even the ministers of God are expected to soft pedal on all the great texts of the Bible that exalt peace and denounce war.

We know that peace and unity are essential in families, in neighborhoods, in churches, in any and in all the social groups for the best and most effective well being. The peacemakers and all who foster unity are essential in all these—but when it comes to nations peace gives place to war and then the war lord is enthroned. The dictator holds sway and death and hell dominates the land. Democracy, peace and human welfare surrender to the god of war. Thank God the big majority of the American people are set against our taking the plunge we took twenty-five years ago. Had the peacemaker been allowed to bear rule then we would have been saved from that fearful disappointment of 1918. Blessed are the peacemakers.

Never Cured at His Pool

THIS never occurred in America. It's a story from England. A certain clergyman who had long ceased to be evangelistic, and whose sermons were dull and listless, met one of his absentees. "Good morning, John," he said. "I am pleased to meet you. Why is it that you rarely attend the services now?" With great frankness the man replied, "Because I get no good when I come." "But should you not wait at the pool?" said the clergyman. "Did not the man at Bethesda, after waiting for years, get good at last?" "Oh, yes," replied John, "but he did have some encouragement to wait. He saw others cured sometimes; but I've never seen any one cured at your pool."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. C. C. Benton, pastor of the Central Avenue Methodist church, Charlotte, who has been a patient at the Memorial Hospital since July 3, will return to his home last of this week.

Rev. W. F. Beadle reports 140 children anrolled and 116 certificates awarded in the first vacation church schools ever held for churches of the Fairview circuit. A good beginning!—Reporter, Asheville District.

Ohio Methodists are to be given the privilege of borrowing recent books for a month's use from a list prepared by Dr. Deckard Ritter, Ohio Wesleyan University librarian. The university will pay postage one way, the borrower the other.

$7100 has been received on the fund to repair and redecorate the church school buildings. We need between $8500 and $10,000 to do the task as it should be done. If you have not already made your pledge, will you not do so today? Special pledge envelopes are in each pew.—Wesley Memorial Church Bulletin.

According to cable advices received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Piper of Kapaga, Belgian Congo, and Rev. and Mrs. Thomas A. O'Farrell of Nyadiri, Southern Rhodesia, arrived safely in Capetown, South Africa, on July 8. They have returned to their fields after a year of furlough in the United States.

Albemarle circuit: Bethany church began their revival meeting the first day of July with Rev. J. S. Gibbs as pulpit help. Mr. Gibbs did some good gospel preaching. The church was greatly revived. Eight have joined the church on profession of faith and another has given his name for membership. It is our prayer that this revival spirit will spread over the world until wars shall cease and the peace of Christ will reign.—E. A. Bingham, Pastor.

Last Sunday this editor had the high privilege of "filling in" at Chestnut Ridge for Brother C. P. Morris, who is away at the seaside to restore his depleted energies. In the long ago Chestnut Ridge was a camp ground where the saints assembled, many of whom sleep in the large old graveyard nearby. The present building is the third church on this site. To meet the people and form new friendships was a delight. We hope to enjoy another trip before long.

On a recent Sunday Wesley Memorial church, High Point, presented beautifully bound copies of the New Testament and Psalms to each of its 17 members who are now in the service of national defense. The Testaments are leather bound with a zippered edge. The soldier's name is printed on each Testament in gold letters. The men are stationed not only in the homeland but also at the Panama Canal Zone, Alaska, Trinidad and Canada. The Testaments which were the best to be had were secured through the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Third quarterly conferences in the Asheville district have been of a different kind this year. Following up the Christian education rallies held in various rural charges in the district by Rev. Earl Brewer and the district educational staff, Dr. Smathers has made the third quarterly conferences into conferences on the educational work of the church. His own sermons have been to that end, and he has taken members of the district staff with him to speak on adult and youth work. Two more such Sunday afternoon conferences, each bringing together several charges, will complete the third round.—Reporter.

Traditional Southern hospitality is again being demonstrated in the invitation that has gone forward to the bishops of the Northwestern Jurisdiction to choose one or more representatives from their respective areas to attend the district superintendents' conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction at Lake Junaluska July 17-24.

Bishop Ralph Spaulding Cushman of the Methodist Church has compiled a pocket prayer book and devotional guide, copies of which have just been received from the press. Vest-pocket size, with 144 pages, bound in imitation leather, it contains morning and evening devotions and prayers, prayers in the Scriptures, special prayers, the holy communion, and other devotional materials. This prayer book will not only appeal for indiviual use, but be of special help to all ministers and leaders of worship groups. It sells for 25 cents a copy. Publication and distribution are handled by The Upper Room, Nashville, Tenn.

An unforgettable observance of the 69th birthday of Bishop John Calvin Broomfield of St. Louis was held on the morning of July 4 by the bishops and district superintendents of the South Central Jurisdiction in session at Mount Sequoyah, Arkansas. Presentations, serious and frivolous, were made, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes being spokesman. He paid high tribute to the immigrant boy who first earned his bread in this country as a member of a pick and shovel gang, later to become president of his denomination's General Conference and one of its two choice contributions to the episcopal leadership of united Methodism.

Here is our China Grove church we had the good fortune of a real blessing that came through the visit of a youth caravan, June 28 to July 5. We are grateful to God, and we thank the staff of the conference board of education for making it possible that Miss Mary Elizabeth Cox, Miss Helen Strickland, Miss Jane Miller, Mr. Ross Francisco and Mr. Howard Wilkinson could be with us. These consecrated young persons led us in worship, forums, studies, recreation and community projects in a very fine manner. Good attendance was evidenced and excellent results were attained. We were glad that Brother Clegg Avett of Landis co-operated in our youth caravan week.—Wilson O. Weldon.

"The Methodist Reader," with Dr. Lester S. Ivine, dean of Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio, as editor and co-author, is off the press and may be secured from branches of the Methodist Publishing House at 25 cents per copy. In the foreword of the Reader, Bishop H. Lester Smith of the Cincinnati area says: "I d not know of any book which will give such an adequate picture of The Methodist Church in such a small compass." It presents concise statements of the activities and functions of Methodism's boards, commissions, and the administration organization of the entire church from the local church to the General Conference and the College of Bishops.

At the morning worship July 6 in First church, Charlotte, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, minister, brought a timely and dynamic message based on the theme, "Peace and Power." At the Sunday evening hour a liturgical service on the theme "Sharing in a Creative Peace" was led by Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, assoociate secretary of the conference board of education, Salisbury. In a message developed on the subject, "Creative Pioneers," Mr. Brewer pointed out the necessity for God-centered living upon the part of individuals and nations if a creative peace were ever to become a reality. Music selected in keeping with the service under the direction of Mr. Eugene Craft contributed much to an atmosphere of reverence. Youth groups of the church united in this Sunday evening worship experience.

Annual home coming day services will be held Sunday at Shady Grove Methodist church. Rev. S. J. Starnes, a former pastor and builder of the church, is expected to preach at 11 a. m. In the afternoon Chaplain L. M. Hall will speak on the work being done spiritually at Fort Bragg for our young men. We take this means to invite all former pastors and members to be present for these services Sunday.—Joyce V. Early, Pastor.

On the sixth day of August, 1941, I will be 77 years of age. I was superannuated during the year 1927. I served 32 years in the active ministry. I worked in Florida, North Carolina, Arizona and California. These are four very interesting states. I feel as though I would like to do over all of my work better than I did. Many of my older friends have passed away. But I still have some friends left in the conferences where I served. I would appreciate a letter from any of my friends who remain in those charges where I served. By request of some of my friends and relatives, I have written a brief "Story of My Life." The book contains 72 pages. It is nicely printed; it is in paper binding. As long as the limited number of copies last I will be glad to send a copy free to anyone of my friends who may desire the book.—R. L. Sprinkle, 2625 J. Street, National City, California.

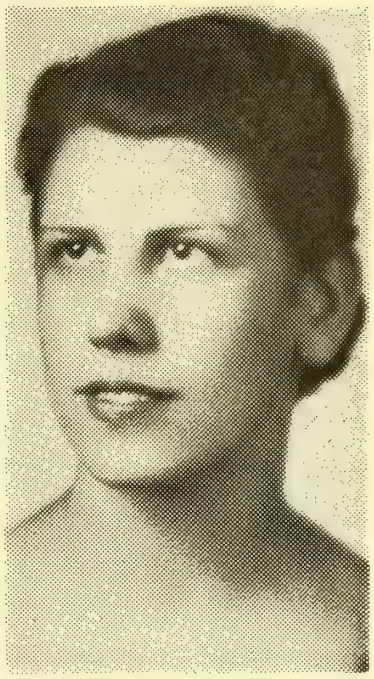
In Old North church, Boston, from the tower of which signals flashed to Paul Revere in 1775, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam spoke at a vesper service recently to the teachers and professors from every state who were attending the National Education Association annual convention. Many times the number who could be accommodated in the historic church were turned away. Bishop Oxnam said: "American teachers have affirmed the dignity of human beings so well that the American student has refused the personality destroying doctrines of contemporary totalitarianism. Hitler trains youth as we train dogs. Independence of judgment and thought-provoking alternatives are ruled out. There is reward for conformity, punishment for refusal. The American teacher educates for freedom, respects personality and seeks to develop the creative mind. It is imperative that academic freedom be maintained if this end is to be achieved."

The South Lenoir church on the Lenoir circuit, having an enrollment of 308, with an average attendance of 190, is progressing nicely under the leadership of Rev. W. T. Harkey. He has been with us a year and he is doing excellent work in the church and community. We all love and admire him and his family ,to whom we hope to give our full co-operation. We have recently bought a parsonage near the church. This has been remodeled by the men's Bible class and furnished by the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Our church is greatly in need of more Sunday school rooms and in the near future we hope to build more. On July 14 we are planning a vacation Bible school which will be under the leadership of our pastor, assisted by Mrs. M. A. Underdown in charge of the music. There is a great field of work, but with prayer and co-operation much can be accomplished. "The harvest is white and the laborers are few."—Miss Mary Frances Underdown.

The Western North Carolina Conference Youth Fellowship organization in session at Lake Junaluska, July 7-12, adjourned with the election of the following officers: President, J. Kempton Jones, Salisbury; vice president, Gilreath G. Adams, Matthews; secretary, Miss Sadie Wolfe, Mount Airy; associate secretary, Miss Peggy Royal, Elkin; treasurer, Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Salisbury; assistant treasurer, J. Max Henderlite, Salisbury. Additional leaders were elected by the conference council as follows: Dean of Senior Assembly, Rev. Robert H. Stamey, Lawndale; dean of Young People's Assembly, Rev. Carl H. King, Salisbury. District directors: Asheville, Rev. McMurry S. Richey; Charlotte, Miss Mary Margaret Johnson; Elkin (to be selected); Gastonia, Harold Hipps; Greensboro, Mrs. Laura Willard; High Point, Miss Viola Brigman; Marion, Mrs. Connie Cope; Salisbury, Mrs. Agnes Kirk; Statesville, Marshall Mills; Waynesville, Miss Vivian Moore; Winston-Salem, Miss Jean Steelman.

New York Methodists celebrated the 50th wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. G. Franklin Snyder July 15. The Fordham church, the Bronx, which he has served as pastor for the past 18 years, arranged a religious service with Dr. John M. Pearson, district superintendent, as speaker. A reception followed, with wedding cake, speeches, and the gift of a substanial purse. The clergy of the Bronx paid tribute to their colleagues by attending in a body. After the church observance, the couple's four sons took charge and provided a party in the Berkshires, their early home.

MISS SINGLETON WINS AWARD OF $1,000



Miss Ellen Singleton, a 1939 graduate of Greensboro College, has won a $1,000 award from the Southern Society of New York for her accomplishments in piano. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Singleton of Moyock. Miss Singleton studied under Mark Hoffman while attending Greensboro College. Recently she has been a pupil of Harold Morris in New York.

GOOD REPORT FROM BRO. J. E. PRITCHARD

Some time ago I had a letter from a minister in another state who reads the N. C. Christian Advocate, asking why it was that the former Methodist Protestant ministers so completely dropped out of the picture as soon as Methodist union took place. Lest others should feel that way too I will say that we had two fine daily vacation schools during the month of May, one at Ramseur and the other at Franklinville, each lasting two weeks. Twenty-seven members have been received this year, 15 at Ramseur and 12 Franklinville. Rev. C. E. Ridge of near High Point was the very acceptable help in the meeting at Franklinville June 12-23. Rev. L. F. Tuttle of Thomasville will assist in the meeting at Ramseur beginning the fourth Sunday in August. The parsonage here in Ramseur has been completely refinished on the inside and is now being painted on the outside. Two modest friends donated the paint for the inside and now the Columbia Manufacturing Companuy here of which Brother I. F. Craven is the president has agreed to furnish the paint for the outside for all three parsonages in this place—Methodist, Baptist and Pilgrim Holiness.

J. E. Pritchard.

HONORED AT FAMILY REUNION

The oldest member of Lindsay Street Methodist church, Reidsville, Mrs. J. A. Gunn, was honored on July 4 last at the annual reunion of the Dixon-Smothers-Williams families at Flat Rock Methodist church near Stokesdale. As a surprise feature of the splendidly prepared program, Virginia Anne Gunn, the attractive 18-year-old daughter of Ira Gunn, who was presiding over the meeting, was granted the privilege of the floor as spokesman for the grandchildren of "Grandmother" Gunn. In part, she said:



Mrs. J. A. Gunn

"Someone has said that God couldn't be everywhere, so he made mothers. I would like to paraphrase that thought and put it like this, 'God knew that mothers could not be everywhere, so he made grandmothers.'

"On this occasion of family reunion, the fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren wish to pay tribute to one of the best grandmothers anyone ever had—Grandmother Gunn.

"Abraham Lincoln once said, 'All my life I have plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower might grow.' That is just what Grandmother Gunn has done all of her life. How many flowers of truth, and honesty, and purity she has planted in the hearts of her grandchildren!"

Here she quoted a poem by H. N. Fifer, "What Was Her Creed?" one verse of which reads:

"Her creed? I care not what her creed;
Enough that never she yielded to greed,
But served a brother in his daily need;
Plucked many a thorn and planted many a flower;
Glorified the service of each hour;
Had faith in God, herself and fellow men;
Perchance she never thought in terms of creed—
I only know she lives a life, in deed!"

Calling upon all of the grandchildren present to stand, she faced her grandmother, and as she pinned a beautiful corsage of white dwarf chrysanthemums upon her shoulder, she addressed her affectionately in these words:

"Grandmother Gunn, as a token of our great love for you, we want to pin upon your breast these white flowers —symbol of your pure and saintly life, and to wish for you many more years of beautiful living, as a shining light for your grandchildren and for all who know and love you."

This saintly woman, who is nearing her four-score years of earthly existence, has been a member of the Reidsville church since February, 1918. Nine of her eleven children have grown to manhood and womanhood and most of them are married and have children of their own. She is revered by neighbors, fellow church members, friends, and pastor.

E. Lester Ballard, Pastor.

WHAT OF DEMOCRACY?

By S. L. Freeman

Since the fall of France there have been frantic preparations to rearm America, with the sole purpose of preserving our democracy, or, as some Americans would say, our way of life. It is our aim to destroy the influence of dictatorial powers that are loose in the world today, and with this preparation we are saying they shall not step beyond the threshold of democracy.

In this particular state of affairs, we are very wise to prepare against this menace. But this is a two-sided affair, and we must listen to all arguments. Democracy's greatest enemy lies within our own gates in the form of indifference and self-indulgence. And, if this sort of thing does not cease, democracy will surely fail, even if Great Britain and America win the war.

I have done some traveling in the United States in the past few years. I see gross violations of the principles of democracy everywhere. Recently, while walking down in the famous loop of Chicago, Illinois, I saw clothing stores, hardware and furniture stores ,along with bowling alleys and pool parlors, open for business on Sunday. Theatres were open during church hours. As I was coming back to North Carolina, I saw automobile after automobile pass with signs such as "God Bless America," "America, We Love You," and "God Preserve Our Way of Living." While driving through some of the cities, I saw people standing in line at the theatres, lines half as long as a city block, while in the distance I could hear the church bells pleading for them to come.

These are only a part of the many dressed-up, attractive enemies that are fast destroying our government. Another is whiskey and the ease with which our teen age boys and girls can obtain it. Have we ever stopped to think who brought about this evil? It is the average man and woman, fathers and mothers of these teen age boys and girls. And yet, they cry out for America to "Stop Hitler" with all-out aid to Great Britain, while we all should cry out to God for an all-out cleansing of sin from our souls and for a faith and courage to fight to a finish these deadly enemies, not only to democracy but to humanity itself. My father taught me never to apply salve to a boil until I first had treated it from the inside. We cannot fight a winning battle for democracy from the outside until first we remove the enemy from the inside.

Will God bless our way of life so long as we fling defiance in his face?

We fought to save democracy with force of arms once. If that method is right, then why do we have to do it all over again? It would be wise for us to wake up and realize that we can never win that way. What the world needs today is a deep and abiding peace, and that cannot be brought about by men who know nothing about the divine love of the Almighty.. So the winning of the battle rests squarely on the shoulders of God-fearing men and women. Let us put on the whole armor of God and be about our Father's business. Then and only then shall we have peace, a peace "that passeth all understanding." —Biblical Recorder.

NATION-WIDE REUNION OF TURRENTINE FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

The Greensboro Daily News, June 26, 1941, published the following "Special to Daily News," entitled, "Turrentine Clan Will Convene in Hillsboro."

"Descendants of the Turrentine family from 20 states will gather here (in Hillsboro) August 17 to reunite the scattered branches of one of the founding families of Orange county, North Carolina.

The reunion is being planned by the Turrentine family group, headed by Mrs. R. M. Lester, New York city. The group's historian, G. R. Turrentine, dean and registrar, Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Ark., has made contact with about 250 Turrentine descendants from California to Florida.

Many members of the association, visiting North Carolina for the first time, will combine the reunion with a vacation in the state."

Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, furnishes the following additional information:

The nation-wide reunion of the Turrentine family and connections will be held in Hillsboro, N. C., the ancestral town of the Turrentine family of our country, on the third Sunday, August 17, 1941.

The program follows:

Hillsboro High School Auditorium:
10.00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Registration.
Hillsboro Methodist Church:
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. The Holy Communion, followed by the Baptism of Infants, conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte, N. C., assisted by ministers of the Turrentine family and other ministers.
High School Auditorium:
11:35 a.m. Devotional Services conducted by Bishop Purcell.
11:50 a.m. Messages of greeting and response.
12:00 m. Sketch of Turrentine family and connections by Dr. George Ruford Turrentine, dean and registrar of Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Arkansas, historian.
12:30 p.m. Open forum.
High School Gymnasium:
1:00 p.m. Basket lunch.
2:00 p.m. Informal visiting.
High School Auditorium:
3:00 p.m. Assembly—Business session.
5:00 p.m. Farewells.

Participants in basket lunch are asked to take basket lunches to be enjoyed in common.

YOUTH CRUSADE AT ROCKY MOUNT

The four-day crusade opened Sunday night with an address by "Uncle Bobby" Bradshaw. In his opening sermon Rev. Mr. Bradshaw stressed the point that the most tragic thing which he had ever seen was not the sinner in the ditch, but the life which was just before complete dedication to God suddenly turn from Jesus' way of life in favor of a more secular one.

The second night of the crusade took the form of a social—a banquet. The third night's service was held as a campfire one. Morning worship periods were held each day at 8:15, to which the young people were invited. A special course of study was taught by Miss Kittie Wilson of Warrenton for the intermediates each morning following the early worship service.

In the closing service of the youth crusade, Dr. E. L. Hillman opened his communion sermon with this question: "What kind of a person will you become as you grow older if you allow Jesus to use whatever gift which you possess?"

The speaker discussed the unnamed boy whose lunch of fish and bread fed five thousand with the aid of Jesus. This boy, the pastor said, had four things about him which stood out. He was prepared. He was willing to dedicate his lunch and to share it with others. He rendered a distinct service to his fellows. He allowed Jesus to use his gift as the Master saw fit.

A program of recreation preceded the communion service, at the close of which the friendship circle was formed. Miss Kittie Wilson of Warrenton closed the friendship period with the following remark: "During the past four days you have learned to understand your pastor and to work, play, sing, and live together; your lives should form an ever linked chain as you grow older."

MISS ROBBIE GAY MOCK WEDS MR. JOHN REESE SLEDGE

Miss Robbie Gay Mock, daughter of Mrs. Robert F. Mock and the late Rev. Mr. Mock of Brevard, was married to John Reese Sledge, son of Mrs. Frank P. Sledge and the late Mr. Sledge of Brevard, Saturday evening, June 28, at 8 o'clock at the Brevard Methodist church. The pastor, Rev. Edgar P. Billups, officiated, using the ring ceremony.

The church was decorated with evergreens and native flowers. On either side of the altar were tall candelabra with seven cathedral tapers, which were lighted by Garland Sledge, brother of the bridegroom.

Prior to the ceremony, a program of wedding music was rendered by Mrs. Leon English, Jr. Mrs. Nat Townsend of Brevard sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." During the ceremony Mrs. English played "Liebestraum," by Liszt, and Schubert's "Serenade." The bridal chorus from "Lohengrin" was used as the processional, and Mendelssohn's wedding march was the recessional.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Herschel Roberts of Weaverville.

Frank Bridges of Brevard was best man. Ushers were: Garland Sledge, Paul Kellar, Byron Olney and Jim Kanipe, nephew of the birdegroom.

Immediately following the ceremony a small reception was held at the home of the bride for the bridal party, members of the two families and close friends. The home was decorated in flowers and evergreens. Mrs. Roy Kanipe, sister of the bridegroom, presided at the punch bowl.

Following a short honeymoon trip, the couple will return to make their home in Brevard, where Mr. Sledge is owner and operator of the Sledge Radio Service.

Mrs. Sledge is a graduate of the Weaverville high school and of Brevard College, and attended Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee. Mr. Sledge is a graduate of the Brevard high school.

REAPING TOGETHER

There has been a commendable co-operation among the pastors in evangelistic work in the Greensboro district. Some of the meetings are yet to be held, but I list from memory the following teams:

Paul Rayle with J. W. Fowler, J. E. Carroll with G. W. Vick, C. S. Kirkpatrick with J. W. Fowler, J. P. Hipps with G. A. Stamper, R. C. Stubbins with T. H. Houck, R. M. Hardee with C. W. Bates and W. T. Albright, A. D. Shelton with T. H. Houck, W. B. Lefler with C. W. Bates, R. T. Houts with T. V. Crouse, R. G. Tuttle with E. L. Ballard, Kenneth Goodson with J. P. Hipps, T. G. Williams with C. W. Russell. The superintendent has been with A. C. Swofford, C. S. Kirkpatrick, R. M. Laughlin, W. T. Albright and Gilbert Miller, Paul R. Taylor with J. B. Trogdon.

Coming from outside the district we have had C. M. Moser, H. F. Duncan, A. C. Gibbs, John R. Church, Fred R. Paschal, Herman Yoakley, J. L. Stokes, Aubert Smith, Mack Long and Mrs. Steidley.

Brothers Craven, Courtney, Higgins, McKinney, Latham have held their own meetings. If names have been unintentionally left out, I recall the words on the will of the great war memorial on Castle Hill in Edinburgh: "Others there are who perished (served) unknown, their sacrifice is not forgotten and their names tho lost to us are written in the Book of God."

L. B. Hayes.

A REMARKABLY LONG AND USEFUL LIFE

Mr. R. A. Rees of Fayetteville, Tennessee, 91 years of age, recently passed away on July 1. Mr. Rees was the father of Dr. Edward J. Rees, pastor of Belmont Methodist church, Roanoke, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Rees were the parents of ten children. He was a very active layman and official in his church for more than 52 years, and a very active worker in the temperance movement in the state of Tennessee. Mr. Rees was a native of Rienzi, Miss.., and died from the infirmities of old age. He was in possession of his normal faculties until the time of his passing. His funeral was conducted by Dr. D. E. Hinkle, minister of the First Methodist church of Fayetteville. Dr. Hinkle was assisted by Dr. Edward J. Rees, who led in the closing prayer. Mrs. Rees preceded Mr. Rees in death by seven years. They were married 61 years. The Nashville Christian Advocate came into their home for 60 years. This lovely couple visited their son and family when Dr. Rees was minister of the Methodist church in Oxford, and First Methodist church in Washington.

Who Is Interested in Jesus?

By Dr. Ray C. Petry, Professor in Divinity School, Duke University

The world seems, at times, to have lost interest in Jesus. Such is actually not the case. Six classes of people are representative of the many who yet find him interesting.

The first class comprises the historians. They, like the gospel writer Luke (1:1-4), have sought to know how Christianity, a tiny, voluntary movement among obscure men, became the greatest life-force in the world. Like Luke, also, they have been forced to find their answer in Jesus. No real historian can fail to be interested in him. For he is conclusively historical. His influence on human history is incalculable. He is always being studied but is never quite understood. The full measure of his deeds is not clear to us; but what he was and did are both unprecedented and inescapable. Historians are interested in Jesus because everything since his day is meaningless apart from his final meaning. They may minimize or even deride him, but they cannot avoid him. Few wish to do so.

A second group, the teachers, have always been drawn to Jesus. Like Nicodemus, a teacher in Israel (John 3:1-13), they have been amazed at Jesus' methods, and even more at his results. Jesus knew and respected the teachings of the ancients but dared to transcend them in his own name. His quotations from other authorities were not so much to establish his own conclusions as to set them right. He was profoundly authoritative. No footnotes could add to, or detract from, his final word.

Nicodemus was fascinated by qualities in Jesus which have inspired teachers ever since. This Master's teachings were unfettered by systems and shibboleths. No student found in him stock beginners from which might be deduced platitudinous conclusions. He was peculiarly evocative in personality and demanding in his principles. Those who listened to him must be prepared to act in accordance with what they heard. He, on his part, was unequivocal and self-committed. His "I say" was followed by his own example and his crispy demanding: "Thus do ye also." Is it any wonder that we teachers, ever longing to speak the truth yet always wondering what will happen if we do, are drawn as by a magnet to the fearless Teacher?

A third class, the churchmen, have been interested in Jesus since Matthew wrote the gospel of the church. Matthew presented Jesus, not only as the incomparable teacher, but also as the founder of a great institution. Like Matthew, we later Christians are inspired to think of Jesus as the center of all our organization and the end to which all of our system moves. But our salvation depends upon our remembering that he is more than we can represent, or catch, or hold, with all our systems. He is obviously in advance of the codes, schedules, and institutions by which we strive to make him real. Yet represent him we must, to ourselves and to the world. Our task as churchmen is to subordinate all of our organization to his will and to make our institutional apparatus exalt his spirit, not quench it. Woe to us and to our church if we lose interest in him whom it is our glorious duty to serve!

A fourth group, like Simon the magician of old (Acts 8:4-25), is interested in Jesus primarily for what it can get out of him. Simon was a "master hoodwinker" in Samaria who exploited the common people in the name of religion. They called him the "Great Power of God." He kept himself informed as to the latest methods of propaganda. When Philip preached Christ to the Samaritans, Simon was impressed. Whatever change of heart he may have had, temporarily, was soon forgotten when he saw the commercial possibilities of the new movement. He was willing to pay well for exclusive rights to the sale of the Holy Spirit. When denounced by Peter for such godlessness, Simon became genuinely frightened but not repentant. He sought, not the way of forgiveness, but the means of escaping consequences. If Christ's power could not be bought and sold at a profit, it might still be exploited to avert merited punishment. Like those of his stamp ever since, Simon wanted religious sanction for pagan activities. He coveted Christ's coat-of-arms for the house of Satan. He invoked the blessings of Jesus on the deliberate betrayal of the common people. Sadly enough, Simon's technique did not perish with him. Many nominal leaders still try to cloak private ambitions under a corner of Jesus' robe. Such is their interest in him.

Paul encountered a fifth type of interest in the men of Athens (Acts 17;16-33). He spoke on Mars Hill to many curious minds among who were skeptics, agnostics, and cynics. He told the good news of Jesus and the Resurrection. Some of his hearers sneered. But others said, "We should like to hear you again on this subject." In a way, they were a living parable on many good people who are interested in Jesus. They will not commit themselves too much, or too soon, or, perchance, not at all. They do not know, they deny freely, they doubt perennially but they are ready to hear more—later. To such as these Jesus is perpetually, even embarrassingly, interesting. For he denies their denials. He questions their questions. Where they retreat he advances. He is what they say can't be. But, not infrequently, they find their way to him.

Most heart warming of all is the interest of the sixth class. These are the common people who, as in Mark (1:32-45), followed Jesus wherever he went and experienced his tender ministry. Even as Jesus prayed, his disciples announced, "They are all looking for you." He cured a poor leper who could not restrain himself but told everybody. So people came to Jesus "from every direction."

Well, these people are but one in their interest in Jesus. Their name is Everyman. Over and over they betray Jesus out of ignorance, sin, and fear. But always, again, they look to him. For Jesus was, and is, their only friend. When relatives, scientists professors, statesmen, economists, and all others let them down, Jesus raises them up. He is their only hope. He will be, and now is, their only salvation. He lasts, grows, and advances. He steadies, quickens, and empowers. He loves, understands, and forgives.

These are a few of the groups who are interested in Jesus. How does our interest compare with theirs? What does he mean to us? Is he merely a puzzle, just an irri-

tation, primarily a menace, a desperate last hope? Or is he a hard, narrow, but direct way to life? Is he a presence for every hour, unobtrusive and companionable? Perhaps he is an invitation to faith, quiet and persistent. Do we find him a resource both in joy and in sorrow, unspectacular and abiding? Does he impart to us a passion for everlasting life, flowering and triumphant?

Our interest in Jesus is not necessary to perpetuate him. But upon such interest hangs much of human destiny. It is surely pertinent, therefore, to inquire, "Who is interested in Jesus?"

LONDON MISSION RALLY A CHALLENGING RECORD OF SERVICE

"Amid blood and tears, wounds and sudden death, heartaches and fierce resentments, questings of mind, the ruins of shattered homes and the agony of depleted lives; in contact with cruelty beyond comprehension and vandalism which stuns the imagination; ministers, lay preachers, deaconesses and members of the Methodist Church in Great Britain—the 'Mother-Church of Methodism'—are carrying on a work of evangelism, healing, counsel, comfort, relief and reconstruction beyond human praise."

So runs the opening paragraph of a statement recently issued by the leaders of Methodist leaders overseas; and every claim embodied or implied by such an assertion was fully justified and substantiated by the speakers at the great annual meeting of the London Mission, held at Kingsway on Saturday afternoon last. Ministers and lay workers were there whose homes had been utterly destroyed by enemy action but a night or two previously, or who had spent evening after evening during the week in rescuing maimed or homeless people from the piled-up debris of fallen buildings or from the perils of the streets. But every speaker had a story to tell of courage and resource without parallel in the history of any city or community, supported by faith and confidence expressed in terms which thrilled all hearts and moved all listeners to admiration of the qualities of "our common people."

A special word of welcome was given by the chairman, Mr. G. A. Filer, to members of the fighting forces. One man's absence was keenly felt—Mr. H. C. Williams, who was for many years associated with the work of the London Mission Committee at Westminster and who is recovering from a serious illness. The program was rigorously timed for "seven-minute speeches," and both the chairman and the secretary set an excellent example in this respect. Two Negro spirituals were beautifully sung during the afternoon by Mrs. James W. Watts, the wife of the minister of West Ham Conference Hall.

The Rev. W. E. Clapham of Bow did not mention that only two nights previously he and his wife had seen their home shattered by high explosives, and that, in spite of the danger, they and other mission workers had been giving help and comfort to others in like circumstances. In the course of his rousing and informative speech, however, Mr. Clapham revealed the magnificent way in which he and his people were maintaining the work of the church, extending their activities to meet the requirements of people forced to spend much of their time in shelters, looking after elderly and infirm persons, equipping and serving with mobile canteens, and making the "religion of the second mile" their everyday practice. His tribute to the courage, the generosity and the "lack of defeatism" shown by the citizens of East London will be remembered for years to come, and his special word of admiration for the kindness of East London Jews to their neighbors under Blitz conditions will also remain in the memory of Methodist people. Mr. Clapman ended a fine address by a challenge to the Methodist Church to be in the vanguard of the march for a new social order, which would make forever impossible a recurrence of the conditions formerly, and now, obtaining in the East End of London.

Rev. Leslie Davison of the Bermondsey Central Mission, confining his remarks to the events of the past seven days, made a great impression upon the audience by his story of the Boy Scout who took an injured baby to the hospital when bombs were falling all around, twice administered artificial respiration to the little one on the way, and did not reveal his identity to the mother, not thinking he was doing anything out of the ordinary by his heroic and selfless conduct. The woman, however, happened to have seen the young fellow leading the Scouts' parade at the Central Hall, and wrote to inform the minister how her baby had been saved and to thank the lad for his wonderful help and courage. Recent experiences had convinced Mr. Davison that a new spirit was permeating Christianity today which, kindled and fostered by the grace of God, would inspire the Christian church to face up to the demands and opportunities of the coming years, confident of victory.

Then came the collection; and Rev. Charles H. Hulbert, a pastmaster in the art of appeal as we know him, fully lived up to his reputation in this respect. He pointed out that every gift and promise made to the funds of the London Mission that afternoon would be trebled by the generosity of an anonymous donor, and referred with deep appreciation to recent collections and gifts received from many quarters.—Methodist Recorder, London.

A PEN-PICTURE OF INDIA

By Royal D. Bisbee

It is amazing that one man in every five of the world is an Indian. The other four, let us say, is an American, a European, a Negro, and a Chinese.

In India there live more than three hundred and seventy million. people. When the next census is taken we may find this number largely increased. The vast number is made up of many different kinds of people. There are two hundred and forty million Hindus, and eighty million Mohammedans, besides many other peoples, such as the Parsees, Buddhists and Europeans.

India is approximately 2,000 miles east to west, and 2,000 miles north to south and has an area of more than two million square miles. It is as large as all of Europe, excluding Russia. It would be possible to place in India the countries of Germany, Spain, France, Italy, the Balkans, Scandinavia, British Isles, Belgium, Holland, Eire, Hungary and Roumania and still have considerable territory left.

There are many natural advantages provided for India. A broad expanse of ocean surrounds it on the east, south and west. Then the Himalayan Mountains run almost all the way along the northern boundary.

India is a land of many religions. The Hindus, who are idol worshippers, are hated by the Mohammedans because of this fact. Then there are the Bhirs, Parsees, and the Buddhists and every other type of religion.

With the coming of reforms in government and with wider opportunities in education for the youth, the portals have opened wide to the Gospel. No longer do the people have confidence in the gods of wood and stone; they are in search of religious certainty. We, who believe in Christ know that this certainty is only to be found in him. He is the way, the truth and the life. This is the Gospel whch we are to bring to the people of India.

We must go up and take this land for Christ! The great need is to instruct our Christian youth in Christian leadership. We must send more of our young men to our Bible schools for training. We must send them out in Christ's name into the villages of India to win the people for Christ. What a challenge!

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Leadership School (Leadership Building) ..... July 17-24
District Superintendents' Conference ..... July 17-24
Council of Conference Lay Leaders for
Southeastern Jurisdiction (Terrace Hotel).... July 18-20
Junaluska School of Religion, affiliated with
Duke University (Education Building), July 21-August 30
School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 24-August 5
Missionary Conference ..... July 29-August 5
Pastors' Conference ..... August 5-10
Youth Conference (Education Building) ..... August 5-16
Leadership School ..... August 18-29

Junaluska Program

Sunday, July 20—9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. Oscar T. Olson
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner

Junaluska School of Religion, July 21-August 30 (Affiliated with Duke University) (Education Building)

Monday, July 21, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs

Tuesday, July 22, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop W. T. Watkins

Wednesday, July 23, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson.
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop W. W. Peele

School of Missions, July 24-August 5 (Mission Inn)

Thursday, July 24, 8:40-9:20 A. M.—Devotional, Dr. Oscar T. Olson
9:30-11:30 A. M.—Discussion.
11:45-12:30 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Hazen G. Werner
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Art of Thinking."

Friday, July 25, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Flowering of Virginia and Charleston."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Flowering of New England."

Saturday, July 26, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The Realism and Romance of the West."
8:00 P. M.—Personal Films of Gardens and Trips, presented by Mr. J. B. Ivey and Mr. George Ivey.
9:00-10 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Arkansas Traveler."

SOLDIERS' TOWN HOME AT FAYETTEVILLE

A month ago our old parsonage was opened up as a soldiers' recreation center and was named by one of the soldiers "Soldiers' Town Home." Truly they seem to feel that it is their home whenever they are in Fayetteville. We have about 1000 boys visiting the home each week. In addition to the boys many of their relatives and friends from other towns come in with them. We have also had a number of ministers, social workers and others whose churches or other organizations were interested in doing something similar to our work in other towns where soldiers are frequent visitors.

Our "home" serves as a clearing house for dinner invitations, 25 being placed last week. The townspeople often drive by the home on Sunday and take the boys for a nice ride. The home has two pingpong tables, a piano in the big living room, a music room with radio and Victrola, a writing room, a game room, a kitchen where boys may go and prepare a nice meal, a large back porch and also tables and benches in the backyard where we have watermelon cuttings (when we can get the melons).

We have discovered much excellent musical talent among the soldiers, and with the co-operation of the town people we have some very good musical programs from time to time. And last but not least we have free cookies at the home all the time for the boys. We could not do this but for the fact that many of our ladies in other towns are mailing cookies in to us. We thank them so much for their help. The ladies of Fayetteville who are working very definitely with the boys have formed an organization known as the "Soldiers' Service Club," and we work with the Hebrew, the Y .M. C. A. Army Division, the Red Shield Club (a branch of the Salvation Army) and Soldiers' Town Home, and when there are other recreation centers in Fayetteville for soldiers we will work with them also.

We have free Testaments, Gospels of John, Proverbs and Upper Room and religious tracts, and it is indeed gratifying to see how often the soldiers select some of the literature and stop at the desk and thank the hostess for it. Our hostesses are Mrs. Florence Hall Highsmith and Mrs. Laura Scott, both of Fayetteville.

Please keep up the cookies and also send us some peanuts, pecans, peaches, apples, watermelons, cantaloupes, or anything that their own boys enjoy around their own home, for the soldiers are just "our boys from all parts of the good old U. S. A." and they like and enjoy the things any typical American boy enjoys, and the people of Fayetteville are trying to make the boys feel at home here!

Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Sec.-Treas. Hay Street Methodist Church and Pres. Soldiers' Service Club.

Anything for the soldiers may be sent to me, care Hay Street Methodist Church.

REV. JOHN R. ANDERSON BURIED IN ATLANTA

The funeral of Rev. John Rogers Anderson, who died at his home in Randleman Monday morning, July 7, was held in Wesley Memorial church, Atlanta, Friday at 2 p. m., July 11, and interment followed in Hollywood cemetery. The funeral was in charge of Rev. S. W. Taylor. Other ministers participating were Dr. J. L. Baggott, pastor of First Baptist church, College Park, Ga., and Rev. H. G. Cowan, Floral Park, Fla. A goodly number of Brother Anderson's friends and friends of the family were present for the funeral.

Brother Anderson was ordained an elder by the Georgia conference of the former Methodist Protestant Church in 1904. He was a member of the Georgia conference for 22 years and served as president three terms of five years each. He was received into the N. C. conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1926, and served 13 years in that conference and was in his second year of the W. N. C. conference of the Methodist Church at the time of his death. He was 37 years in the ministry. Brother Anderson was a good man and zealous and faithful throughout a long ministry.

S. W. Taylor.

VANCE CHARGE ADVANCES ENCOURAGINGLY

The work of the Vance charge of the Raleigh district has been moving forward in an encouraging manner, especially during the past several weeks.

The parsonage has been completely painted inside with the floors of the front rooms sanded. Plans are now under way for painting the parsonage outside. Cabinets for the kitchen are being built in and other necessary repairs are being made.

Three vacation Bible schools have been held. Also three revivals have been held with encouraging results. Rev. Forrest Headen of Louisburg did the preaching at Spring Valley church. Two new members were added here. Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., of Elm City preached at Gillburg church, with 16 new members added with five others having been received a few Sundays previous. Rev. O. L. Easter of High Point assisted in the Flat Rock church revival with seven new members being received. Rev. R. C. Stubbins of Greensboro is coming this week to conduct the services at Harris Chapel. We are hopeful for a fruitful week of services under his leadership.

Aubert M. Smith, Pastor.

REV. J. F. MINNIS TO BE AT SHILOH

Sunday, July 20, at 11 o'clock Rev. J. F. Minnis, a former Methodist Protestant and a missionary to India for several years, will speak. Invited by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the service will be in interest of this society. We are sure he will have an inspiring and interesting message. All are especially invited to attend. Shiloh is on Shiloh charge and is about five miles west of Lexington. Our pastor, Rev. T. G. Madison, is beginning his revival at Friendship Sunday morning and cannot be with us. We are praying for our revival at Shiloh, to begin the third Sunday in August with the pastor doing the preaching, to continue as long as it seems necessary. Choir practice Friday night at eight along with preparatory service for the revival.

The Davidson County Young People's Union will hold its August meeting at Shiloh on Monday night, August 4. A good spiritual program is being planned.

Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

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LOUISBURG ASSEMBLY

The second Christian Adventure Assembly of the North Carolina Methodist Youth Fellowship was held at Louisburg June 24-28, with 127 delegates.

The days were packed full of fun, fellowship and inspiration, under the leadership of our director, Uncle Bobby; our dean, Rev. R. E. Brown of Fayetteville; and the members of their staff: Mrs. B. F. Boone, assembly mother; Mrs. F. D. Culpepper, assembly nurse; Linwood Blackburn, director of recreation; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. C. F. Heath, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Mrs. John O. Wood, Misses Mary Elizabeth Myers, Sarah Massey, Jocelyn House, Elizabeth Montgomery, Dorothy Stevens, Hazel Copeland, Fannie O'Keef, Johnsie Mae Hyatt, Katherine Highsmith, Joyce Griffin, Minnie May Franklin, Ruth McDonald, Jane Gray Perry, and Kitty Wilson, and Charles Davis, Harris Proctor, and Max Warren.

Our classes were so interesting we often stayed after the bell rang. These were: "God in the World Today," Rev. R. W. Bradshaw; "Materials of Worship," Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers; "What It Means to Be a Church Member," Rev. R. E. Brown; "Getting Along with People," Miss Sarah Massey; "Our Neighbors in China," Mrs. S. A. Maxwell.

In the commissions we learned how to do our work better at home, such as conducting meetings, planning programs, getting better attendance.

We had our choice of interest groups: Assembly paper, party favors, banquet, dramatics, choral singing, and recreation.

Wednesday morning we elected our officers as follows: President, Bill Sasser, Wilson; vice president, Bill Pitts, Spring Hope; secretary, Eleanor Anne Hunter, Fayetteville; publicity superintendent, Jean Lambeth, Lumberton.

We had lots of fun hiking to Green Hill House Wednesday afternoon. We played folk games, ate our picnic supper on the lawn, and enjoyed a beautiful vesper service. Rev. E. H. Davis, who lives at Green Hill House, closed our vespers with a most interesting experience from his own life.

The soft ball game between the students and faculty was very exciting. The faculty finally won 13-10, but they had to work migthy hard to win. The students challenged the faculty to another game the next day, but luckily for the faculty rain saved them, and they went around with happy faces, Linwood Blackburn especially.

Thursday evening the class studying China entertained at a Chinese tea. The Chinese decorations, costumes and fine exhibit were very interesting. Dean Brown, "the honorable old one," seated in a corner smoking his pipe and sipping tea, greeted us as we entered.

One of the high lights of the assembly was the campfire on Thursday night. The prayer groups with their leaders formed a large circle around the fire. After a fine program of stories and songs, several of the counselors gave the legend of the campfire and its symbols. Uncle Bobby lighted his candle from the fire, then lighted the candle of each counselor, who in turn lighted the candles of their prayer groups. Singing "Follow the Gleam" we marched back in single file to our rooms where we had our evening prayers by candlelight.

We had a grand time at our Indian banquet on Friday night. Rosa Bryan presided, and the program consisted of toasts, musical selections, group singing and a talk on "The Great White Spirit" by Dean Brown, followed by the benediction in Indian sign language, led by Uncle Bobby.

After the banquet came the Talent-Night program, put on by the students and staff members.

Our assembly closed Saturday morning with an impressive communion service at the Louisburg Methodist church, as we reconsecrated ourselves to be used by the Master more effectively in our home churches and communities.

We had a wonderful week and all of us appreciate everything Uncle Bobby and his staff did to make us so happy. Our experiences here will always be helpful to us.

Jean Lambeth, Pub. Supt.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS

A number of our church schools have observed Church School Rally Day and have sent in offerings for the support of our conference Christian education program. Other churches are planning to observe the day this summer or this fall. Programs for use in the observance of the day are still available without charge from the conference office, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

Durham District

Alamance Ct., Center	$ 4.47
Bynum	2.71
Burlington, Davis St.	17.05
Front Street	12.74
Wedd Ave.-Fountain Place, Fountain Place	2.10
Durham, Duke Memorial	27.16
Mebane, First Church	10.50
Milton, New Hope	1.13
Person, Concord	5.61
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw	8.38
Swepsonville	5.30
Yanceyville, Prospect	4.00
Total	101.15

Elizabeth City

Aulander, Aulander	1.56
Bath, Bath	2.00
Belhaven, Trinity	4.86
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel	.80
Wesley Memorial	7.11
Elizabeth City, First	15.32
Gates, Philadelphia	5.03
Moyock, Memorial	3.50
South Mills, Newland	3.50
Trinity	3.50
Windsor, White oak	2.65
Windsor	1.85
Total	51.68

Fayetteville

Fayetteville, Hay Street	10.00
Hamliet	8.03
Stedman	4.33
Mt. Gilead	12.58
Total	34.94

New Bern

Goldsboro, St. Paul	13.64

Raleigh

Fuquay, Kipling	2.82
Raleigh, Fairmont	6.05
Oxford	5.90
Selma	10.00
Total	24.77

Rocky Mount

Conway, Bethany	3.00
Conway	4.63
Littleton, Calvary	5.00
McKendree, Pinetops	5.30
Northampton, Jackson	4.00
Rocky Mount, Clark Street	1.50
Warrenton	4.45
Total	27.88

Wilmington

Clinton	10.08
Elizabeth, Clarkton	2.25
Fairmont, Trinity	7.01
Faison, Wesley Chapel	1.00
Garland	3.45
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke	6.70
Maysville	1.00
Scott's Hill, Seagate	2.40
Swansboro	1.00
Town Creek	4.90
Zion	2.17
Warsaw	4.47
Whiteville	7.30
Wilmington, Grace	19.34
Wilmington, Trinity	12.59
Total	85.66
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IN NINETEEN FORTY-ONE

Read more wholesome, strengthening literature.

Meditate more upon good things which have their origin and support in love, truth and honor.

Practice simple, wholesome living without extravagance and show, particularly if more than average forms of enjoyable living are possessed.

Place spiritual habits, associations, and service above all else.

Scorn that form of so-called liberalism which is only an excuse for lower standards of personal conduct and a white-washing of temptation.

Be brave enough to think, speak and act according to personal conviction.

Avoid the mob mind and deed, no matter how popular for the moment, whether in politics, economics, social pleasure, or attitude toward reforms.

Cultivate a citizenship that makes for purer and more just patriotism.

Make Jesus a companion nad guide in thought and practice constantly.—Selected.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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CHRIST IN YOU

"Has some one seen Christ in you today?
Christian, look well to your path I pray.
Has it led you close to the Father's throne,
Farther away from the tempting one?
Your feet on errands of love been bent?
Or on selfish deeds your strength been spent?
Has a wandering soul with hope born new,
Found the Lord Christ through following you?"

—Selected.

If God be for us—

"Fret not"—He loves thee.—John 13.1.

"Faint not"—He holds thee.—Isaiah 41.10.

"Fear not"—He keeps thee.—Psalm 121-5. —The Upper Room.

SPIRITUAL LIFE GROUPS

"It is our belief that 'religion, if it is to mean anything to our generation, must be brought back into daily life, from which it has been tragically separated.' To this end our spiritual life groups are dedicated. We believe that prayer is absolutely essential in Christian living. As Christians, we believe that the world must come to a realization of the fact that God is always at work combating evil and promoting good. How then can we fail to share his concern for our stricken humanity! As never before let us pray for all men as for ourselves, interceding for all who need and all who suffer, doing what we can to promote peace, good will and justice, thus contributing to the realization of God's purpose to mankind. Please read the first chapter of Joshua as our marching orders, and Isaiah 40th chapter, as our source of power."—Mrs. C. N. Clark, Conf. Chm. Spiritual Life Groups.

NEW SOCIETIES FOR 1941

From Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, we have the following list of new societies in our conference for 1941, with names of their presidents:

Charlotte District

Antioch—Mrs. Mae Matthews, Rt. 2, Matthews.

Asbury—Mrs. J. L. Thornburg, Rt. 1, Huntersville.

Benton Heights—Mrs. D. L. Newman, Monroe.

Beulah—Mrs. H. W. Freeman, Rt. 2, Monroe.

Greensboro District

St. Andrews—Mrs. J. B. Lamb, Rt. 1, Greensboro.

St. Pauls—Mrs. Willie Beale, Cypress St., Greensboro.

Wayside—Mrs. Clon Wray, Draper.

High Point District

Shiloh—Mrs. C. L. Grubbs, Julian.

Statesville District

New Union—Mrs. Menzy Richardson (no address given).

Mrs. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, asks that the district corresponding secretaries report all new societies to her and also to the editor of the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Please take note of this request and let us have the names of the new organizations as early as possible after organization.

ANNUAL SESSION W. S. C. S. CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

By Mrs. Claude A. Deal, Rec. Sec.

The first annual session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Charlotte district, which met a few weeks ago in Myers Park church, Charlotte, was called to order by the district president, Mrs. W. M. McLaurine and opened with a hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," followed by invocation by Dr. R. L. Ownbey, pastor of Myers Park church. Mrs. Clare Purcell led the devotional service, using Mark 14:3-9—the story of Mary at Bethany, as her scriptural basis. "This woman's devotion," she said, "has kept a peculiar hold on the people of the world, and through her Christ graciously accepts the service of women." She closed her talk with a prayer for peace.

A most cordial welcome was extended delegates and visitors by Mrs. Henry Fisher, with Mrs. C. L. Nance of Hawthorne Lane church responding.

After introducing the pages Mrs. McLaurine told briefly of the organition, and presented Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district corresponding secretary, who brought interesting information of the district work. She stated that the district has 60 societies, 10 of which are new, and said that a society is not recognized as a society until a contribution for the missionary work has been sent. She announced as the pledge for the district for 1941, $9400, and Unity and Love the theme to be stressed in our work for the year. With goal for 1941: "The last church organized and the last woman enrolled," the societies are asked to continue their campaign for new members.

The session voted: To share in furnishing a room at Scarritt College in honor of Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China; to send Miss Lillian Walker, superintendent missionary education and service, to mission training school at Duke University, as representative of the district; to send Mrs. C. E. Wakefield as a delegate to the assembly in St. Louis in December, with Mrs. W. M. McLaurine as alternate.

Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference vice president, a visitor for the day, presented briefly the plan of work for 1941. She said: "The purpose of the organization is to make of ourselves Christian characters, by living and serving." The new plan is the same as the Efficiency Aim with one addition, "the last church organized and the last woman enrolled." Misses Mabel Cherry, returned missionary from Korea, Leila Epps from Brazil and Ruth Diggs of Korea were present, and each brought a message of her work. Miss Cherry emphasized the special effort we need to make to build character in the young people; Miss Epps gave a review of the work being done in Brazil by the missionaries and expressed as her conviction "that one of the great blessings of this turmoil of today is the bringing of the Americas closer together." Miss Diggs told of the great work being done by Korean Christians and also presented the work of Scarritt College, and the opportunity one has as a student there. Another interesting speaker was Miss Berkley, worker from the Behlehem House in Charlotte, who told of the work being accomplished there and the needs of this new institution. Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary missionary education and service, gave the requirements of her department and conducted the pledge service. An organ selection rendered by Mr. Clarence Etters added to the interest of the program. An impressive memorial service was conducted by Mrs. G. T. Bond. "God buries his workmen but his work goes on." Eighteen members from Charlotte district have passsed away since the last meeting in 1940. Mrs. J. W. Payne offered the closing prayer.

The following district officers reported: Secretary missionary education and service, Miss Lillian Walker; secretary supplies, Mrs. W. W. Hagood; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. W. G. Gravely; children's work, Mrs. R. E. Evans, secretary young women and girls, Miss Lillie Wood; secretary student work, Mrs. J. W. Patrick; treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Younts; literature and publications, Mrs. Jule Elliott; spiritual life, Mrs. Clare Purcell.

The closing devotional was given by Miss Leila Epps, with benediction by Rev. L. R. Akers, Jr.

PROGRAM MATERIAL FOR 1941-1942

Programs for sixteen months, published and mailed in two parts.

Part One—Proof Sheets of Power. Contains programs and worship services for October, November and December, 1941.

Part Two—For the Facing of This Hour. (Ready by December 1, 1941).

Contains twelve programs for 1942. Price $1.00 for both.

Mrs. Helen Bourne, secretary, says the "Proof Sheets of Power" to complete the year's program should be in the hands of the program committee before October.

Let our societies take note of this announcement and act accordingly. Order from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

PERSONAL MEDITATION

Does my life show others my dependence upon God today? Do I still believe in God enough to trust him as a source of all my strength and enough to live his way rather than my own? How much personal experience have I of a Saviour I can trust because "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand?" Courageous witnessing, courageous venturing in this day is necessary to the world today. Courageous obedience to God's laws—the laws of a God who changeth not—that we may give to the world an assurance of the mighty fortress our God is.—From Spiritual Life program sheet for July, prepared by Miss Elizabeth Lamb.

NEW SECRETARY STUDENT WORK

Since the organization meeting of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at Greenville last September Mrs. George Haltam has served the conference cheerfully, loyally and efficiently as conference secretary of student work. Recently Mrs. Haltam moved with her family to High Point, which has necessitated a change of personnel in the office which she held. It is with a sense of keen reluctance that we must needs relinquish our claim upon Mrs. Haltam in the N. C. conference; a sense of sincere and hearty apreciation for what she has meant to the conference and with many good wishes for her happiness in her new environment. Mrs. H. Lee Thomas of Carthage has graciously consented to accept the duties and responsibilities of the office which Mrs. Haltam has held. Mrs. Thomas, wife of the superintendent of Moore county schools, has been very active in woman's work for some time, having served as zone leader in the Fayetteville district, president of her local society and in other capacities. She is also active in civic affairs of her city. Mrs. Thomas possesses a personality and an ability which will make for her many additional friends throughout the conference and which assures abundant fruitage in her new field of service. The executive committee of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S., rejoices to welcome Mrs. Thomas into its fellowship and women in all parts of the conference should pledge loyal and untiring support to her in all her efforts. All reports of student work and all communications concernnig this department of work should be sent to Mrs. Thomas.

THERE IS YET TIME

It is not too late for making plans to attend the the Missionary Conference and School of Missions at Lake Junaluska on July 24-August 5. There is much to be gained by attending and no woman who can possibly do so should miss the opportunities afforded there. Mission sources on "Christians and World Order" and "Christianity and Democracy"; also a Bible course, a course on "The Christian Home" and a methods course will be taught by outstanding leaders in Methodism. Platform addresses by interesting, informed and well known speakers, one of which will be E. Stanley Jones, Methodist missionary to India and author of several books listed among the best sellers. Information, inspiration, recreation, fellowship. What a combination for a joyful and profitable vacation.

SELL CARDS FOR MIGRANTS

A letter to your editor from Miss Edith Lowry, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America, brings another opportunity for helping migrant folk. The Home Missions Council of North America is an inter-church agency of home missions boards and societies of 25 denominations, including Methodists, with headquarters in New York City. Miss Brittingham, editor of The Methodist Woman, is treasurer. Because of the nation-wide interest which has been aroused in the plight of migrants, the Home Missions Council of America is sponsoring a Christmas card project, in which they are asking aid from interested folk. Any person who will give time to this worthy cause may receive a sample of each kind of card, order blanks and other information by writing to Home Missions Council of North America, 297 Fourth Ave., New York City. The proceeds from the sale of migrant Christmas cards will go directly to help these desperately needy people.

OLD INTO THE NEW

The women of Methodism are working diligently and purposely in the new organization. There are certain processes which should have been carried over from the old organization into the new, in order that the later may function effectively. In an address before the women attending the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. in Rocky Mount some time ago. Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, executive secretary joint division of education and cultivation of the Methodist Church, brought to their attention in clear and unmistakable terms these processes. She said: "The spiritual motive must be carried over into the new organization. The Spirit of God must be in all our activities." Speaking of the distribution of responsibility Mrs. DeVinny said: "Every single one of our more than a million members should feel a share in the work. In local societies every woman should find something to do, even though it is only distributing hymn books." A third process which Mrs. DeVinny stressed was group loyalty. "The faith that we have had in each other and in our cause has sustained us in the past. That faith will be the victory that shall be ours in this new order in this new day." Mrs. DeVinny admonished her hearers that they not be discouraged about the many details of the new work to learn and master. "There is a danger," said she, "that we shall mechanize the work and lose sight of the spiritual. Let us be very careful and not do this. We should recognize that our organization is not an end but a means to an end that we may go on to better and higher things for God."

NOT ENOUGH SUBSCRIBERS

Reports of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman subscriptions which are coming to the conference secretary of publications reveal the fact that there are far too few folk enjoying the benefits of these two excellent publications. World Outlook is a magazine for the entire membership of the church and no one can read it and fail to receive pleasure and profit. The Methodist Woman is a working tool for the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and every member should be a reader of it. Summer time, when there is perhaps a bit more leisure than at other seasons of the year, is a very opportune time in which to begin reading World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. If you are not a subscriber, see the secretary of literature and publications in your local church and give her your subscription. The bargain prices for the two publications when taken together still exists—$1.25 per year. Separately, World Outlook is $1.00 and The Methodist Woman is 50 cents per year. Each are worth many times those prices.

YOUTH WORK IN BRAZIL

A missionary to Brazil writes: "One hundred and twenty young people of our church and about seventy counselors or visitors have just held the first general conference for young people in Piracicaba. It was the culmination of the five-month youth crusade in the Brazilian Methodist Church. The theme "Follow Me" was beautifully illustrated in many ways throughout the days. I felt thrilled over the Christian spirit expressed and the deep significance of our experience. Only in a few instances did the open discussion sessions lag. As a rule, the young people themselves were wanting to be heard, and the ministers found it hard to get a chance to speak. The chairman each day were all young men who led with poise and freedom. Truly many of our young people are alive to the issues of the day, and it has been a great blessing to our school to have all these consecrated, enthusiastic young people here."—The Methodist Woman.

THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE

The idea may be abroad in some quarters that democracy must be preserved and that God is brought in as its servant. We must not get the cart before the horse. The plea of the church today is not that the people shall call upon God to return to our democracy and bless it, but rather that we shall together cause our democracy to return to God and be blessed.—Dr. Peter Marshall in The Methodist Woman.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THE LORD'S DAY

This is the Lord's day. It is the Sabbath day. Such a day is designed to offer an opportunity for rest from the daily grind, to give one an opportunity to worship and meditate and to build up a little reserve of goodness for the following week. But for one at the Children's Home the Lord's day is a work day. To be sure, it is the Lord's work. Outside of the eleven o'clock service when one can enjoy a worshipful atmosphere at church and listen to a good sermon, our Lord's day offers little time for meditation. It does offer a lot of opportunity for expression of one kind or another. So on this Lord's day this scribe finds himself dictating a letter to the Children's Home's friends. He can't wait until tomorrow, since an early start must be made for a day's case work trip. So here goes a few expressions on the Lord's day to the Lord's people about a phase of the Lord's work.

TODAY'S RAIN

These are dog days. Dog days usually bring a lot of rain. It rains here almost every day. Sometimes the rain comes in the morning, sometimes in the afternoon and sometimes at night. It rains and rain. Today while a large part of our family was at church we had a downpour. The clouds seemed to be so burdened with water as to come near the earth and pour out their contents in great quantity. When the preaching service ended our boys and girls waited and waited until cars and buses could come close by the back door of the church to be filled and refilled with those who wanted to get home. After an hour's transportation our family got in, sprinkled but not immersed.

HEALTH SAFEGUARDS

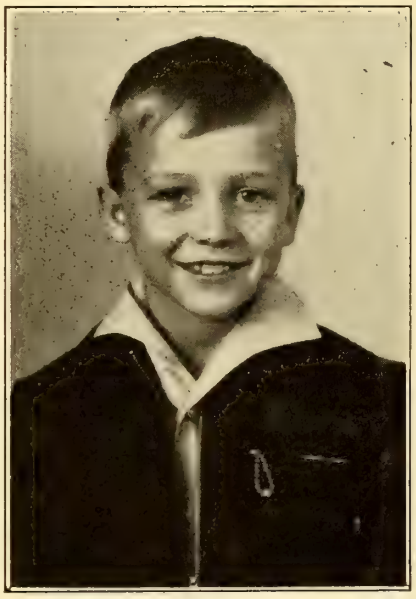
This is the time of the year with us when all the known vaccinations and inoculations against diseases are made. Our children are receiving the schick test, the skin test, the typhoid test and every other test that we know about for encouraging health against the ravages of the winter months. Even though we take in a lot of children who are under par physically, some children with tubercular tendencies, our health program, as guided by our splendid physicians and specialists, is of such nature as to enable the children to grow out of weakness into physical strength. Plenty of wholesome food, good exercise and happy dispositions work marvelously well in the development of boys and girls.

DAILY PER CAPITA COST

We have just received the Duke Endowment tabulation as prepared by Mr. Marshall I. Pickens, a product of the Methodist parsonage, which shows that our daily per capita cost has advanced from 85.5 cents in 1939 to 92.7 cents in 1940. The institutional care of children, including food, clothing, health and recreation, went from 53.3 cents to 56.6 cents. Plant operation went from 12.6 cents to 15.4 cents per child per day. The only item of expense that did not increase was administration expense, which remains at 9 cents a day per child, this being over 2 cents per day per child less than the average for the six larger North Carolina orphanages.

COST OF LIVING

It cost 2 cents per day per child more to feed our children in 1940 than in 1939. Our clothing cost increased nearly 1 cent per day per child. The



He has more than a good face

increase of 3 cents per day per child for plant operation and maintenance was largely due to the improvements on the inside and outside of our buildings. Our maintenance cost will likely increase during 1941, even more than the increase of 1940 over 1939. Even with the increase registered our daily per capita cost is over 8 cents per day per child less than the average for the six largest child caring institutions in North Carolina.

PERSONAL INQUIRY

A couple of ministers came in to see us the other day, two of our good friends. Before they left one of them made inquiry as to what is the annual salary of the superintendent. He said he thought he had a right to know since all preachers' salaries were published in the Conference Journal. When the interrogator's curiostiy was satisfied he said, "O, I thought it would be more than that." It may be said that the Children's Home is run with too little overhead help. In the run of time we will have to increase our administrative staff. For years we have not only run along with the minimum cost but with the maximum amount of work for those who were carrying on. This work has been so challenging as to not become irksome. Our comparatively low daily per capita cost is influenced to a marked extent by our low administrative cost.

PERSONAL EFFICIENCY

Rev. J. E. Rink, a product of the Children's Home ,in his history of our Home, says: "Dr. Detwiler, one of the men who did most in the founding of the Home and the first president of the board of trustees, set a precedent on which the Children's Home has continued to operate in reference to its employes. He said 'The standard to be maintained in the administration of such an institution is efficiency. The principle to be followed in its maintenance is economy. A cheap employee is an expensive employee. An ineffective matron who may be employed for a small salary will, as a rule, cost in the waste of clothing and the inefficient care of children far more than the difference involved in a higher salary that would secure a competent woman.' "

We never employ anyone who says he needs a job so badly that he would like to come and work at the Children's Home for actual expenses.

FRED IS O. K.

The picture this week is that of Fred Walton, a member of the Anna Hanes cottage family. Fred will be nine years old the 6th of next November. He is doing well in the second grade. As a matter of fact, this picture was taken one day last winter while his school work offered a recess for play. Everybody loves Fred, including his sponsors, the boys' class in the intermediate department of Central, Shelby.

VACATIONS COMING

Our children do not get to go to distant places very often. However, during their two weeks' summer vacations they are all privileged to go to see their relatives and friends, provided they are thus invited. Saturday, August 2, will be the beginning of their vacations. The boys and girls are very much pepped up over the prospect of getting away for awhile. They will go in cars, in buses and on trains. Right now we are wondering whether we can get enough suit cases to pack their belongings in. But whether the suit cases come or not, the boys and girls will be going somewhere. Those who do not have any relatives or friends asking for them will have a week's sojourn of joy and happiness at Camp Fellowship, over on the Catawba river. A year without a vacation wouldn't be quite complete.

THEY LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Our friends will be interested to know that the boys and girls who have come to live with us from the High Point Children's Home have not only joined us but our family has joined them. They have learned to love one another. They go to their work and to their play arm in arm or in groups in such a way as to assure one that they are real friends. Boys and girls can make adjustments more readily than can men and women. Our two families are now one big, happy family.

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GRADUATING CLASS — On the front page of this issue of the Advocate is shown the group of boys and girls who graduated from the Methodist Orphanage high school the 4th of June, 1941. The picture of Dorothy Floyd does not appear in the group, as she was operated on for appendicitis a few days before graduation.

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MRS. NELLIE B. RIVES—"July 6 was a rainy day, yet the singing class was encouraged to find so many people out for the service at Meroney's church on the Goldston charge. Rev. W. J. Underwood is pastor. We were served lunch at the church. Our social hour and day of service was pleasing."

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APPRECIATION—I want to thank every church school in our conference that remembered our children by taking a free will offering the fifth Sunday in June. There are a great many Sunday schools that have not reported since the fifth Sunday. I hope the time is near when every church school in the conference will take a special offering every fifth Sunday in the year for the benefit of our children.

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AMBASSADOR JOSEPHUS DANIELS—"I am very glad to read in your letter of June 20, 1941, that the board meeting early in June was all that could be desired. I felt lonesome on that day. My heart was with you as you know it always is. I wish very much that I could be with you on the fifth Sunday and hear Governor Hoey and Mr. Proctor speak, and meet many old friends. You may be sure that while I was not with you in the flesh, I was with you in the spirit. Thank you most sincerely for the picture of the graduating class."

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BANK ACCOUNT EXHAUSTED—The first day of July we lacked six hundred and fifty dollars of having enough money in the bank to pay the June bills. Practically every year we have to borrow money in the late summer or early fall, but not during my administration have we exhausted our funds this early in the year. Having to pay two thousand and five hundred dollars in taxes, and two thousand dollars for new laundry equipment, made heavy inroads into our bank balance. If any church treasurers have any Orphanage money on hand, now is an opportune time for them to mail me their checks.

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SUPT. C. K. PROCTOR—"Let me thank you for your splendid letter and the genuine appreciation of my small service on last Sunday. I enjoyed the whole occasion and especially the opportunity for the fine fellowship in that happy family.

I think you have every reason to be proud of your success on that day and the effect of it is bound to be permanent and will increase the interest in the Methodist Orphanage. I appreciate the statements which you made in regard to my speech. I wanted to say something worth while, and tried hard, and when you appreciate my efforts it makes me feel mighty proud that I had a part in it."

WHAT DO WE SEE IN THINGS ABOUT US?

A professor of philosophy, thinking to teach him the importance of observation, sent one of his pupils for a walk through the forest. He impressed upon the young man that he note mentally and remember all that he heard, saw, and felt during the trip. Upon his return the professor asked for his pupil's report. He had chosen to remember such things as the size of the thorns on a rosebush, an ugly caterpillar, the croaking of a horrid frog, and how much mud there was along the woodland stream.

Then the wise teacher sent another pupil over the same path, through the same forest. When the second pupil returned his report was quite different from that of the first. "I saw a wild rosebush with very large and lovely roses. I saw a fuzzy little fellow that will soon be a gorgeous butterfly. I heard the call of a pond frog, and when I found him he was resting lazily on a lily pad, and the whole pool was a mass of waxen white lilies. When I came to the brook the water was so cool and clear I had to take off my shoes and wade. How soon may I have another walk through the woods?"

The point is clear. Where one pupil had seen only thorns and mud and an unsightly worm, the other had discovered lovely roses, clear, sparkling water, and a potential butterfly.

How essential that we focus our vision upon things that are pleasant and sightly, or we shall soon be seeing only what is unpleasant and unsightly. Some poet has expressed the narrow viewpoint in the following verse:

"If your nose is close
To the grindstone rough
And you hold it down
There long enough,
In time you'll say
There's no such thing
As brooks that babble
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This way of living is necessary now, for millions would be jobless if we all stopped spending money except when absolutely necessary.

But if the pinch comes, we'll find we can keep alive and well without more spending money than we now throw away.—Robert Quillen, in Greenville news.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Responsibility of the Church Regarding Beverage Alcohol

1 Corinthians 5:9-15; Titus 2:1-8

Our lesson today suggests that the first line of attack on drunkenness, and all forms of vice, is social ostracism of all offenders who pretend to be Christians. This point needs special emphasis in those fashionable circles where drinking is deemed quite respectable even among the women.

Jesus was known as the friend of publicans and sinners. He excited the pious protest of the Pharisees by eating with these outcasts (Luke 15). He was also the friend of the Pharisees, although it did not seem so, for he publicly criticised them. (Luke 16:14-17), and while he occasionally accepted their patronizing invitations to dinner he talked so plainly at the table that no one suspected that he condoned their self-righteousness (Luke 7:35-50). Why was he so gracious with the outbreaking sinners, and so cold toward the complacent respectables?

The outbreaking sinners were accustomed to see such constant contempt in the eyes of their fellowmen that they were prone to feel that God also was their enemy. Jesus wished to assure them of the love of the heavenly Father, and his willingness to receive them back (Luke 15:11-32). The Pharisees, on the other hand, constantly met respectful salutations as they walked the streets, and they were prone to feel that even God was deceived by their pious pretenses. Jesus saw that the only salvation for them was to puncture their hypocrisy. The same love which inspired tenderness toward the despised sinners moved him to sternness toward bad men who had deceived the public into thinking that they were good.

In like manner Paul tells the Corinthian church that they must not give any social recognition to a man who pretends to be a Christian, and who is at the same time a fornicator or covetous, or an idolator, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner. He insists on this policy because it will be bad for the man who is leading a double life to imagine that he is deceiving the church, and it will be bad for the church to get the reputation of tolerating hypocrites. Our hearts go out in pity for the poor drunkard; yet if he were to don a clerical coat and wear a gold cross, our attitude would change, and ought to change. One immoral member might cause a whole community to scoff at the very name of Christian. It would be as though a dead dog were allowed to rot in the sanctuary.

On the other hand, Paul, like Jesus, knew that the church must reflect the love of God for the sinful world, and hence must not quarantine against contact with needy sinners (John 17:15). Our instincts tell us he was right.

We note also that Paul puts the covetous man in the same class with the drunkard and the fornicator. Today we would at once rule the church member out who was a drunkard or a libertine, but we are by no means so hard on the man who would palm off on an unsuspecting victim a used car for more than it was worth.

But Paul puts over-reaching covetousness in the chain gang of the lowest vices, and when we take into account the social consequences of covetousness we see that he was certainly right. Why do men engage in the liquor business? Why do respectable people rent their property for saloons and gambling dens? Why do some rich church members serve liquor in their fine hotels? Why do newspapers and magazines publish seductive liquor advertisements? All for the same reason. They are after the "almighty dollar." Covetousness, says Paul, is idolatry (Ephesians 5:5). A man who runs rough shod over heaven's law of love for the sake of gain is making money his god.

And of course the god of gold gives no inner peace. A nameless uneasiness gnaws at the man's soul. He is tempted to drink to relieve the tension, and drink weakens the inhibitions against social vice and all manner of folly. He began as a hard-headed business man, shrewd and calculating, self-controlled. But business easily becomes so hardened that it cracks, and a man goes to pieces. Covetousness has defeated itself, as it forever does, and its victim is left without moral compass or rudder. We must have a God who challenges all that is within us, and reaches out his hand to save; and we will be far more successful if we call upon him for an all-sided victory than if we center our effort on overcoming some one besetting sin.

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THE STORY OF A LITTLE SEED

Once upon a time there was a tall milkweed that stood in a fence corner at the edge of a large wood. As the summer advanced, the milkweed was covered with long green pods ;and by and by these pods burst open, and dozens upon dozens of tiny seeds with soft, downy tips, came peeping out. "My children, my lovely little seed children," murmured the milkweed, as she swayed to and fro in the summer breeze, "you must fly away now and leave me, one by one. But the good God meant that every one of you should sink down into the cool, damp earth and grow up to be a big, splendid milkweed just as I am."

"And so we will ;and so we will!" cried all the downy seeds together; "we will not forget what you have told us. Goodbye, dear mother, goodbye." Just then a gay little breeze came dashing by and caught them up in his arms and away they flew, here and there and everywhere. But wherever a seed dropped into the cold, damp earth, the milkweed mother knew that a tall, splendid plant like herself would be growing next summer.

One little seed, smaller than the others, with downy wings that glistened in the sun, shrank back into the green pod and refused to go with the rest. "I like the sunshine and the blue sky," she cried; "don't cast me on the ground, Mr. Wind, but take me sailing away and away, and ever and ever so far!"

Now the wind was a jolly, rollicking fellow, so crying, "All right, here we go!" he caught her up and carried her off in a hurry. On and on she flew with breathless haste, through the woods and over the brook to a wheat field that stood fair and shinning in the sun. At last she caught on a prickly ear of wheat and hung there, breathless.

"And who are you?" she cried at last ,when she was rested enough to speak.

"I am a stalk in a wheat field," answered the wheat politely.

"And how came you here?" said the seed gazing admirably down at the long yellow stalk.

"Oh, I was a tiny grain once," said the wheat. "But a farmer planted me in the cool, damp earth, and I grew up to be the splendid stalk that you see."

"I don't want to be planted," said the little seed saucily. "I had much rather fly about in the sunshine. Take me up again, Mr. Wind," and away she flew.

When she stopped again, after a long, glorious flight, she caught on the rough bark of a broad, graceful tree, covered with green leaves and lucious fruit.

"And who are you?" she asked again.

"I am an apple tree," said the big tree, kindly.

"An apple tree, and how came you here, pray?" asked the seed.

"Oh, I was just a tiny apple seed once," said the tree, "but I sank into the cool, damp earth just here, and now I have grown into a great, broad tree and bear ever so many delicious apples every year of my life."

"That's all very well," said the little seed, "but I like better to fly in the sunshine," and away she went, rolling and tumbling and laughing in the summer breeze.

She flew back into the large, dark forest this time, and when she stopped again she found herself in the arms of a great forest tree, larger and more splendid than any she had ever seen.

"And who are you?" she asked of the big, round tree.

"I am an oak," was the answer in big, kindly tones.

"And where did you come from?" asked the seed.

"Oh, I was nothing but an acorn once," said the tree, "but I sank into the cool, damp earth just here, and now I am a great fine tree, with ever so many birds nesting in my branches."

Just then the seed looked down into a hollow in the great, gnarled branches and saw a little brown something, ugly, shriveled and old.

"And who are you?" she said with a little shrug of contempt.

"Oh, I am an acorn," came the answer in a shrill, cracked voice, "a last year's acorn that didn't want to be planted. Just see how safely I am hiding."

The tiny seed looked at the poor, wizened acorn, and at the big splendid oak, and hung very quietly in her place for a long, long time. At last she called out, very gently: "Take me down to the cool, damp earth, Mr. Wind, for I want to be a milkweed like my mother!"

"All right," said the good-natured wind and away she flew.—The King's Builders.

OUR DOCTOR

By Helen Bruce Moss

How good to hear the door bell ring
When one is feeling ill,
And know the doctor's come again,
All sorts of jars to fill!

He steps into the sick-room,
And with him comes good cheer,
For now one will be better
Because the doctor's here.

His kit is very large and black;
It contains many things—
Instruments, and bottles,
And pills like tiny rings.

He writes out the prescription,
And tells us when to take
The various concoctions
And things the druggists make.

The doctor knows our ailments,
He can read them like a book;
He knows exactly what to do
In just about one look.

He knows without an error
The remedies for all;
And you can just believe it,
I look forward to his call.

—Zions Herald.

MRS. BROWN BEAR AND FAMILY

By Dorothy K. Gould

Mrs. Brown Bear tramped over the sparkling snow. As she could not find a thing to eat she decided to search for a nice place to sleep through the winter.

Finally she came upon a big tree that had been torn up by the roots. Mrs. Brown Bear examined the hole that had been left where the roots were pulled out, and found it to be just the right size.

The roots and over-lapping limbs made a neat little roof, and in this hole Mrs. Brown Bear would be safe and cozy.

Mrs. Brown Bear looked around to be sure that none of her forest neighbors would see her enter the hole. Then she used her paws to push leaves into the hole for a bed, and crawled in. Her fur coat was thick and warm, and when the snow came down to cover her up she was even warmer.

Mrs. Brown Bear slept all by herself until the end of January. Then she woke up excitedly—and no wonder! For there, snuggling against her long, brown fur, were three baby bears. The little cubs were very tiny and weighed only a few ounces. They were almost naked, their eyes were closed, and they were toothless. But that didn't make any difference because they were all going to sleep for a while yet anyway.

Six weeks later it was so warm and sunny outside that Mrs. Brown Bear stepped out-of-doors with her babies. She wanted them to see and feel the lovely warm sun, and she wanted to show them how to find something to eat.

The babies had little teeth now, their eyes were opened, and they had some clothes on their backs.

Mrs. Brown Bear took care of the little ones all through the summer. After that they were able to take care of themselves.—Our Dumb Animals.

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Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27
August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

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THIRD ROUND

July
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

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THIRD ROUND

July
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27
August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

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FOURTH ROUND

August
Elm City, 11 10
W. Halifax, Hollister, 8 10
Elm City, Hornes, 8 11
September
Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch. Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
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Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28
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Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31
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Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
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Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

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THIRD ROUND

July
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8....27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30
August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
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July
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 20
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Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 8 20

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July
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Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 3 20
West Jefferson, night 20
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27
August
Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Conference, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

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THIRD ROUND

July
West End, 11 27
Russell's Temple, 3 27
August
Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

July
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30
August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27
August
North Forest, 11 3
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 3
Cross Mills, 7:30 3
Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31
September
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28
October
Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

July
Union Grove-Zion-Smith s Chapel, 11 20
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 2:30 20
Olin, Fairmont, night 20
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27
August
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

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THIRD ROUND

July
Canton, First, 11 20
Canton, Central, 8 20
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27
August
Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27
September
Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

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July
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 11 20
Forsyth, Marvin, 7:30 20
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27

The recruit was disappointed with his uniform. It seemed to fit nowhere.

He was still trying to make the buttons of his tunic meet when he passed the colonel on the parade ground. And in his pre-occupation, he forgot to salute.

"Pull yourself together," said the colonel. "Don't you know you're wearing the King's uniform?"

"Oh, that's it," said the recruit. "I knew it wasn't meant for me." — Christian Science Monitor.

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OUR FATHER

We wonder sometimes what God thinks of his children as he looks upon us today in our folly and in our sins. He beholds his children in all of the nations of the world. He sees them turning away from him. He sees them in their unbelief and disobedient to his word. He sees nations at war. He hears the noise from their battlefields. He sees his children plunging themselves into useless conflict and self-destruction. Surely it must grieve the heart of God, as it did in the day of the crucifixion when rebellious and unbelieving men rejected his only begotten Son whom he sent into the world as their Saviour.

Our Father is not to blame for our folly and for our sins. He has given us the power to choose and we are choosing to bring war, sin, and useless suffering upon ourselves. Let us trust, however, that the suffering that is ahead of us will cause us, as it caused the prodigal son, to come to our better selves. Let us trust that nations will turn to him and to his way of life. It must grieve the heart of our Father, as he looks upon his children today, to behold the useless suffering that we are bringing upon ourselves because of our disobedience, and because of our unbelief. May we learn through the lesson of suffering that faith is mightier than force. May we learn that love is more powerful than hate. Let us remember that the only way to overcome evil is with good. May the children of our Father in every nation learn that there is but one way of life, and that this way is "the way of Christ."

Robert M. Hardee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite love and wisdom, called our faithful member, Mrs. J. W. Boyles, to her reward June 22, 1941, we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well. With sorrow the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Community Methodist church, Thomasville, N. C., record her passing.

We sorrow, not as those who have no hope, for we know that our loss is her eternal gain. May we all profit by the example of her beautiful Christian character and her devotion to the church she loved and served so faithfully.

We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and the sweet smile she had for everyone; our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to those so near and dear to her.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we extend to the bereaved husband and family our heartfelt sympathy; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be placed on the records of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, a copy be sent to the family, and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

When the faces we love fade from sight,
And we no more with them can be,
The thought that cheers our lonely night
Is this: "Dear Lord, they are with thee."

Mrs. J. Clyde Auman,
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In Memoriam

BULLOCK—Miss Josephine Bullock was born March 7, 1868, and passed away May 28, 1941. She joined the church when quite young and continued faithful in attendance until her health failed. She was the oldest child of the late H. G. Bullock and Mary Hannah Holmes Bullock. Her mother died when the children were young and Miss Josephine assumed the responsibility of training the other children. She is survived by one sister and three brothers. She finished her course well and her works do follow her. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor. H. R. Ashmore, Pastor.

HINES—Mrs. Sarah B. Hines, 43, passed unexpectedly at her home in Orange county April 5, 1941. She was the daughter of the late David and Mary Pickard Borland. Shé joined Union Grove church in girlhood. She married Mr. Eddie Hines in 1926. Besides her husband she leaves four girls and three boys; three brothers, Messrs. Andrew and James Borland, High Point, and Amick Borland, Hillsboro, R. 3; two sisters, Mrs. Luther Kennedy, High Point, and Mrs. Horace Williams, Mebane. Burial service was at Mars Hill Baptist church by her pastor, Rev. C. P. Morris, assisted by Rev. A. K. Cheek; burial in the cemetery. She was a faithful wife and mother. May God keep her children, and help us to so live to be ready when our summon comes. A Friend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Goshen Woman's Society of Christian Service, desire to record the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. Anna P. Casey, who died June 19, 1941.

She was a faithful member of Goshen church. Her interest in and devotion to the various activities of the church was sincere and unfailing; her genial presence was a help in any meeting or undertaking of the society.

Her passing has felt a vacancy in the ranks of the society which cannot be filled and has caused deep sorrow to the members of the society. Therefore be it resolved:

That we bow in humble submission to the will of God and say, not our will but thine be done.

Second, That her splendid Christian life is a worthy example challenging us to live up to it.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the church paper, and that a copy be written in the minutes of the society.

Mrs. Isham R. Daughtry,
Mrs. O. Whit Darden,
Mrs. Claude A. Sutton.

FOUST—John M. Foust, son of John and Angeline Foust, was born in Alamance county near Bethel Methodist church, September 25, 1868, age 72 years, 8 months and 24 days. He was converted in early life, united with Bethel church and lived a consistant Christian life for over 60 years; was an active member both spiritually and financially. He was twice married—August 20, 1893, to Miss Eleanor Stafford. To this union was born one son, George W. Foust of Graham, Route 1. June 21, 1899, he married Inez E. Wood, who with the following children survive: Mrs. C. L. Sharpe, Graham; Mrs. G. L. Whitaker, Burlington, and H. C. Foust, Snow Camp. Two sons, Fletcher and Clyde, preceded him in death. Surviving also are nine grandchildren, one great-grandchild; two brothers, Messrs. Arlendo and Albert ;two sisters, Mrs. Robt. Thompson and Mrs. George W. Holmes, and many relatives and friends.

We lived happily together almost 42 years. He was buried in Bethel cemetery on the day of our 42nd anniversary, June 21. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and the parting is so sad. Dear Christian friends, we need your prayers as we have never needed them before. We know he is happily resting, free from all suffering and care, amidst all the glorious beauty of Father's home, surrounded by our two sons, his parents, former wife and many relatives—so happy that in our imagination we cannot conceive of it. His life will ever be an incentive to us for a higher plane of Christian living. He was a good singer. Today he sings in the heavenly choir, "Grander in measure and purer in every strain than any on earth can sing.". Some sweet day we will join him. It can't be long.

Funeral services were very impressively conducted by Revs. G. L. Reynolds and J. A. Burgess. Floral offerings were profuse and beautiful Flower girls, his grandchildren and neighbor girls; pallbearers, his grandsons and nephews.

His wife, Mrs. J. M. Foust.

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Words Spoken at Dedication of Hospital for Women and Children

LADY HENRY SOMERSET said, "It is a greater service to bear soldiers than to bear arms." It may be said with equal truth: It is better to build such institutions as this than to build battleships. These minister to the needy in these hours when the tides of feelings run too deep for utterance in the frail medium of human speech.

The anxieties and sufferings of motherhood go far beyond the pain and peril of the battlefield. There is nothing in literature like Tennyson's Rizpah. The old mother with the law against her, with the church against her, with society against her, stands alone against the world holding fast to the dear object made hers in that most sacred hour of life.

> "Flesh of my flesh was gone, but bone of my bone was left—
> "My baby, the bones that had sucked me, the bones that had laughed and had cried—
> Theirs? O no! they are mine—not theirs—they had moved in my side."

Yes, to those who walk in darkness—to those who are alone with God in the dark—unto them hath the light shined; and those who walk in the shadow of death have seen a great light on this hill which is as a beacon of hope when the night is darkest. The eye of many an expectant mother will brighten with new hope as she anticipates the relief to be found in this Hospital for Women and Children."

The heart of the Christian centuries has gathered about the mother and child in the stable at Bethlehem; somehow a special pathos is found in the fact that "there was no room for them in the Inn." But the painful tragedy remains. Among the poor, too often the maimed and overburdened mother, a victim of neglect, goes a patient and helpless sufferer through life, bearing the burden of her infirmity, because there was no place like this where skill and loving service could minister in the hour of her sorest need.

A Princess "saw the child," and moved by the universal appeal that comes to womanhood, broke over rank and cast and custom. She gave mother and child a chance to live and to grow together inspite of law and King. So Moses came to years. The hard conditions of life and the helplessness of ignorance are often more destructive than Egyptian tyranny. May we not expect this "Hospital" to be the Princess before which the hurt of poverty and ignorance and circumstance will melt away, allowing mothers many and children not a few to live and grow together, saved from many of the ills to which flesh is heir?

May the blessings of heaven and the smiles of generations following be upon every one who in any way has contributed to this beautiful memorial and timely benefaction.

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FIGHTING LIQUOR WITHIN THE RANKS

The Sunday school lesson for July 20 was a temperance lesson, and with especial reference to the responsibility of the church itself regarding beverage alcohol. Mr. J. N. Benton, in discussing this lesson in the Greensboro Daily News, has this to say, in part:

"During the earlier life of America church discipline was more rigid; probably those in authority were often too hasty with their decisions. But they developed a spirit of faithfulness in members sadly lacking today, when men can drink, lie, steal, fight, and even disparage the church without any disciplinary action being taken in many cases. The world sees their evil doings. The world knows of the condoning of these offenses by other members. They see the name of Christ and his church abased, both by the doer and by those who fail to do. Little wonder the church is impotent in combatting evils of today. 'WHEN IT FIGHTS LIQUOR FROM WITHIN ITS RANKS, LIQUOR WILL BECOME SCARCE OUTSIDE ITS RANKS.'"

I understand there are some five thousand preachers in North Carolina and more than one million church members. When those preachers and those church members decide they want real prohibition of beverage alcohol, can anyone doubt but what it can be had? We won't have it until those within the church begin militantly to be against liquor, and the preachers should be in the lead. Many of them already are attempting to do something, but too many of the leading pastors are not. A suggestion I would like to put before all Methodist preachers through your columns is this: At your next conference, when the usual resolution is introduced pledging the church and the preachers as being against liquor, have each preacher answer by name and have him there and then make a pledge that he will use his pulpit and his influence in an effort to place his particular charge during the coming year militantly in the fight against liquor.

When such a pledge is made, and an effort is put forth to put it into effect, we will begin to have a church membership of those who believe and practice abstinence; not merely temperance. When it comes to liquor, or anything else that all admit is so destructive of everything that is good, I do not believe in being temperate. I believe in being a total abstainer. Eugene A. Hood.

A VARIETY OF SERVICES AT OLD ROCK SPRINGS CAMP GROUND

The Rock Springs camp meeting opens August 3 with the first worship service at 8 p. m.

Rev. H. M. Robinson of Bessemer City will preach each morning during the week. Rev. C. E. Rozelle, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, will preach each evening at 8 o'clock during the week.

The following former pastors and friends will return and preach at the 3 o'clock service each afternoon: Revs. J. M. Brandon, Van B. Harrison, M. A. Osborne, R. F. Huneycutt, Elmer Howard, L. D. Thompson.

From 8:30 to 10 a. m. will be held a vacation Bible school for the children. An efficient group of teachers has been secured to teach in this school.

At 5 p. m. each afternoon will be held a service for the young people, at which service the young people's work of the church will be emphasized.

Mr. Jerome Huneycutt, son of Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, will have charge of the music. Mrs. William Sigmon will assist at the piano.

On Friday morning at 10:30 has been set aside as layman's hour and the Hon. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby will speak.

Rev. W. H. Tyte of Duke University will be in charge of the children's work.

A. W. Lynch, Pastor.

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War knows no human values. The best went in the last war as exemplified in the exhibit on pages 12-13. Let all ponder well the folly of our getting into this present war.

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Some one claims the best epicures hold that the best tobacco, the best ham, the best cornmeal and the best peanuts in the world are in Virginia. Of course this has been true from the beginning, since everything good got its start in this ancient commonwealth.

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Henry Ward Beecher is quoted as saying that the message of the Christian pulpit will be superseded when there is: 1. A better idea of God than a dying Saviour. 2. A better ideal of manhood than is Christ or Paul. 3. A better philanthropy than "The field is the world" and "He is the chief who is servant of all."

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We are told never has there been such mighty and world shaking conditions as at present—not even in the first world war did we suffer such trials and tribulations. Surely the church of God should take hold of the situation as never before. Twenty-five years ago the church was accused of failure to measure up to the demands upon it. Are we to be forced to endure another such accusation?

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During the World War the stories of frightfulness filled the press and the platform—the radio had not yet come in. Of course many of these were lies to stir the people with indignation. The Huns were accused of tossing babies about on their bayonets for amusement and of driving their bayonets through the larger children. All these were lies to excite the horror of peace loving Americans. They caused mothers to shudder and led fathers to set themselves to destroy such villains. At present the news agencies prevent any such stories from gaining headway, yet other lies persist. We need not flatter ourselves that we are free from horrors equally as baseless as were those.

Germans and Russians have become more notorious liars than were the ancient Cretans. Once it was expected that a communique from the field was official and gave the facts. But all that is no more. The whole world seems to be giving itself over to lies and in making lies. Such results are to be expected with the nations giving themselves over to war and human slaughter. Truth has little chance to live where human life is so cheap. Teach a nation to kill and you at once teach its citizens to lie—a moral breakdown follows. Lust and drunkenness and gambling always infest military camps. How could it be otherwise when death and human slaughter is made a fine art? Propaganda of lies and careful withholding of the truth are counted essential in military campaigns. Withholding the truth and falsifying as to the facts are justified as "military necessity." The people are not allowed to know. Is it any wonder that all wars are followed by moral collapses as well as material depression?

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Sumner Wells, acting Secretary of State, suggests that peace loving peoples of the world should prepare for the better day that is coming following this war. He thinks an association of nations similar to the underlying idea of the League of Nations—so dear to the heart of Woodrow Wilson—is an ideal to be sought. All thoughtful men know that in war we should prepare for peace. Peace is the one and only end sought. Ideas have a way of living on. Perhaps the idea of the League of Nations may assert itself in some other form to the end that the world may find the security we all seek. In the words of Wells: "Whether it be security from bombing from the air, or from mass destruction; whether it be security from want, disease and starvation; whether it be security in enjoying that inalienable right which every human being should possess of living out his life in peace and happiness, people throughout the length and breadth of the world are demanding security, and freedom from fear."

How Can We Win?

MANY are asking how can the unchanging Christ win in the midst of the present chaos and confusion? As in every other age. In the first century they went everywhere preaching Jesus. As they went they turned the world upside down. The one name above all others in that first century was the man who met his Lord on the road to Damascus, saw his presence and heard a voice at Troas, had a divine messenger to stand by him in the storm, talked with the intelligences in the third heaven, in the strength of which he went for fourteen years, and, finally, he closed all with a shout of triumph.

In the sixteenth century, and after, the living Christ became once more the one mediator between God and man, making possible the modern world. With the Protestant Reformation came the open Bible, a free conscience and liberty of thought and speech. Certain names such as John Wycliff of England, John Huss of Bohemia, John Calvin of Geneva, John Knox of Scotland, and Martin Luther of Germany are among the immortals. They staked all on the Living Christ—they gave him a chance.

In the eighteenth century the leaders of the great Revival, which as Leckey said, "saved England from the horrors of the French Revolution," proclaimed the Christ mighty to save. Yes, all the world knows something of the Wesleyan Movement following the Aldersgate experience. It has extended far beyond the limits of the Methodist Church into other communions.

On both sides of the Atlantic the men with glowing hearts pressed on to the conquest. The living Christ saved a pioneer people in this wilderness beset with all the sins and degradation of that day. Is he not able to save in this hour if we but carry him to the people?

In the great missionary conference at Washington a few years ago, evangelists and teachers, doctors and deans from the hospitals and the colleges, nurses and Bible women came from every land telling of the work being done. There was but one name, one face, one presence, one Saviour. On that occasion all were a unit with Stanley Jones of India, then largely unknown, in exalting the one name that is above every name.

Are we willing to embody him and move to the conquest? It is not enough to talk about him and recall his doings. The crushed, broken, desperate world needs him. This will cost sweat and blood and scars. This is the Christ that stands back of the preacher in the pulpit, and keeps company with the teacher before her class, and renders glorious the mission field at home and abroad. In all ages he remains the same.

In this present hour right here in our own land we need to proclaim and make real and dynamic this one Presence so essential in making effective the defense on which we are spending billions. There must be the spiritual to make effective our material defense.

When Our Boys Come Home

WITH the return of the boys from the camps a new obligation will rest upon the churches and the communities from which they went. Some will not take up life's demands in the old home sections but many will. However, most of these boys will not be just the same. Some will have gained in vision and energy; others will have lost out. Military drill tends to discipline, but camp life often makes for moral hurt.

Pastors and churches will have a hard job to enlist some of them in the moral and religious life of the community unless the currents of religion run deep and strong. The spirit of the army and the conduct of soldiers often fail to contribute to religious zeal and welfare. In the World War some of the soldiers held fast to their integrity and returned to enter fully into the community life of the nation. Others lost out and failed to take up life where they left off. One fine feature following the Armistice was the eagerness with which most of the boys turned their backs on the life of the professional soldier and entered again into the civic life of the nation. Americans are set against a nation of militarists.

These draftees on their return must be given every consideration to do the same. We do not want America to be a nation of soldiers but rather a republic of civilians. True, some military men would have it otherwise, but not so the normal man and woman in this democracy.

Whether the boys get home soon or late from the camps, we must do all possible to hold them true to the American ideal and the American way of life. Democracy must be more than a name if this Republic is to endure so that we may sing from the heart:

"Land of the Pilgrim's pride,
Land where our fathers died."

Pioneers in Realm of the Spirit

THE Methodists in glowing terms have told of the hardy, heroic men who have pioneered new lands. Such a man on horseback has become the Methodist "Coat of Arms." All that belongs to a bygone period. The men who pioneer the chaos that lies beyond the present world upheaval will be of another order.

Apostles of another Pentecost, with tongues of flame, will fire the souls of men for daring deeds similar to the men who preached crusades in all the notable periods of the Christian centuries. Revolutions broke out of the souls of men. Such were prophets of the Lord. Tinsel and trappings then gave place to the dynamic power of God. This made them pioneers of the spirit. Such as these are needed to carry a spiritual message into the homes and the churches and even into the waste places of the humble and obscure of earth. To make real to all such the presence of Jesus of whom it was said, "All men seek thee," will transform communities and revolutionize states. Too often we magnify the great and noble to the neglect of the humble poor with burning hearts who overturn the world. What a wonderful debt the world owes to all such, whether they be accounted among the great and noble or among the poor and obscure, willing to render lowly service unto the forgotten of earth.

More than we know is the debt we owe to the pioneer in every line of life. The pioneer in religion such as Abraham; in science such as Newton; in discovery such as Columbus; in electricity such as Edison; in aviation such as the Wrights, are notable examples. The pioneers in the wilderness, on the plains and in the far west have made possible this our own land. But above all are the pioneers in the realm of the spirit.

The Promise of the Years

NOTHING cheers us more and is richer with promise than the work being done during the summer months in the Methodist Church life of the state than the revival activity in the country churches, the work for and with the young people and the efforts to train the children in the vacation Bible schools. In some of these fields the activity is marvelous.

The young people of the North Carolina conference under the guidance of Rev. Robert Bradshaw at Louisburg College and of the Western North Carolina under the direction of Rev. Carl H. King at Junaluska are being inspired and organized so as to touch effectively the Methodist youth of the state. They are literally going out to every nook and corner of the state for service. A church that cares for its youth certainly has a firm grip on the future. In these summer assemblies the young people get a vision and kindle the fires of their devotion and enthusiasm in such a way as to secure in their home churches finer service and more consecrated endeavor.

Then, too, there are the usual revival efforts in hundreds of the rural churches. Earnest prayer, evangelistic appeal, the familiar songs of Zion and the Christian fellowship of neighbors and friends unite to contribute effectively to spiritual advance. Many will go out from these assemblies and country churches with a fresh passion for conquest. What an opportunity for preachers with souls aflame to arouse crusaders for God and spiritual leaders in their churches. Here is the place to find and to foster leaders so much needed in present and future conquest.

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Dr. William Lyon Phelps once linked the Bible with the Mayflower Pilgrims in the following impressive manner: "I admit that all but one of the Mayflower Pilgrims were deprived of college training. But, although they did not bring a library, they brought a book to New England. The King James version of the Bible was the new book. It was only nine years old. That book is the best written book in the English language. It is greater than any philosophy or novel, because it contains in its own pages the greatest short stories, the greatest essays, the greatest philosophy, and the greatest beauty of thought. It is greater than all of the other books in the world combined. It has no rival. No group of people can be rightly described as uneducated who read and know the Bible. Because of their intensive training in the Bible the Pilgrims were educated in the best thought, philosophy, and religion."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Vick of Longhurst, N. C., announce the arrival of a 6-pound 15-ounce boy, Thomas Marvin Vick, III., Wednesday morning, July 16, at 7:40 a.m at Duke Hospital.

Rev. C. T. Thrift, Warsaw, N. C., would like to procure as many as 25 new Cokesbury Hymnals. Anybody who would like to dispose of some which have been discarded should communicate with him.

Concord church on the Davie charge will hold its annual children's day and home coming on Sunday, August 3. The public is invited to attend and bring well filled baskets. All former pastors are urged to be present.—S. D. Daniel.

The annual picnic for the ministers' families of the New Bern district will be held at Atlantic Beach July 31. All Duke students and visiting ministers assisting in meetings are invited. Come and have a good time together.—Mrs. R. G. Dawson.

Camp Free camp meeting at Connelly Springs is scheduled for August 3 to 10. Rev. C. F. Wimberly, D.D., of Columbia, S. C., is chief preacher, assisted by J. W. Groce and others. Address Rev. W. J. McDaniels, R. 3, Connelly Springs, N. C.

We have had Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke with us at Mocksville eight days closing Sunday.. Needless to say we were delighted with his profound yet simplified presentation of the truth. Members will be received into the church Sunday. A new heating plant will be installed in the church before cold weather.—E. M. Avett.

Mr. Hall Eugent Little and Miss Hazel Black were united in marriage at the parsonage July 5, Rev. Edward M. Graham, pastor of Bethel Methodist church, pastor of the bride, officiating. After sojourning in the mountains of western North Carolina on their honeymoon, they are now at home at Cabarrus.

Central, Albemarle, in a recent three-day canvass obtained more than $8,000 in cash and 90-day pledges for the purpose of beautifying and improving church property. Rev. R. Dwight Ware is in the second year of a happy pastorate where uniformly large congregations regularly are in attendance. Other finances of the church are balanced quarterly.

I guess I am late, but they say it is better late than never! I am enclosing 18 names and their addresses to whom you will please send the Advocate for one year. (That certainly is fine.—Ed). So far as I know Methodism is moving on nicely in the Winston-Salem district under the fine leadership of Dr. C. C. Weaver. A finer, more brotherly spirit cannot be found in the Western North Carolina conference. I hope to send a few more new subscribers to the Advocate. (A good start gives assurance of more.—Ed).—R. L. Forbis.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion at Greensboro College, as guest speaker for the Gibsonville Rotary Club Tuesday night discussed "Religious Education and the Public Schools." Dr. Smith's remarks centered around the current effort to establish religious instruction in public schools, beginning with a background of the growth of education in the United States and reasons why religious education has not been placed in public schools. Rev. Robert Tuttle, pastor of Gibsonville Methodist church, served as program chairman for the meeting.

Mr. J. C. Teeter, Jr., of Midland, and Miss Eula Little of Stanfield were united in marriage at the parsonage July 11 at high noon. Rev. Edward M. Graham pastor of the Bethel Methodist church, heard the vows. The happy couple left immediately for Asheville and other points in western North Carolina for a brief honeymoon and are now at home at Midland.

We have just closed a good vacation Bible school and a revival meeting conducted jointly. Two very intensive weeks were spent in this work, but the results have been quite gratifying. We received 21 into the church by vows last Sunday. Rev. W. A. Rollins of Hickory and Rev. R. B. Shumaker of Concord were with us, and they make a very efficient team.—A. C. Waggoner, Coburn Memorial.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Miles have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Imogen Miles of Asheville and Winston-Salem, to Lt. Richard Miller Bloodgood of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., and Winston-Salem. The marriage will take place in Winston-Salem in the late summer. Miss Miles is secretary to Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central Methodist church and Lake Junaluska Assembly.

Rev. John Cline of Durham closed a week's meeting at Mt. Pleasant Methodist church Sunday, July 20. The attendance was fine. Twelve have given their names for joining the church upon profession of faith; others are expected to follow. The church has been greatly revived. Two services were held each day—for children at 2 p. m. and at 7:45 for the general public. Prayer bands met each evening just before services.—W. J. Plint, Pastor.

At Mount Pleasant church, near Kimesville, on Sunday, August 31, at 3 o'clock will be held the next regular meeting of the Greensboro District League of Stewards. The program committee, composed of Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, district lay leader and president of the League of Stewards; F. R. Stout, Charles A. Hines, vice presidents; R. Eugene Hester, secretary; T. C. Hoyle, Sr., treasurer; and Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, are arranging an interesting program. All stewards and all ministers of the Greensboro district, as well as laymen, are invited to attend.

The picnic at the Elizabeth City Country Club for the ministers' families of the district was a very enjoyable occasion for those who were privileged to attend. A delicious picnic dinner was spread at the noon hour. Rev. L. B. Jones returned thanks. The young people participated in numerous games in the afternoon. The "wives" held a short business meeting with ten present. In the absence of the president, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary. Mrs. H. L. Hendrix offered prayer.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Our folks at Sapling Ridge church, Alamance circuit, were pleasantly entertained Sunday, July 13, by a class of youngsters from our orphanage. These children were accompanied by Mrs. Rives and Mrs. Pridgen of the orphanage faculty. The program was well rendered, giving evidence of thorough training. A special contribution of over thirty dollars was made. When we say to Mrs. Rives and Mrs. Pridgen, "Come again," we are expressing the sentiments of the church and community. Our special meeting began in the afternoon when Rev. M. C. Ellerbe of Burlington circuit preached the first sermon. The meeting closed Friday afternoon with seven additions on profession of faith and one by transfer. Brother Ellerbe did the very best of work and greatly endeared himself to our people here. The attendance was unusually large, which was evidence of the popularity and good preaching of Brother Ellerbe.—G. L. Reynolds.

In Geneva, Switzerland, wheat is growing in the parks around the League of Nations Palace, which have been requisitioned by the Swiss government.

In finishing Douglas Freeman's "Life of Lee" (4 vols.) Rev. C. T. Thrift exclaims: "Johnson had his Boswell and Lee had his Freeman. I am thrilled with the character of Lee, the pride of Westmoreland, the hero of Virginia, the idol of the South, the growing ideal of America, the flower of the Anglo-Saxon race, and the glory of the whole world, but I am amazed at the genius of Freeman. As a biography this is **ne plus ultra.**"

Governor Homer Atkins of Arkansas, ardent Methodist layman, Sunday school teacher and vice president of Mt. Sequoyah, assured an audience of fellow Methodists from five surrouding states assembled at that summer religious center of the Southwest that he is going to do his utmost, while in office, to make a contribution to his God, his state, and his community. "No matter how much we arm," said the governor, "the first line of defense is the moral integrity of the American people."

We have held a very successful vacation Bible school, revival and mission study in the Wesleyanna church on the Webster circuit. The children gave a very pleasing and instructive program for the closing exercises of the school Saturday evening. This church is building five Sunday school rooms to their present equipment. You may look for great things from this church. The Love's Chapel revival and vacation Bible school are being held this week and next. We are anticipating a great revival and school there. You shall hear from the Webster charge regarding the Advocate. Our people are appreciative, kind and loyal to the pastor and his family. Pray for us that we may serve the cause of Christ well here on the Webster circuit.—J. C. Gentry.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the Greensboro College department of religion, has been named by the general commission on evangelism, in co-operation with the board of Christian education and editorial staff of the Methodist Church, as director of research on the problem of training children for church membership. The research project, growing out of a feeling on the part of the commission that study is necessary of ways and means of improving the technique of training children for church membership, will cover a period of two or three months, involving a survey of practices now being employed by some of the leading ministers of Methodist churches throughout the United States. A thorough study also will be made of various publications of religious denominations of North America. Dr. Smith expects to attend a conference of commission leaders in Nashville, Tenn., in the near future to complete research plans.

During the recent stay at Lake Junaluska I made a flying visit to the Waynesville district parsonage to see the popular district superintendent of that interesting area. To see Brother D. L. Hutchins in the superb setting of his parsonage and grounds is to be impressed with the idea that here is one district superintendent who must be planning to keep his status quo indefinitely. The parsonage has just been painted and beautified inside and outside. The floors have been refinished in the most modern manner. The study is in reality a business office. Even the basement has been thoroughly remodeled. The tool room seemed to have a tool for every purpose and every tool in its place. But the real beauty spot was outside and below the house in the spacious garden, where vegetables and flowers in endless procession marched past us, or rather stood majestically while we viewed with wonder! I left with an armful of sweet peas of glorious beauty. I could have carried off bushels if left to my own devices. While there I picked up the interesting bit of information that 15 preachers of the Waynesville district have secured beautiful new cars since conference. That fine district parsonage with its prosperous looking district superintendent and 15 new cars in the parsonages of the district reminded me of the one who gazed upon the marvels of western North Carolina mountains with the remark: "Thar's gold in them hills."—W. Arthur Barber.

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Junaluska School of Religion, affiliated with
Duke University (Education Building), July 21-August 30
School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 24-August 5
Missionary Conference ..... July 29-August 5

Junaluska Program

Sunday, July 27, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Dr. Y. C. Yang, "China, Today and Tomorrow."
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Lay Sermon, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Culture and Religion."

Monday, July 28, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Sectionalism and Nationalism."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "The International Mind."

Missionary Conference, July 29-August 5 (Auditorium)

Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Edwin Mims, "Literature as a Personal Resource."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. W. G. Cram, "Missions and World Revolution."

Wednesday, July 30, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. A. R. Perkins, Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Dr. W. G. Cram, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Henry G. Barnett, "Christianity and Crisis."

Thursday, July 31, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. Henry G. Barnett, Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Dr. Elmer T. Clark and Miss Dorothy McConnell, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P.M.—Address, Bishop Paul B. Kern.

Friday, August 1, 9:40 A. M.—Address, Dr. Karl K. Quimby, "The Challenge of the Present Crisis."
11:00 A. M.—Bishop Paul B. Kern, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Scarritt College Night.
Address, Dr. Hugh C. Stuntz, "Attempt Great Things for God."

Saturday, August 2, 9:40 A. M.—Deaconesses Forum Hour.
11:00 A. M.—Miss Sara McCracken, General Forum Hour.
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Journey to Jerusalem." (Sound and pictures from actual play on Broadway, New York).

THREE BIBLE SCHOOLS AT CRESWELL

Three vacation Bible schools were held on the Creswell charge this year, making an addition of two schools over last year. The school held in Creswell June 9-20 was the second vacation Bible school held by the Methodist church with the co-operation of the Episcopal church of that community. The Mt. Elmer school was the first to be held in that vicinity, and it resulted in the re-establishing of a Sunday school which now meets regularly every Sunday morning. The last school conducted on the charge this summer was in Cherry. The school was a co-operative school between Philippi Christian church and Mt. Hermon Methodist church and the first held in that community. Since Philippi afforded more space and class rooms, that church was chosen for the two weeks' session. Eighty pupils were enrolled and 70 received certificates for having attended three days or longer. Teachers in the school were: Mrs. Maymie Davenport, beginners; Mrs. Bessie A. White, primaries; Miss Pauline Fitts and Mrs. Woodley Ambrose, juniors; Edwin Carter, Mrs. M. A. Ambrose and Mrs. R. A. Gibbs, intermediates.

Mr. Carter of Duke school of religion superintended the schools in three churches. The candle light program in which each class participated, included poems, songs and Bible verses learned during the two weeks. The junior class gave an outline of What Is in the Bible, written by Pauline Fitts, in interpretation of the work covered. The intermediates gave a model worship program, following their study of worship. They included in their program a short pageant written by Pauline Fitts and Edwin Carter for the occasion. Following the exercises the class rooms were opened to exhibit the work done by the four classes. A fine spirit of co-operation was shown in the schools, both with the children, the workers and the parents. A sense of unity and brotherliness pervaded each school, and especially in the interdenominational schools.—R. N. Fitts, Pastor.

Rethinking the Call

By J. P. WOMACK

(An address delivered at the Jonesboro district conference at Half Moon, May 8. It is published at the request of the conference).

Fifty years ago I became an official in the church. During all this time I have had some official relation with the church. I sat in five general conferences as a delegate and also in the Unifying Conference and the first Jurisdictional Conference. I have had opportunity to know the church and its leadership well.

From time to time I have spoken or written of our leadership in a manner considered by some as critical. I do not deny that some of my utterances have been critical, but I strongly affirm that always I have tried to be constructive, and worthily in my criticism. I think my pastors, present and past, will bear me out in my statement that I have been loyal and sympathetic. Some of the statements I shall make in this my closing address as a leader in the church will be thought critical, but I beg you to believe that everything I shall say will come from a sincere desire to be helpful.

My first remarks are directed at the ministry. For the great majority of preachers I have known, have only words of commendation. I have known many consecrated preachers whose sole aim seemed to be to promote the growth of the kingdom. They seemed to be willing to live on an economic level with their people and to endure hardship as good soldiers of the cross. Some of them may have been ambitious for the larger places, but the number of those who so worked and planned was relatively small.

I think the number of place hunters is still relatively small, but it is distressingly large. I cannot help feeling that much of what is called worldly mindedness among the laity is due to the example of our leaders. Nor can I help believing that preachers who are greatly concerned about what they call "promotion" cannot do much promoting of the kingdom. They may be able to build churches along material lines, to attract large congregations, to build up the membership numerically, to raise money. But they will not be able to lead their flock in cross bearing and sacrificial living.

Too many of us think of the church as an end in itself, forgetting that the church is merely an instrument. There may be a place in a preacher's heart for legitimate ambition. I can understand that a preacher might desire a larger place in order to do a larger service. But it is most difficult to entertain such an ambition unselfishly.

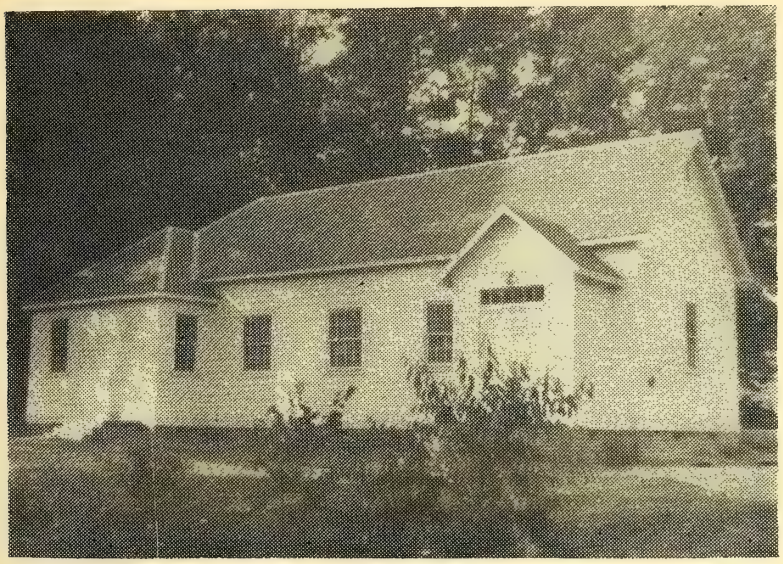
The world is facing today trials such as few of us have ever dreamed. The days ahead will try men's souls. I speak not so much of economic disaster, but rather of the trials of faith, of the desperate need of poise and courage which will be ours. I am thinking of our youth who will merge soon into an adult world of insecurity and disbelief. I am thinking of the fire of hate sweeping over the world. I am thinking of a church, two-thirds of whose membership are at best nominal Christians. I am thinking of millions of church members who are scarcely religious conscious, of many millions of children growing up in homes where religion is scarcely recognized. I am thinking of the words of the Master, "If the salt have lost its savor, wherewithall shall it be salted?" And as I think of these things I am thinking of our religious leaders and their fitness to lead us through the dark passage ahead.

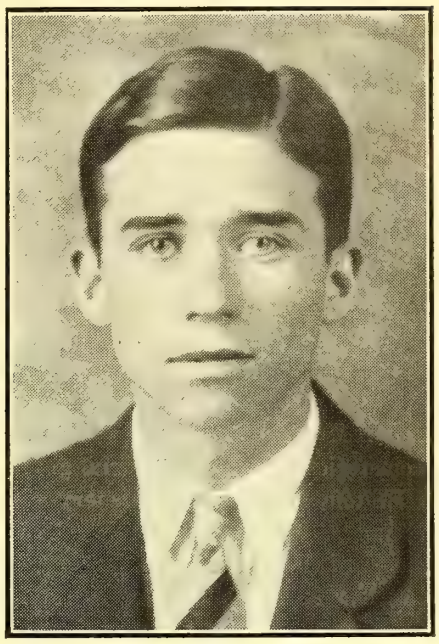
Some years ago a resolution was introduced in the Little Rock conference suggesting that the preachers "rethink their call to preach." Bishop Moore spoke to the resolution. He suggested that preachers sometimes lose their call. I was greatly impressed by the resolution. I think that when a preacher loses the sense of divine compulsion he has lost his call. As one of the characters in the Grapes of Wrath said when asked why he had quit preaching, "I lost my message." It might be well for all of us to re-think our call, as preachers, as teachers, as stewards, as parents, as professors of religion.

Let me shift emphasis and discuss briefly a pressing need of the church today—the need to develop personality in our membership. I refer not so much to developing leadership as the ability to follow good leadership. In most of our churches a distressingly small percentage of the members are being developed. A few willing workers do the work. It is not a matter of getting certain sums of money raised or certain classes taught. It is rather a matter of getting the maximum participation in getting these things done. Preaching to people, however brilliantly or forcefully, will never develop them. Paul speaks of the foolishness of preaching. He had no thought of belittling preaching; he mentioned preaching as of relatively little importance in the work of saving people. Development is an aspect of salvation. Planting the seed is only the first step in raising a crop. There are those in the church who seem to think that getting people to profess faith in Christ is the all important event in the process of soul saving. Our church is always asking about the number of professions. It is like counting the babies born in a given section during a given period without asking what becomes of them afterward. Presenting oneself for church membership is considered as tantamount to a profession. It is in such loose handling of the matter of receiving members that the church grows in numbers at the expense of spiritual power. I do not propose to put out of the church those who do not claim emphasis on the development of these members now in the church.

Let no one think I have lost confidence in our leadership. This would be far from correct. We have many good men and true in the ministry, men who are moved by a profound conviction that they bear a divine commission to teach and preach and who would suffer privation and endure hardship without a murmur if necessary. I personally know many such preachers, and there are many others whom I do not know. Let us stand loyally by them. Let us join hands with them. Let us even praise them when speaking of them. Even though they cannot preach as ably as others we know, let us uphold them to the world as God's men.

Let us all, preachers and laymen, look well to the foundations of our own faith. In the days to come we shall need to know as never before the real meaning and function of faith in God. We need it for ourselves and for those who look to us for guidance and help.—Arkansas Methodist.





Rev. Richard J. Starling
Pastor

Trinity Methodist Church Dedicated Sunday, July 13

Sunday afternoon, July 13, Bishop Clare Purcell delivered the dedicatory sermon at the newly completed Trinity Methodist church on the Helton circuit. A large number attended.

This church has been active for more than half a century and the completion of the attractive new building marks a big forward step in its history and service to the community. The church which is now served by Rev. R. J. Starling has shown continuous growth since its beginning.

On the farm of Rev. D. P. Hurley, a resident of Old Field Creek at that time, Baldwin Methodist church was built about 1890. Mr. Hurley donated the first site for the church. The exact number of charter members is not known, but the principal leaders in the construction of the church were J. N. Baldwin, W. R. Jones, Mrs. Ludenie Phipps and David Jackson.

For many years services were held in this structure. A few years ago a small group of members in the community saw the need of a new building. After the old church was torn down worship was held in the Silas Creek school house until plans for the new building were completed.

Aided by Duke

Under the leadership of Rev. G. C. Graham, a former pastor, the present site was donated by C. F. Dickson and application was made to the Methodist conference and to the Duke Foundation for aid. For some reason the original plans could not be carried out. However, after C. V. Graham left this charge the work was carried on by Rev. C. E. Murray and Rev. J. O. Cox. Through all these years the members have been working earnestly toward this goal.

Not until May, 1940, were the necessary funds to start work gotten. Through the untiring efforts and perseverance of the present pastor, Rev. James Starling, with the hearty co-operation of the members, and with the help of the Duke Foundation the dream of many years has at last come true. Today an attractive new church building stands in a shady grove near the residence of C. F. Dickson. This church is equipped with three Sunday school rooms and modern pews. It is ample for all needs at present.

Although the church is small and has a small membership it is the greatest asset to this community and it is hoped that it will be an inspiration and a help to many generations to come.

CRAVEN-KISTLER VOWS TAKEN IN GRACE CHURCH, MORGANTON

Miss Mary Wilson Kistler became the bride of James Braxton Craven, Jr., Friday afternoon, July 18, at 5 o'clock at historic Grace Episcopal church in Morganton.

The stone church was decorated for the occasion with Easter lilies, white gladioli and baby's breath. The ceremony was performed by Dr. J. B. Craven, father of the bridegroom and pastor of West Market Street Methodist church in Greensboro, and Rev. W. S. Stoney, rector of Grace church.

Prior to the entrance of the bridal party a program of wedding music was given by Miss Ann Huffman, violinist, and Miss Hobe Carter Sturgis, accompanied on the organ by Prof. Hardie Turner, who played the traditional wedding marches.

Ushers were Charles E. Kistler, brother of the bride; Andrew Mack Secrest of Monroe, cousin of the bridegroom; Elmer E. Rousner of Wilkesboro; William D. Horton of Raleigh, James C. Little of Raleigh and George A. Jenkins of Gastonia.

Miss Alice Walton Yount of Hickory, cousin of the bride; Miss Lillian Secrest of Monroe, cousin of the bridegroom; Miss Betty Butts of Newton Center, Mass., Miss Erwin Gant of Burlington, Miss Elvira Erwin and Miss Nancy Harbinson of Morganton, were bridesmaids.

Andrew M. Kistler, brother of the bride, was junior groomsman and preceded the bride to the altar. The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her stepfather, Andrew Burnet Stoney. Walter D. James of Washington, D. C., was Mr. Craven's best man.

The bride is a daughter of the late Charles E. Kistler and Mrs. Stoney of Morganton. She is a great-granddaughter of the late Governor and Mrs. Tod R. Caldwell. She attended St. Mary's School in Raleigh and for the past two years has been a student at Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass.

Mr. Craven, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Craven of Greensboro, is a graduate of Duke University, where he was a Phi Beta Kappa and a member of the leadership fraternity, O. D. K. He is also a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. For the past year he has been a student at the School of Law, Harvard University.

Immediately following the wedding a large reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Stoney at their home, "Lone Pine," on West Union street.

How Much Better Is a Horse Than a Man?

By G. F. HUBBARTT

Some time ago I spent a week's vacation in the famous Blue Grass section of Kentucky, and soon discovered that I had not seen all the sights until I had visited the great race horse, Man O'War. Passing along a state highway I observed a horse cemetery, fenced in by a stone wall. In the center was a monument to Nancy Hanks, 1886-1915—best time, 2:04—and all around in a circle about her grave were other mounds, each with its headstone. My host told me this was one of a number of such cemeteries. An animal burial ground is not unique. North Easton, Mass., has a cemetery and monuments for cows, and Blue Ball, Ohio, boasts a monument to the Poland China hog. A Fort Wayne, Ind., family buried its pet dog in a steel casket, placed a monument at its grave, and covered the mound with flowers. I instinctively compared that well-kept horse burial plot wtih the old cemetery at Harrodsburg, in which lie the Kentucky pioneers in unmarked graves and with the weedy patch at Boonesboro containing the remains of the pioneering friends of Daniel Boone.

But to return to Man O'War. I motored out to the Faraway farm, northwest of Lexington, and was shown the animal by the Negro caretaker. The noted horse spends his years in a magnificent barn and has every comfort conceivable, while in all parts of the South both many whites and negroes live in mere hovels.

My voluble informant furnished me with these facts: Man O'War was sired in the Blue Grass country, and while still a yearling was purchased by Samuel D. Riddles of Philadelphia for $5000, and sent at once to Maryland for training. When he was two years old he won nine out of ten starts in races, with eleven races and eleven wins in the third season. In those two years he brought in $249,645, and as there was no other horse to pit against him he was sent to Faraway for breeding purposes, earning for his owner an income of $125,000 annually. I committed what I since have been told was an unpardonable sin—I dared to ask what the horse was worth. The colored lad replied courteously, "We don't know, but he is insured for $500,000, and Mr. Riddles has refused an offer of $800,000 for Man O'War."

When I left that barn my homiletical mind began to work. I said to my Lexington hostess, "I have a sermon from your Man O'War and your horse cemeteries." She replied, "You cannot make it too strong, for I have heard our ministers say that many in the Blue Grass section love horses more than they do people." I am reminded at this point of a story. On three successive Sundays a preacher found a note on his pulpit asking him to pray for Nancy Gray. The fourth Sunday a slip of paper told him he need pray for her no longer since she had won the race.

While in the lovely Kentucky country, in company with a student, I visited Berea College, an institution that is doing a marvelous piece of work for mountain youth. From the catalogue of the school I discovered that if Man O'War could be sold for $800,000 in cold cash, the money would send 1428 boys and girls through four years of college. I was again reminded of a story told by Roger Babson at the time of the Boston police strike. While in the heart of the city he saw a soldier with gun on shoulder walking in front of a jewelry store to protect the gems. On his way out to his office in Wellesley Hills he saw an officer removing the household goods of a widow from her home because she could not pay her rent. Mr. Babson said, "I reflected that jewelry is property demanding protection by law, while a poor widow is only a human being."

Jesus found that the residents of Gadara preferred the well being of their swine to the mental recovery of an unfortunate man. John Webba of the Angola conference, who died recently leaving five sons in Christian service, was once turned over in lieu of four razorback pigs by a heathen chief to pay a fine. Dr. George W. Carver, the noted Tuskegee scientist, who Louis Adamic, in his "From Many Lands," says is possibly the most valuable man in the South, was once traded for a horse. An Indiana district superintendent labored a good part of an afternoon to prevent the officials of a three-point circuit from reducing their pastor's $700 salary. At last the superintendent said, "Brother C., you think more of the stock on your farm than you do of your preacher." The layman replied, "Of course I do."

The more I meditated about Man O'War the more I realized that we live in a topsy-turvy world. Congress grants in one budget $2,990,000 for animal husbandry and $403,000 for the Children's Bureau. The Army demands $72,155 to train cavalry horses, but the State Department to care for all foreign trade gets $75,000. The Buenos Aires Pan-American conference in 1936 ruled out of its agenda the item on civil rights of women, while it retained one on sanitary regulations, which referred to the importation of hoof-and-mouth diseased cattle into the United States. Zions Herald in 1923 reported that the World Conference on Education in San Francisco received not a line of space in some of the Boston papers, while the Boston Post accorded 398½ inches to a prize fight in Shelby, Mont.

Another reflection that impressed itself on my mind was the fact that there was no drawing of the color line among horses. While on the campus of Berea College I was informed that the school originally was open to both white and black youth, but the state of Kentucky passed a law separating the races in schools, so that one half the assets were given to the establishment of a Negro institution. But in that barn the day I visited the Faraway farm was sorrel Man O'War with two of his sons of the same color, Crusader and Mars. In an adjoining stall was Golden Broom, a chestnut brown. The line of color and blood may be drawn when it comes to humanity, but not in the case of thoroughbred horses.

My call on Man O'War increased my belief in the theory of eugenics, for this knight of the race track can trace his ancestry back through twenty-two generations of thoroughbreds, to White Turk, a horse owned by the stud-master of Oliver Cromwell. Man O'War in his colts carries on the family tradition. I have mentioned Crusader and Mars, but the family tree includes other great racers like American Flag, Scapa Flow, Edith Cavell. The outstanding horse of 1937 was Man O'War's son,



Vacation Church School Students at Boone

A group of students who attended the first vacation church school at the Boone Methodist church. Eighty-two children were enrolled and 13 teachers and helpers supervised the work. All those connected with the school were enthusiastic over the results accomplished and preliminary plans have already been made for another vacation school to be held next summer.

The beginners studied "Happy Times in Our Church" under the guidance of Mrs. James B. McLarty and Miss Betty Clay. "Our Daily Bread" was the title of the course offered primary children by Mrs. James H. Council, assisted by Mrs. Frank Payne and Miss Lila Moore Hall. The juniors studied "The Land Where Jesus Lived" under the leadership of Mrs. R. L. Clay, assisted by Misses Louise Taylor, Louise Cook, Eddie Bingham, Virginia Bingham and Rebecca Boone. "O Come, Let Us Worship" was the course offered to intermediates, with Mrs. James Winkler as teacher, assisted by Misses Margaret Hardin and Mary Hendrix. Photo, courtesy Watauga Democrat.

War Admiral, and another is Battleship. Then there is his grandson Seabiscuit, who in five years came to high track fame and brought to his owner $437,730 in earnings.

Dr. F. A. Adams, formerly of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, spent years in a study of European nobility. He made the amazing discovery that the royal families in Europe had produced more truly great men and women than any other series of interrelated families of which we have any record. A look at the John Adams family in America, continuing into the fifth generation with Charles Francis Adams, III, Secretary of the Navy under Herbert Hoover, would seem to lend proof that there is something in blood. The study of the ancestry of Abraham Lincoln by Dr. L. A. Warren of the Lincoln Foundation of Fort Wayne, Ind., shows that the great war President was not a "sport" in biological development, but that he came from a long line of forebears who had been prominent in political affairs. Dr. Leta Hollingsworth, after a thirteen-years examination of the children of Public School 500, New York, declares that she has never found a superior child that came from inferior stock. It appears that Man O'War preaches a sermon on eugenics which our country ought to heed.

While on my stay at Lexington my hostess took me out to her race track, pointing out the half block of book makers' booths. Then I thought that old Man O'War also preached a warning sermon about gambling. He is the innocent victim of one of the most vicious systems in our nation. Grantland Rice quotes a bookmaker as saying that anyone who tries to play every race on a card hasn't even a starting chance; the odds against him are a thousand to one. A few years ago the Readers Digest had an article (originally in Collier's) entitled "Rhode Island Picks the Wrong Horse," in which it was stated that legitimate business had suffered greatly since race-track gambling had been legalized. Today bank night holds sway in many moving picture theatres, and even raffles, bingo, beano, and what have you, are invading the church.

Man O'War is one of the finest commentaries of the age on Jesus' question, "How much then is a man better than a sheep?" Really, how much better is a horse than a man?—Zions Herald.

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The Southeastern Jurisdiction over which the bishops have supervision embraces 17 annual conference divisions with a total membership of 2,007,068.

Casualties of the First World War

Great Man and Fine Boy, the Head and the Hope of a Family, Laid Low

In a number of last Sunday's issues of the state papers appeared a most interesting and informing article by Dr. Archibald Henderson of Chapel Hill dealing with Walter Hines Page and, incidentally, with Woodrow Wilson and Edwin Anderson Alderman. He presented in a brief way something of Page's early life and education, and also the inspiration gained from such teachers as Thomas Randolph Price of Randolph Macon College of Virginia and Basil Lanneau Gildersleeve of Johns Hopkins. Price declared Page to be "a young scholar of extraordinary promise." Reference is also made to Page's career as writer, editor, and educational leader and reformer. But our interest just now is to make note of Walter Hines Page, ambassador to the Court of Saint James, as a casualty of that first World War fought to end war.

Allison Page, young son of Frank Page, a brother of Walter Hines Page, fills a soldier's grave at Belleau Wood, but Walter was as truly a casualty of the war as was his nephew Frank, who fell on the field. What a loss to the state and nation were these two victims of war! As one of the family remarked to me, "Walter was the head of our family and Allison was the hope of our house." Such is the curse and tragedy of war. Along with these two noble spirits most of the holdings of the Page family went with the collapse following this world debacle.

The Kaiser is no more and that effort to make the world safe for democracy has failed. What is to be the end of this second world war? We are not wiser and better than were they in 1918. In the words of Dr. Henderson: "Certainly no men of our time have more deeply believed in democracy than Woodrow Wilson, Edwin Anderson Alderman, and Walter Hines Page. And no man surpassed Page in whole-hearted admiration of the British People, or in more profound conviction that their destiny and our own, by reason of common faiths, hopes, and aspirations, were and are indissolubly and eternally united?"

One bright September morning three years after Allison Page fell at Belleau Wood, I strolled with aching heart through the Belleau Wood cemetery, with its row upon row of crosses above which floated the Stars and Stripes, unable to restrain the tears as I visioned the broken homes such as the Pages in America. I felt then and I feel now, "A curse on anyone who would stand for a repetition of such folly."

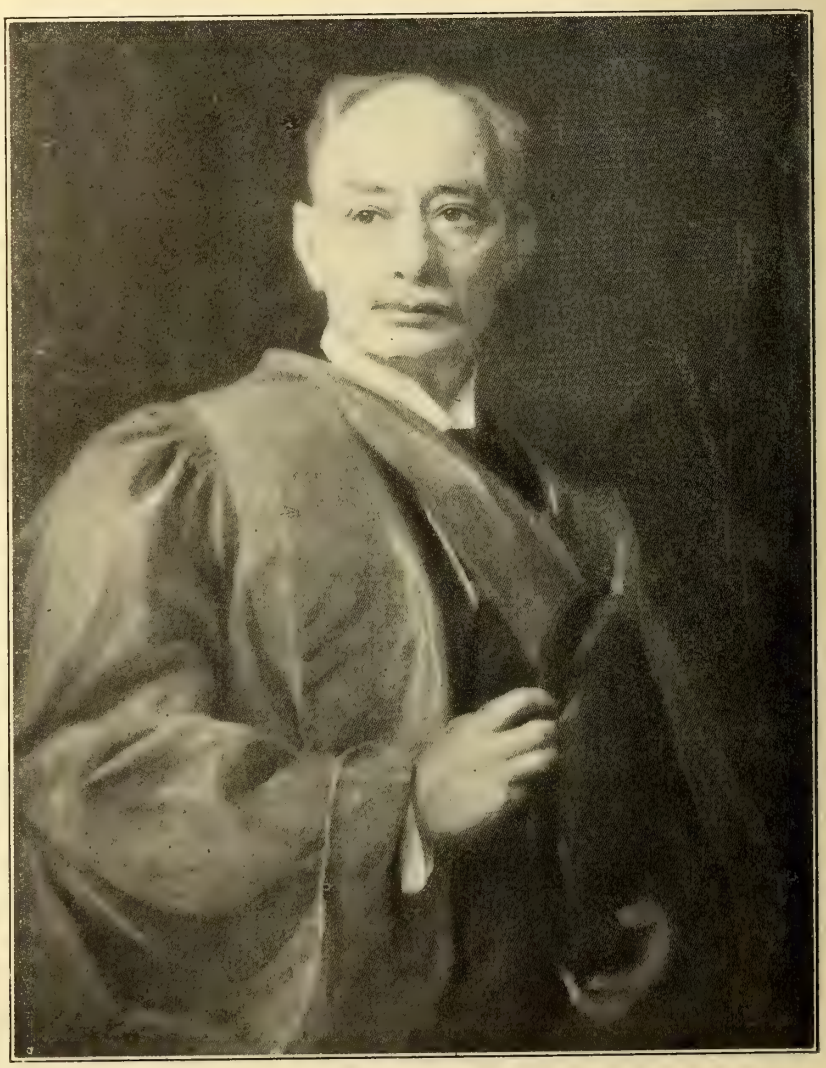
Walter Hines Page died at Pinehurst on December 21, 1918, in his 64th year.

"For the dying man, who returned from the scene of his arduous and unresting endeavors, there was no warm welcome or loud acclaim from a grateful people. He was merely hurrying home to die. Parting from Page at Waterloo Station, Balfour said: "I loved that man. . . . I almost wept when he left England." When Dr. Wallace Buttrick urged him to come home in a serious illness in 1917, warning him, "But, Page, you are going to lay down your life," "I have only one life to lay down," was the reply. "I can't quit now."

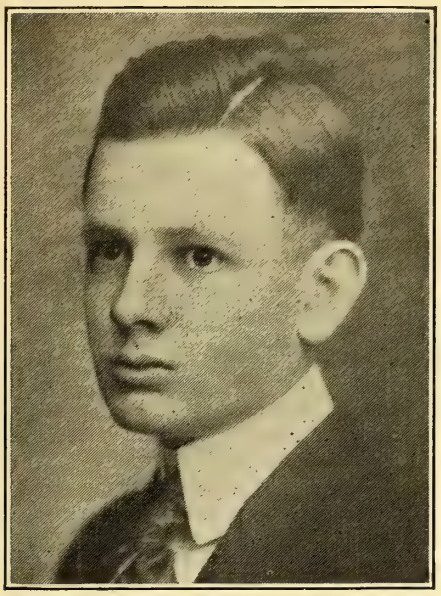
A few months later his two sons urged him to resign. "No," he said, "it's quitting on the job. I must see the war through. I can't quit until it's over." It was only after his physician, Sir William Osler, had exercised his professional authority and insisted on his resignation that Page yielded to the advice of his friends. But it was too late to save his health. He died in his sixty-fourth year, "as much of a war casualty as was his nephew, Allison Page, who lost his life with his face to the German machine guns in Belleau Wood."

In the memorial service in New York City, April 25, 1919, Dr. Alderman said:

"When he actually came home broken in body to die, while the bells of victory were everywhere pealing, my heart was bitter at what seemed the savage cruelty of such a fate. But I now know that my emotion was the natural human reaction to loss and pain, and I now see the gradeur surrounding the end of this tired, faithful servant of the state, who had fought to the finish and won the fight in a crisis of the world, and who must have had



Walter Hines Page, Ambassador to the Court of St. James, 1913-1918



Allison Martin Page, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page of Aberdeen, N. C., was born February 16, 1898, and died facing the machine guns at Belleau Wood, June 25, 1918.

acquaintance with the things that are not seen, and must have heard about him the rustling of the pinions of victory and the 'well done' of just men in all lands.

"And there was infinite beauty and fitness in carrying him back to lie under 'the long-leaf pines down in the old country' where the sands are white and the air clean. And those who cared for him rejoiced that the great ambassador rests among his forebears, amid childhood scenes, content, I dare say, on some mount of faith, to know that—

'His part, in all the pomp that fills
The circuit of the Summer hills
Is, that his grave is green.' "

M. T. P.

IN DEFENSE OF THE DEAD SEA

There is nothing in the world that has been so misrepresented and maligned as a body of water called the Dead Sea. The high character of those who speak in error concerning this ancient body of water adds immeasurably to the harm done. But in spite of its name and the uncomplimentary remarks made concerning it from every pulpit in the land, the Salt Sea still lives and will be living when thoughtless man is lost in the dust of the ages.

Just recently we read from the pen of a great man the following: "The Sea of Gennesaret gets and gives, the Dead Sea gets and never gives; one is the cradle of the River Jordan, the other is the grave of the River Jordan." Will the brother who wrote the above tell us what becomes of the more than seven million tons of water that the River Jordan and its tributaries pour into the Dead Sea each day? Had there been not constant giving on the part of this body of water can you imagine what would have happened? The Dead Sea is 1300 feet below sea level and cannot therefore send its contents on by the method that other lakes do. Instead it gives forth constantly by a process of evaporation leaving behind a vast wealth of salts and other chemicals. It can be truthfully said that without the Dead Sea there could be no Palestine—no Holy Land. It makes possible the dews of Herman which caught the attention of the prophets of Israel. These dews keep vegetation alive during the summer months. There could be no River Jordan were it not for the Dead Sea. It is a necessary step, as is snow-capped Herman, in the meteorological process by which the River Jordan, Huleh and the Sea of Galilee are maintained. It is true that its wealth of chemical salts, held in solution, makes it impossible for fish to live within its waters. At the present moment fabulous wealth is being mined from the Dead Sea. It comes in the form of potash, calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, bromides and common salt. The Dead Sea keeps not one drop of water for itself, nor does it appropriate one penny of its vast wealth on selfish indulgence. Long live the Dead Sea. W. L. Hutchins

A MOTHER'S MIDNIGHT PRAYER

By Charles E. Blakeman

In a log farmhouse, three miles north of Otsego, Allegan county, Michigan, at midnight, my mother was praying, alone. My father had died of typhoid fever about four years previous to the night in which mother awakened me with strong pleas for the salvation of us children.

How many times she repeated her request I cannot say. But after these seventy years, I still remember the emphasis on her words, and her pause between repetitions of them.

Left alone suddenly, to care for five children, with scant resources from a piece of partially cleared land, she had found it a difficult task. But she sent us children to bed at bedtime, while she continued paring apples to be dried in the sun of the following days, if cloudy weather or showers did not cause them to rot. The lightest-colored ones would be salable, would buy clothing.

The land was sold, with the exception of a building site on the corner where it would be convenient to carry water for household use from David Low's well across the road. On that site a house was built, and mother lived there a few years, always one or more of us children with her.

It was necessary that we begin to earn our way as early as possible. Being large for my years, I began working in a pine-woods camp while quite young. Mother became ill, and I went home a short time before she died. Soon after the funeral, I returned to the woods.

There, and in road-building camps where I worked for railroad companies in the territories of Dakota and Montana, skepticism was rampant. After slight resistance, I seemed to have absorbed it, becoming convinced that the Bible was fiction. Then I discovered that I was an atheist, with no fear of a judgment day.

After a long time, I returned to the old neighborhood. Opportunity offered, and I exchanged some other property for the house that was built for mother. A girl said "Yes." We were married and lived there.

A daughter was born to us. We named her "Grace." She was rightly named. When she was just old enough to talk plainly, a day and a half of illness ended her life. We arranged a funeral service in the "Swan" schoolhouse. That evening the house was indescribably lonesome. Finally I spoke my thoughts to my wife: "If that Bible had been true, there would have been a possibility of meeting Grace in the 'new world' it tells about."

'Maybe," she suggested, "if you would pray, God would help you somehow."

My heart ached on, until I decided, "I will try it once."

There in the house built for mother, I knelt and prayed: "God of the Bible, if there is any such God, make me to know that the Bible is true, and I will live by it the rest of my life."

Immediately, wonderful peace permeated my heart. I rose from my knees and decided to keep that promise to God. Mother's midnight prayer was answered.

I believe her prayer gained protection for my life, until I became humble enough to seek after her God. And now, more than fifty years later, I still believe in the Bible and in the prayers of mothers.—Zions Herald.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MISS TUTTLE HOME FROM CHINA

Miss Leila Tuttle, missionary to China, has arrived in the United States for an early furlough, and is with her relatives in Lenoir, N. C.

Miss Nina Troy and Miss Ethel Bost, also missionaries to China, are spending the greater part of the summer in Soochow.

A TRANSFER MISSIONARY DIGS IN

Under the above heading the China Christian Advocate, in its May and June issue, carries a most interesting letter from Miss Louise Avett, another of our W. N. C. conference girls, now a missionary in China. Miss Avett is now in Chengtu, Szechen, where she is teaching in the Hwa Mei School, formerly the Methodist Episcopal Girls' School in Chengto. The school has an enrollment of more than 300 girls. Miss Avett has "one English class every day except Sunday, and one Bible class a week, and studying Chinese three hours daily, as well as taking part in the Sunday school work."

The daily schedule as given by Miss Avett is interesting—rising bell at 5 a. m., setting up exercises and flag raising at 5:30; quiet hour with 30 to 40 girls out by a grave and a vetch field. Breakfast comes at 6, assembly at 6:30 with classes beginning at 7. Lunch at 11, rest from 11:30 to 12, supper at 5 and lights out at 8:30." Miss Avett explains this early schedule saying, "It is usually because the hens usually cackle from 11 a. m. to 2 in the afternoon, but fortunately we've had none of these birds about since I arrived."

She closes her letter with reference to the Easter service to be held on the following day, with worship service at 6 a. m. followed by an egg hunt. The village church folk and Miss Yang's factory girls joining in the service. (Miss Yang studied in Philadelphia and has gone back to China to set up a factory working eight hours, with a school and home for her girls. They make towels, cloth shoes, clothes to order, and do some embroidery, look well and are well cared for. Twenty of these girls were baptized on Easter morning with Dr. Peter Shih from West China Theological College administering the rites.)

MEETING OF DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Hickory Record of recent date carries account of the meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Marion district, in a luncheon meeting held at the Morganton Communty Club House a few weeks ago, the purpose of the meeting being to organize the district and plan the work for the coming year.

Committees were appointed and ways and means adopted for a cultivation fund in the district.

Three new district officers were elected: Mrs. J. P. Morris of Spindale, vice president; Mrs. Arnold Phillips of Spruce Pine, secretary of literature and publications; Mrs. Noblitt of Burnsville, secretary of children's work.

At the calling of the roll by Mrs. C. O. Hamilton of Morganton, district recording secretary, 11 district officers responded and two zone leaders were also present. The meeting and luncheon was presided over by Mrs. A. T. Abernethy of Rutherford College, district president. Special guests for the day were the district superintendent, Rev. J. C. Cornett, and Mrs. Cornett of Marion, and Mrs. Benedict Bristol of Morganton.

HIGH LIGHTS OF GREENSBORO DISTRICT MEETING

By Mrs. R. J. Rives

The Greensboro district meeting held at Stokesdale was presided over by Mrs. D. M. Davidson, district president, with opening devotions by Rev. W. T. Albright, pastor of the hostess church.

Splendid reports given by district officers indicated keen interest in the work. Three new district officers were elected, completing the corps of officers for this district. Those chosen were secretary of supplies, Mrs. A. B. Holt, McLeansville; secretary student work, Mrs. Mary Gerringer, 1113 Bellevue Street, Greensboro; Scarritt representative and secretary of literature and publications, Mrs. L. A. Wharton, Gibsonville.

District corresponding secretary gave several projects which were accepted whole-heartedly by the district representatives. These were: Scarritt associate membership for district ($5.00); assisting in furnishing Kate Hackney Room at Scarritt ($14); expenses of colored worker to training institute at Winston-Salem ($5.00;) expenses of district secretary of education and service to Duke study course ($5.00). We were fortunate in having three missionaries from foreign fields with us and it seemed each was at her best. Miss Leila Epps in her usual fascinating manner told of Brazil; Miss Mabel Cherry and Miss Ruth Diggs added inspiration and sympathy for the work and Christian natives of Korea. This district is favored by having two of the conference officers within her borders—Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., who spoke about the urgency of every one stressing more than ever the department of Christian social relations and Christian living—as vital to present day stress.

Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, gave a picture of the need of the whole program of work, with the motto, "Every church organized and every woman a member of the W. S. of C. S." She led in an impressive pledge service. Before the close of the meeting a story of one of our foreign scholarship girls was told, and its human interest provoked a spontaneous volunteer offering, which amounted to a love gift of $27, adding another item to the district giving. A memorial service honoring the 17 members who had passed away during the year was held. As soft music was played a representative of each society placed a flower in a wreath of green and white. Mrs. Davidson closed the service with a poem of faith and prayer.

The Stokesdale society served a lovely lunch and altogether it was voted one of our very best metings.

PASSING OF MRS. DELLA JOHNSON WELLS

In the passing of Mrs. Della Johnson Wells, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Asbury Memorial church of Asheville has lost a most valuable member. For years she has been the devotional superintendent of the society and her beautiful and inspiring messages will ever live in the memories of those with whom she was associated in the organization.

Though a member of a sister church, she became identified with the woman's work of Asbury Memorial in its early years, and was keenly interested in its every activity, contributing unselfishly of her time, her means and her prayers for its advancement.

Though a sufferer for many months, Mrs. Wells bore with submissive Christian fortitude her affliction without a murmur or complaint.

By her beauty of character and her kindly spirit Mrs. Wells endeared herself to a host of friends who are saddened at her passing, and the esteem in which she was held was evidenced by the numerous and beautiful floral offerings which covered her last resting place in Lewis Memorial Park in the beautiful Beaverdam Valley. The funeral services were conducted at her residence by Dr. Floyd Rogers, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, and Rev. R. H. Taylor, pastor of Asbury Memorial, in the presence of a large concourse of people.

"Dead? No, don't speak of her that way,
Don't think of her as dead;
She's only just gone on apiece,
A little way ahead.

"She's traveling still the same highway
That she with us has trod;
Merely outdistanced us a bit
Upon the road to God.

"Dead? Never with a thought like that
The smallest moment spend;
She's simply gone beyond our sight,
She's just around the bend."

To teach is to influence, and influence never dies.—Elbert Hubbard.

The wisest habit is the habit of care in the formation of habits.—Lynch.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

The State Legislative Council, of which the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. is a member, adopted and worked for a definitely worthy legislative program during the 1941 session of the General Assembly. The measures in which this body of civic minded Christian folk were especially interested were: A bill raising the compulsory school attendance age from 14 to 16 years, with adequate facilities for enforcing the law; a comprehensive state minimum wage hour law in substantial conformity with the federal law; a state supported nine months school term; protection of young men called to military service by prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in or near training camps; state aid for extending public library service; provision for industrial training for negro girls; promotion of highway safety through reissuance of drivers' licenses every three years; retirement and tenure plan for teachers and state employees; extension of organized county health services to include the 100 counties in the state; provision for more adequate care for mentally ill and defective children of both races. Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Raleigh, represents the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service on the Legislative Council. Other agencies composing the council are: North Carolina Conference for Social Service; N. C. Federation of Woman's Clubs; N. C. Federation of Business and Professional Women; State Nurses Association; State Superintendent of Public Welfare; State Council of Jewish Women; State Association of University Women; State Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Woman's Auxiliary Episcopal Diocese of N. C.

GUILD SEMINAR AT JUNALUSKA

A Wesleyan Service Guild seminar will be held at Lake Junaluska on July 30-August 4. According to information received from Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, this meeting will be open to Guild members, secretaries and members, of W. S. C. S. who are interested in learning more about the Guild. Saturday and Sunday, August 2 and 3, will be especially interesting for Guild members who can go for the week-end. Many Guild members should attend this important meeting.

DISCONCERTING BUT TRUE

Of the more than 400 W. S. C. S. in the N. C. conference only 182—less than one-half—sent last quarter's reports of publications to the conference secretary of that department of work, who had mailed cards to all societies reminding them to report and appriz- ing them of the proper person to whom to report. Perhaps the other conference officers are able to give a brighter picture to the situation concerning reports for the work of their various departments, and perhaps those who failed to report publications or any phase of the work will need only a reminder to help them do so at the end of the present quarter. Raleigh district is leading in number of societies reporting, having 39 societies which reported; Wilmington district is second, with 30 societies reporting; Durham district comes next with 29; Fayetteville district 27; Rocky Mount 24; New Bern 22, and Elizabeth City 14. The total number of subscriptions reported for World Outlook was 1480, and for The Methodist Woman 1396. It is indeed time that we awaken to the imperative need for circulating these two publications and for reporting in ALL departments of work to the PROPER conference officer and at the PROPER time—by January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 each year.

DURHAM DISTRICT ZONES MEET

Three days of uplifting inspiration, information and joyous fellowship were enjoyed when the Durham district missionary women and men met in annual summer joint zone meetings —Alamance and Chatham meeting Tuesday, July 1, at Mann's Chapel; Durham and Orange Wednesday at Bahama, and Caswell and Person on Thursday at Milton. The guest speakers for the three days were Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, New Bern, and Major L. M. Hall, chaplain at Fort Bragg. Mrs. Chadwick talked inspiringly and informingly on the new work. Major Hall told of the boys at Fort Bragg and described in detail the work of the department of morale and its efforts to prevent undesirable influences. Mrs. T. B. Hough, Alamance leader, and Mrs. G. F. Rigsbee, Chatham leader, presided the first day, with Miss Annie Baldwin of Ebenezer bringing the devotionals. Miss Evelyn Williams and Miss Baldwin served as secretaries. Mrs. J. W. Norwood gave the addres of welcome, to which Mrs. Joseph Coble responded. Mrs. R. Z. Newton and Mrs. Henry Bynum of Pittsboro sang "Be Still My Soul." At Bahama, Mrs. A. K. Umstead, Durham leader, and Mrs. J. A. Warren, Orange leader, presided, and were assisted by Mrs. I. B. McKay and Miss Mary Hogan as secretaries. Rev. M. C. Dunn held the worship. Miss Mary Ellen Krummel sang "My Task," accompanied by Mrs. Lucille Long. Mrs. C. M. Allen gave a welcome to which Mrs. Warren responded. At Milton Mrs. W. Taylor Long, Caswell leader, and Mrs. W. M. Fox, Person leader, presided, Mrs. Walter Williamson and Mrs. Dailey Frederick serving as secretaries. Miss Billie Street, violinist, and Miss Louise Walker, pianist, played "Ave Maria" and "The Rosary," and Miss Nan Lipscomb sang "Across the Hills," accompanied by Mrs. D. O. Sunderland. Rev. Floyd Patterson held the devotions on the theme "Wait for the Lord." Miss Martha Newman extended welcome, to which Mrs. S. J. Dickens responded. Mrs. J. H. Gunn talked on "Our Fall Mission Study" and Mrs. J. M. Watlington, Jr., on the new plan for children's work. Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, was present and made a short talk. Rev. W. C. Martin gave the noon day devotions. Miss Florine Robertson each day presented the Efficiency Aim, displayed the trophies held by the Durham district, explained the district specials and made various announcements and instructions about the work. Interesting reports were given each day, showing wonderful progress in the new work, a determination to carry on in a greater way than ever and a deepening of the spiritual atmosphere of groups that should bring results.—Florine Robertson.

NEW CHILDREN'S WORK PLANS

Since the missionary education of the primary and junior children in the church schools will continue to be cooperative and under the direction of a secretary of children's work appointed by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, every member should be vitally interested in the new plans for our children. Briefly they are: 1. Missionary education will be an intergral part of the lesson material provided by the church for the regular Sunday morning sessions. One or more missionary units will be written into the closely graded lessons and the group graded lessons; 2. In addition to the regular Sunday morning sessions of the church school three types of additional sessions are provided in which missionary units will also be studied. Each church will decide upon the type of additional session which will fit its needs; 3. In the Sunday morning sessions of the church school ALL offerings for missions will go to World Service—40 per cent to the Woman's Division of Christian Service, 40 per cent to World Service and 20 per cent to be retained by each local children's group; 4. All plans for the missionary education of children will be made and carried out by the Council of Children's Workers of each church or its equivalent; 5. The new plan goes into effect in October 1941; 6. The secretary of children's work in each local church and wherever possible it is hoped that she will be a teacher in the children's division of the church school. The new booklets explaining the plans in detail may be obtained by writing the N. C. Conference Board of Christian Education, Box 647, College Station, Durham, or Literature Headquarters Woman's Division of Christian Service, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

BABY LIFE MEMBERS

A special feature of the zone meeting at Milton recently was the presentation of baby life memberships to James White Watlington, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watlington, gift of Durham district; to James Monroe Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Long, gift of Semora W. S. C. S., and to James William Patterson, son of Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Patterson, gift of the five churches on the Milton charge, which Mr. Patterson serves. Miss Florine Robertson made the presentations.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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VACATIONS! VACATIONS!

We have about 400 children who would like to go on a vacation trip this summer, to say nothing of the working staff whose work clearly warrants the annual vacation. The staff will work out their vacations but the children must have help in working out theirs. We must know where they are going and with whom they will stay. Every trip must be carefully planned and all details of travel arranged for. Much correspondence is necessary in looking after these details. Each day's mail piles up on the desk and by eventide has received a response. Vacations begin Saturday, August 2 and, for the children, extend to Wednesday, August 20. Vacations for most of the staff begin Monday, August 4, and extend to Monday, August 18.

SOME FOR CAMP FELLOWSHIP

Usually about 100 of our children do not have anywhere to go for vacations. They have neither relatives nor friends who are in position to invite them into their homes for a summer visit. At a nominal cost we are privileged to take these youngsters to Camp Fellowship, a most excellent camping outfit established by the Presbyterian Orphans' Home, at Barium Springs, over on the Catawba river, some ten miles west of Statesville. We will gather our boys and girls together, with such supplies as will be needed, for this trip Monday, August 4, and will return Saturday, August 9. Some of our children had rather have this camping trip than any other kind of vacation.

A CORPORAL'S GUARD

During the first week in August when practically all of our children and members of the staff of workers are away there will only be a corporal's guard of us left to keep things going here. The cows must be milked, the stock must be fed and some canning must be done. So there will be a few of us here to do that and also to keep the buildings from changing their positions on the grounds. There's hardly any telling what buildings might do when they get lonesome, so lonesome after having had a family of such active children in them throughout the entire year.

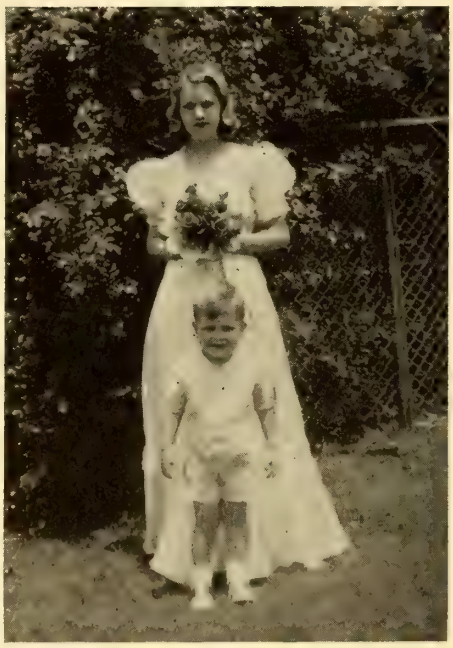
YES SIR, BROTHER!

Read what Rev. Wade Johnson, pastor of one of our Denton charges, says: "I take it that you know that the membership of my charge is composed of some of the sanest and finest cultured Anglo Saxons in the Western Hemisphere. The women of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Jackson Hill are anxious for a guest from your Home for a two weeks' vacation. They would like to have a little girl, eight to twelve years of age, who has not been invited any place, preferably one who has never had a vacation in the country. We will be glad to call for the child and return her by automobile."

How fine! We have just the girl for those good women.

CARL CAN GO

From Jack Robbins, now located in New York City, comes the following letter: "My brother, Carl, would like to spend his vacation with me and I would like very much to have him. As you probably know, I was in the Children's Home at High Point. I think I know most of the rules such a family lives by. I can assure you there is



A fine girl and a sweet little boy

nothing I would like less than having Carl under the wrong influence or having him discontented at your Home. I will be transferred back to Washington the 2nd of August. I would like to have Carl then, since I am getting a week's vacation at that time. I am glad you wanted me to write to you because it leads me to believe that you have a personal interest in Carl. Please don't turn us down because we have been wanting this for such a long time. I have been planning this for so long it has almost become a part of me."

THE BIG DARNELLS

Yesterday we had with us the four big Darnell boys, Weldon, Leonard and Thurmond and Albert, twins. All these boys have finished their stay here except Thurmond, who has been employed with us since completing his school work a year ago. All these boys came from a tubercular background. Weldon, the oldest, was probably the greatest all-round athlete we have ever had here. Leonard is the great Duke football player. Thurmond and Albert were not so outstanding athletically, but have been very dependable boys. They are all six footers. The purpose of their visit was to give Thurmond a good farewell before his leaving for the army within a few days. For one reason or another the other boys have been turned down. Weldon has a bad ear, Leonard's eyes are defective and Albert is recovering from an extended illness. They are all good boys but none better or more dependable than Thurmond.

ONE OF THE BEST

The picture this week is that of Julia Conrad, who was one of the outstanding graduates of this year's senior class. Coming to the Children's Home with six sisters in the early fall of 1930, Julia has proved to be one of the most dependable, as well as talented, girls we have ever had. For the past five years she has worked at the baby cottage and became so thoroughly identified with the work there as to be very capable in the direction of the little youngsters, not only as an assistant to Miss Harbour, the home mother, but as a principal when Miss Harbour was away on temporary leave. In front of Julia stands little Enoch Jacob Norris, the youngest member of the baby cottage family and mascot of the 1941 Richard J. Reynolds high school graduating class. When Julia took this little fellow over to be looked at by the nearly 300 graduates they elected him by acclamation. Julia is now visiting with relatives prior to her enrollment in the early fall for training for a nurse in the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte. Julia has been sponsored by the Adult Circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Norwood.

THE YOUNG BANKER

One of our ingratiating young juniors decided he would secure a bank and use it for holding funds in security for other junior boys. One lad entrusted $3.65 with the young banker and then proceeded to catch the mumps, causing him to remain in our infirmary for two weeks. During this enforced absence the young banker decided he would go on a spending spree, and ere long the $3.65 was gone. Now the young banker is turning his monthly honorarium and any other money that he can earn towards making restitution. When the lad grows up and becomes a real banker he probably will be an honest one. Many lessons are learned through the trial and error process.

SEND US SOME MONEY

We need some money to put in our bank. If it is placed there it is definitely promised that it will soon be spent. It will be used to buy food, clothing, coal and a lot of other things children need to live on. Our bank account is fearfully low. Please send us some money.

THE DOG GONE GANG

It may be remembered that some time ago mention was made on this page of our dog gone gang. This gang is composed of a group of junior boys

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNICS—Recently the Methodist Orphanage has had the privilege of having the Bunn and Warren Plains Sunday schools to visit the Methodist Orphanage. They had their annual picnics on our Orphanage campus, and we were happy to play host to these good friends. The loyal and generous support that these Sunday schools are giving our children is sincerely appreciated.

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MRS. NELLIE B. RIVES—The singing class had much pleasure in visiting new churches on July 13. We were at Sapling Ridge for the 11 o'clock service and at Davis Street church, Burlington, for the evening hour. These are both former Methodist Protestant churches. Rev. G. L. Reynolds is pastor of Sapling Ridge church, where he gave us a most cordial welcome, and where a most bountiful dinner was served for all. A good church building here, and loyal people. Our superintendent, Mr. Barnes, was with us in the evening service. He will write of this service.

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BURLINGTON—On the second Sunday night in this month our children gave a sacred concert in the Davis Street Methodist church at Burlington. Dr. F. W. Paschall has been the popular and much beloved pastor of this church for more than ten years. A most cordial and whole hearted welcome was extended to Mrs. Rives and our young people on that happy occasion. I considered it a great privilege to have been present at that service. I am glad to tell the friends of the Methodist Orphanage throughout the conference that Davis Street church has taken our children close to its heart, and is generous in its support of our home. I have the assurance of many of the members that I can depend upon the church, church school and the Woman's Society of Christian Service to give us their enthusiastic support.

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CHURCH AND ORPHANAGE — Many years ago I heard Bishop Ainsworth in a public address say, with a great deal of emphasis, that the church needs the Orphanage as much, or more, than the Orphanage needs the church. My first reaction to such a declaration was that the bishop had overstated the matter. Upon further reflection I have come to the conclusion that the bishop was absolutely correct in his statement. At a recent meeting of the Methodist Orphanages of the South Dr. Charles Weaver, superintendent of the Winston-Salem district, made a very similar statement in a public address. These two outstanding churchmen declared that such institutions called for the finer things of our holy religion. Unless there was some great human need such as the Orphanage to give tangible expression, the church would not have an opportunity to express its love and compassion those in need. By ministering to little children bereft of home and loved ones, the church is saved from a spirit of complacency, and often from calousness toward those who need and suffer. When we get the churches interested in visiting the fatherless it becomes a very easy matter to enlarge that interest in the whole program of the church. My candid conviction is that Orphanage work is applied Christianity.

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It makes me very sad when I think of the necessity of having to bid farewell to the Methodist Orphanage and all friends and loved ones connected with this Home.

To Mr. Barnes, whom I shall always think of as a father instead of a superintendent, I want to thank for helping and encouraging me at all times.

Next, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the members of the missionary society of Hamlet, who have for several years supplied me with lovely clothes twice a year. I shall always be grateful to them for their kindness and interest in me.

This letter would not be complete without thanking the matrons and teachers of our home for their guidance and service.

After leaving the home I shall always cherish the memories of the joyous days of the Methodist Orphanage, and I shall forever be proud of the fact that I was reared here along with many lucky brothers and sisters.

Huldah Creech.

MYSELF AND I

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able, as days go by,
Always to look myself in the eye.
I don't want to stand, with the setting sun,
I hate myself for the things I'v done.
I want to go out with my head erect;
I want to deserve all men's respect;
And here for the struggle for fame and pelf,
I want to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I'm bluster, bluff and empty show.
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BOYS' CAMP

Seventy-three alert, wide-awake, energetic intermediate boys, 21 counselors and leaders, worshipped, worked and played together during the week of June 7-14 at Camp Carlyle, to make this year's camp the most significant yet held in our conference. This brief statement of the activities will call to the minds of this year's and all previous years campers the exciting adventures which have been theirs, under the auspices of the Methodist Church.

In the morning. Sleepy eyes and unwilling spirits greeted the bugler's reveille at 7 o'clock, but everyone is out at some favorite retreat by cabins for their morning meditations. Then came breakfast, followed by an half hour of clean-up and inspection. The inspectors this year had formerly some army experience and the boys learned a lot about making up their bunks and just where the dirt and dust were. This brought us to 9:00 and forum discussion periods each day: "Materials of Worship," led by Ross Francisco, Duke University; "Stories of Amos," Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Hayesville. (He dressed up as the prophet Amos, with whiskers and sandals and appropriate cloak). "Getting Along with People," Rev. R. W. McCulloch, Kannapolis; "Our Brazilian Friends," Rev. Charles Clay, missionary to Brazil. Reports of these discussion periods by the boys themselves indicated that each one was especially meaningful to them.

Then came some free time which led into four commission meetings. These commissions are the same as those in the intermediate department of the local church. They were Worship and Evangelism led by Rev. John Carper, Paw Creek; World Friendship, Rev. Rollin Gibbs, Liberty; Citizenship and Community Service, Rev. Courtney Ross, Salisbury; and Recreation and Personal Development, Rev. Earl Brewer, Salisbury.

Assembly and business sessions furnished an opportunity for the intermediates to elect their own officers and make plans for common camp life together. Officers were elected as follows; President, Wallace Reid; vice president, Jimmy Little; secretary, White Goodson; treasurer, Billy Noel. These officers planned for the business session and presided at them. They represented one cabin each and other cabin representatives were: Paul Cope, Robert Curvey, Harry Womble and Leon Walker. The officers and the representatives made up the camp council. At 11:30 there was 45 minutes for swimming and games. Dinner was served at 12:30.

In the afternoon. After dinner there was an hour in which we stayed in our cabins for reading, writing letters home and sleeping. Following that, a number of interest groups of a recreational nature met: Nature Lore and Hiking, Rev. Charles Clay; First Aid, Richard Smith, Rockingham, and Mrs. Clara Simpson, Statesville; Learning to Swim, Rev. Howard Wilkinson, Duke University; and Learning Tennis, Ross Francisco. The rest of the afternoon was devoted to swimming, soft ball, horse shoes, ping pong, basket ball, darts, hiking, etc. Rev. J. L. Trollinger, Polkton; Rev. Courtney Ross; Rev. G. W. Bumgarner, Canton; and Rev. Ralph Taylor, Asheville, helped in directing athletics and various games. Richard Smith and Howard Wilkinson served as life guards.

In the evening. Following supper at 6 o'clock, we went silently up the hill to the side of Hill Top House for our vesper service. Leaders for these were the intermediates under the guidance of Rev. John Carper. After vespers there was usually a soft ball game before the evening program.

One interesting feature of the camp at this time was a series of cook-out suppers. One fourth of the camp, about 25, went up into the mountains on different evenings to prepare and cook their own supper. In this way each of the campers had the cook-out experience once during the camp. Rev. Rollin Gibbs and Ross Francisco supervised these suppers and this group had their vesper service around their fire.

Next we turned to the evening program. Early Saturday evening there was an enthusiastic search with the guidance of a map and under the direction of Richard Smith for the message left by last year's camp to this year's campers. This message was finally found, dug up and placed in front of the lighted cross in the campfire circle. The opening campfire closed with an initiation service for all new campers and with the message of last year's camp being read. Sunday evening we sat around an open fire for songs and stories. An Indian Little Council provided the fun and hilarity for Monday evening. Tuesday brought more Indian lore under the direction of Rev. Clifford Peace, Forest City, who told Indian stories and displayed a wonderful collection of arrow heads and relics. There were movies of Brazil and of last year's camp followed by active games Wednesday evening. A banquet and talent night under the direction of Rev. Frank Jordan, Spencer, characterized Thursday evening. The last evening was an impressive dedication campfire, at which time a message to the camp of 1942 was read, having previously been hidden and a map drawn, indicating its whereabouts. The Trail of Candles from the Council Ring to the cabins furnished an experience long to be remembered by counselors and campers. The final taps ended a most significant experience for all of us.

The camp was under the direction of Rev. Carl H. King, with Rev. Earl Brewer serving as program director. S. W. Taylor, Jr., of High Point served as pianist.

THE FIRST CONFERENCE ANNUAL YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The first Conference Annual Young Adult Fellowship was held at Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville, June 21-25. Representing every district in the conference, more than 60 key young adult leaders were present.

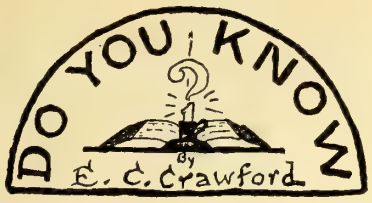
Outstanding features of the conference were daily forums by Dr. Albert Outler, Duke University Divinity School, on the subject "Elements of a Working Christian Faith in Days Such As These," and platform periods as follows: Rev. Paul Townsend, Belmont, "Young Adults Facing New Opportunities"; Dr. M. T. Smathers, Asheville, "Plans of Young Adults in the Program of the Methodist Church"; Rev. Arthur Kale, Kannapolis, "Co-operation Between Rural and Urban Communities"; and Mr. Paul Ervin, Charlotte, "Young Adults Facing Life—Today and Tomorrow." These study groups were available: "Adults at Work in the Small Church," taught by Rev. E. H. Brendall, Belmont; "The Work of the Young Adult Fellowship" by Rev. C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro; and "New Testament in the Life of Today" by Rev. Cecil Hefner, Norwood.

The followship communion service Sunday night under the direction of Rev. Carl H. King was a high point in the camp. One of the most effective phases of the program was the Chinese banquet, with Chinese food prepared by Miss Marcia Wang of China. Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary to Korea; Miss Mildred Whitener, Shelby; Mrs. Kenneth Clarke, Charlotte, and others assisted in the preparation for this unusual experience. Featured in the banquet program were Chinese games, movies of war relief conditions in China, hymn singing in Chinese, and a talk by Miss Wang.

Other aspects of the program included individual morning meditations prepared by Mrs. Earl Brewer, vesper services under the leadership of Rev. G. W. Bumgarner of Canton, and afternoon and evening recreation under the direction of Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Martin of Harmony. Afternoon interest groups were led by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Salisbury; Miss Blanche Gluck, Winston-Salem; Rev. G. W. Bumgarner and Rev. R. V. Martin. Director of music was Rev. E. Lester Ballard of Reidsville.

An important period each day was given to business sessions, at which time a Conference Wide Young Adult Fellowship was organized with the following officers elected for the coming year: President, Zeb Barnhardt, 112 S. Main Street, Winston-Salem; vice president, Miss Mary Drum, Catawba; secretary, Miss Hulda Whitely, Wesley Memorial church, High Point; treasurer, Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas. It was decided that another meeting of the Young Adult Fellowship be held next year and phases of promoting adult work in the churches, districts and conference were discussed. Rev. Carl H. King was business

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That Sunday has become an unholy day; that Sunday leads all other days in the number of auto deaths, accounting for twice as many as Wednesday. Last year 6930 people were killed in Sunday auto accidents, and another 219,050 injured.

That 60 per cent of the people of the United States are not affiliated with any church and that only one out of four of the other 40 per cent are in attendance at church on any given Sunday.

That the Sunday school enrollment of North Carolina is about 50,000 less than it was 15 years ago.

That of the 1,069,000 children in North Carolina between the ages of 6 and 17, enrolled in the public schools, only 338,786 are enrolled in Sunday school.

That the consumption of alcoholic beverage per person in France in the year 1939 was 65 gallons.

That the people of the United States in their consumption of alcoholic beverage have gone from 1.59 gallons per capita to 13.41 gallons in 1940.

That 23 states in the United States have a sales tax; 25 states have no sales tax.

That only about four persons in the hundred in the United States have an income large enough to place them in the income tax bracket.

That the defense tax is being passed down to the consumer, making the tax heaviest on those who have least. The week the defense tax went on cigarettes, beer, and gas the manufacturer raised the prices to consumers to include the tax.

That the tax paid on tobacco by smokers and tobacco users amounts to more than the manufacturers pay the the farmers for the whole crop. The average crop of tobacco in the United States brings the farmers about $200,000,000. The government raises about $500,000,000 in taxes on the average crop.

The government is having trouble with the defense program; the laborer wants too much wages and the manufacturer wants too much profit. If the bill to conscript industry had passed Congress along with the bill to conscript men, then the government would have been in a good position to deal with the matter.

A MODERN MINISTER

By Arthur Talmage Abernethy

A man, whose soul was in a lurch,
In search of comfort went to church;
There, he was told, he would find light
To lead him out of his bleak plight.
He went, in hunger for the truth
As taught him in his early youth.
He trusted something he might hear
Would give him hope and his soul cheer.
A preacher, neatly garbed and groomed,
With a rich voice that fairly boomed,
Arose, and to his hearers read
About what Eve and Adam said.
Then he proceeded to display
His "higher wisdom" on the way
That ancient peoples reckoned years;
He spoke of "Culture," wars and fears;
He analyzed the Bible lore,
Its "ignorance" he did deplore.
He greatly urged more "liberal" views
About the "doctrines" that we choose.
The preacher, it appears, forgot
In telling what the Book is NOT,
To help his hearers realize
The Book does not philosophize,
But sets a Great Example's worth
For us to follow on this earth;
The Bible, when each message gives,
Is NOT a lecture—the Book LIVES.
The preacher pictured Life a thing
That seemed as hollow as a ring.
Involved in pedantry and phrase,
His sermon left folks in a daze.
The hungry-hearted man went out
With nothing said to lift his doubt;
That "God is Love" the poor man heard
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I believe in the dignity of labor, whether with head or hand; that the world owes no man a living but that it owes every man an opportunity to make a living.

I believe that thrift is essential to well-ordered living and that economy is a prime requisite of a sound financial structure, whether in government, business or personal affairs.

I believe that truth and justice are fundamental to an enduring social order.

I believe in the sacredness of a promise, that a man's word should be as good as his bond; that character—not wealth or power or position—is of supreme worth.

I believe that the rendering of useful service is the common duty of mankind and that only in the purifying fire of sacrifice is the dross of selfishness consumed and the greatness of the human soul set free.

I believe in an all-wise and all-loving God, named by whatever name, and that the individual's highest fulfillment, greatest happiness and widest usefulness are to be found in living in harmony with his will.

I believe that love is the greatest thing in the world; that it alone can overcome hate; that right can and will triumph over might.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Holy Spirit Inspires New Testament Letters

Galatians 1:11-12; 1 Thess. 2:13; 2 Tim. 3:14-17; 2 Peter 3:14-16; Jude 3

The vital Christian is a combination of conservative and progressive. If he does not think adventurously he has forgotten that Jesus said, I have yet many things to say unto you but ye cannot bear them now. On the other hand, the true Christian realizes that eternal reality has been revealed to him, and he must hold to it at all hazards (Hebrews 2:1-4). He must, for instance, never lose hold of the great truths that the incarnate Son of God died for our sins according to the Scripture, and that he rose again, and that he offers forgiveness and overcoming power to all who have courage to believe in him.

The dangers threatening the early church constrained Paul to speak with great authority (Galatians 1:8-9), and he reminds Timothy that his claim to have received his gospel directly from Christ was authenticated by the terrible sufferings he endured to proclaim it (2 Timothy 3:10-11). In connection with my gospel, he seems to say, I have given a transfusion of blood to show how sure I am that it came from the living Chirst, and God has given witness to its truth by the wonders he has wrought (Romans 15: 18-19). He reminds Timothy of his old grandmother and his mother who taught him the Scriptures (2 Timothy 1:5), and whose lives were transformed by them. If such noble women, he suggests, were developed by believing the Scriptures, they must have in them elements of eternal truth.

Ah, but, some one says, what superstitious notions concerning the Bible good old grandmothers often have! We admit it. But any belief that has nourished a holy and beautiful life, although it may have a mixture of superstition, must have divine reality at its heart. Pure superstition never makes saints.

When we approach the burning bush of the epistles we seem to hear a voice saying, Take thy shoes from off thy feet, the land whereon thou standest is holy ground. But it does not say, Take thy spectacles from off thine eyes. Jesus says, Let no man do your thinking for you (Matthew 23: 8-9). Indeed, a devoutly critical spirit is, in the long run, an aid to the development of a firm faith. The Israelites were all the surer that the fire that consumed Elijah's sacrifice came from above, because he had first bidden them pour nine barrels of water on it (1 Kings 18:33-38).

The critical spirit began in the New Testament itself. The author of 2 Peter suggests that Paul might have guarded his meaning more carefully. One needs only to glance at Paul's chapter on foreordination to see this (Romans 9); and there are plain hints that Luke does not share Paul's disapproval of the prophetic ministry of women, for he reminds us that Joel predicts that your daughters as well as your sons shall prophesy (Acts 2:17). and he delights to tell us that Philip had four virgin daughters which did prophesy (Acts 21:9). And Paul himself admits that "now we see in a mirror darkly" (1 Corinthians 13:8-13).

But what a miracle of vitality and transforming power we find in his letters! When we take them up we are soon aware that through their wiry sentences a current of heavenly electricity is passing. Men continually discover that when they plug into the socket of Paul's letters they get overcoming power. Hence one can be as certain as he is that he is alive that they are the word of God, and yet at the same time admit that Paul to a certain extent wrote under the limitations of his age, just as we can recommend vitamin-bearing garden vegetables with great confidence, although we know that they contain cellulose matter that must be eliminated in the process of digestion.

The trouble with us is that we do not give these writings time. The Scriptures are like the hot water faucets in some of our hotels. They run cold at first because they have been piped a long distance from an ancient thought world. But in due time they always run hot. Blessed is the man who stores them in his memory, and meditates on them at odd moments in his busy life. And the marvel is that one never exhausts their meaning. At our church suppers when the ladies gather up the dishes they sometimes say, "Keep your fork." When we feel that we have mastered the contents of a New Testament epistle, it always smiles at us, and says, Keep your fork.

WAR WILL NOT ALWAYS BE

By Thomas Curtis Clark

War will not always be.
A time will surely come
When men will pause and say:

"In this, the fair today,
Our minds can scarce believe
That our forefathers strove
As very beasts, in blood—
Contemned the way of love!
The world took up the sword
And bathed the land in gore;
At one fell, fateful word
Our nation grimly swore
To give its gold, its life
In never ceasing strife
To slay its haughty foe—
But that was long ago."

And other men will say:

"Yes, 'twas a bloody tale—
More ghastly none can know—
But that was long ago."

—Christian Century.

Men succeed in life quite as much by their temper as by their talents.—Author unknown.

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PARTING TIMES

By Laura Dickson

Annie Ruth had eighty dollars in the bank. Every time she had had a birthday, her father had given her a crisp, new five dollar bill. She had had only six birthdays. The other fifty dollars had been first prize in a photograph contest for babies.

One day, after helping her mother with the dishes used at the noonday meal, Annie Ruth said, "I have eighty dollars in the bank, enough to take out for some music lessons. I would rather spend the money that way than any other. Couldn't I start studying piano now?"

Her mother did not reply, but averted her face and went on skimming cream from a pan of milk.

"Is anything wrong?" Annie Ruth asked, going up to the kitchen table and standing beside her mother, who had a deep, anxious line between her eyebrows.

"Mother, tell me."

"I hated to have to tell you."

"Daddy isn't sick or anything?"

"No. Not sick. But he's suffered some financial setbacks. I'm afraid we will have to—have to—"

"Do what?"

"Trade the piano for a Jersey cow. That's it. We can't afford to pay the dairyman for any more milk after we've settled the old bill. And with a cow of our own, we would have milk to sell after furnishing our own supply. It would really help a lot. Your father has decided upon it. The farmer will come and get it, and leave the cow, in a little while."

"Daddy's right. The piano wouldn't do anybody any good but me. The cow will help us all three out. I—I guess I'll play on it until the farmer comes."

Annie Ruth slipped into the parlor alone, and, although tears were streaming from her eyes so that she could hardly see the keys, she played the popular hymns she had picked out "by ear": "My Jesus, I Love Thee," "Saviour, Like a Shepherd," "Softly and Tenderly," "Fairest Lord Jesus," and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." When she heard the truck she closed the lid quietly and stood looking at the instrument a last instant, and then fled upstairs to her room.

Annie Ruth's parents had brought her to the big, rambling farm house two years before to convalesce from a serious illness, and in the healthful country atmosphere she showed such remarkable and rapid improvement that they bought the place as a permanent home. Her father continued to work in the city eight miles away, going at six-thirty in the morning and returning about six-thirty in the evening. He bought a few chickens and pigs to raise, but, up to the time our story opened, still patronized the city dairy he always had. The few acres of farming ground were cultivated by hired hands.

When Annie Ruth's mother called her to come and set the table for supper, the farmer had been gone with the piano four hours, and in all that time Annie Ruth had not ceased sobbing to herself. Now that daylight was beginning to go, she bathed her face with cold water, went downstairs and quickly set the dining room table. Since no lamps had been lit, she hoped that her mother did not see her lack of courage.

Afterwards, she took a flashlight and busied herself with the hens' nests in the backyard, and, when supper was called, asked to be allowed to finish her task.

When she was sure that mother and daddy were sitting on the front piazza, she ran to the dining room and lifted the bowl that was turned upside down over her plate to keep her supper warm. It would have been hard to swallow the chicken pie and cheese on toast with the lump in her throat, but Tabby the cat had a habit of eating everything that was set before him, and he obliged Annie Ruth by not leaving even a toast crust.

Feeling extremely fatigued from the ordeal of the afternoon, Annie Ruth took to her bed, for it was nearly nine, and, at least until daylight, slept away her sorrow.

The days passed. But the musically inclined child never went into the parlor unless specially sent in there to dust or to get something, and then it made her heart ache to look at the empty corner where the piano had been.

If mother and daddy suspected how hard it was for Annie Ruth to do without it, they never appeared to. Annie Ruth wondered why the piano was never mentioned after it was taken away.

After the cow had been with them nearly a year, daddy had become well enough recovered in financial circumstances to sell it to a dairyman. The cow had a calf which was to stay, for it had been given to Annie Ruth on her seventh birthday instead of the customary five dollar bill.

Annie Ruth took care of the calf herself and called it "Spotty," because it was brown with white spots, or you might say, white with brown spots.

The cow had not been sold many weeks when daddy said, at the supper table, "Annie Ruth, how would you like to have something?"

"Something like what?"

"Well, say, get the old piano back."

Annie Ruth's eyes widened. It had been a year since she had played on it last. Oh, she would do anything, anything, she was thinking.

"Mr. Robertson, the man who took the piano away, wants a calf and says he's willing to bring the piano back."

"But he wants Spotty? I would have to let them take Spotty?"

"Yes, you would."

Annie Ruth didn't know which would be harder, to keep on looking at that bare corner in the parlor—or have to see the barn that was Spotty's home, every time she went into the backyard.

So she excused herself from the table and in her room wrote, "Get piano" on one slip of paper, and "Keep Spotty" on another. With her eyes shut she shuffled them together and drew, and then read, "Get piano."

As the money Annie Ruth had put in the bank had never been touched, piano lessons were arranged for without delay. The teacher only lived a half mile up the road, so it would be easy to walk. Mr. Robertson lived between the two houses.

While on her way to take her first lesson, she passed the little calf who, seeing her, stopped grazing in the fenced-in pasture and gave a long bellow that rang in her ears.

Annie Ruth ran on and did not look back, and the tears that had sprung to her eyes at sight of Spotty suddenly disappeared like magic, for she found herself unfastening the white picket gate at the music teacher's home.—Southern Christian Advocate.

A HAPPY FAMILY

What makes a happy family?
Listen, and I will tell.
It's not your house, it's not your clothes,
Nor the car you like so well.
Nor trips you take, nor the radio,
Nor money you have to spend.
It's something better than all of these,
Something that will not end.
It's love of dad, who works so hard
To get the things you need.
It's mother, loving and helping you
By every kindly deed.
It's brother's love and sister's love,
And your love for each one
That makes the joy and happiness,
When every day is done.

—Susie Potter Hesse, in Storytime.

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THIRD ROUND

July
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 27
August
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Kinston, 11 27
Goldsboro, Ct., Ebenezer, 3 27
New Bern, Centenary, 8 27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 27
Roberdel, Ledbetter's, 8 27
August
Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Elm City, 11 10
W. Halifax, Hollister, 8 10
Elm City, Hornes, 8 11
September
Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28
October
Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
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Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
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Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31
November
Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 27
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 8....27
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 8 29
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 30
August
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

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July 27, 3 p.m.—Brevard, Etowah, Rosman, East Flat Rock, Fletcher, Hendersonville, Mills River, Saluda, Tryon at Hendersonville.

August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.

August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.

August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.

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THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

July
Helton, 11 27
Warrensville, 3 27
Creston, Southerland, night 27
August
Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND

July
West End, 11 27
Russell's Temple, 3 27
August
Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

July
Liberty First, 11 27
Liberty Ct., Staley, 2:30 27
West Randolph-Clarksbury, 7:30 27
Oak View, 7:30 30
August
Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornelt, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Old Fort Ct., 11 27
Marion First, 7:30 27
August
North Forest, 11 3
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 3
Cross Mills, 7:30 3
Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31
September
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28
October
Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 27
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 27
Cool Springs, Salem, night 27
August
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 3
Newton, night 3
North Newton, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, night 10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Crabtree, Davis, 9:45 27
Junaluska, 8 27
August
Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27
September
Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

July
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3 27
Rockford St., 7:30 27
August
Central Terrace, 11 17
Centenary, 11 24
Grace, 7:30 24
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31
September
Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 7
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
North Davidson, 3 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29
October
Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Centenary, 7:30 8
Doubs, 7:30 9
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14

The city man was talking to a mountaineer who was shaving.

"Have you cut yourself many times?' he asked.

"Wal," drawled the man of the hills, "I been shavin' nigh on to two years now, and I ain't cut meself either time."

THESE AIN'T ORIGINAL

The following "cracks" are gathered from many sources. What they say isn't all nonsense; therefore we pass them on:

After all, the proper age at which to get married is the parson-age.

There is very little "waist" material in a fashionable evening gown.

Keeping a daughter in clothes isn't always a financial problem.

Some girls do any kind of fancy work and others don't fancy work of any kind.

A woman can sharpen a pencil as quickly as a man can thread a needle.

It is a wise woman that can draw the line between coaxing and nagging.

Funny, isn't it? Day breaks without falling and night falls without breaking.

Many a woman who is able to drive an automobile can't begin to drive a nail.

The average woman would rather have a little flattery than a lot of sympathy.

Girls get to work late now just as often as they did when they had more clothes to put on.

Most any woman will admit that there are two sides to every question. Her side and the wrong side.

A great many women that think they are displaying their charms are really displaying only a lot of poor judgment.

A court has fixed $12 as a fair price for a kiss. But we can think of a lot of cases where this might be called gross profiteering.

Another disillusionment in store for the bride is when she discovers the number of holes men commonly wear in their socks.

Last month while reading proofs, we discovered that the printer had set this heading: "Wedding BILLS." Evidently he's a married man.—Religious Telescope.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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who have taken it upon themselves to clear the campus of all stray dogs. We have plenty of them. It may be that some of the boys have a way of whistling them in. At any rate, these boys get the dogs and bring them to this scribe who calls the police department as the agency for impoundnig them, pending the time their owners can be ascertained. The dog gone gang works to a fare-you-well.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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manager and Rev. Earl Brewer was dean of the first Conference Wide Young Adult Fellowship.

It is hoped that this meeting will greatly stimulate interest in young adults and their activities in every church of our conference. Those not attending the conference, but interested in getting some suggestions and helps for their young adults, write Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

Were we truly happy, we would not need to turn our minds from it in order to become happy.—Pascal.

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FIELDS—The recent passing of Brother Joseph P. Fields removes one of the most faithful members from Bethel Methodist church, near Climax. He had reached the ripe age of 80 years. It was his custom to attend church every Sunday. This he did until a few months before his translation. Because of his faithfulness and Christian character he was for a long period of years one of the officials of his church. Bethel church misses him so much. His widow and two sons survive, also two brothers and one sister. The pastor and Rev. W. F. Ashburn, a former pastor, conducted the funeral at Bethel on June 10, burial taking place in the church cemetery.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Chrsitian Service of Flag Spring Methodist church, pay sincere tribute to the memory of our beloved sister, Mrs. Dewey Staley, whom God called to her eternal home May 23.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her loved ones and pray that God may guide their way and that they will meet their loved one in her happy home some day.

Resolved, That our society has lost a faithful member; that a copy of this tribute be sent to her husband, to her mother, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. H. L. Richardson,
Mrs. C. A. Lewallen.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the early morning hours of Saturday, June 14, the spirit of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Minnie Bowden Allen, passed from this world to that eternal city whose builder and maker is God.

It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Farmington Methodist church record her passing; but in the midst of our grief we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well and who is our ever present help in time of trouble.

Be it resolved, that we shall cherish her memory and that we shall emulate the example of her daily life, so full of deeds, so ready to lend a helping hand to all in need.

We recommend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him whom she loved and served.

When with the loved ones who've gone on before
Ransomed we stand on that beautiful shore;
When in His beauty our Saviour we see,
O what a glorious day that will be.

Mrs. F. H. Bahnson,
Mrs. W. E. Keunen,
Mrs. T. H. Redmon.

LEWIS—Eliza Cook, daughter of B. F. and Martha C. Sledge, was born November 27, 1853. She was happily converted at Smith's church under the ministry of Rev. Mr. Gannon when 13 years old and joined the Methodist church. On January 8, 1879, she was married to R. J. Lewis. Of this union were born three children, one boy and two girls. The first born died in infancy; the son Roger G. Lewis died a few years later; the daughter, Mrs. J. H. Baucom, survives her mother. Thus in brief outline is a life which were it written in detail would fill volumes. Mrs. Lewis was true and loyal as a wife, warmly devoted as a mother, kind and loving as a friend, and was ever faithful to her church.

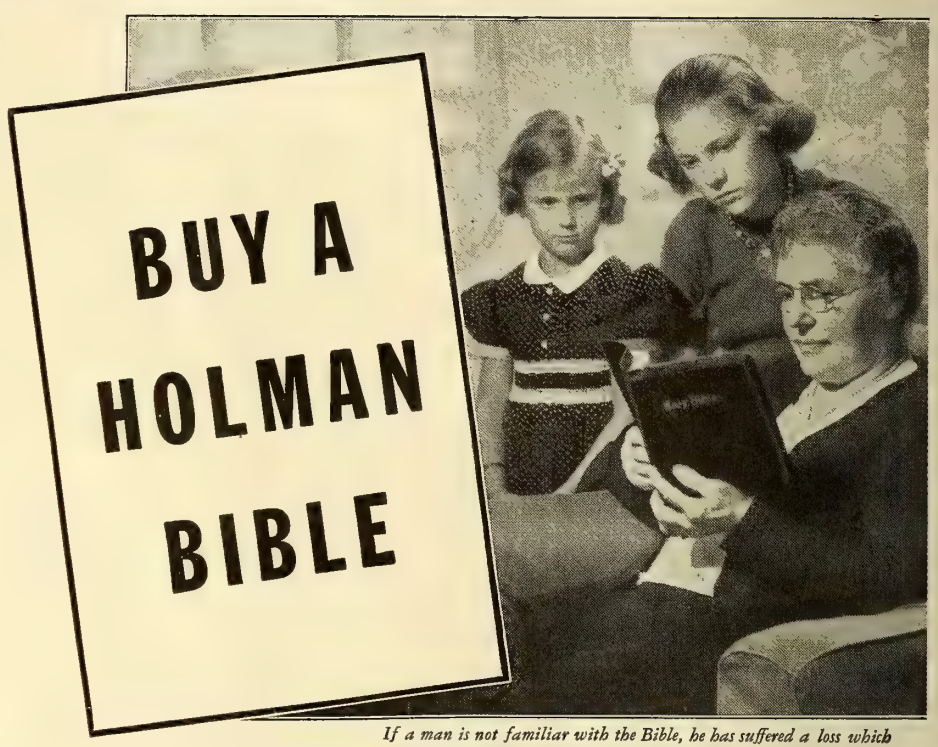
While she was an invalid, helpless most of the time for the last 12 years of her life, she never failed to meet her financial obligations to her church and the missionary society. While her going is keenly felt by her loved ones, yet they sorrow not without hope. One of her favorite hymns was—

"Father, I stretch forth my hands to thee,
No other help I know;
If thou withdraw thyself from me,
Ah, whither shall I go?"

A. J. Groves.

STANCIL—God's ways are past finding out. Mysteries still occur in the field of providence. Some things we'll never understand until we waken on that glad morning and know even as we are known. Leone Stancil of Micro, N. C., a bright sweet girl in her teens, after a few days' illness, was suddenly called to the home above. She was the only child. She was a leader among the children in the church. She sat near the front of the church and was first to the communion table followed by others of her class. May the good Father who makes no blunders, comfort and bless her parents, especially the mother.

J. W. Bradley, Pastor.



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Danger! Methodism to Your Knees!

This message of the Board of Bishops, written by Bishop, William A. Quayle to the Church in 1918. A message to Methodism during the first World War may well be a message during the second World War.

THIS World War clamors across the sky. We can hardly hear any other music. Thunder is hard to talk against. The American people and Methodism are as one. Methodism has no minority report on this vast battle. We are not pacifists: we fight with God for a safe world, for a decent world, for a world, with a chance to be virtuous, for a Christian world.

Just because Methodism is so patriotic to the United States of America and to the united states of the planet, it is experiencing a subtle danger. That danger is that the Church should in any wise silence its own heavenly music. Patriotism is a lesser majesty than the gospel. Methodism must preach both majesties. The gospel must not be stifled by any business, however worthy. It need not be. There is a more amazing trumpet than a battle trumpet. It is the gospel trumpet.

Have a care, Methodism, lest in the revel of patriotism we become unconsciously remiss in the highest patriotism, namely, the proclamation and practice of spirituality, the preaching of Jesus the Saviour, of the glory and necessity of the new birth, of the pressing character of redemption, of the insistent ministry of immortality in these battle days of death, of the necessity of Christianity above all the things this battling world needs, to the end that this World War may eventuate in a world peace, at whose heart dwells righteousness.

The Sunday school, in particular, must be guarded against a threatened falling off. Christian men and women must not less but more hold hard to the gospel. Sunday school teachers and Sunday school helps must speak in certain terms of Christianity and of Christian theology. Sunday school and church were never so greatly needed. The church must hold to its Sunday school, its prayer meeting, its Sunday service, its prayer, its sanctity of soul. Every church agency must be as vital as the resurrection morning. Preacher and Sunday school teacher and every church member must love Christ and talk Christ and practice Christ to the uttermost.

BEWARE! DANGER, LEST IN OUR FERVID ACTIVITIES OUR CHRISTIAN FERVOR ABATE. DANGER! METHODISM, TO YOUR KNEES!

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

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School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 24-August 5
Missionary Conference ..... July 29-August 5
Pastors' Conference ..... August 5-10
Youth Conference (Education Building) ..... August 5-16
Leadership School ..... August 18-29

Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 3, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Bishop W. T. Watkins
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. E. Stanley Jones

Monday, August 4, 9:40 A. M.—The Missionaries Speak.
11:00 A. M.—General Forum Hour (Missionaries).
8:00 P. M.—Missionary Night.
Presentation of Missionaries, Mrs. Otis Moore and Dr. R. T. Henry (China).

Pastors' Conference, August 5-10 (Auditorium)
Youth Conference, August 5-16 (Education Building)

Tuesday, August 5, 9:40 A. M.—Dr. C. K. Vliet, Forum Hour.
10:45 A. M.—Dr. Wm. F. Quillian and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, General Forum Hour.
11:30 A. M.—Closing Address, Dr. Karl K. Quimby, "The Christian Church and the World Order."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Life Begins."

Wednesday, August 6, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, "Seventy Thousand Sent Forth, Two by Two."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Life Expands."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, Efficient Visitation and Family Evangelism."

Thursday, August 7, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "The Inner Circle."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, "To Serve the Present Age."
4:00-5:30 P. M.—Tea by Ministers' Wives of the Waynesville District at the Mission Inn.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, "The Mind of a Christian."

Friday, August 8, 10:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. Guy H. Black, "Assimilating and Reclaiming Inactive Members."
11:00 A. M.—Address, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, "Expanding the Circle."
7:30 P. M.—Address, Dr. Y. C. Yang, "The Future of Missions in China."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. W. G. Cram, "Present-Day Missionary Challenge."

Saturday, August 9, 8:00 P. M.—Address, Mr. Paul Super (Poland), "I Saw What Happened in Europe."
9:00-10:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Last Stronghold."

WHO RULES NORTH CAROLINA—THE PEOPLE OR THE LIQUOR TRADE?

All preachers, laymen and lay women who would remedy the liquor situation in North Carolina are urged to join us in extending the circulation in the state of this Advocate. Something must be done in the handling of liquor to save our democracy from the liquor dictation of the 27 ABC counties in North Carolina. From this section of the state at present come the entire "State Board" for liquor control. So less than one-fourth of the population acts for the whole. This ABC plan does not fit in with our loudly acclaimed democracy. No democracy and no defense of democracy can be found in this mongrel liquor law.

Our plea is for the Methodist preachers and the women to give us their best efforts in this crusade against liquor by helping to circulate this Advocate. We are going to do our best these coming months. Will the Methodists stand by us?

Wake county ABC stores alone sold last year $1,126,661. Think of the total for 27 counties. Something must be done. Brethren and sisters, are you going to let us down?

The wet-dry battle is on in South Carolina. They have gone in to win. Their special paper is The Temperance News. We would make the North Carolina Christian Advocate a vigorous enemy of old John Barleycorn in every county in the state. We want workers in every community with or without ABC stores.

DOOMED

Hitler? Is he winning? Can anyone doubt it today? His forces move as does a giant glacier, crushing and grinding all before it. But Hitler is doomed, was doomed before he flew a plane or fired a gun or drove a tank. Why dare we say this? Because we live in a moral universe. Because all history testifies that no man has ever defied the moral order of this unseen world and not been crushed before its inexorable reality.

The quotation is old, it's time-worn, but it's eternally true "The mills of God grind slowly but they grind exceeding small." Sooner or later between these grinding millstones of righteousness, justice, truth, the ruthless tyrant must be caught. Triumphant Caesar fell that memorable day, the Ides of March. The seemingly invincible Napoleon, the would-be master of Europe, died a prisoner in exile on the guarded island of St. Helena.

It may not be today. It may not be tomorrow. Time alone tells the day, the year, the century when earth's real victorious hosts have won the battle they had seemed to lose.

"They went forth to battle but they always fell.
Their might was not the might of lifted spears.
Over the battle-clamor came a spell
Of troubling music, and they fought not well.
Their wreaths are willows and their tribute, tears.
Their names are old, sad stories in men's hearts.
Yet they will scatter the hordes of Hell,
Who went to battle forth and always fell."

—Our Dumb Animals.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Section of Church Extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Western North Carolina Conference hereby requests that all persons who expect to apply for aid from this board get their applications into the hands of the secretary by the date of September 1. Applications that come in late cannot be corrected or amended, and therefore cannot receive the consideration due them. Blanks can be obtained from the secretary or from the General Board. Please specify if for church or parsonage and which board.

J. A. Jones, Chairman.
Ivon L. Roberts, Secretary.

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS

Because of the passing on July 7 of Rev. J. R. Anderson, a vacancy has occurrred on the Randleman circuit.

Brother D. A. Bailey has found it necessary to give up his work as pastor of Liberty circuit, thus causing a vacancy on that charge.

At a meeting of the cabinet called by Bishop Purcell at Junaluska Monday, July 21, the following assignments were made: Randleman circuit, Rev. Robert H. Stamey, supply pastor; Liberty circuit, Rev. Worth B. Royals, supply pastor.

S. W. Taylor, D.S.

A great part of the Bible is history, and all history, rightly understood, is a Bible. Its lessons are God's method of slowly exposing error and of guiding into truth.—Cannon Farrar.

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Alcohol Enthroned as the American Dictator

UNTIL repeal of the 18th Amendment alcoholic liquors were outlawed, the one and only way of dealing with liquor. During the first World War the suppression of the liquor traffic was considered essential to win the war. Then we had stringent prohibition. In this second world war nothing much is done even to protect the boys in camp. Our own flesh and blood and bone, along with billions of treasure, are being used to build a defense against nazism, but nothing much is being done to build a defense against our more deadly enemy, alcohol. This, our enemy No. 1, is far more dangerous to the future welfare of our Republic than is Hitler. He will soon have his day but not so our deadly American dictator.

Hurt of Alcohol

Alcohol, first of all, attacks the brain—the most delicate and sensitive part of the body. Liquor muddles thinking, weakens judgment, and loosens control over one's actions. It steals from a man the best that is in him. In the words of Professor James: "It obliterates a part of the field of consciousness and abolishes collateral trains of thought."

Alcohol, in the next place, affects one's offspring before birth as well as after through all later years. There can be no doubt as to the effects of alcoholic drinks upon both the physical and mental well being of our population. The greatest single factor in the control of the public health would be the elimination of alcoholic drink.

The things that mitigate against the control—yea, the elimination of the liquor traffic—are human greed for gain, our wet press, the wet pose among many of our influential citizens, and the social conventions fostered by the women. So it all goes back to the old battle between evil and righteousness, between rational living and hap-hazard living; between selfishness and Christianity —until liquor is outlawed.

Warnings Against Liquor

The voice of medical science, the mandate of the Christian church, the pronouncements of God's Book, and the wreckage of mankind warn against the hurt of alcohol. France leads all the larger nations in the per capita consumption of alcohol. The United States is actively and progressively promoting beer, whiskey and wine while Germany is rapidly becoming a sober nation with a sober army and a sober citizenry. The fall of France has a warning for us.

With the repeal of the 18th Amendment and the adoption of the XXI, the legal handling of liquor was turned back to the states. So this becomes for us here in North Carolina a state issue. With the many camps filled with young men from everywhere we owe it to ourselves and to the nation to enter upon a state-wide crusade to remedy the present situation.

ABC Stores Must Go

Most of the draftees are in the camps where ABC liquor is sold with the approval of the state and by the counties for the money that is in it. Millions of money goes into the tills of the liquor stores in these wet counties. Cumberland has gone to the front in sales because of Fort Bragg. Even Durham and Wake, though they profit much from this source, fall behind. Surely North Carolina should set up a line of defense against the dictator Alcohol and see to it that this enemy of our defense effort as well as our foe to national welfare is dealt with in a most effective manner.

"Some people say," observes Judge Yates Webb, "that they advocate legalized liquor stores because they will reduce taxes. They don't reduce taxes; they never have done it. I suppose if one of these people were to see a friend lying in a drunken stupor in a gutter, he would urge him to get up so he could buy more liquor and thereby further reduce taxes. Alcoholism is killing more people in the United States than cancer. It killed 135,000 persons in this country last year. Liquor is the scourge of mankind. It is responsible for murder, suicide, patricide, and every other horrible crime."

Campaign Long Overdue

A campaign long overdue against liquor is taking shape in North Carolina. Along with the efforts for defense against Hitler should go earnest efforts to save us from a more insidious and far-reaching dictator.

Death literally rides our highways. In this slaughter three people die daily in North Carolina—an increase of 50 per cent the first six months of this year. The greatest increases were recorded in Wake, Columbus, Cumberland, Henderson, Halifax and Rockingham. The report showed further that 94 persons were killed in traffic accidents in the state during the month of June. This was a 50 per cent increase over the 62 traffic deaths in the state last June. Drunken and drinking drivers infest the highways. How could we hope for better with the speed demons and the drunks at the wheel? The first week in July 185 drunken drivers lost their license. This keeps up from week to week. Most of the drinking drivers are never caught. Lists of revocations number 35,709. What would it be were all apprehended?

Men Who Prove to Be a Lost Asset

IN every community are a few good men who count for naught in the kingdom of God. They are honest, upright and self-respecting, careful to remind others of their superiority to many in the church; still they are of no positive force in matters religious. Some of these are young men, choice spirits, capable of great achievements were they once to assert themselves. But they do not, and great hurt comes. It is the difference between a positive and a negative life. The church would be greatly enriched and the cause of God wonderfully advanced could these be brought from the negative position of proud superiority to the positive attitude of humble service. Better than gloating over our not doing this, that and the other of which more pretentious persons are guilty is it for us to engage in an earnest, active course of conduct that will teach men how to live and how to die. A great gulf separates the pretentious Pharisee thanking God that he is not as other men are, and the follower of the Nazarene going out doing good.

In not a few of our towns today this last asset augers not well for the future. A peril of serious proportions lurks here. Some of our growing North Carolina towns have a substantial element of business and professional men who stand well in their secular relations and can be counted on in every movement save the aggressive cause of righteousness. Here they ask to be excused and continue their patronizing attitude to the church. Oftentimes their wives are members and their children are at the Sunday school, but they are not in the fight playing the man's part. This, too, in the very places where the strong men should be enlisted in the work that makes for the genuine and permanent success of all community life. For, after all, banks, mills, stores, and farms are not so potential in making the future great as are moral character and civic righteousness. Even mighty Babylon may become a hissing and a reproach.

Why continue this? These men do not read the Advocate or any other religious journal. The secular press and the business rounds get all their energies and effectiveness. If this much-talked-of Laymen's Movement can get in some good work among the men at home, now so derelict, the kingdom will come mightily abroad. The men in the ministry and the men in the pews, by preaching a manly gospel and by living a straight life, should make a mighty effort to utilize this neglected, if not lost, asset.

Taxes! Taxes! Taxes!

THE American people are having to endure a burden of taxes never known in our history. The new tax bill goes beyond all other enactments in the life of the nation. Not for some time will the people feel the full weight of the burden. Many of the tax demands are hidden. Did all the taxes come into the open the people would groan still more.

Then, too, as the taxes for defense and other national demands go up the state taxes also advance and there seems to be no desire in North Carolina to hold back on state levies—such as the sales tax and the income rates. Along with this, every county and town place much additional property on the tax books.

Property owned by churches, schools, orphanages, lodges, etc., used for religious and benevolent purposes is taxed to the extent of leaving little income for the causes to which it was donated. Unless the tax burden lightens rather than increases serious times are ahead of us.

We seem to forget that back of most all revolutions are the heavy tax burdens placed through the years upon a long suffering people. Back of the French Revolution, with all its attendant horrors, were taxes. The American Revolution was because of taxes. They said it was taxes without representation; but the people who suffer long from crushing tax burdens never have much to say about this. This will be true in America unless those in authority call a halt. To talk democracy to a people suffering under an oppressive tyranny does not make an effective appeal. Before long, unless we are able to call a halt in city, county, state and nation, a day of reckoning will appear above the horizon of our nominal democracy with its load not of the people's making.

What Is Man?

DOGS and cats and horses and birds make friends. Some birds are even more discriminating in the choice of their friends than dogs and cats and animals. It is said that a parrot will talk for one man and squawk for another. Canaries have been known to cease to sing when separated from a human friend. In these respects some animals and some birds

are like people. And in one respect they seem to go beyond the capacity of human beings. That is in their ability to return home over long distances, guided by some strange instinct that man does not possess. This is notable in dogs and cats and homing pigeons.

But man goes far beyond any bird or animal, as Allen E. Claxton has said: "He plans for the future, combats disease, and educates his children. When he is normal, he teaches, practices love, sacrifice, forgiveness, and nobility. He understands the meaning of co-operation. He speculates, dreams, hopes, aspires. He is drawn by a tremendous, invisible, but certain force toward a spiritual destiny. In short, man is religious."

Praying at People

MANY so-called prayers are flattery of individuals. Others undertake to tell God what is right and what is wrong. Still others undertake to inform the Lord about the neighborhood gossip. A few uncap the "pit" and give God a look into the eternal burnings. In other words, the prayer is a description of hell in one's own neighborhood.

Sam Walter Foss tells of the old farmer, a deacon in the church, who desired to be placed upon a program in one of the big conventions of his church. But the program committee put him on for a short prayer instead of allowing him to make a speech as he so much desired to do.

Here is what he said happened when he prayed:

An' I stood for twenty minutes there without a pause or rest
An' socked it to the audience an' prayed like all possest.

But them program committee men sot on the platform there
An' the narrer, jealous critters were the picture of despair.
But I kep' on a-prayin' for my mind was made up firm,
An' now an' then I'd give a peek to see the cusses squirm.
You's ought to seen the durn things wince, an' w'en I closed my prayer,
No madder set er fellers, sir, was livin' anywhere."

Why should a husband talk in such style about his wife? A neighbor asked his good natured friend, "What would your wife say if you bought a new car?" She would likely say: "Look out for that boy on the bicycle. Be careful now. Don't hit that truck. There is a stop sign. Why don't you watch where you are going. Will you never learn?"

Undue Stress on Externals

THE quiet unconscious life lived in a freedom of the spirit and a largeness of soul fares ill in such an age as this given to undue stress on the externals. A superb garment so far outranks a shining face that few care to hear of the man in the mount holding converse with lofty spirits free from the noise and bustle of earth. Even the children in gay clothing with a make-believe social round of progressive cards and make-believe, have little time for the free, simple life when heaven lies about them and the dreamland is not far off. They soon become cramped by externals and lost in the narrow life about them. The soul's wing is furled amid the emptiness of an age drunk with the pride of glitter, noise and show.

The youth content to walk the quiet shady paths of life under the vast deep blue able to respond to the deeper depths of an expanding soul feels most lonely in this day of dashing automobiles and loud-mouthed daughters of the make-believes. The noise and the tumult of the crowd is cherished above the simple story of a quiet, gentle and noble life. Such appeals to the eye and and the ear of a people blind and deaf to the finer and truer elements of the soul. Would that our youth could come to know the worth of the deep, true message breaking out of earth, sea, and sky which transcends all the splendor, din, and dash of city life. After all, the real wealth is within; the noble souls dwell here.

The broken, wounded lives seeking comfort and healing in the average church too often sigh and groan in the midst of a people lost in external rounds. Instead of gentle and quiet spirits abiding in the spiritual, a crowd in splendid attire, surrounded by gorgeous show, gaze and stare, eager for the soulless music of the choir and the smooth words of the minister to reach an end that they may once more glide out of the sanctuary and move on in the empty rounds of a superficial age. Our cruel, worldly, empty ways invade the sanctuary and mock the broken and contrite spirits. Truly there is such a thing as a drawing congregation as well as a drawing preacher. More attention given the furnishing of the soul and less to the decoration of the body on a Sabbath morning would convert many halls for show into houses of prayer. A desert place would then become a Bethel.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

A total of 312 children have been enrolled in the vacation church schools on the Yanceyville charge. The building lot for the Yanceyville church has been purchased at a cost of $2028, excavation has been done, and construction should begin soon on the new building.—J. V. Early.

Camp Free camp meeting at Connelly Springs is scheduled for August 3 to 10. Rev. C. F. Wimberly, D.D., chief speaker, assisted by Revs. J. W. Groce, C. F. Wright, Jim H. Green and others. Address Rev. W. J. McDaniels, Route 2, Connelly Springs, N. C.

The ministers' wives of the Waynesville district will entertain with a tea at the Mission Inn at Lake Junaluska on August 7 from 4 to 6 p. m. Missionaries, conference officers and wives of our bishops will be honor guests. All ministers' wives visiting at the Lake are invited to attend.—Mrs. R. O. Brown, Pres.

Next Sunday, August 3, is being observed as home coming day at Rehobeth Methodist church, Pleasant Garden charge. There will be preaching at 11 o'clock; picnic lunch at noon. The afternoon program will consist of talks by friends and former pastors. Friends are cordially invited to come to this home coming service.—Thos. F. Higgins, Pastor.

Pinebluff is near enough to Fort Bragg to see thousands of soldiers passing to and from the maneuvering grounds about Hoffman. Thursday some truck loads of soldiers stopped at a street corner as if awaiting orders. A little four-year-old boy ran into the house to his mother and said excitedly, "They've moved the war here! I saw Hitler standing out yonder by a truck!"—W. A. Parsons.

The board of stewards of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, in the recent campaign secured in pledges over $8000 which will be used in modernizing the church plant. Improvements contemplated by the board include painting, re-carpeting, new light fixtures, changes in the pulpit, and other improvements of the present church building. Work is scheduled to start in the near future.

The annual picnic for the ministers' families of the Marion district will be held at Pleasant Garden school house near Old Fort, August 7; time, 2 p. m.; picnic dinner at 6 p. m. Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent, will hold a short session with the pastors of the district, and the women will assemble separately for conference. The usual delightful fellowship is anticipated.—Mrs. T. R. Wolfe, Chm.

Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Early have recently moved into the new Mehodist parsonage in Yanceyville. This home is new and modern in every respect, consisting of seven rooms with bath, a steam heating system with a stoker furnace. New furniture is being furnished the living room by Bethel church and the dining room by Prospect, while much new furniture has been added in the other rooms. A cut will be furnished of the parsonage for the Advocate soon.—J. V. Early.

June 4, 1942, the first Thursday of June is the date that has been set for the next Yadkin College home coming, the committee announces. This date will come a few days after the commencements of High Point College and Catawba College, and a week before the commencements and the opening of the summer schools of Duke University and the University of North Carolina. A splendid program will be planned for the morning exercises with the rest of the day left open for a picnic.—Mrs. H. L. Greene, Sec.

Rev. Lee D. Rustin, who received his B.D. degree at the Divinity School of Duke University this past June, was appointed at the recent session of the Southern California-Arizona conference to be associate pastor at Wilshire Boulevard church, Los Angeles, of which Dr. Wilsie Martin is minister. This is Mr. Rustin's home conference, his people living in Los Angeles and his work having been done in Arizona. While a student in North Carolina he was pastor of the Troy circuit.

Ohio Wesleyan students and alumni are rejoicing in the latest benefaction of Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York to their alma mater. It is a gift of $30,000 to recondition Gray Chapel and the lobby of University Hall leading to it. This auditorium has been the focus of student interest during half the century of Ohio Wesleyan history, the seating and original arrangement having had no alteration since it was built in 1891 by David S. Gray as a memorial to his preacher-father.

Mark Hoffman, director of the Greensboro College school of music, recently has been named one of the examiners of the southeastern region of the National Association of Schools of Music. The appointment carries the responsibility of determining the worthiness of institutions applying for membership in the association. Mr. Hoffman, who will begin in September his eighth year as director of the college school of music, which is a member of the National Association of Schools of Music, is well known in musical circles of the states.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion at Greensboro College, was in Nashville, Tenn., last Saturday for a meeting with the General Commission of Evangelism of the Methodist Church. The commission recently appointed Dr. Smith director of research on the problem of training children for church membership. Members present at the meeting, for the purpose of completing plans for the research project, were C. A. Bowen, editorial secretary of Methodist Church; J. Q. Schisler, head of local church program; B. A. Whitmore, president of the publishing house; and Dr. Harry Denman, executive secretary of the general commission.

We are having home coming day at Rocky Ridge church on Rocky Ridge charge the first Sunday in August. All former pastors are invited together with friends and former members. Dinner on grounds. We have recently had the church renovated inside at a cost of more than $700. The people on the charge have been very kind and loyal to us this year. At Mt. Carmel, the other church on this charge, we are planning to build a new church. We hope to begin work on it in a few weeks. A. good D. V. B. S. was held at Rocky Ridge. Our finances are practically up to date on everything. We have received 26 members this year.—Earl B. Edwards.

We have just closed a tent revival with Rev. J. W. Groce of High Point doing the preaching. Mrs. C. E. Williams was in charge of the singing and children's work and Mrs. Albert Patterson was the pianist. It was in the Franklin Heights development in the suburbs of Mt. Airy. We hope to start a new church there if possible. We had a goodly number of folks saved, reclaimed and filled with the Spirit. Brother Groce does the kind of preaching that is sorely needed today. He is true to the Bible and carries a burden for souls and is fearless in his preaching. He ought to be turned loose in the conference with a tent to hold revivals and help dig out new churches. He knows how it ought to be done. He also preaches tithing and gets the folks to do it.—C. E. Williams.

Dr. Willima Ernest Hocking, head of the department of philosophy at Harvard University, declared in delivering the annual series of the McNair Lectures at the University of North Carolina that "religion has done better justice to the basic requirements of the cure of souls than has modern psychology."

Home coming will be observed at Moore's Chapel on the Thrift-Moore's charge Sunday, August 3. The morning service will feature a memorial service for those members who have left us awhile. A large picnic dinner will be spread. The afternoon will be given over to singing the old hymns that have made hearts glad for so many years. All former pastors, members and friends are extended a cordial welcome.—John H. Carper, Pastor.

Many of our friends are probably wondering what has become of us. We are spending the summer four miles out from Black Mountain on the North Fork Road, R. F. D. 1, and will be glad to see or hear from any of them. During August and the first week or two of September I shall be glad to speak on Brazil or show movies of our work there for any pastor who may so desire. We plan to return to Brazil next February, after studying during the winter probably at Hartford. Our permanent address in this country is always 1805 Sunnyside Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C.—Chas. W. Clay.

MOSES BROCK PASSES AT FARMINGTON

Funeral services for Moses B. Brock, greatly esteemed farmer and oldest citizen of Farmington, were held Saturday, July 12, at the Farmington Methodist church at 11 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Vestal, pastor of the deceased, Rev. E. M. Avett of Mocksville and Rev. J. B. Tabor of Canton.

Moses Brock was born August 24, 1855, near Liberty church in Davie county. He was the son of James Nathaniel and Margaret Cuthrell Brock. His father was captain in the war of 1848, and a well known justice of peace and influential citizen of his day. He was the great-grandson of Nathaniel Brock, pioneer Methodist preacher and Revolutionary soldier, and nephew of Moses Brock, widely known Methodist preacher of Virginia and North Carolina, for whom he was named.

Just preceding the Civil War Moses Brock moved with his father to Farmington. There he spent most of his life until his death Thursday, July 10, 1941. Death followed a serious illness suffered July 4, a few days before his 86th birthday. Moses Brock received his education at Farmington Academy and Rutherford College, then called "Happy Home."

Until his later years Mr. Brock led an active life. He was mentally alert and recognized as a fine Bible student. He was a loyal member of the Methodist church, being converted at the age of 15 at the old Smith Grove camp meeting ground which was founded by his uncle, Moses Brock.

He served as superintendent of the Jamestown Sunday school and teacher of the men's and ladies' Bible classes at Farmington Methodist church, of which he was a member. His genial and humorous nature, his sympathetic and understanding heart made many friends throughout the county.

He is survived by his widow, Vert Coley Brock; two sons, Burr C., well known attorney of Farmington and Mocksville, and John M. of Columbia, S. C.; one daughter, Margaret Brock, Greensboro; one sister, Mrs. R. C. Brown, Farmington, and 11 grandchildren.

REIDSVILLE LINDSEY STREET CHURCH NEWS

A series of good revival meetings were held at the Lindsey Street church the first of June, lasting for ten days. Rev. R. G. Tuttle of Gibsonville was guest evangelist and brought wonderful inspirational messages each evening.

The church was represented at each of the three assemblies for young people. The pastor, Rev. E. S. Ballard, was an instructor at Camp Carlyle, Lois Roberts represented the church at the Senior Assembly and Margaret McCollum attended the Young People's Assembly at Lake Junaluska.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Minnis, missionaries from India, were guests at our church for a week-end recently. Rev. Mr. Minnis spoke three times Sunday, first to the Baraca class, then he brought the message at the 11 o'clock service, and at 7 p. m. he spoke to the young people.

Monday night at the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service both Rev. and Mrs. Minnis brought a message from the Christian women of India to the Christian women of America. Their visit was an enjoyable one to all who had an opportunity to hear them.

Margaret McCollum, Reporter.

MISS DE MORA JOINS FACULTY OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Appointment of Miss Trinidad Jeffrey de Mora as instructor in the Greensboro College department of romance language, of which Dr. Robert T. Dunstan is head, has been announced by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.

Miss de Mora, native of Spain, received the B.A. degree from General Institute, Madrid, Spain, where she had a fellowship for six years, the M.A. degree from University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis., and has done summer work at



Miss Trinidad Jeffrey de Mora

Stanford University, Stanford, California. Among colleges and universities in which she has served as instructor of romance languages are University of Wisconsin; Stanford University; Baker University in Kansas; Private School, Boston, Mass.; Lewis Institute, Chicago, Ill.; and Whitworth College, Brookhaven, Miss., where she was head of the romance language department. Miss de Mora will come to Greensboro College after teaching in the Spanish department of Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Col., during the summer. She has been president of the New England chapter of the Association of Spanish Teachers. For two years she acted as translator for a publications company in Connecticut.

Miss de Mora will fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mrs. Armand Singer. Dr. Madeline Stinson, assistant professor of romance languages, will return to the campus for her fifth year.

DEDICATION OF WEST VIEW PARSONAGE

On Sunday, August 3, the membership of West View church, Hickory, and their many friends will dedicate the parsonage of their church. This is one of the best parsonage buildings in the Statesville district. It was constructed some years ago under the pastorate of Rev. (Jack) C. W. Kirby, but there has been some indebtedness against the property all along until on July 1 of this year. As a result of earnest effort on the part of the good women of the church and the co-operation of the men of the church and the help of many friends outside the membership of our church all debts have been paid and the property is now ready for dedication.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent of the Statesville district, will deliver the sermon on next Sunday morning, August 3, and offer the prayer of dedication. We invite all members of West View church, former pastors and members, and friends to this service.

Our work at West View is making favorable progress. We have received fourteen members by profession of faith and eighteen by certificate. All finances are practically up to date. The people are saying that this is one of the best years they have had since the church was organized in 1904.

H. C. Freeman, Pastor.

MADISON D. STOCKTON

Sixty-one years of service as a steward in the Methodist Church! This is the record of Mr. M. D. Stockton of Winston-Salem. This, however, is only a part of the story; for the achievements of these sixty-one years constitute a far more impressive record. And yet the full account of this span of years will never be fully known, for Mr. Stockton has kept no record of the great good that he has done—a trait that shows much of the depth of his Christian spirit.



Madison D. Stockton

He has been an active leader in the erection of three church buildings: Centenary church, completed in 1886; West End church, completed in 1913; and the combination of these two churches in the present Centenary church, completed in 1931. His contribution to these enterprises, particularly the last two, in the way of time, means, sound business ability, as well as his consecration to the expanding work of his church was of inestimable value.

His interests have not been confined to the local church, but the conference has profited from his consecration and industry. For many years he was the treasurer of the board of finance of the Western North Carolina conference, a work that is close to his heart and has always brought him a great deal of joy.

For many years he has been a very liberal contributor to missionary work, particularly to that in China, and this has given evidence of his world-wide Christian outlook. Not only his love for the church but also his devotion to all worthy movements is an outstanding quality of his character. For many years he has been vitally concerned in The Children's Home, in Winston-Salem, best evidence of this interest being the Stockton building, a dormitory for girls of high school age. This building, newest at the Home, is the gift of Mr. Stockton. It was opened for use about a month ago, and is one of the very best and most attractive on the campus.

The above narrative suggests, but by no means recounts or fully reveals, the good that has been done in these sixty-one years of service. Mr. Stockton has assisted innumerable girls and boys in securing their education. His private and anonymous gifts to charities of many kinds would foot up to a great sum. The encouragement, comfort and guidance he has given to those in trouble or in doubt as to the solution for their personal problems are quite incalculable. Until a few years ago, when he retired on account of failing health, Mr. Stockton was a trustee of Greensboro College, of which institution he was a faithful servant and a generous benefactor.

Mrs. Stockton has been his helper and mainstay in all his work, both in business and in church and community enterprises. They have been married fifty-one years, and have five children. The three sons are stewards in Centenary church, each, at one time or another, having been chairman of the board and the youngest, Ralph M., being chairman at the present time. The two daughters, Mrs. L. K. Martin and Mrs. Margaret Spach, have fine young families. There are thirteen grandchildren, to the future of each one of whom Mr. Stockton looks forward as his very own.

Mr. Stockton has been the warm and intimate friend of every pastor he has had during his long period of membership in the church—he took the vows of membership in 1877. Even now, at the age of eighty, he seldom misses a morning service at church, and frequently comes to worship in the evening. He is regular in his attendance upon board meetings, and his opinions on matters of church policy are sought and respected, because they are sound and also progressive. He has done far more than help erect church buildings and participate in running their organizations and support their programs. Through the ages he has given his heart and his character to the building of a better church, a happier community, and a more Christian world.

Centenary church is proud and thankful to have him as an active member and as a leader. The management of The Children's Home feels itself fortunate to have him as a friend and benefactor; and all the children know him and respond to the gentleness and charm of his personality whenever, as often happens, he visits them and sees them at their work and play.

Fortunate are the church, the circle of friends, the community, and the city which have in their midst such a man. May he live many years to work among and with his friends and shed upon them the radiance of his Christian faith and spirit!

THE CHURCH OF OUR DREAMS

What kind of church do we want ours to be? Let's all be determined with the help of God to make it "The church of the warm heart," of the "open mind," of the "adventurous spirit," the church that cares, that heals hurt lives, that comforts old people, that challenges youth, that knows no division of culture or class, geographical, social or political; the church that enquires as well as affirms, that looks forward as well as backward; the church of the Master, the church of the people; the high church, the broad church, the low church, high as the ideals of Jesus, broad as the love of God, low as the humblest human; a working church, a worshipping church, a winsome church; a church that interprets the truth in terms of its times, and challenges its own times in terms of the truth; a church that inspires courage for the present life and hope for the life to come; a church of all good men, the church of the "Living God." If this is the church of our dreams let's do our best to make our dreams come true. God bless our church.

Don J. Horton.

LONG ILLNESS FATAL TO DR. RODDEY MILLER OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACULTY

Dr. J. Roddey Miller, 40, since 1930 head of the English department at Greensboro College, died July 29, 1941, at his home at Guilford College after a long period of declining health.

Thus ended a most promising career of a talented scholar and delightful personality. He won friends without apparent effort. In addition to his teaching, Dr. Miller had done considerable creative writing, principally poems and a dramatization of "Uncle Remus," which was



Dr. J. Roddey Miller

produced by Greensboro College Players and other dramatic groups. For this he was invited to join the North Carolina Folklore Society. Dr. Miller was a frequent and popular lecturer before study club, college alumnae and other groups, and for several years assisted the Y. W. C. A. with its adult education program. He was a member of the American Modern Languages Association.

For several summers Dr. Miller assisted in the Thomas tours which his father-in-law operates, conducting parties to Europe in 1935 and 1937 and on a western tour in 1939.

Dr. Miller had been in failing health for the past two years and his condition had been grave for several months. During the year 1939-40 he was unable to meet his classes for most of the spring term, but during the past year he conducted his classes in September and October. However, after an operation last November he did not return to the classroom.

J. Roddy Miller was born August 10, 1900, in Rock Hill, S. C., where his father, the late Dr. J. Roddey Miller, was a practicing physician. He was reared there and in August, 1934, he was married to Miss Louise Thomas. He was a member in Rock Hill of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church and was elected an elder. Here he was affiliated with the First Presbyterian church.

Surviving are his wife, one small son, J. Roddey Miller, 3rd; his mother, Mrs. J. Roddey Miller of Rock Hill, S. C.; one brother, Lindsay Miller of Gadsden, Ala.; and two sisters, Miss Margaret Miller, member of the school faculty in Salisbury, and Miss Elizabeth Miller, member of the school faculty in Georgetown, S. C.

Funeral services were held at the home by Dr. Raymond Smith of the Greensboro College faculty, and Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College. Following this service the body was taken to Rock Hill to the home of his mother. Another service was held at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church with the pastor, Dr. H. S. Rogers, in charge, assisted by Rev. Joseph Peele of Guilford College. Interment was in the Rock Hill cemetery.

BALTIMORE CHURCH, WEST FORSYTH CHARGE

We have just come to the close of another revival meeting. God has wonderfully blessed us and poured out his Spirit upon our church. Evangelist J. W. Groce of High Point assisted our pastor, Rev. A. Burgess, in the meeting. Anyone could tell that he "had been with God by the wonderful and inspiring messages he delivered each day. He didn't come to us to hand out his sermons on a "silver platter," so to speak, but was letting God speak through him. If we only had all our pulpits full of such preachers today, our church would begin to wake up instead of sleeping on the job and stop letting the hungry souls go unfed. It takes material food to satisfy and strengthen our body; how much more do we need spiritual food to nourish our souls.

Mr. Shore not only preached to sinners, but he also spoke much about the church members who had not gone all the way with Jesus and had grown cold and indifferent. He challenged the young people to put their trust in Christ and hold on to the end. No one knows the joy it is to go all the way with Jesus only those who have gone with him.

Our meeting closed Sunday with a home coming. Sunday school at 10 o'clock, preaching at 11. Mr. Burgess, the pastor, preached on the second coming of Christ. All who missed his message failed to get a blessing. Mr. Groce preached Sunday afternoon and night to large and attentive congregations. I am wondering how many people are preparing to meet Jesus when he comes to have his home coming. Friends, that is something to think about. For Christ is coming as a thief in the night. We should not spend our days in foolishness and in sin, for they are too precious—we are going to "reap what we sow."

I think a good slogan for our young people today would be: "I'll not go to any place that I cannot take Christ with me; I'll not say anything that I would not like to say in the presence of Christ; I'll not do anything that Christ would not do." Let Christ take full control of our lives.

Since my last report a young people's society has been organized which, I think, is going to prove a great blessing to our church.

We have had the privilege of sending Miss Audry Curtis to Lake Junaluska through the week of July 7-12. The need of having trained leaders in our church today is felt.

Mr. Burgess announced that on August 3 he would receive anyone into the church who wanted to become a member. He also requested that all members should be present, for the laws, vows and rules of the Methodist Church are to be read.

Josephine Phillips, Reporter.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LOWDER FAMILY

In the year 1913 the late Rev. J. M. Lowder came to serve our church at Richlands as pastor. Mrs. Lowder reigned as queen in her home, a large and very intelligent group of boys and girls. The Lowder family was a "star" in any community in which they sojourned. Brother Lowder did not count himself a Cicero or a Soloman, but he brought to us a true gospel full of comfort and consolation; his every day life was circumspect. His hoary head of many years could be seen going around town. He reminded us of old Joshua, preaching sermons every day. We loved to visit the parsonage. Mrs. Lowder made it so home-like the atmosphere was one of welcome. When we read of her passing our heart was made sad. We loved her and will cherish her memory.

In God's kingdom there is rest for all those who are weary and looking heavenward, longing to enter into the home which Mrs. Lowder was so well prepared to enter, there to meet one she loved and trusted all these years. She leaves a rich legacy in the lives of her devoted children, who will rise up and call her blessed.

Mrs. Nettie deFord.

Our North Carolina Heritage

By MARION T. PLYLER

The crude, rugged strength of North Carolina gives promise of a purer and sweeter life. When once the composite elements of our state have worked their secret alchemy in the crucible of the years, ease, elegance and composure will doubtless come out of the strong, fresh life of the rustic commonwealth. We are yet young and awkward, even rude, and age must bring fineness and quietude. In time, the strong may give forth sweetness and charm.

Our heritage is really no mean one. The hardy Scotch, the impulsive Irish, the thrifty Dutch, the plodding German, have mixed with our sturdy English stock to make a vigorous and substantial folk. Out of the cottage homes of the Highlands, from the green fields of Erin, and along the dikes of Holland, as well as from the Fatherland and from the Mother Country, have come men and women with the nerve and blood and bone for building empires. Heroic courage, dauntless hardihood, and patient endeavors marked these sons of toil. They were men of unconquerable spirit. This was put to the test again and again on the banks of the Cape Fear, the Yadkin, and the Catawba. Brave spirits challenged all opposition along the Albemarle Sound, and men no less resolute did their work beyond the Blue Ridge. Their tales of toil and deeds of daring, in the early days, quickened the fast-beating pulse of youth in later times; and many a story replete with that romantic period lived on among a people in but slight touch with the [illegible], feverish world. To many, the good old days have been best. They have not lived in the face of the world, and cared little for the gaities of French salons. Satisfied with the past and content with the present, they passed their days in rural simplicity. Consequently, as a people, we are oft branded narrow, non-progressive, ignorant of the world, and destined to march in the rear of the procession. Only the few sought the band-wagon.

From low dune to lofty peak, the rank and file have lived in obscure cabins, sat down to humble boards, appeared in plain garb, knowing little of polite society and soft raiment. Furthermore, the schools have been provokingly inadequate, not even affording a speaking acquaintance with the poets and the classics. These conditions, however, are not entirely without favoring features. Children breathing the fresh air of the fields and holding fellowship with the flowers, the birds and the stars, familiar with the smell after the rain, are well favored. With the first tint of the maple and the early hum of the bee, have come to Carolina's children the stirrings of a strange new life, passed all too unconsciously. Living away from the noise and glitter and hurry and artificiality surrounding the city child, they have reached maturity ignorant of cosmopolitan ways. A decided privation was this; yet, all was not lost. The gentle murmur of brook through sylvan shade, the sweet clear note of the thrush in deep wood, the delicate fragrance of the jasmine, the haze on the hills, the indefinable softness of summer evenings, and the peculiar glory of the autumn time are some of the compensations left these unfortunates of the countryside. They grew up in rude simplicity and lived a free unconventional life. Silently, like the sunshine, all these things tell upon the fabric of existence. The breath of the fields were in all they said and did. Sturdy and strong, with unpoluted blood and clean lives, they married and were given in marriage, and lived—honor to their memory—free from the shame and disgrace of divorce courts. These are still the bone and sinew of our land.

Fortunately, the state has evermore been blessed with a choice company of gentle birth, and with men and women who have lived the sweet cultured life. These men of simple, courtly manners, with no social superiors, and these women, soft-voiced and calm-visaged, equal to any queen of earth, have ever disclosed the beauty and charm of the sweet gentle spirit. The culture, the ease, the nameless something that comes only with the years, live on to remind us of the best that use to be. This is well. For in the coming of these new days the solid, well-filled shelves of mellow sheep, and the gracious hospitality, allowing the free and friendly intercourse of **ante bellum** times, are no more. A new order is upon us. The common man's day is at hand. No one can foreshadow the future.

A great transition is on in this land of the magnolia and the mocking-bird. Since Lee laid down his sword, and the weary and maimed Confederate soldier returned to rebuild his wasted fortunes, great social and industrial changes have been sweeping on in all the South with the relentless swing of the forces that pull the tides. Rents and breaks have been made in the old order and rude shocks come to those who look with alarm upon any agitation or unrest. The inevitable is upon us. The urgent voice, the clear call, is heard in every village and hamlet. Particularly true is this in the Old North State. The thrill is felt, and fresh eager eyes watch the efforts of a people oft accused of moving on leaden feet. Possessed of new ideals and earnest endeavor, we eagerly ask what will the end be?

Undeniably, the perils incident to large material gains, tending to deterioration of life and character through ease and self-indulgence, are sure to come. Just as certainly, on the other hand, will follow the higher culture that ever accrues to a people once released from never-ceasing toil and unrelenting poverty. Some may expect an order of life hitherto unknown within these southern parallels.

We, like the rest of the South, came through the cruel shock of war and up from ashes of a sore desolation. They went down honorably and came up heroically, chastened and refined, not having surrendered their integrity or cut loose from the best of the old. Out of this past, blending the old with the rugged strength of the great middle class, must come to all a fineness and sweetness hitherto unknown.

What assurances have we that such will be? Are there any index-fingers pointing in that direction? Most assuredly, unless many have gone astray in their reckonings. The freer and wider interchange of thought, the enlarged impetus given educational endeavor, and the new place granted urban life must tell. With these changes come libraries and art galleries; an ever increasing number of choice spirits from our colleges; and a freer touch of men and women with the past and, also, with the wide,

wide world about them. These agencies are coming to us, not by constraint, but from the inherent qualities and potentialities of the past. An author here, a library there, a college yonder, better churches at every turn, and more and more well appointed homes are exponents of our deeper and truer existence. Gradually the crude and ugly, the trappings and the tinsel, will give place to a purer and a sweeter order of life. Out of the strength and richness of our heritage will come forth sweetness and a richer and fuller life.

"THE BURNING BUSH IN THE LIFE OF TODAY"

By Prof. Elmer A. Leslie

Text: Exodus 3:4. "And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush."

There is a universal quality in this ancient classical story of Moses at the burning bush which breaks down all barriers of race and time and place. For here we meet in living action three mighty urges which are as real in us as they were in him. The first is curiosity. There is a bush ablaze, yet with unconsuming fire. It attracts Moses and so fascinates him that he turns aside from shepherding his father-in-law's flock of sheep, lured by curiosity to see what he calls "this great sight." Often do we find ourselves doing this same thing. lured by the sight of a suddenly collecting crowd. Or joining a group of silently eager people in front of the office of a great metropolitan daily, we are lost to the world in our curiosity to know that very last thing that has just happened in any corner of the earth. One day I was making a pastoral call when the five-year-old boy of the home, much to the embarrassment of his mother, climbed up on my lap and began summarily to explore my pockets! But it did not bother me in the least, for I had once heard Harvard's great chemist, Dr. Richards, say that the thing which started him upon a life of research in science was curiosity about the nature of the universe. Perhaps that same exploring instinct was already manifesting itself in the soul of a curious boy! I am glad this native curiosity showed up so clearly in the soul of Moses. But there is a deeper urge than curiosity here.

The second mighty urge which is manifest here is the urge of the spirit of inquiry. "I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt," so speaks Moses. "I will turn aside and see why!" Here is the driving power of the spirit that inquires, present to some extent in every normal life, and peculiarly in gifted minds. Twenty years of teaching has taught me that if I can plant an honest question in a young mind, something of basic importance has taken place in his mental life. That question will drive him to books and to periodicals; it will keep him investigating and exploring. Speedily he is beyond mere course requirements and is under the spur of the Spirit of Truth, which, as Jesus said, will lead him into all truth. This hunger to know, this impulse to ask questions, is one of the holiest elements in our life. And it thrills me to realize that this spirit of inquiry, as the experience of Moses vividly illustrates, has its place in religion. Within sound of my voice today are many people whose faith has in it little of certainty but vast areas of doubt. Inevitably some of you are askin the great questions: "Whence have I come?" "Why am I here?" "To what purpose is my life?" "Where will I find meaning and satisfaction in life?" But the very fact that you are listening today is evidence that the Spirit of Truth is alive in your mind. Religious experience, yours and mine, has place for the question as well as the uncertainty, for the honest inquiry as well as for the positive statement of faith. There is a noble Psalm that starts in certainty:

> The Lord is my light and my salvation;
> Whom shall I fear?
> The Lord is the strength of my life;
> Of whom shall I be afraid?

A third universal urge soon emerges into attention. What is this element in us that leads us to kneel in the dust and adore that which is higher than ourselves? What instinct led him to put off his shoes? What made him aware of the sanctity of that hour and place? What chastened his curious, questioning soul into awe? It was that urge to worship God. For this urge is the deepest thing in our being, and it is universal in the experience of humanity.

Last summer while traveling for three weeks by rail in Turkey, often at sundown some Mohammedan worshipper would spread out his little prayer mat on the seat opposite me in the car, and facing toward Mecca would prostrate himself three times toward Allah. Always it was done in utter simplicity and sincerity. And always did I feel the solemnizing influence and kindling effect upon the occupants of the whole car of those few moments of "turning aside to see" God. Our most strategic need in these hours of world clash and international chaos is the steadying influence of worship. The narrator, who so skilfully tells the story of this creative hour in Moses' life, hangs its issue upon one thing. He tells us quite simply: "When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush."

ARTHUR'S MOTHER

She was standing at the gate. I crossed the road to have a word with her.

"Bless me," I exclaimed, "you look wonderfully happy this morning!"

"And so I am," said she.

I regarded her reprovingly. "My dear lady," said I, "do you know there is a war on?"

"I ought to," said she, "seeing my only son is in Egypt."

"Then surely," I continued, "there is some untoward reason for this sparkle in your eyes, this flush on your cheek. You haven't come into money, by any chance?"

She laughed. "No!" said she.

I gave it up; and she told me eagerly, the tears starting to her eyes as she spoke, that only that very morning, not twenty minutes before, she had received a letter from her boy.

"He's in Egypt," she repeated, "and he's well and safe, and he's having a wonderful time, and he sends his love!"

She wept, happy though she was.

"I'll have to send the letter to my sister," she went on quickly; "only I must show it to the folk next door, and to the Williamsons over the way, and the grocer'll want to see it—my laddie ran errands for him, you know; and I must take it round to his old schoolmaster, too. . . ."

So she went on; and I left her feeling in my heart that "a scrap of paper" can make the dullest day radiant with sunshine.—The Methodist Recorder, London.

RICHMOND TILMAN VANN TRIUMPHS

In his 90th year, July 25, 1941, Dr. Richmond Tilman Vann passed on to lay the laurels of a victorious life at the feet of his Lord. Though an educator, preacher, thinker and leader of outstanding qualities, many esteemed him most for his lovable personality and his fine optimism that enabled him to overcome the handicap suffered when he as a lad lost both his hands in a cane mill. The manner in which he coped with this adversity was characteristic of the way in which he met all problems of life. Thus Dr. R. T. Vann for eight decades won victories all along the way.



Dr. R. T. Vann
1851—1941

Dr. Vann was always fresh and interesting, with an original way of putting his thoughts in sermons and addresses. He got out of the well worn grooves and enjoyed disregard of the usual conventions of the ecclesiastics. The great Baptist brotherhood sat at his feet and learned of the better way. People of all communions rated highly this good friend and brother. As president of Meredith College, Raleigh knew him best, but all the state and the South knew and esteemed R. T. Vann, pastor, educator and leader.

Born in Hertford county November 24, 1851, Dr. Vann became one of North Carolina's outstanding church leaders. Though he lost both arms while he was but a youngster, he became an expert marksman with a gun, he wrote what his friends always called a "beautiful hand."

Dr. Vann was the son of Albert G. and Harriot L. Gatling Vann of Hertford county. In 1873 he was graduated at the head of his class at Wake Forest College with an A.B. degree and attended the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky., from 1873 through 1875.

During recent years at his home at 315 East Jones street or at his office in the Biblical Recorder building, where he served as secretary of the Benevolences of the Baptist State Convention, Dr. Vann has been visited by his numerous friends. Few of his associates forgot from one year to another his birthday, and two years ago, on his 88th birthday, he found among his greetings quotations from his own work. Messages from "his girls" at Meredith included the "At thy feet our loyal hearts their tributes lay," a line from the college alma mater which Dr. Vann wrote when he was president of the institution.

Known among other qualities for his "exceptional optimism," Dr. Vann served in many localities. He taught at the Academy for Girls at Scotland Neck from 1877 to 1879; he taught at Chowan Baptist Female Institute (later named Chowan College) in 1881-83; he served as missionary pastor in the state 1879-81; and he preached at Murfreesboro, 1881-83. From 1883 to 1889 he was pastor at Wake Forest, at Edenton in 1889-91 and at Scotland Neck from 1892 to 1900.

The Baptist University for Women, of which Dr. Vann became president in 1900, was changed in name to Meredith College during his administration. Since 1915, he has been secretary of the Baptist Education for nine years, associate secretary two years, secretary of benevolence and secretary of Ministerial Relief under the State Baptist Convention. At his death he was a trustee of Wake Forest College and the Southern Baptist Seminary.

Among other things Dr. Vann favored co-eduation at Wake Forest College for students in junior and senior years, and he opposed the proposal to move Meredith College to Wake Forest several years ago when the plan was discussed at a State Baptist Convention. In his life he attended more than 50 state conventions, he remarked two years ago on his 88th birthday.

Dr. Vann is survived by three children, W. Harvey Vann, Belton, Texas; Miss Dorothy Vann, Raleigh; Dr. Elizabeth Vann, Washington, D. C., and three grandchildren, Richard Tilman Vann, II, Harriet Vann and William Pendleton Vann, all of Belton, Texas. His late wife was the former Miss Ella Rogers McVeigh of Loudoun county, Virginia.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, with Mrs. Gobbel and their two children, Russell and Rachel, and Mrs. Gobbel's parents, Dr. Elbert Russell, dean of Duke University school of religion, and Mrs. Russell, left Greensboro last week for a motor trip through Tennessee, Kentucky and Indiana.

The trip will include visits at Friendsville, Tenn., birthplace of Dr. Russell; Mammoth Cave, Ky.; Louisville, Ky., where Dr. Gobbel was stationed during the last world war in field artillery, central officers training camp; the old home community of Dr. and Mrs. Russell in Indiana in the neighborhood of Indianapolis and Richmond, including a visit to Earlham College at Richmond where Mrs. Gobbel, Dr. and Mrs. Russell, and other members of the Russell family attended. Dr. Gobbel left the group in Indiana yesterday for a trip to Chicago, Ill., where he is attending a meeting of the Commission on Ritual and Orders of Worship of the Methodist Church, of which he is a member and of which Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson, pastor of Epworth-Euclid Methodist church, Cleveland, Ohio, is chairman. The commission will meet in the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, through August 1, after which Dr. Gobbel will join the group in Indiana for the return trip to Greensboro by August 4 or 5.

CHURCH FORMED AT COVE CREEK

Following a series of revival services conducted by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, and Rev. Odell Brown, pastor of the Shady Grove Methodist church in the Jonathan Creek community, some days ago, a Methodist church was organized in the Cove Creek section, about 10 miles from Waynesville, with 27 members. At a quarterly conference a budget of $60 for the remainder of the conference year was agreed to.

Brother Brown was appointed pastor until conference meets. A Bible school has been organized and official board elected. The congregation has planted an acre of land in beans. The proceeds will go to the treasury of the church.

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YOUTH WEEKS

A large number of youth weeks have been held throughout our conference during the past four weeks, and a number of others are planned for the remaining weeks of the summer. These youth weeks have served to give emphasis to our youth work in the local church and to bring something of our young people's assembly program to the young people who could not attend an assembly.

It is not too late for churches to plan such a week for their young people before the fall months, and we know of no better way to increase the interest of our young people in the church's program. Those who have reported their youth weeks to us have reported the interest on the part of their young people and a most helpful program for those who have shared in it.

A packet of materials has been prepared by the Youth Division of our General Board of Education for use by local churches in carrying out a youth week program. This packet contains worship materials, guidance materials in each program area of our youth work, and other helpful suggestions. This packet of materials sells for 25 cents and can be secured from our Conference Office, Box 647, College Station, Durham.

Several youth leaders in our conference are prepared to go into local churches and help in the carrying on of youth week programs where their services are desired. They have helped in a number of places already this summer. There is no charge for this service except the paying for travel expense and entertainment. If any church is interested in service of this kind, it should get in touch with the conference office at once, since it is necessary to make arrangements some time before the actual program is to start. Any one desiring help of this kind should communicate with R. W. Bradshaw, College Station, Durham.

NEW CHURCH SCHOOL LITERATURE

Most of our people are aware that beginning in October of this year new material will be used in our church schools. This does not mean that all the old will be discarded and that all the material will be entirely new, but it does mean that there will be some changes in names of periodicals, some changes in the periodicals themselves, and some entirely new materials in certain areas of work. Complete announcements describing the periodicals in detail and indicating just how they may be ordered will be sent in a short while to workers in local churches all over the nation. It becomes the responsibility of each local worker to become familiar with the periodicals that are available so that those suited to local needs may be secured. In our conference office we have a supply of leaflets giving a brief description of the materials. We shall be glad to send one of these leaflets to anyone who may be interested. We shall also be glad to be of any help we can in connection with ordering the new material when the time comes for that ordering.

YOUTH WEEKS HELD OR PLANNED

Among the churches, charges, and unions having youth weeks or retreats or planning such are the following: Bath, Ware's Chapel, Warrenton (union), Stumpy Point, North Gates, Edenton Street, Rocky Mount, Wilmington (union), Kinston, Grimesland, Spring Hope, Rich Square, Clinton, Goldsboro circuit, Fremont, Stantonsburg, Sanford, Columbia, Sandhills Union (Moore county), Aurora, Vance-Franklin Union, and Raleigh Union. We should like to have reports from other churches or groups that have observed or plan to observe youth weeks.

MURFREESBORO CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLY

The Christian Adventure Assembly which was in session at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, July 14-19, was the most interesting assembly that has been held in Murfreesboro during the six years we have met there. Our days were full of excitement and we enjoyed fellowship as well as work and worship.

Each morning we were awakened by the rising bell at 7. At 7:45 each group met with a counselor who provided each person with a guidance sheet for the morning meditation. With this sheet and his Bible each delegate moved out on the campus for his own morning meditation. When the bell rang at 7:45 we all ran eagerly to the dining hall for breakfast. After breakfast we enjoyed our first class period. The subjects offered were:

God in the World Today, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw.

Ways We Worship, Miss Anne Slaughter.

What It Means to Be a Church Member, Rev. B. B. Slaughter.

Getting Along With People, Rev. O. L. Hardwick.

Our Neighbors in China, Rev. R. E. Walston.

From 9:40 to 10:40 we all enjoyed one of the many sports offered under the direction of our play leader, Linwood Blackburn.

After the recreation period we met together for our assembly with the president, Raymond Sheeley, presiding. At this time we had a scripture reading, prayer and songs and then transacted the business of the assembly. Our next meeting was the commission groups. These commissions were:

Worship and Evangelism.

Community Service.

World Friendship.

Recreation.

Here we learned the function of each commission so that we might be better workers in our home churches.

After dinner we retired to our rooms for the rest hour from 1:30-2:30. By 2:30 we all were pepped up for another interesting period, our interest groups. Miss Evans, the music leader, showed us that there was a lot of talent in the assembly by giving us a glee club. They led the singing at vespers and provided special music for all occasions.

Another interesting interest group was the group in dramatics under the direction of Rev. R. E. Walston. This group had charge of the talent night program on Thursday evening.

This year the newspaper interest group published two papers. The group gathered the news, wrote the articles and published the paper. Miss Elizabeth Myers was the leader of this group and Miss Winnie Bell was the editor of the paper.

Everyone was glad when the 4:00 recreation bell rang because that was the swim period. The pool is about eight feet deep in the deepest part but was lined off for those who could not swim. Our life guards kept a close eye on all that were in the pool.

After supper each evening we all gathered on the front steps for vespers. The service usually consisted of hymns, scripture, prayer, special music, poetry, responsive readings and a short talk or story by one of the faculty members.

At 7:30 we met in the gym for games. We played a lot of interesting games which we all enjoyed and hope to teach to our friends at home.

Our prayer groups met with a leader each evening at 9:20 and at that time we talked over the events of the day and each of us offered our prayers to God thanking him for special things and asking his help with things we wanted to do.

On Thursday night we enjoyed a lovely banquet. Linwood Blackburn and his banquet interest group arranged the affair which was an Indian banquet, the program, favors and decorations being centered about the Indian idea. The favors were Indian canoes and wigwams. Mrs. Maness and Miss Elizabeth Morgan were the leaders of the party favors interest group and prepared the favors for our banquet.

At 10 the bell sounded for lights out. As we lay in our comfortable beds and thought of the wonderful things that had happened to us during the day, we thought how very much we had to be thankful for—the wonderful and peaceful country in which we live and can have such a fine assembly as this, the Chrsitian Adventure Assembly of the Methodist Church at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, North Carolina.

Winifred Bell.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MEDITATION AND PRAYER

"Let us pray:

For those who carry the message of love to hungry hearts.

For those who thirst for the new life in Christ Jesus.

For the messengers set apart by the church to carry the message around the world.

For those messengers we can call by name at home and abroad.

For the missionaries, deaconnesses and other workers who are the messengers of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

For all heralds of the gospel in the new Methodist Church.

For ourselves, that we may find new ways whereby we may become bearers of the King's command.

For ourselves that we may willingly follow the King's command."

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE AND SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Among the many important conferences to be held at Lake Junaluska during August are the Missionary Conference and School of Missions from July 24-August 5, at which time study courses for the various departments of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be available to the large numbers of missionary workers who will be in attendance. To be there and participate in these studies is a glorious privilege, and prepares those who take adavantage of the opportunity for a larger and more effective service. The courses are: "Christians and World Order" and "Christianity and World Democracy" (mission themes); a Bible study, "The Christian Home," and a course on methods. Other attractive features are also scheduled for the two weeks' program. We hope that a large number of our Western North Carolina conference women may be able to attend these great conferences.

GRATIFYING RESULTS FROM MISSION STUDY CLASS

The July issue of the World Outlook carries a most interesting story from Mrs. Ira C. Shelley of Greensboro of the encouraging results from a mission study class of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of College Place church in Greensboro. We quote from this story feeling that perhaps it may be an inspiration to some one else to "go and do likewise."

Greensboro was studying urban work, and the class talked about the problems of the city of Chicago, after they had studied the book, but not as Chicago's problems but as problems of the city of Greensboro. As they prayed in the class for direction as to where to go and what to do, they almost had a revival. A suburban community was suggested as a place needed to be visited, and three of the members went there, wondering what they could do when they reached there; but the opportunity presented itself to them as they decided to visit the homes of the children of the community who had never attended Sunday school, and invite them to go. They found the very children they were looking for in a little three-room house and found that both father and mother worked every day and the children spent much time alone. Near by they discovered a little unused church building, which proved their inspiration. They wanted to open it and start something there, and they did. The mothers of the community expressed a desire for a Sunday school and these faithful, interested women went to work, cleaned the church, and the first Sunday they opened the church had a goodly number of children in attendance. Feeling they were not qualified to start a Sunday school they decided on 'The Children's Story Hour,' dividing the work among the three—one to lead the singing, another call the roll and that sort of thing, the other to be the story-teller. From this beginning other things soon developed. The next step was the starting of a club, so they procured an old store which became the club house. Both the church and the club house are now painted and most attractive in appearance. The club house has become a real community center and other churches in the city have helped in the work. A city health nurse goes out every week and gives lessons on health, the city recreation department sends a worker out for socials, the WPA provides a woman to help with lunch every day. Every Thursday the community mothers meet for a sewing bee, and have quilted for each other this winter. All the women take part in fixing for the meetings and serving the refreshments. The inspiration that has come to the residents of the community because of the work started by these women of College Place church has changed the whole atmosphere of the place. Houses have been painted, flowers grow where junk was formerly found and the lives of the women and children have been changed.

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of missionary education and cultivation of the Board of Missions is credited with saying that 'it is not what happens in the class study so much as what happens to the work and attitudes of the women afterward,' and we are sure that Mrs. Bourne would agree that the College Place study class has profited by its study and gotten a rich experience of service to others, which, quoting Mrs. Shelly, 'not only changed the lives of the women in the community they served, but also in the lives of the members of the class.' "

PLEA FOR SCARRITT ASSOCIATES

The quarterly letter of Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, president of Scarritt College, says to the friends of Scarritt: "You will be interested to know of the significant action taken by the trustees of Scarritt College at a recent meeting in the adoption of the following: "The trustees of Scarritt College, after careful consideration of the institution's unique service to the church, the gratifying progress being made, the financial problem under present world conditions, and the challenging opportunities now faced, are impressed with the necessity of developing a living endowment, whereby Scarritt may successfully meet the present urgent situation. The Scarritt alumni have just completed a splendid donation to the college in the Gibson dormitory. Many of them are Scarritt Associates, but their contribution is not sufficient to meet the pressing financial needs of their alma mater. We are, therefore, appealing to the men and women throughout the church to join us in becoming Scarritt Associates by making such annual contributions as may be possible. In this way and in spite of the very difficult conditions today, Scarritt College will be able to meet the situation and go forward with its program."

If there is an adequate response to this appeal of the trustees, Scarritt College will make a large and increasing contribution to the church of tomorrow. When the present crisis is passed, trained lay workers will be greatly needed for Christian service at home and abroad. Now is the time to prepare them. It is earnestly hoped, therefore, that the call of the trustees will receive a hearty response.

Little sisters, aged two and four years, were treated by a neighbor friend to a ride upon his small pony. The older child had enjoyed it greatly, then stood by as the younger was placed on the pony. Another bystander exclaimed, "Oh! he is so little I am afraid he will fall." The indignant four-year-old cried, "Her ain't no he, him's a she."—Advance.

A NEW GALILEE

By Albert G. Stone

Junaluska! Junaluska! In the land of the sky,
With the charm and the beauty
Of your mountains tossed high;
With the peace and the calmness
Of your lake in between;
And the cross high above it,
Like a beacon is seen.
Then the drive by the lakeside;
Your hotels and your inns;
Up the trails to your mountains
Where the laurel begins.
And your people by hundreds,
From the South, East and West,
Gathered there for communion,
Relaxation and rest.
Inspiration comes quickly,
Renewed courage and zeal,
When one sits in your classes;
And his spirit can feel
That the Master is walking
Once again by the sea,
As the multitudes throng him
By a new Galilee.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WHY REJOICE?

There is no command in the Bible of greater importance, more often repeated or less headed than God's command to rejoice. Through obeying God's command to rejoice our hearts become tuned to God's infinate power. We are lifted to a higher plane of living. All good things gravitate toward those who keep God's laws, both physical and spiritual. Fear and doubt destroy man's delicate body while joy helps build up and transforms. A grateful, joyous heart never lacks blessings to rejoice over. Divine optimism is an essential trait of a dynamic Christian.—From Spirtiual Life Group program, prepared by Miss Elizabeth Lamb.

IT SHOULD BE OUR CONCERN

Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A. shares with us some pertinent recommendations, especially for local secretaries of that department of work but equally interesting to all. Mrs. Cutchin writes: "The quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Division of Christian Service has just been held in New York. The following recommendations were made in the area of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and I am sending them to you through the columns of our paper: 1. The General Conference of the Methodist Church in session in Atlantic City in May, 1940, made the following pronouncement: 'The Methodist Church, although making no attempt to bind the consciences of its individual members, will not officially support or participate in war. We insist that the agencies of the church shall not be used in preparation of war, but in the promulgation of peace. We insist that the buildings of the church dedicated to the worship of God, shall be used for the holy purpose and not by any agency for the promotion of war.' Therefore in keeping with this ideal, the Woman's Division of Christian Service makes the following recommendations to Methodist women: 1. As church women of a great denomination let us be keenly aware of our place of leadership in bringing constructive forces to bear upon destructive agencies about us. Let us not retreat from our convictions and ideals even in the stress of international crisis. 2. Let us seek deeper spiritual resources for ourselves and for our church, by committing our lives to the discovery of a way to live creatively, co-operatively and peacefully with all people, recognizing the futility of force and violence in world crisis as well as in normal times. 3. Let us preserve and strengthen the bond of fellowship within the church in the face of differences in interpretation of the Christian ideal as it relates to the present war crisis, remembering that faith in one another is at the root of democracy. 4. Let us use our reason to evaluate the material which comes from the printed page, the radio and the screen. We must not be stampeded by propaganda and war hysteria. 5. Let us make all possible use of the tools given into our hands with which we may build a warless world. Let us exercises the right of franchise and exert its influence untiringly upon our senators and congressmen in Washington. Let us use our place of leadership on civic boards, in community enterprises, in the home, the church and the school to speak our convictions and work fearlessly for peace. 6. Let us study together the economic and political problems that are causing present world conditions, seeking for Christian solutions. Following the plan recommended by the Commission on World Peace, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill., let us set up EXPLORATORY CONFERENCES ON A JUST AND ENDURING PEACE. We recommend for study the pamphlet on 'A Just and Enduring Peace,' prepared by the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace of the Federal Council of Churches. 7. Let us work with untiring zeal in our local churches to strengthen the bond of fellowship between the church and youth in military encampments, guarding carefully lest the church become an agency for building a military mind in our nation. Remembering that the United States has not recognized the necessity for providing a budget for the support of conscientious objectors, let the church also express faith in the conscientious objector, sending financial and spiritual support toward working of this ideal in our democracy. 8. Let us make the church a far-reaching influence in combatting the increasing vice and alcohol traffic in communities adjacent to military establishments working for protective legislation and law enforcement, as well as providing wholesome avenues for leisure time and activities. (Work for the passage of H.B. 2473, which embodies the content of the Sheppard bill. Send group resolutions and individual letters to your senators and congressmen urging its passage). 9. Let us recognize the fact that this time of national crisis when all eyes are focused on defense and defense agencies, that we face a grave danger of fostering plans and methods that make for discrimination against minorities within our border. Such injustices may be in the sphere of anti-alien legislation, discriminating against negroes in defense industries or in growing anti-Semitism. Let us combat such evils as destructive of the ideal of democracy. 10. Therefore, let us affirm our faith in the Christian ideal of democracy for all peoples of the world, seeking to implement this ideal in the program of the Christian church as it builds the hope of sanity and peace in a troubled world." Editor's note: These recommendations from our Woman's Division of Christian Service are of great import for all members of the W. S. C. S. and are in line with those made and urged by our own conference secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A. We should keep a copy of them conveniently placed and respond to their appeal.

MISS NOWLEN WRITES

For ten years the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Episcopal Church has supported the work of Miss Mabel Ruth Nowlen, missionary to China. Under united Methodism this work is being shared by W. S. G. throughout the United States. In a letter from Miss Nowlen, written from Methodist Mission, Chengtu, West China, she expresses her joy in service and her appreciation for working under the sponsorship of Wesleyan Service Guilds. Writing of the various publications of Christian literature in China and their influence Miss Nowlen states: "There is good news to report in regard to literature and new publications which the money you contribute to my budget has helped make possible. First, there's the Youth song book, which a committee of us at our Chengtu Methodist church compiled, printed 2,000 copies of and have sold out within a month after publication. . . . A subsidy of $400 from my budget helped to launch the printing and keep the price down to $1.00 per copy. We have now turned it over for reprinting to Scechun Christian Council. . . . Another publication for young people is a little book that resembles the Hazen book on 'Jesus.' It has the same title and is written by a youth leader of deep religious experience and good style in Chinese writing, Newton Tsiang. No money was on hand for printing, so $600 was given from my budget for a 'revolving fund' that will be paid back through the sale of the book, and ready for another publication. Let us be praying for the thousands of Chinese people who will be getting to know Jesus through these books and for those who use our Children's Magazine and other publications in Character Building Series. Once a week I am teaching an interdenominational group of leaders in 'Christianizing the Home' methods. We are considering a Chinese edition of the U. S. Government bulletin 'How Can I Make My Child Happy,' which will start with a loan from my budget, to be paid back by sales of the book. Just think of how many children you and I may be helping to make happy through making this available to Chinese mothers!"

SEVERN SOCIETY ENTERTAINED

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Severn Methodist church met on July 15. Following the program and business session Mrs. Henry Maddrey, hostess, invited the members of the society and other members of the church for luncheon. Tables were placed in the living room and library. Place cards were book marks. Each table had a centerpiece of flowers. Mrs. Maddrey served a two-course luncheon, assisted by Mrs. Joe Collier.—Mrs. H. W. Maddrey.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE NEW TIME

The new time does not make much difference with the Children's Home family. We have been in the daylight saving business all the summer, and, for that matter, all the time. There is mighty little daylight lost here and mighty little late living at night. The sun is not high when the boys go to work on the farm and the girls go to the industrial building. The sun is not up when the boys begin their milking and the girls start breakfast. The sun is about done for when the boys come in from the fields. The day has been well used and soon after the falling of darkness our family goes to bed to get the needed rest and relaxation for another day's work. We will go along with everybody else and change our clocks and adjust our watches but we will not have to adjust our work day. Sun time continues to be a good time for us.

DOZENS AND BUSHELS

In comes Mr. Booze, our truck farmer. His business is to arrange for the canning processes while the boys and girls are away on their vacations. He states that we will have plenty of tomatoes and beans to put away for winter use. After agreement had been entered into for taking care of the surplus, inquiry as to the amount of vegetables gathered this morning revealed the following: 125 dozen ears of corn, 14 bushels of beans, 10 bushels of cucumbers, 4 bushels of tomatoes, 2 dozen bunches of carrots, 2 bushels of beets and 2 bushels of squash. The tomatoes are just beginning to get ripe.

SUNSHINE AND HEAT

This is a mighty good time of the year to find out who of our farm boys can "take it," meaning the boys who can work all day in the tall corn in this hot sultry weather without leaning too much on the hoe handle or stopping the plow too long at the turning point. Our farm crops look mighty well with the exception of the bottom corn, several acres of which have been drowned out. Taken all in all, it can be said that our farm prospects are promising.

OFF THEY GO

Mention has been made in these columns of the fact that our boys and girls are now vacation minded. They are living in anticipation of the time when they can get in an automobile, board the bus or ride on the train to the point where they are expecting to go. It is a long time between visits for our family. Our children don't get away often, but when they do get away they get as much out of a visit as anybody else. Next Saturday, August 2, is the going time. From early morning until late in the afternoon the children will be chattering with one another as they become thrilled over their expected sojourn.

MURPHY MOVES

While doing some case work in the extreme southwestern corner of the state, this scribe arrived in Murphy well after nine o'clock one night last week. On going to the hotel he found every room filled. In fact, he learned that the rooms in all the hotels were filled, that they had been filled by the beginning of nightfall. Inquiry revealed that there were mighty few rooms in private homes not filled, in spite of the fact that people had moved into the attics and into kitchens in order to let their rooms to visitors. Murphy is on a boom. The four big dam projects



Dressed up and somewhere to go

in that area have brought an influx of people far beyond the capacity of the householders. Chicken coops and barns are being hastily adjusted for rooms. Rents are high and prices are up. Murphy moves along the crest of a high wave of prosperity. An early morning start prevented our contacting our good friend, Rev. C. B. Newton, the Methodist minister, but evidence was at hand that conditions are mighty favorable with both pastor and people in Murphy Methodist circles.

DEPENDABLE AND ASSURING

The picture this week is that of Donald Welborn, better known as just plain "Don." This young man had just returned from a visit with the men's Bible class of Ardmore Methodist church, Winston-Salem, where he was presented with a lovely wrist watch and a nice leather bound Bible on which was his name listed in gold letters. That's enough to make a boy smile. Pausing for a moment at the entrance to the Children's Home grounds, good friend C. C. Smithdeal kodaked the young man, the result of which you see. Don is now working in Washington, D. C., and we have a sort of a hunch that as he works his invariable smile continues to work on the good graces of those with whom he comes in contact. Don is a dependable young man.

PAINTING THE BELL

Harvey Adams, one of our young hopefuls, is a very dependable boy about our central kitchen and dining room. He fires the high pressure boiler, checks the intake of purchased commodities and helps in many other ways. Recently while painting some of the cooking utensils he used a bit of silver colored paint for coloring the old dinner bell. The bell looked mighty well but the tones were not what they used to be. The silver coloring did not give off the silver tones of former days, but rather there was a clanging sound that belied the good appearance of the exterior of the bell. Harvey now believes that paint can bring color but it cannot provide tones for the old dinner bell.

RINGING THE BELL

We have a bell. Our bell is a ten per cent apportionment bell. It sometimes rings. We love to hear it ring in the announcement that certain congregations have paid their Children's Home quota in full. The ringings since last announcement have recorded the following congregations and their pastors as having pulled the bell cord. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

Huntersville Ct., Rev. F. F. Frisbie.
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Liberty, Gold Hill circuit, Rev. L. S. Furr.
Centenary, Davidson circuit, Rev. W. R. Jenkins.
Shiloh, Whitnel circuit, Rev. D. A. Oakley.

LIVE AND HELP LIVE

It is not necessary to remind our friends that it is costing more to live now than formerly. Every month witnesses advancing costs for practically everything we buy. Living costs are advancing for everybody. But there is more money available with which to buy commodities. Doubtless our friends have more money than they formerly had. It follows that the Children's Home family must have more money than it formerly had. Our family is larger. A larger family with increased prices must necessarily expect larger returns from their contributing friends. Let's live and help others to live.

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Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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OXFORD—I considered it a great privilege to be the guest speaker at the Methodist church in Oxford on July 20. Much to my surprise and delight a very large congregation assembled for the service. Brother C. Freeman Heath was away on his vacation, and Brother D. S. Johnson, principal of the Oxford Orphanage school, conducted the devotional service. It was a source of great joy to me to know that Brother Heath is having such a successful pastorate in this important church. I was happy to see a large number of children from the Oxford Orphanage present for the service.

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OXFORD ORPHANAGE — Professor D. S. Johnson invited Mrs. Barnes and me to be guests of the Oxford Orphanage for dinner on Sunday, July 20. We were very happy to accept this gracious invitation to the Oxford Orphanage. Under the superintendency of Rev. C. K. Proctor, the Masonic Orphanage has made wonderful strides. I was glad to see that large group of young people being trained for useful citizenship. It makes my heart swell with pardonable pride to realize that I am a member of that ancient fraternity that for nearly three quarters of a century has rendered such useful and constructive service for dependent children in North Carolina. As I see it, the Oxford Orphanage is masonry at its best.

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CASE WORK—Last week I made a tour through the eastern part of the state to investigate the applications of a number of children who need to come and live at the Methodist Orphanage. It makes my heart sad to realize that there are so many who are barred from the training that we give because of lack of space and funds. Occasionally people ask me if we have many applications, and I unhesitatingly tell them that we are having more applications than ever before in the history of the home. The field is white to harvest, and our conference is to be congratulated for the service it is rendering hundreds of motherless and fatherless children. This no time for North Carolina Methodism to beat a retreat. As I see the situation, the thing for us to do is to go forward in this Christ-like work, and do more for underprivileged children than we have ever been able to do in the past.

LETTER FROM HELEN LONG—Now that the time has come for me to leave this home, which has meant so much to me, I realize fully how fortunate I have been. There are many people who have added pleasure and joy to my life since I came to this lovely home. There are many others who have guided me in the paths which will later lead to success. I have lived here 13 years, and I regret that these years—filled with happiness and love—have so swiftly passed. There are other children who need to be in the home, so I must move on, taking with me the Christian teachings of many years.

To the many friends of the North Carolina conference I wish to express my appreciation. Some have given generously of their funds that I might be afforded the privileges of the home.

I shall always remain grateful to the Betty Bass Christian Fellowship, in Black Creek, N. C., for providing two boxes of beautiful clothes each year for me. "Giving is living, the angel said." I am sure that these kind ladies will be repaid for their goodness.

Mr. Barnes, I appreciate the love and fatherly understanding you have shown me during my stay in the home. You have been a true dad, pal and chum to all your children. As I leave, be assured that I shall try to live up to your teachings.

Last but not least, I would like to express my gratitude to the cottage mothers of this home. You have been so understanding and helpful. There is one person whom I would especially like to thank—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives. Her life will always be remembered by me. She has always a happy smile and a cherry word to give all who pass her way. I have had the great privilege for the past 12 years of living with her. She has used me in her sacred concerts for several years. Mrs. Rives, I would like to tell you that you have very successfully taken the place of my mother. Since I cannot find words to express my appreciation to you for all you have done for me, I can only say "thank you." As I leave this home I shall try to live up to the standards of living you have put before me.

Wherever I go, whatever I may be, my thanks will always go to the friends who have made this home possible, and to the matrons who try to mold the lives of my brothers and sisters into Christian characters.

A STATISTICAL EXPERT IN THE NURSERY

Mother wanted to spend Saturday afternoon shopping, and father—a statistician—reluctantly agreed to abandon his golf and spend the afternoon with the three small energetic children.

When mother returned, father handed her this:

Dried tears—9 times.
Tied shoes—13 times.
Served water—18 times.
Toy balloons purchased—3 per child.
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Number of Saturdays father will do this again—0.—Montreal Star.

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Never has there been a time when Christians did not need to pray. "Prayer is the Christian's vital breath"; prayer is as necessary to the Christian life as food is to the physical life. Christ has given us a beautiful example of prayer in John 17. First we should pray for ourselves, our loved ones, our pastor, our church. Not only for our local church but for the church around the world. We can be a united world church around the mercy seat. "There is a scene where spirits blend, where friend holds fellowship with friend though sundered far. By faith we meet around the one mercy seat."

We need at this time of strife and confusion to pray for our President, that God will give him wisdom and understanding, that he may rightly direct the affairs of our nation. Pray for our nation that we may indeed by a righteous nation whose God is the Lord. Pray for every soldier boy in the training camps. Perhaps some of them have gone out from homes that haven't given them Christian training. Pray that God will watch over them and keep them from sin and the snare of the tempter, and harm and danger; that they may put their trust in God and commit their lives to him. And pray for the world, for God is able to bring good out of all this chaos. Pray that his kingdom come and his will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Jesus says "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you."

Mrs. J. A. Howell.

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The new editor of the General Conference Advocate, Dr. Roy L. Smith, has received generous praise and, as is always the case with editors, some generous criticism. His recent mail bag contained a letter which lamented the fact that "seven Advocates were merged into one that is, in no sense, superior to any one of the several." Another letter laments that the paper is too light for the "more mature minds." And so it goes. There is probably nobody harder to please than religious people when it comes to publishing a paper. They almost invariably expect too much. They forget that printing is an expensive business and the more elaborate the printing, the greater the expense, and that expense is tremendous. Moreover, the availability of advertising is very limited. He who doubts this should spend a week soliciting some.

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By Rollin H. Walker

Paul Preaches Faith in Christ

Rom. 3:1-31; 5:1, 2; Gal. 3:1-29

When in our lesson Paul uses the word faith, he is not contrasting it with reason. Indeed his contention for faith as the way of salvation is itself a train of close and careful reasoning (Romans 1:12). He would agree with Peter who says we should always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in us (1 Peter 3:15). Paul is contrasting faith in Christ and his merits, as over against reliance on our own earned merits. He says we are saved by an adventure on God's goodness of certain rules which, as it were, earn salavtion.

The contrast in Paul's mind is exactly that expressed by Jesus in the parable of the Pharisee and the Publican (Luke 18:9-14). The Pharisee presented himself as a finished product. Lord, I thank thee, he says, that I am not as the rest of men; and then he proceeded to give a list of good deeds that entitled him to the divine favor. But Jesus says he didn't get anywhere. While the publican who would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote his breast, saying, God, be thou merciful to me a sinner, went down to his house justified. Paul contends that to put one's whole reliance on the mercy of God is the way of salvation not only for publicans but also for the most law-abiding Pharisees.

This sounded so radical that Paul knew he must get reinforcement for his doctrine from the ancient Scriptures. One day as he was meditating on the story of Abraham, he noted that when God brought Abraham out under the starry sky he said, Number the stars if thou canst, for so shall thy seed be; and Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him for righteousness (Genesis 15:1-11). This august Father of the Faithful, before he was circumcised, or even knew of the Jewish lwa, was counted righteous because he believed in the everlasting faithfulness of God! We can imagine the thrill that this discovery gave to Paul. It was an unanswerable argument in his contention with those Jews who deemed him a dangerous heretic for preaching that men can be saved by faith.

But Paul, of course, had more than Scriptural arguments to support his gospel that a sinner could be saved if he mustered up courage to believe that God in Christ was good enough to save him for the asking. He had, as the physicians would say, an immense amount of clinical evidence. He could instance numberless cases where men had believed in Christ and been mysteriously reinforced. They had made connection with an unseen trolley that with reason. Indeed his contention for light. They had received power to control themselves, grace to love their fellowmen, and a surprising inner peace and joy.

Paul says that God set forth Jesus to be a propitiation through faith in his blood. A propitiation was usually thought of as a sacrifice to cool the anger of an offended deity, but here God is pictured as setting forth his own propitiation. This is a contradiction in terms, but a glorified contradiction, like that other paradox where the Spirit is conceived as being so completely identified with men that he maketh intercession for us with groanings that cannot be uttered (Romans 8:26).

There cannot be salvation for sinners, says Paul, without a sacrifice, but God himself makes the sacrifice. God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son. The antitoxin for the world's disease was developed through the sufferings of Christ. Paul felt that it was necessary that men should be made to see that redemption means suffering, lest they make light of sin, and imagine that God has loosened the stern requirements of the moral law. When a man goes into the king's feast without putting on the wedding garment, says Jesus, he will be morally paralyzed, and his spirit will go stone blind (Matthew 22:11-14).

But this wedding garment, we repeat, is not a conformity to a certain set of religious proprieties, as the rabbis imagined. It is not a ritual that is the peculiar possession of the Jews, for God is the God of the Gentiles as well as the Jews, and hence salvation must be accessible to them also. The wedding garment that admits us to the feast is a whole-hearted hatred of sin, and an awe-struck sense of the infinite mercy of God.

THE WORLD'S BE-HAPPY-TUDES

Blessed are the self-sufficient, for they shall need no help from outside themselves.

Blessed are the merrymakers, for they shall be well paid as gloom-chasers.

Blessed are the self-esteemed, for with their own lips they shall praise themselves.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after success, for they shall be emulated as well as envied.

Blessed are the blase, for they shall be called "The Emancipated."

Blessed are the war-makers, for they shall be well paid while they live on remembered in bronze when they die.

Blessed are they who are shrewd enough to avoid sacrifice, for they shall not be found holding the bag.

Rejoice in thy good fortune and be exceeding glad, for men shall speak well of thee when thou doest well for thyself.—Rev. Arthur Johnson.

For there will be tears. I shall surely shed tears even in heaven when I remember my former badness and see the goodness of the Lord: but God shall wipe the tears away.—Augustine.

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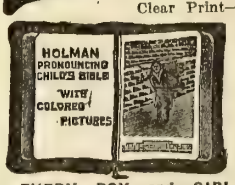
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GENE'S MENAGERIE

By Vincent Edwards

About 80 years ago a little boy named Eugene Field, but commonly called Gene, lived in Amherst, Mass. His home was with his Aunt Mary and his little brother, Roswell, whom everybody called "Rosy," and his cousin, Mary.

He couldn't have been very old when he first showed his love for pets. First, it was a snapping-turtle he brought home when he went on a stroll for wild flowers with Cousin Mary. "Gene" had never seen anything more curious, he thought.

Then he felt sorry for a poor stray cat and gave it a home in the loft of his aunt's barn. But it wasn't long before the cat had a family of three lively kittens, so Gene had more animals on his hands.

When Aunt Mary's good friend, the Deacon, gave her nephew six baby chicks, Gene decided to bring them up properly. He gave each one a name, and a queerer lot you never heard—"Finniken," "Minniken," "Winniken," "Dump," "Poog" and "Boog." Their master even taught them to answer to certain whistles, and soon they responded to their own special calls.

More pets came soon. In a hollow oak stump another boy showed Gene two baby squirrels—tiny orphans, for their mother was dead. But when Gene wanted to bring them home, Cousin Mary wouldn't hear to it. But this boy loved them so much he hid them in his room. One morning Cousin Mary told Aunt Mary she was sure she had heard mice in the house, but Aunt Mary said it couldn't be. After that Gene left his window open and in no time at all the little squirrels had grown to be big squirrels and had run off without even saying goodbye to their young friend.

A week later a kind man made Gene a present of a mole. The boy put this in his bureau drawer and liked to watch it feel its way around with its funny little nose. It must have had a "sweet tooth," for it seemed to like honey.

Gene had so many pets now that people began to speak of his "menagerie." A proud addition was "Dooley," a stray dog who looked so grimy and dusty when Gene found him that he had taken soap and water and given him an even harder scrubbing than he gave himself Saturday nights. Then, to make the dog attractive to Aunt Mary, Gene sprinkled plenty of his aunt's perfume over its furry coat. Aunt Mary couldn't resist a dog like that, the boy was sure, and when she found out how much Gene loved him, she let him stay.

After a while Gene was sent away to school. When he grew up, he became a famous writer. He worked on newspapers in St. Louis, Denver and Chicago. But wherever he lived, he always had pets about, and his heart went out to stray cats and dogs.

One time, when he was running his famous column, "Sharps and Flats," in a Chicago paper, Eugene Field wrote of how lonely his home had become since his little fox terrier "Jessie" had run away. He was sure Jessie was an educated dog, for he wrote, "We have tried our poems on Jessie, and she always liked them; leastwise she always wagged her tail approvingly."

Almost all children today have read some of Eugene Field's lovely poems. "Wynken, Blynken and Nod," "The Sugar Plum Tree," "The Night Wind" and "Little Boy Blue"—these and many more are familiar to little people and grown-ups alike. A fine statue of this beloved writer stands in a Chicago park. The pennies of thousands of children helped to build it. It is a lovely memorial to the man who found a place in his heart for so many children and homeless animals.—Our Dumb Animals.

WHEN A FELLOW'S MOTHER KNOWS

Maybe grown-ups have their troubles,
But I'm very sure a boy
Has his worries and vexations
That his peace of mind destroy.

But there's one thing I have noticed
That whatever be his woes,
Somehow, some way, they all vanish
When a fellow's mother knows!

Sometimes, when the things that vex you
Seem just more than you can bear,
When you feel no friends are left you,
And you really do not care—

Then, with such a load of trouble
How can any one suppose
They would vanish into nothing
When a fellow's mother knows?

—Christian Guardian.

Alan, arriving home from school, beamed with such happiness that he almost forgot he was hungry.

"I didn't know my second-grade teacher liked me so well, mummy," he confided. "I heard her talking to some of the other teachers, and she must be awfully proud of me! Do you know what she said?"

"She said that the happiest day of her life was the day little Alan Williams was promoted into the third grade."—New York Sun.

THE NICKEL

The American nickel or five-cent coin, which is now rounding out its seventy-fifth year in circulation, is the most used of all the coins in the United States. Millions of its kind click daily into subway turnstiles, trolley coin boxes, the tills of automat restaurants, into clot and vending machines, into telephones. More millions pass from hand to hand and jingle in pocket and purse. During the past fiscal year the mints made and delivered to the banks more than 180,000,000 new nickels. All told, since the first American nickel was minted in 1866, more than 2,000,000,000 of the coins have been put into circulation.

The first nickel bore on one side a design dominated by the American shield, and on the other side a large figure "5." That design was unchanged until 1883, when the Goddess of Liberty was substituted for the shield and the Arabic figure 5 was replaced by the Roman numeral V. The best known nickel of all came along in 1913. It was the coin which bears the Indian head on one side, the buffalo on the other. The mint's official report indicates that the nickel with the figure of Liberty was discontinued in 1912, but coin collectors say a few of them appeared with the 1913 date and they have coins to prove it. But the 1913 Liberty nickel is extremely rare.

The current Jefferson - Monticello nickel made its appearance in 1938, and now no more buffalo nickels are being minted. There probably will be no further changes in the nickel for a long time. According to present law, an interval of twenty-one years is required before the design of a coin may be altered.

The nickel, although named for the metal, is actually made of an alloy of copper and nickel. As metal, each coin is worth only about 1 cent. In circulation, the nickel has an average life of about ten years. Nobody seems to know why, but the nickel is the only modern American coin which does not carry the words "In God We Trust."

Wooden nickels, famed in joke and legend, are more common than is popularly assumed. They are frequently issued as souvenirs of fairs and other celebrations, during which they are often redeemable at face value. Real wooden nickels were issued, along with scrip of many kinds, by a few towns during the depression years a decade ago.—New York Times.

Teacher: "James, why do we call English our mother tongue?"

James: "Because father does not get much time to use it."—Selected.

Teacher—Which hand is the Statue of Liberty holding over her head?

Pupil—The one with the torch.—

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

West Burlington, 11 31
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 3 31
Graham, 7:30 31

September

Mebane, Central, 7:30 3
Eno, 7:30 4
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 11 7
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 3 7
Branson, 7:30 7
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Calvary, 7:30 10
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 2 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Jonesboro, 11 3
Troy Ct., 3 3
Troy, 8 3

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Elm City, 11 10
W. Halifax, Hollister, 8 10
Elm City, Hornes, 8 11

September

Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
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Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m.....14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 8 1
Four Oaks, Sander's, 11 3
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 3 3
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 5
Oxford, 8 6
Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 17
Whiteville, 8 20
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 24
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, W. Mem., 8 24
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 8 29
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 11 31

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 12
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

August 3, 11 a.m.—Asbury, preaching; Biltmore, night, preaching.
August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

August

Mocksville Ct., 11 3
Davie, Liberty, 3 3
Mocksville, night 3
Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND

August

Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Denton, Central, Piney G., 7:30 3

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

North Forest, 11 3
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 3
Cross Mills, 7:30 3
Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Hickory, West View, 11 3
N. Newton, 7:30 3
Statesville, Boulevard, 11 10
Stony Point, 7:30 10
Troutman, 11 17
Mooresville, Broad St., 7:30 17
Statesville, Broad St., 11 24
Statesville, Race St., 7:30 24
Olin, Macedonia, 11 31
Harmony, Harmony, 7:30 31

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Malden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12

Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Macon, Asbury (Dedication), 11 3
Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

August

Central Terrace, 11 17
Centenary, 11 24
Grace, 7:30 24
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
North Davidson, 3 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Centenary, 7:30 8
Doubs, 7:30 9
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 17
Kernersville, 7:30 17

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Harrison Methodist church, pause to pay sincere tribute to one of our most beloved and honored members, Mrs. Ella McGinn, who on Friday, May 23, 1941, experienced an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Mrs. McGinn will be remembered as an unselfish Christian. This unselfishness expressed itself through a devotion to her husband, her family, her church and her friends. She possessed those qualities of kindness, sympathy and understanding which endeared her to all with whom she was associated. Therefore be it resolved:

First, we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, extend to the members of the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Second, That we commend to the members of the society her life of patience and sweetness of disposition during the days of her illness when she was an example of how much a Christian can suffer and keep one's faith in God.

Third, That a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, a copy be recorded in the permanent records of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

HARTSELL—George Henry Hartsell, familiarly known as "Uncle George," 81, died Saturday, July 12, at the home of a niece, Mrs. B. E. Mosley, in Concord. His death was due to heart disease, of which he had been ill for several months. The deceased was the last member of a family of 26 children. He was a landmark of Bethel community, having resided at Cabarrus Station for many years, and was one of its best citizens. He was a faithful member of Bethel Methodist church until his death. He was married twice but neither of his companions survived him. He leaves a number of nieces and nephews and other relatives and a large circle of friends to mourn his departure. He was a son of the late Andrew and Sally Love Hartsell. Funeral services were held from Bethel Methodist church Sunday afternoon, July 13, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Edward M. Graham, and burial was in the church cemetery.

BIGGERS—Thomas Daniel Biggers, Jr., 35, died Thursday, July 3, a few minutes after he had suffered a heart attack on the streets of Concord. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, July 5, at the Bethel Methodist church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Edward M. Graham, assisted by Rev. F. W. Kiker, Rev. R. L. Bass and Rev. T. B. Huneycutt. Burial was in the church cemetery. The deceased was a prominent citizen of Cabarrus station community, and had been a faithful member of Bethel Methodist church for a number of years. He was a son of T. D. Biggers, Sr., and the late Mrs. Biggers. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mamie McEachern Biggers; his father, T. D. Biggers, Sr.; three sisters, Mrs. Alice Cook, Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Frances Eaves, Kannapolis, Miss Billie Biggers of Cabarrus Station; and two brothers, D. D. Biggers, Concord, Brown B. Biggers of Cabarrus county.

LEONARD—Mrs. Nora Crawford Leonard, age 68, died at her home in Catawba June 4, 1941, following a lingering illness that had lasted over a long period of years. She was critically ill only a few days. She was a great sufferer but never complained. Her family will miss her courageous life and the inspiration she gave them.

Mrs. Leonard was the daughter of the late J. E. and Julia Lockman Crawford. Her early life was spent in Texas where her mother died when she was about 12 years of age. She at once became mother to the three younger brothers and sisters and housekeeper for her father.

December 31, 1889, she was married to Z. V. Leonard, with whom she lived happily until her death, a period of more than 51 years. To them were born the following children: Novella of Raleigh; J. C. of Chiloquin, Oregon; Winona and C. T. of Catawba, and Lorene of Hickory. Also surviving are four grandsons, Jimmy, Gaither, Phillip and Bruce Leonard of Catawba. She had been a member of Concord Methodist church since youth.

The funeral service was conducted from the Catawba Methodist church June 5 by her pastor, Rev. W. Q. Grigg, assisted by Rev. J. A. Hudson, pastor of the Catawba Baptist church. Mrs. Leonard's Bible was used in the service; passages that she had marked and two of her favorite poems were read. Burial was in the church cemetery.

W. Q. Grigg.

BOYLES—On Sunday, June 22, at 6:15, just before the evening sun slipped behind the western horizon, the soul of Mrs. Lela Dannis Boyles quietly, unannounced, for only one member of her family, her youngest daughter, Virginia, was present, took the wings of the evening to dwell eternally in the home above. Although she had passed her 59th birthday on May 29, 1941, she was still alive to the varied interests of her home, church and community to almost her last breath. Few women will surpass her in their untiring Christian fortitude. In early childhood she gave her heart to Christ, her interest in the church growing with her maturing years. In fact, in later life she took her dedication to Christ with such earnestness that at times she assumed the role of a Christian warrior in order that she might defend the faith.

She was an example of a Christian mother, having led all of her children to unite with the church in the very early years of their life. As the following poem found in her Bible will reveal, she always considered that being a mother was her supreme task:

A MOTHER'S PRAYER

Jesus Saviour, hear my pleading,
Leave me here a little while;
Leave me just till all my darlings
Will remember mother's smile.

Leave me only till I teach them
All a Saviour's dying love.
Then, some day, I know they'll meet me
In that happy home above.

Leave me only till their footsteps
In the path of right I guide,
Then, dear Jesus, while they linger,
Keep them close to thy dear side.

Then, dear Saviour, when it pleaseth
Him who reigns so justly there,
Take me to that land of angels—
To that happy home so fair.

Only for those helpless infants,
I would gladly go today,
For I am weary, oh, so weary,
And too sick almost to pray.

She was the wife of J. W. Boyles, a prominent citizen of Thomasville, and was born at Pinnacle, the daughter of the late William Cobb Dennis and Ruth Jane Saunders Dennis. She was married to Mr. Boyles in 1901, moving to Thomasville in 1907. Shortly after her arrival she united with the First Methodist church and remained a member of this church until the Community church was organized in the fall of 1923, when she with others transferred her membership to this church. In every place and period of her active church life she manifested a zeal and spirit of leadership that made her more than an ordinary member. Whether it was in the capacity of a teacher or leader of some group she did it with an enthusiasm that kindled new life in all with whom she worked.

Those who remain to mourn her passing are: Her husband, the following children, Alvah, Joe, Virginia, Billy Boyles and Mrs. Ben R. Harris of Thomasville, Mrs. Guy R. Dudley of Winston-Salem, Mrs. H. T. Smith of Greensboro, Mrs. Douglas C. Crutchfield of Waynesboro, Va.; two brothers, Dr. George E. Dennis of Raleigh and C. V. Dennis of Providence, R. I., and nine grandchildren.

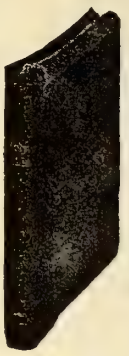
Her funeral was conducted at the Community Methodist church on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the writer, assisted by Dr. J. E. Pritchard, a former pastor, of Ramseur.

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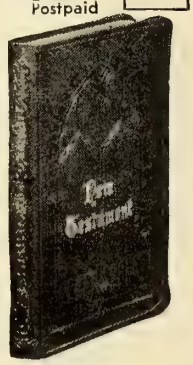
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"The Toy-Strewn House"

"Give me the house where the toys are strewn,
Where the dolls are asleep in the chairs,
Where the building blocks and the toy balloon
And the soldiers guard the stairs;
Let me sleep in the house where the tiny cart
With its horses rules the floors,
And rest comes into my weary heart,
For I am at home once more.

Give me the house with the toys about,
With the battered old train of cars,
The box of paints and the books left out
And the ship with her broken spars;
Let me step in a house at the close of day
That is littered with children's toys,
And dwell once more in the haunts of play
With the echoes of bygone noise.

Give me the house where the toys are seen,
The house where the children romp,
And I'll be happier than man has been
'Neath the gilded dome of pomp.
Let me see the litter of bright-eyed play
Strewn over the parlor floor,
And the joys I knew in a far-off day
Will gladden my heart once more.

Whoever has lived in a toy-strewn house
Though feeble he be and gray,
Will yearn, no matter how far he roam,
For the glorious disarray
Of the little house with its littered floor
That was his in the bygone days
And his heart will throb as it throbbed before
When he rests where a baby plays."

—Author unknown to us.

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THE LIQUOR QUESTION CROWDING TO THE FRONT IN NORTH CAROLINA

The reports reaching this office indicate unmistakably that there is a rising tide of interest in the prohibition of the liquor traffic in North Carolina, particularly in eastern North Carolina. There have come in the last few days repeated requests for special copies of the Advocate which have protested against the sale of liquor in our good state. As far as we are able we have supplied these demands and are willing to get into the fight in behalf of temperance and prohibition.

We are these days ringing the changes on "defense," which is well and good. But while battling to save ourselves from enemies across the seas, why not strike at the same time the enemy within our gates? Will the state of North Carolina become a partner in the nefarious business of selling intoxicating drink to the soldier boys encamped within our borders?

Let us have an uprising of the good citizens of North Carolina that will right speedily put an end to the sale of legalized strong drink within our state.

A "Reminder" of Interest to Our Friends

Next week we will begin to mail out "Reminders" to all our subscribers whose subscriptions have expired, to bring to their attention that payment is now due and that a remittance will be greatly appreciated.

You can save us from the labor and expense of writing you a letter if you at once will turn to the pink label on your Advocate and, if your subscription is due, mail at once your renewal to this office. It is not much trouble to write one letter, but to write several thousand is quite a task. Kind and appreciated friend, will you help us just now? We thank you in advance.

GOLDEN CROSS DIRECTOR REPORTS FOR N. C. CONFERENCE

As Golden Cross director for the Wilmington district I am sending herewith a statement of charges in the district who have made Golden Cross payments this year to date. The list is as follows:

Bladen Circuit	$ 3.05
Carver's Creek	8.00
Chadbourn	2.00
Clinton	19.25
Elizabeth	7.13
Fairmont	10.00
Hallsboro	3.50
Jacksonville-Richlands	14.00
Lumberton	10.00
Lumberton Circuit	2.80
Grace, Wilmington	85.59

The goal for Wilmington district, as adopted at district conference is a Golden Cross contribution from every church in every charge in the district this year. The above list by charges is the complete record recently received from the conference director. I happen to know that a splendid offering of $50 has been received at the Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, since the above report from the conference director. So things are looking up fine. I shall publish a bit later the amounts received during the latter part of the summer. J. F. Herbert.

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A visitor this summer on an observation tour of the National Park of the Great Smokies asked an old man who sat by his cabin door, peacefully smoking his clay pipe, if he had lived in that place all his life. With an air of complacency the old citizen replied. "Not yit."

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It is the vision of ends that Western life lacks. It has no sense of direction. It is all motion—at unequaled speed—but what is its goal? It is atomic, chaotic—not yet corporate. Why do its millions work and fight and breed and die? Do even their leaders know? For what shall man live? For all, says communism. For each, says individualism. For both, says the ethics of Jesus.—Harry F. Ward, in Our Economic Morality and the Ethics of Jesus.

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Youth is not a limitation of years, just as age is not determined by the almanac. Youth is a state of mind, an attitude toward the future, a vigor of emotions, a quality of enthusiasm, a robustness of imagination. To youth the future is more alluring than the past. To age the golden period is in the years that are gone, but to youth the golden age is just ahead. To burn rivers is one of the pastimes of youthful daring. The world is saved from defeat and decay by those who are young.

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Here is a new story illustrating the ready wit of Dr. W. L. Watkinson, the great Wesleyan preacher, as given in the Methodist Times by a prominent member of British Methodism, who says: "I suppose the most popular of all his retorts was to the hostess, a Christian Scientist, who rebuked him for saying one Sunday afternoon that he had stomach ache. 'There's no such thing as pain,' the lady said, 'it's a temptation of the devil.' 'What am I to do, then?' asked her guest. 'Say "Get thee behind me, Satan,"' replied the lady. 'But, madam,' rejoined the doctor, 'that would be lumbago.'"

Dr. Wm. H. Phelps, editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate, names Michigan's leading citizens. He puts first Dr. M. S. Rice, pastor of Metropolitan church, Detroit. Edgar A. Guest comes next. Fielding H. Yost, coach at the University of Michigan, occupies third place. Henry Ford comes next. Dr. J. H. Kellogg of Battle Creek fame, also occupies a place among the five that this editor names. That was eight years ago and the choice today would not be very different.

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"This homing impulse which I feel does not have its goal on that little southern Illinois farm where I lived as a child, nor yet in that portable parsonage in which I lived with the mate of my soul for thirty-seven years. Strange to say, this impulse does not draw me back. Rather it drives me on to my home in the City. All who have ever counted in my life are gathering there. Many have already arrived, and the others are fast turning again toward home. The festive lights are burning. The table is already spread. The welcome chorus is starting up. I wish I could go home today!"—Superintendent Chapman.

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Death literally rides our highways. In this slaughter three people die daily in North Carolina—an increase of 50 per cent the first six months of this year. The greatest increases were recorded in Wake, Columbus, Cumberland, Henderson, Halifax and Rockingham. The report showed further that 94 persons were killed in traffic accidents in the state during the month of June. This was a 50 per cent increase over the 62 traffic deaths in the state last June. Drunken and drinking drivers infest the highways. How could we hope for better with the speed demons and the drunks at the wheel? The first week in July 185 drunken drivers lost their license. This keeps up from week to week. Most of the drinking drivers are never caught. Lists of revocations number 35,709.

Greensboro Entertains an English Lord and His Lady

ONE evening last week Greensboro banqueted Lord and Lady Marley with a sufficiently limited number of guests to make the occasion becomingly exclusive when an English lord was the guest of honor. Five dollars a cover served to ease the social pangs of those who failed to be numbered among the guests where the common herd could not qualify.

The Asheville citizen had its feelings hurt by this undemocratic gesture on the part of the Gate City. But we assume that if this thing had occurred in Asheville the Citizen would have offered no protest.

We were out of town that night—200 miles away—but we turned in on WBIG just as Lord Marley was talking about western North Carolina being the only place on the face of the whole earth where the tongue of Shakespeare is still spoken in its purity. His discourse upon other things was equally interesting. In the language of Josh Billings, this English lord was "an amoosing cuss."

Of special interest to us upon this aristocratic occasion when only lords and ladies joined in the hilarities of the hour was that our good friend, Judge Earl Rives, was toastmaster and Lord Marley's right hand man. At Chapel Hill he is known as "Scrubby" Rives and he is Carolina's number one football fan. To think that Carolina, the home of democracy and of all-American football players, should have one who consorts with English lords to lead the cheering at ball games is too much for us to contemplate with complacency. We are now very eager that the Dukes of Durham shall in November win over the lords of Chapel Hill who are being led by an Earl. This is all in the interest of democracy.

From a Boy in an Army Camp

WHY the average American is not passionately interested in his country is told in eloquent and impressive terms by a youth in an army camp who recently wrote as follows:

"You wonder why the American seems no longer passionately concerned with America? . . . The average American does not know his country; how can he love it? The average American does not know the feel of actual life-giving soil in his hands, the plains or mountains underfoot, the sweep of fertile valleys before his eyes. . . . He is absorbed in trying to get privileges that he does not know how to use. . . . Patriotism is born of a love of the hills, the mountains, the valleys, and the accomplishments of fellowmen as exemplified in our cities, our libraries, our laboratories, our colleges, our art galleries. The average American has not awakened. . . . He does not have the love of doing as did his forebears. His eyes are closed to what is about him. . . . Does he know his country? Does he know its peoples?"

Plenty of Talk About Loose Fiscal Policies

THE House of Representatives spent most of July 31 in charges of prodigality and waste in non-defense expenditures and other loose fiscal policies. And Chairman Doughton of the Ways and Means committee amid the discussion said, "I am afraid we have made appropriations for many things not essential under the defense program." In this connection we commend to our readers the following timely editorial that appeared recently in The Charlotte Observer:

It was President Roosevelt who said in 1932 that too often free governments have been "wrecked on the rocks of loose fiscal policies.

It is recalled, also, that in his budget message last January, the President promised that non-defense expenditures would be cut by about $500,000,000.

But the "loose fiscal policies," which have been charged to the present administration, have not been tightened up any since 1932.

Nor has the non-defense spending program been decreased since the January budget message.

It begins increasingly to appear that the warning uttered by one of the national commentators recently to the effect that "Federal finances are out of control—and have been for a long time," adds up as being unfortunately too true.

It looks now as if, since all new taxes covered in Secretary Morgenthau's 1941 fiscal program will cover only half of the seven billions allocated for gifts and grants to Britain, the remaining half will be charged to the U. S. national debt—plus the whole of our own defense outlay.

The Treasury deficit for the current fiscal year is now estimated at twelve billions. But this figure does not cover the second lend-lease bill soon to be presented to Congress by President Roosevelt.

The Budget Bureau is now working on this new program, which is expected to aggregate another five billions, making the new lend-lease total twelve billions.

This is developing into a situation that should impress the Congress, if the administration itself is too busy with its foreign affairs to turn its serious attention to this domestic unhappiness, with the necessity of stripping for economy action and beginning at once to use the shears on non-defense appropriations.

The people are bearing tax burdens now that are threatening to dislocate their economic standards to a degenerating degree.

They have no money now, nor the prospect of earning so much that they can afford to have their govern-

ment come along and take it away from them in taxes in order to provide federal revenues for extravagant spending on questionable objectives.

Chief Justice Stone

MANY fine things are being said these days about our new Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Calvin Coolidge who appointed him an associate justice on one occasion said of Stone's father: "He was a very fine man; he held a lot of mortgages in the neighborhood." That upon its face appeared to be a stern indictment. It makes one think immediately of a modern Shylock. But he was anything else. The fact was that he never turned down a neighbor who sought a loan and on the other hand he never pressed for repayment. A dad like that gave the boy a good start among his New England neighbors, who were examples of thrift and industry even if at times hard pressed.

And young Stone emulated the virtues of his father and his father's neighbors. When a student at Amherst he acquired a Phi Beta Kappa key and won a reputation as a football player. When a law student he refused to let his father pay his way through law school. He chose to make money teaching. A boy with such stuff in him could not be kept away from the top.

A Fool's Errand

THOMAS JEFFERSON declared: "For us to attempt to reform all Europe and bring them back to principles of morality and a respect for the equal rights of nations would show us to be maniacs of another character." That was true in Jefferson's day and it remains true. Woodrow Wilson hoped to do what Jefferson said could not be done. And this great man learned how futile were his efforts. We entered the World War expecting to "make the world safe for democracy," only to learn that the second estate of Europe was far worse than the first. And any man who expects that this second world war will be able to accomplish what the first failed to do should study the history of Europe and the deep seated characteristics not only of Germany but also of all the other peoples of this distressed continent.

We are heartily in favor of assisting Briton in her life and death struggle with Hitler and his allies, but for us to teach Europe "morality and a respect for the equal rights of nations" appears to be little short of a fool's errand.

The Best Exposed to Perils

THE fear that followed Paul lest he should become a castaway after preaching to others warns the best of us of the snares to which we are exposed. Without question the ministry and the women of our Christian Service organizations are the best groups in our Methodism, yet they are not free from the warning of the great apostle. What a fall when a preacher goes down! What a contemptible traitor does a preacher prove to be when disloyal to his friends and profession. Even the women do not escape. They do well to take heed.

The true, noble women who have a vision of the world's need and are striving to bind the whole round world about the throne of God often mock their entire movement by the parade and show brought into their efforts. Their dimes and prayers girdle the globe while their dollars are used to meet the demands of an empty material age. The woman who makes a missionary conference the place to display an elaborate wardrobe is more dominated by the spirit of the age than the spirit of Him who had not where to lay his head. Hold on! There is no use to use hard words and call names! Only a few escape the tyranny of the times. If such comes to pass among the best and truest, what must be the condition out on the border and fringe of life? Truly, the love of show in women, and the love of money in men, is the curse of this age.

Sounding brass and clanging cymbals without the love of which Paul spoke appear mighty to those having itching ears, caring little for the silent forces that steal gently in upon the inner realm of the soul where love sits enthroned. To make response to this empty demand is the temptation besetting the ministry. Popular appeals, big reports, loud acclaim, and earthly renown make a powerful plea hard for the shallow man to resist. How often does the pulpit seem robbed of its true glory because of the apparent unconcern for the truer and better things of the soul! To all such the plaudits of the mob and the hosannahs of the crowd outrank the need of men and women longing to be led in the healing ways of the still waters where the soul meets with God. A material-loving people lost in the outward do not want a pulpit that leaves the conscience stripped bare in the presence of God. Unfortunately, some unworthy preachers are glad to have it so. Fortunately, the big majority are men of another fiber.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Increasing activities in the Advocate office marked by the influx of renewals and new subscriptions indicate that summer holidays are about ended. Some years ago fall activities began September first, but in recent years they commence at the middle of August or even before.

Home coming day will be observed on the Mocksville circuit in the following churches on the stated dates: Bethel, Sunday, August 17; Chestnut Grove, Sunday, August 24; Union Chapel, Sunday, August 31. All former pastors, members and friends are extended a most cordial invitation to attend these home comings.—W. C. Sides, Jr., P. C.

On Friday, August 1, in Jerome, Arizona, the marriage of Frank M. Cartwright, son of Rev. Dr. Frank T. Cartwright of the staff of the Board of Missions, and Mrs. Cartwright, was solemized. The bride is Miss Nora Catherine Nicholls of Houghton, Michigan. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Cartwright, assisted by Rev. Frank Matthews, pastor of the Methodist church in Jerome.

James Moore, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. Z. Moore, Methodist missionaries in Korea, has recently graduated from Mount Union College at Alliance, Ohio. He is the recipient of a $500 scholarship from Drew Theological Seminary awarded for proficiency in his work, and is expecting to enter Drew this fall to prepare for the Christian ministry and possibly for following in the footsteps of his father in missionary service.

Sunday, August 10, will be the annual home coming day and also the beginning of the revival meeting at Bethesda, North Davidson charge. Preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. O. B. Williams. Picnic dinner on grounds. The afternoon service will be speaking and singing. Everybody is invited, especially all friends and ex-pastors. Rev. Mr. Mabry of Lexington will do the preaching during the week. —Mrs. J. O. Everhart, Reporter.

The Vance board of elections August 4 ordered an election October 21 on the question of repealing the law permitting the operation of ABC liquor stores in the county, after certification of petitions bearing the names of 15 per cent of the total voters in the last general election. The stores have been operated in Henderson since July 15, 1935. The net revenue to the county through last June 30 was $255,000 for the six-year period.

"War is hell," declared Sherman three-quarters of a century ago. And he raised quite a bit of it in his march through Georgia in the sixties. Now when a few people are trying to get us into the war while a big majority are eager for us to stay out hell has moved in this direction, and as is generally the case, the dear women are made to suffer first. For Mars speaking from afar has said that they must cease to wear new silk stockings—only the old ones from now on.

The 112-year-old arbor at Pleasant Grove camp ground, between Monroe and Waxhaw, will again this year be the setting for the annual gathering of hundreds of people who come for a vacation that is "different." Beginning Sunday, August 10, for eight days the 75 cabins, which are called "tents" will be the home for several hundred people. Other visitors will drive out for the day, especially on "Big Sunday," August 17. Last year's noted and popular preacher, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of the Duke University divinity school, will be the main speaker, and other visiting preachers of ability will be heard.

Stupidity caused the trouble in Charlotte last week and not the heat, if one can believe Jake F. Newell, Charlotte lawyer and state G. O. P. chairman, who was walking along one of the up town blocks when he spied a perspiring Negro acquaintance. The Negro's shirt was wet and perspiration was dripping from his forehead, running down his nose. "Well, Tom," said Mr. Newell, "it's pretty hot, all right." "Yes, suh, Boss," agreed the Negro, flinging his hand across his wet face, "hit's hot. But hit's been this hot before. What makes hit so hot now ain't so much the heat. Hit's the stupidity."

The District League of Stewards will meet with Mt. Pleasant church near Kimesville at 3 p. m. August 31. We hope you will be there with a large delegation from your church. A good program has been arranged and we feel sure that you will enjoy the meeting. A new feature is the "questionnaire" enclosed, which you will please have your charge lay leader prepare in duplicate. One copy is to be turned in at the meeting, the other to be retained by him for use in making his one-minute report. It is the purpose of the league to help your board really be of service to your charge and the Methodist Church. We are sure of your fullest co-operation.—F. Eugene Hester, Sec.

Rev. G. R. Stafford, who is on a constant lookout for good deeds to do, sends us the following news item: "Time Magazine for July 28, I am informed, carries a write-up of the Lord's Acre work as sponsored by the Farmers Federation of Asheville and a picture of Rev. V. P. Crowder of our Table Rock charge, and Betty Mae Cope looking at her Lord's Acre Pig. Thinking that you might like to run a story of the write-up and of the fact that this was a Methodist preacher and a Methodist girl and pig, I took the liberty of asking Mr. James McC. Clark, editor of the Farmers Federation News to send you the cut of Brother Crowder and Betty Mae that they loaned to Time."

It doesn't take two cars to have an accident. If there's only one car on a highway and that car is driven improperly, at an excessive rate of speed or in a careless and reckless manner, that car can soon kill someone very quickly. It isn't "the other fellow" who causes an automobile to be hit by a train; it isn't "the other fellow" who causes automobiles to land upside down in a cornfield after failing to straighten out on a curve. In four out of five fatal accidents there is only one motor vehicle involved, and the driver of that vehicle generally is at fault. A striking fact disclosed in the accident summary was that 211 of the 545 persons killed were under 25 years of age. Safety division records show a decided upward trend in fatal accidents involving young drivers.

Anyone who thinks it takes two motor vehicles to make an accident would be greatly disillusioned by the Highway Safety Division's traffic accident summary for the first six months of this year. This summary, completed this week, reveals that only 129 of the 545 traffic fatalities on North Carolina streets and highways the first half of this year involved collisions between two motor vehicles. The other 413 fatalities were distributed as follows: 159 involved collisions between motor vehicles and pedestrians, 116 involved motor vehicles that ran off the roadway due to excessive speed, 29 resulted from collisions between motor vehicles and railroad trains, 35 involved cars that overturned on the roadway, 20 resulted from collisions between motor vehicles and bicycles, 31 occurred in motor vehicles that struck fixed objects such as bridge abutments, 5 resulted from collisions between motor vehicles and animal-drawn vehicles, and 17 were other non-collision accidents such as when someone falls off a moving vehicle.

Billy Lee Kearns, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Kearns, near Asheboro, died Sunday at Burrus Memorial hospital, High Point, after three days of illness. Surviving are the parents, one brother, Jimmy Ray of the home; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Kearns, near Asheboro, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Councilman of Chatham county. Funeral service was held Monday at 4 p. m. at West End Methodist church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Dr. Richard L. Ownbey, pastor of Myers Park Methodist church, is author of a new book which is scheduled for release next week by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press of Nashville and New York. "Evangelism in Christian Education" is the title. The book, though planned primarily as a textbook for the various training schools of the church, is written in a manner that will make it of general interest to the layman as well as the student. The book was written by the popular Charlotte pastor at the request of church leaders and will take the place of a book written several years ago. Dr. Ownbey wrote a book some years ago that was widely read.

Sunday, August 10, is annual home coming day at Bethel Methodist church, located at Cabarrus, in No. 10 township, Cabarrus county. Rev. Edward M. Graham, the pastor, announces the following program for the day: Church school at 10 o'clock; at the 11 o'clock hour, Rev. W. B. Thompson, a former pastor, will preach; dinner, picnic style will be served at noon. At 3 o'clock Hon. Jake F. Newell of Charlotte, will deliver the home coming address. Special music will be rendered by the Phillips Trio of Belmont, and Miss Francene Cude, soloist. At 8 o'clock revival services will begin, conducted by the pastor. Two services will be conducted daily throughout the following week.

According to federal agents, hundreds, if not thousands, of gallons of liquor have been pouring from Harnett county each week into the Spring Lake section and other areas around Fort Bragg. These illegitimate amusement and recreation centers have been depending upon bootleg interests in Harnett and Johnston counties for their source of supply. Federal officers from Wilmington and Fayetteville and special Cumberland county ABC officers joined members of Sheriff W. E. Salmon's force in the raids. J. R. McFall, head of the Fayetteville ATU office, and Lon M. Howe of the Wilmington office directed the raids. Deputy Ken Matthews headed the county force. What about the liquor stores in those parts of the country? Does legalized liquor reach Fort Bragg and other camps in eastern North Carolina?

A RETREAT AT FIRST CHURCH, ASHEBORO, MONDAY, AUGUST 18

On the 18th of this month (Monday) the pastors of the High Point district wil meet in a retreat at First church, Asheboro. Two hours—10 to 12 a. m.—will be spent in a devotional service for spiritual enriching. "The Pastor and His Own Soul" will be the theme of this period. A program helpful to the purpose of these two hours has been prepared.

A check-up meeting will follow at 1:30. Formal reports will not be expected. Pastors will be asked to make such reports as will reflect the general condition of the work, and the prospects for the closing of the year.

A pleasing feature of this meeting will be the presence of the pastors' wives, owing to the good graces of Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, president of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the district. She is calling the wives to meet at that time, and they are proposing to have their husbands, and all others who may be present, as their guests at a picnic dinner to be served in the social room of the church. The presence of these women will add much to this occasion in every way. They will understand, of course, that they are cordially invited to attend the morning retreat.

Every pastor is urged to keep this date open in his calendar. If some find they cannot attend, we trust that they will provide us with a brief written report of their work.

S. W. Taylor.

REV. E. H. NEASE GUEST PREACHER AT WEST MARKET CHURCH LAST SUNDAY

Rev. Edgar H. Nease, pastor of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, Charlotte, was guest preacher at West Market Street Methodist church last Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Nease chose the subject, "Our Bodies, the Temples of God."

"Religion has a great deal of therapeutic value in curing diseased body as well as mind and soul," Mr. Nease said. "Thankful as we are for all that science and medicine have done to bring to us a fuller and more radiant life, still we must always admit that our bodies are not made by medicine but they are temples made by Almighty God, and that they are temples of the living God. And these bodies of ours play a tremendous part in the culture of these souls that God has given to us.

"In our bodies God has placed a soul to direct them and make them suitable temples for the spirit of Almighty God. We must use them to the glory of God, for they are sacred. Christianity is against any and everything that hinders these bodies. Anything you do that injures your body is a sin against yourself and against God. Again and again Paul warns us that we must not misuse these bodies—use them, not abuse them.

"The body, therefore, is not to be given over for abuse but is to be used as the sacred temple of the spirit of God. God breathed into this temple, made by his own hand and man became a living soul. You cannot serve God completely when you neglect to serve him with your bodies as well as with your mind and your soul, for they are inseparable."

PROGRAM OF SERVICES AT PLEASANT GROVE CAMP MEETING, NEAR WAXHAW

Services will be at the following hours (Daylight Saving Time):

Sunday, August 10 11 a.m.: Opening service, Rev. H. C. Byrum; 3 p.m., memorial service; 8:30 p.m., Dr. Rowe.

Monday, 11 a.m.: Rev. G. T. Bond; 8:30 p.m., Dr. Rowe.

Tuesday, 11 a.m.: Rev. H. P. Powell; 8:30 p.m., Dr. Rowe.

Wednesday, 11 a.m.: Home coming, Dr. Rowe; 8:30 p.m., to be announced.

Thursday, 11 a.m.: Dr. Rowe; 8:30 p.m., to be announced.

Friday, 11 a.m.: Dr. Rowe; 8:30 p.m., Rev. E. H. Nease.

Saturday, 11 a.m: Dr. Rowe; 8:30 p.m, to be announced.

Sunday, August 17, 11 a.m.: Dr. Rowe; 3 p.m., Dr. Rowe; 8:30 p.m., to be announced.

Children's services will be held each week day afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The choir director and song leader will be B. Roy Brown of Duke Divinity School and a member of the Duke Chapter choir. Mr. Brown will also be in charge of the children's services. The pianist will be Mrs. Zeb Jones, organist of Central Methodist church, Monroe.

The Pleasant Grove camp ground and church are on the Waxhaw Methodist charge, of which Dr. Norman Huffman is pastor.

MRS. EUGENIA WOOD PASSES AT ASHEBORO

Mrs. Eugenia Badgett Wood, 71, wife of the late James T. Wood, died at her home, 905 Summit avenue, at noon last Sunday following a long period of declining health and a serious illness of ten days. Surviving are two daughters, Misses Jessie and Jamie Wood of the home; two sons, Thomas B. Wood of Asheboro and Sidney B. Wood of Greensboro; three grandchildren; three brothers, S. H. Badgett of Brooklyn, N. Y., Sam B. Badgett of Denton, and W. R. Badgett of Jackson Hill.

Mrs. Wood was born in Davidson county, the daughter of the late C. L. and Martha Adderton Badgett. She and her husband, a merchant and salesman, moved to Asheboro 40 years ago. He died three years ago.

Until the time of her illness, Mrs. Wood was active in affairs of the First Methodist church, the Asheboro Woman's Club and the U. D. C.

Funeral was held Monday at First Methodist church. Rev. Paul Hardin, the pastor, conducted these services. Burial was in Oakland cemetery.

Duke Day at Lake Junaluska Next Monday

The annual "Duke Day" at the "Lake" in August is one of the great days of the year at this widely and favorably known Methodist Summer Assembly.

Duke University is now recognized as the greatest Methodist university on the American or any other continent of this earth. And the Lake Junaluska Summer Assembly in the "Land of the Sky" of western North Carolina hard by the great Smoky Mountains National Park is admittedly the most beautiful Methodist Summer Assembly in the world. So it cannot be otherwise than a day of unusual interest when this university for a day moves its activities from Durham to Lake Junaluska. Dr. Robt. Lee Flowers, Duke's president, and Dr. Henry R. Dwire, vice president, will both join in the observance of the day with leading alumni and friends from all parts of the country.



Dr. Robert L. Flowers, President

Duke Day Program

The usual picnic supper, which is delightfully informal, will be held under the maple trees on the lakeside at 6 o'clock. The public exercises will follow at 7:30 in the auditorium. Drs. R. L. Flowers and Henry R. Dwire will be the speakers. The addresses will be followed by Duke motion pictures that show the year's activities on the Duke campus.

Junaluska Program for Week of August 10-16

Youth Conference (Education Building).....August 5-16
Leadership School .....August 18-29

Sunday, August 10, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Clare Purcell, "The Inner Man."
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Paul Neff Garber, "Our Homiletical Heritage."

Monday, August 11, 10:30 A. M.—Address, Mr. Paul Super, "Why France Fell."
DUKE DAY
6:00 P. M.—Duke Picnic Supper.
7:00-7:30 P. M.—Waynesville Band Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Addresses by Dr. R. L. Flowers and Mr. Henry Dwire.

Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (a) "Methodist Portraits."
8:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Frank P. Graham, "Religion and Democracy."



Dr. Henry R. Dwire, Vice President

Wednesday, August 13, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (b) "Unspotted from the World."
8:00 P. M.—Play, "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," by Plonk School of Creative Arts (Asheville).

Thursday, August 14, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture Dr. Paul N. Garber, "The Methodist Tradition": (c) "The Methodist Meeting House."
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What About the Church?"

Friday, August 15, 10:30 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "Does the Church Last?"
8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "Who Are at the Cross?"

Saturday, August 16, 10:30 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, "What Is Your Own Church Attitude?"
8:00 P. M.—Coronation of Junaluska Queen.

SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS

The Areas of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, as now constituted, are:

Atlanta Area—Bishop Arthur J. Moore: Florida, Latin Mission, North Georgia, South Georgia, Europe and North Africa.

Birmingham Area—Bishop J. L. Decell: Alabama, North Alabama, Memphis, and Mississippi.

Charlottte Area—Bishop Clare Purcell: North Carolina, Western North Carolina.

Columbia Area—Bishop W. T. Watkins: South Carolina,

Louisville Area—Bishop U. V. W. Darlington: Kentucky and Louisville.

Nashville Area—Bishop Paul B. Kern: Cuba, Holston, Tennessee.

Richmond Area—Bishop W. W. Peele: Virginia and North Mississippi.

WILLIAM ATLAS FINCH DIES AT WILSON JULY 21

William Atlas Finch, Duke alumnus of the class of '95, died July 21 at his home in Wilson at the age of 70. He was dean of the Wilson bar and one of the best known lawyers in eastern North Carolina. He had a prominent part in many celebrated cases in his section.

The funeral was held Tuesday, July 22, from the First Methodist church in Wilson, conducted by Rev. H. B. Porter, the pastor.

Mr. Finch was born at Stanhope, Wilson county, the son of J. L. and Susan Hopkins Finch. He went to school at Stanhope high school and Oak Ridge Military Institute. Later he was a student at Trinity College and the University of Michigan.

In 1896 he began the practice of law in association with John E. Woodward, well known attorney of eastern Carolina. Later he was a member of the firm of Finch and Connor. Also during his long career as a lawyer he was associated with James H. Pou of Raleigh and L. T. Vaughn of Nashville. At the time of his death he was senior partner in the firm of Finch, Rand and Finch.

In 1898 Mr. Finch was married to Miss Mary Louise Ford of Staunton, Va.

He was prominent in religious, civic and political affairs in his section. At one time he was president of the Wilson County Bar Association and was a director of the Branch Banking and Trust Company of Wilson. He was a member of the Methodist church and a Knights Templar.

Mr. Finch is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter, two sisters and a brother, and three grandchildren.—Alumni Register.

THE PRACTICAL BODY

As an air raid warden I saw it all.

Half a street of houses was shattered by the bomb. Many were merely piles of rubble; others were windowless in the rain.

At the gate of one of the damaged houses stood a woman, hands clenched, lips compressed, eyes strangely brilliant. Her home was ruined. Her furniture was smashed. She had lost everything she possessed. And it had been little to begin with, for she was poor—a widow without children, a pitiful victim of this cruel war.

In the middle of that tragic morning there came to her a good woman, a pious church worker, whose home was intact. Said she: "Come, come, my good woman! Do not give way. Control yourself. Remember, ills are sent to try us. We are in God's hands, and he knows best!"

Then she went on her way, and the dazed woman stood in the rain, unseeing, unmoved.

Presently there came hurrying up a little body—plain Mrs. Smith.

"Eh, dearie," she said, caressingly, "you'll catch cold out here in the rain. Now, listen, honey, I've three ceilings down and nearly all my windows blowed in, but the back kitchen's O.K., and I've a couple of chops and pertaters and a cup of tea all ready. Dearie, I can't sit down to 'em alone. . . . ."

Then the stricken woman relaxed. The tears poured down her cheeks, and she allowed herself to be led away.

I cannot escape the conviction that, if Jesus had lived in Hitler's day, he would have been neighborly—feeding the hungry before talking very long about the kingdom of heaven.—The Methodist Recorder, London.

"ADD" PENFIELD SUCCEEDS TED MANN AS SPORTS WRITER, NEWS SERVICE

Just as The Register went to press announcement was made that Addison Penfield, '40, who for the past two years has been connected in a responsible capacity with Radio Station WPTF, Raleigh, would succeed Ted Mann, August 15, as sports writer for the Duke University News Service. Ted has a lieutenant's commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve and has been ordered to report August 1.

"Add" had considerable experience in news work during his college days. President of the senior class as a student and now president of the 1940 alumni group, he was an exceedingly popular member of the student body while in the university and is equally well liked as an alumnus. His work as sports commentator and announcer with Radio Station WPTF has been outstanding. —Duke Alumni Register.



Lake Junaluska, Where "Duke Day" Will Be Observed Monday, August 11

Professor Arthur Newell on English-Speaking Co-operation for a New World

In this hour of destiny it can truthfully be said that the eyes of all mankind are fixed on the co-operation of America and the British Empire. But such co-partnership in manifold resistance to world tyranny depends not only on munitions of war but quite as much on a deep moral understanding between the two great English-speaking peoples. For a long time it has been my desire to meet Professor Arthur Newell, the secretary, living among us, of the Associates for Anglo-American Understanding; a man who, as the headmaster of Rugby School has declared, "has perhaps done more than any other one man to remove misconceptions and strengthen the bonds of friendship between Great Britain and America." Recently this desire for an interview has been realized and I found Professor Newell in the triumphant mood of a man who at last sees the harvest of long years of patient seed-sowing.

Let him tell his own personal story as he gave it to me: "I was born in Boston in the state of Massachusetts, and educated at Brown University and Harvard Graduate School. During the last war—and how we hoped it was the last!—I came over here to take charge of the Y. M.C.A. educational work with prisoners of war under Mr. John Mott. After the Armistice he recalled me to New York to be secretary of the European work of International Y.M.C.A.'s, and I traveled everywhere from the Baltic to the Black Sea. My last job before coming here, ten years ago, was that of professor of International Relations at Robert College, Constantinople, where all races are represented; and I was also the first to secure the Bryce Fellowship in British-American Understanding."

"And what is your special work here?" I asked. "I came over," the professor replied, "ten years ago as director and lecturer for a body of people known in America and Britain as Associates for Anglo-American Understanding. Our object, as that title shows, is to interpret British problems to the peoples of the United States, and reciprocally to explain America's problems to you. We venture to think we have been doing for the last decade a unique, if unostentatious, piece of work most sorely needed to promote better relations between our two great English-speaking peoples. We have a committee in both countries, and also in Canada, and I have spent half of each year on each side of the Atlantic.

"When I first came I settled in Bristol, lecturing principally in the West Country, and the University of Bristol gave us their active and sympathetic co-operation. I suppose I have traveled over 25,000 miles each year, and must have addressed a thousand meetings and given many courses of lectures on such questions as trade agreements; the need for common thinking on war debts; America's foreign outlook, particularly towards the British Commonwealth; Anglo-American co-operation for World Peace, and also on labor and racial problems. All my meetings have been held at the invitation of national or local organizations anxious to further a sound mutual understanding—colleges, schools, chambers of commerce, women's organizations, Rotary clubs and church groups of all denominations. To business men, working people, farmers, teachers, schoolboys and schoolgirls, and many others, I have tried to interpret America's problems in a clear and friendly fashion. In this way we feel we have been laying the foundations in the minds of an overwhelming number of citizens on both sides of the Atlantis; needless to say, we are not connected officially with either governments nor associated in any way with offices of propaganda or information. What we have attempted to do is to create cells of influence ready for the day of crisis and testing if it should ever come. And now it has come, and our work is bearing rich and welcome and vitally important fruit.

"From the outbreak of war," continued Professor Newell, "I felt rather hesitant in saying in the United States anything that might look like propaganda, but when the wanton attack came on peace-loving Holland I banished all diffidence and wrote a letter to The Times without bias, hoping to help America to understand. The letter was headed 'Americans in England! How can they help?' Within twenty-four hours I received hundreds of approving letters, including one from Mr. Sydney Walton which was the beginning of a happy friendship. In my letter I said that many Americans in England had been cheered by the vigorous initiative taken by Walter Allen White, doyen and leader of American journalists and editor of the Emporia Gazette in Kansas, informing the 'Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.' In the replies I saw that one suggestion was that we in England should form an America-in-England Outpost. That, as you know, was done, and I see you have in your hand a copy of News from the Outpost. We recognized that the United States had a responsibility in this war far beyond such help as giving money to the Red Cross and to bombed civilian funds, and the like. And here let me say that the President's latest speech contains the germs of what we have been advocating all the way through the past years."

Events on the other side of the Atlantic are now moving very fast. On the questions if and when America will come into the war Professor Newell said, "Declarations of war have become obsolete by Hitler's own statements; as the President says, 'matters have passed from a peace-time basis' and "we will not hesitate to use our armed forces if necessary.' But I am for a full declaration of war by America, and I think it may come when the peak of our production is reached so that we can supply both you and ourselves with what is necessary at the same time. And then is when I want it.

"But, in addition to the physical results, a definite entrance into the war by America will release such a standard of moral pent-up value as occurred in 1915; and certainly it will influence the submerged peoples of Europe and the Germans and the Italians themselves. But more than anything else will be its effect on the American people in crystalizing the realization that they were in this thing to the death with men and food as well as

machines. This realization is something America must get if she is to save her soul. Americans must not just discover that England is saving the world for them. It is the men behind the machines who are going to win the war, and America must face up to this before she does anything really worthy of a great democratic nation."

Then, with tremendous emphasis, the professor said, "I do not plead guilty to the charge that we Americans are making money out of the war; as a matter of fact, we are being taxed more heavily than ever before in our history. We are struggling, with you here and the whole of the decent civilized world, for democracy, and not merely for democracy, but all that democracy stands for, and for Christianity and all the things that are the foundation of our human lives at their best."

Though I had been several times assured by Dr. Newell that "isolationism is dead—killed by 90 per cent of Americans by the terrible awakening from the security illusion of the Maginot Line and the ruthless toll of British food and munition ships." I was curious to know more exactly the composition of the ten per cent opposition to the President's policy and any definite declaration of war by America.

"There are three chief categories of oppositionists," he explained to me. "The first is drawn from the ten per cent of the population who are German in origin. Then comes the very small minority of Irish Americans, who will cherish their anti-British grudge. And lastly, of course, there are the honest and sincere 'keep-out-of-the-war-ists' who, with the Monroe doctrine clasped to their bosoms, are still thinking in terms of Jefferson and Washington, forgetting that time marches on and that the aeroplane has abolished distance. But I feel confident that if the President were to go to the Senate tomorrow with a declaration of war against Germany in his hand, even the waverers, the citizens in mid-stream in the states, would easily give him a 90 per cent allegiance. Once the plunge is taken there will be full and united effort behind the President."

Professor Newell was already overdue at a reception at Mr. Noel Baker's, and was also announced to broadcast later in the evening, so he had but a minute or two for a very great question which is already occupying much space both in America and Canadian magazines and newspapers; and I was eager to hear his views, if only a word or so. I refer, of course, to the suggestion for a Federal Union of the British Empire with the United States of America after the war. He gave me a knowing look as much as to say, "Now I must walk warily. I am on delicate ground."

What he did say was: "I know there is much ventilation of this question, highly tinged with generous feelings, but I do not think it is very widespread as yet. All depends on the outcome of the war. As to what form such a close and organic union should take, personally I hold my hand. It is enough for me at the moment to concentrate on what the President has called the attainment of four freedoms—of life, worship, speech and from all fear. After these are securely won, I am all for a closer peace-time collaboration between the English-speaking world. If something akin to Federal Union with local and national and individual self-determination comes into being it must be wholly cleansed from self-aggrandizement, otherwise the other nations will naturally cry that we were doing for ourselves the very thing which we had gone to war to prevent Hitler doing—making a bloc against the rest of the world. But even some years ago President Roosevelt told me himself that his foreign policy was to knit America more and more closely with the British Commonwealth of nations, and I am sure he has not wavered in his mind from that moment, but is now more than ever of that convinced purpose."—The Methodist Recorder (London).

A MEDITATION

Many of us, it seems, have to be jarred or shocked loose from our selfishness—and, like Jacob, surprised into acknowledging "surely Jehovah (God) is in this place, and I know it not."

It is commonly said that to know a person we must live with them—and just as surely we must live with God—receptive and responsive to his voice, if we would know him. Heart and mind must be listening and our wills responsive to his will. His power in, and through, us is only limited to our ability to receive and rightly use the talent and powers given us.

Truly "the pure in heart see God," for indeed, who else could see him? We see what we look for. If we look for goodness, for beauty—we will find it, but an evil or selfish mind can see neither—nor can that mind see God.

Our need, it seems, is for an understanding faith—that we might indeed know God. With this knowledge comes poise, inner strength, a sincere seeking for, and the building up of the good that is in every man. With God's help selfishness—self-will and intolerance can be overcome.

As the consciousness of his presence grows and becomes constant, we are than able to understand, at least in a measure, Moses' words when he said: "The Eternal (God) is thy dwelling place (home) and underneath are the Everlasting Arms—and He will thrust out the enemy from before thee and say destroy." Keeping in mind that "the enemy" to be destroyed is our selfishness—our self-wlil, intolerance, envy and hate.

If we would know God—it is necessary for us, as the Psalmist said "Be still and know that I am God," and to quote Professor Elbert Russell of Duke University: "To those abiding in Christ, eternal life is a constant reality."

A Layman.

WALK IN THE SPIRIT (GAL. 5:16-17)

"Walk in the spirit." Walk in harmony with the Holy Spirit. If the spirit abides in us the disposition to "bite and devour" will not be present. To "walk in the spirit" presupposes a regenerated heart and a changed life. The lust of the flesh—the desires having their seat in the body which clamor for indulgence—this refers to the desires of those who are "in the flesh."

The flesh lusteth against the spirit—the two forces are at enmity. The evil desires of the unregenerate heart are opposed to the course marked out by the Holy Spirit. The spirit draws the soul toward goodness and holiness, while the flesh rebels and persists in an evil course. Ye must be born again. Come to the altar and humble yourself, and pray through. I believe in the old time religion. God bless us all. F. R. Lowery, Retired Minister,

N. C. Conference, Pembroke, N. C.

FRED R. HACKNEY DIES AT HOME IN LEXINGTON

Fred Rowland Hackney, 72, prominent and esteemed Lexington citizen, died almost suddenly last Sunday at his home on West Fifth avenue, death resulting from a paralysis stroke. Mr. Hackney had retired from business activity several years ago, after a stroke, but for some time his health had been fairly good and death was unexpected.

Mr. Hackney was born in Doncaster, England, July 1, 1869, and came to the United States at the age of 19, locating in Asheville. Approximately 30 years ago he moved to Lexington and was associated with George L. Hackney, a brother, in the operation of a furniture factory. He was steward of First Methodist church and a Knight of Pythias.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ida Kay Hackney, formerly of Honea Path, S. C.; seven children, Mrs. Mae Hackney Grimes, Mrs. R. Cliff Hinkle, Lexington; Mrs. Murray C. Greason, Wake Forest; Fred Hackney, Durham; Robert, Ralph and Miss Mary Jane Hackney of the home; three brothers, George L. Hackney of Asheville, Will Hackney, Greenville, S. C., Percy Hackney, Hialeah, Fla.; and five sisters, Misses Amy, Nell, Minnie and Kate Hackney and Mrs. George Hackney, all of Asheville.

Funeral service was held at the home Tuesday morning at 11:30 o'clock, and interment was in Lexington cemetery. Rev. J. W. Hoyle, Jr., pastor of First Methodist church, was in charge.

EUREKA CHURCH OF FREMONT CHARGE TO BE DEDICATED AUGUST 17

The new educational building of the Eureka Methodist church of the Fremont charge will be dedicated Sunday, August 17. Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University will preach the dedicatory sermon at 11 o'clock and Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, will lead in the dedication service in the afternoon. Lunch will be served during the noon hour.

All former pastors, former members, donors, and other friends are cordially invited.

The educational building was erected last year at a cost of approximately $6,000, including renovation of the auditorium. This amount was raised among the members and friends of the church, together with a substantial donation from the Duke Endowment. Rev. C. W. Robbins is the pastor; G. E. Yelverton, S. J. Martin and C. T. Davis are the trustees and constituted the building committee.

DR. GRACE SLOAN OVERTON TO RETURN TO WILMINGTON

You will be glad to know that Dr. Grace Sloan Overton is to return to Wilmington for a week's engagement beginning on September 28. The stewards of Grace church authorized me in the spring to invite Mrs. Overton back to Wilmington, her addresses here in 1940 having proved such a high point in the religious life of this lovely old city. It was our agreement, at the board meeting referred to above, that we would seek to give Mrs. Overton as city-wide an opportunity as possible. In keeping with this idea approaches have been made to Trinity church and Fifth Avenue church, with the result that the pastors and the official boards of both churches have entered into this enterprise with us. Mrs. Overton will begin her ministry in Wilmington on Sunday, September 28, continuing through Sunday, October 5. She will appear at Trinity church in the mornings during the week, at Fifth Avenue in the afternoons, and at Grace at night.

Dr. Overton's countless admirers in the conference will be glad, I believe, of this announcement. Let them make their plans to spend a while in Wilmington during this significant week. This incomparable lay preacher is worth a trip to the seashore.

J. F. Herbert,
Pastor Grace Methodist Church.

DR. J. RODDEY MILLER: A TRIBUTE

By Raymond A. Smith

The following is a tribute paid the late Dr. J. Roddey Miller, for ten years head of the Greensboro College department of English, by Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion, who conducted the funeral services in the home of the deceased at Guilford College:

Roddey Miller was my friend. He was a living illustration of the saying, "The way to have friends is to be one." I think he was instinctively friendly, for certainly no one seemed to make friends more easily, nor to bind them closer to themselves, than did he. What this friendship meant to his students, his family associates and to those who knew him as neighbor and fellow-worker in church and community life is well known to every one here. How we were blessed to have been the friends of such an one as he!

Roddey Miller was a teacher of the very first rank. With unquestioned scholarship and easy familiarity with his chosen field of work, he never was pedantic nor inclined to impress others with his learning. This was doubtless because he seemed to have a natural aversion to all manner of pretense. He was sincere. He was real. He was genuine. You always knew where to find him. In fact it might be said of him as it was of another: "He could be found when wanted, and trusted when found."

Our friend had the highest standards, both for himself and for others. He had that quality which marks the supreme teacher, namely, to elicit from his students a high degree of efficient application, and yet to retain always their deep admiration, respect, and friendship. One of his maxims was: "Always set your goal higher than your reach; thereby you will reach higher than you think you can."

Finally, in estimating Roddey Miller's quality as a teacher let it be remembered that he had that which is found only in genuinely effective teachers. This is difficult to express, but perhaps one might put it this way: when a student took a course in American literature with Roddey Miller she got more than American literature—she met and knew a fine person. His was (and is) a spirit touched with flame—and the students knew it—we all knew it.

I shall not be so bold as to speak of our friend and his family life. That is sacred ground upon which not even his friends ought to tread. Let me say only that he did honor to the name "husband" and "father" with all the deeper meaning with which we associate those words.

A final word, and I shall have finished. At such times as these we like to remember what our loved ones thought about the deeper meaning of this thing called Life. The present speaker discussed religion very few times with Roddey Miller. In those times, however, there was evident a sincere, an unashamed search for the highest truth. Our friends's religion consisted, not of pious profession, but of a life unified upon the highest possible level. He wasn't afraid of truth, for he knew that somehow Truth, Goodness and Beauty were inseparable from God and that when all is said and done these will be found together always. He believed in the reality of the spiritual world—he lived in it more, I think, than most of us do. How could it be otherwise when he was so much at home with all those great spirits who, through their immortal writings, left us a testimony of what they nobly dreamed and deeply felt? And all these great thoughts played upon his spirit as the wind makes music through the trees, and they ennobled him—because they could find in him something akin to themselves. And, best of all perhaps, he was gifted with that marvelous quality by which he opened the eyes of others to these visions, caused their ears to hear "the still, sad music of humanity" and touched their hearts with love for all the beautiful, the tender, the strong and enduring things of this, our life.

Who can measure the reach of such a life as Roddey Miller's? It cannot be done. It belongs with the undying things—it has the quality of the immortal!

'Tis hard at first to see it all aright;
In vain Faith blows her trump to summon back
Her scattered troop; yet through the clouded glass
Of our own bitter tears we learn to look
Undazzled on the kindness of God's face;
Earth is too dark, and Heaven alone shines through.

—Lowell.

NEW CHIEF FOR "THE THUNDERER"

For most of the 156 years of existence, The London Times has stood as the political powerhouse of the British press, being close to the government, official in its tone, and reflecting the minds of the country's leaders. Upholding the Victorian title of "The Thunderer," The Times is able in one splash of editorial ink to leave an impressive mark in Europe's capitals—in fact, throughout the world.

Thomas Barnes, who ruled The Times' editorial roost from 1817 until 1841, was labeled "the most powerful man in the country." His successor, John Thaddeus Delane, was known as the editor capable of making and/or breaking governments. And so even today, Geoffrey Dawson, the modern helmsman of the morning newspaper, which doesn't thunder quite as often as it once did, has been considered the most influential journalist in all Europe.

Dawson, a stocky, gray-haired, kindly newspaperman who served three years in the Colonial Office at the turn of the century, five years as private secretary to Lord Milner, High Commissioner to South Africa, and was editor of The Johannesburg Star from 1905 to 1910, assumed The Times' editorship in 1912. After guiding The Thunderer through the war years, Dawson fell out with Lord Northcliffe, the owner, in 1919 and resigned. But, with Lord Northcliffe's death, Maj. John Jacob Astor bought control in 1923 and Dawson returned to the editor's chair.

Last year Dawson, having reached the retirement age, stuck to his post in the wartime emergency. And in the fall he was on the job when a Nazi high explosive bomb made a direct hit on The Times' main office building on Queen Victoria street, wrecking the editorial rooms, yet failing to stop the old Thunderer's presses. But last week the 67-year-old editor announced his retirement to Langcliffe Hall, his Yorkshire estate, and the life of a country squire.

Fleet Street had no time to ponder on Dawson's successor. For simultaneously with Dawson's retirement announcement came news of the appointment of Robert M. Barrington-Ward, assistant editor for nearly 14 years who first joined The Times as Dawson's secretary in 1913. The Times' new boss, a Balliol College, Oxford, M.A. with a distinguished World War record, is a calm and able administrator. Suave, diplomatic, and steeped in The Times' traditions, Barrington-Ward was believed a shrewd choice for the throne of European journalism.—News Week.

MRS. J. D. WILLIAMS—AN APPRECIATION

By S. W. Taylor

Mrs. J. D. Williams, wife of Rev. J. D. Williams, D.D., was born Maynard, and christened Mary Cora. Her parents are James and Elizabeth Steel Maynard. The birth date is February 23, 1874. The hospitable Maynard home was in Orange county, N. C., near Chapel Hill. It was here that Mrs. Williams grew to young womanhood. She was a vital factor in the social, school and church life of her community. In her very early days she dedicated her life to God, and united with Clover Garden Methodist church. After her marriage her membership was transferred to charges served by her husband. She was a devout Christian. Her religion was as necessary and as real to her as the air she breathed. She was married in her early twenties. The happiness of that long union grew sweeter and stronger as the years lengthened. Of the three children, a daughter died in infancy, Dr. J. D. Williams, Jr., Greensboro, and Mrs. Ben H. Hill, High Point, survive. Upon this worthy son and gracious daughter a fond and affectionate mother left the lasting imprint of a beautiful life. They, with their surviving father, proudly cherish, as a rich heritage, the memory of a noble wife and mother.

By nature Mrs. Williams was gentle and retiring, but resolute in her decisions and wise in her counsel. In the work of the church she was always a sympathetic and ready helper of her husband, doing gladly what she could in any capacity to promote the work committed to his care. But her chief place was in the home. In charm, poise, affection and service she was pre-eminent there. Every nook and corner of the home revealed the grace and skill of her touch. She loved her family, and was never so perfect in those finer qualities of noble womanhood as when presiding over her home. Guests of the family were always blessed by her gracious and unrestrained hospitality. Her neighbors were often reminded of the kindness and unselfishness of her good heart.

Mrs. Williams was one of God's noble women. She lived simply, gently, without show or pretense, and always to worthy and high ends. The influence of her good life will be a rich and lasting benediction to her family and her friends, and an inspiration to that sort of living that crowns life with priceless worth and unfading beauty.

The end came June 15th last, after a brief illness. Funeral rites were held in Orange Chapel church, a stone's throw from where she grew to womanhood. The body rests in the church burying ground where it was laid beneath a mound of flowers and in the presence of many sympathizing neighbors and friends.

Besides the immediate family, the surviving relatives are one sister, Mrs. F. F. Stroup, Chapel Hill; three brothers, Ira W. Maynard, Greensboro; J. R. Maynard, Salisbury; and G. L. Maynard of the Maynard home. J. D. Williams, III, and Nancy Mary Hill are surviving grandchildren.

May the comforting presence of God solace all sorrowing hearts.

W. J. SCARBORO DIES AT HIS HOME IN ASHEBORO

W. J. Scarboro, 79, for over 40 years prominent in Asheboro and Randolph county political, business and civic circles, died at his home in Central hotel August 1. He suffered a stroke of paralysis about three months ago and did not recover.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. Paul Hardin, pastor of First Methodist church, were held at the church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

A native of Montgomery county, he came to Asheboro from Worthville, where he had operated a mercantile business, in 1892 and set up a mercantile business here. For many years he owned and operated Asheboro Roller Mills, and he was a large real estate owner.

He was a charter member of the city school board, having been appointed by the legislature 38 years ago. He was also a charter member of Asheboro Rotary Club.

For 40 years he served as secretary of the Sunday school at First Methodist church and was at one time superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a member of the church board of stewards at the time of death.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. T. E. Myatt and Mrs. Roy Cole of Asheboro, and two grandchildren.

A PRAYER

Husbandman Divine, show me a little more of what thou hast to overcome in me, before thou canst reap in my heart the harvest of thy desire. Show me what hardness there is in me, what sullen clay I am. Show me how stony is my spirit's soil, how full of thorns and briers and bitter roots. Show me, as my soul can bear, the depths of inbred sin, that so I shall be able to abide the deep upturning of my nature by which alone that sin can be cast out. Give me to share thy vision of the harvest, that I may be patient under the tribulation through which alone the harvest shall come. And even where I see not any gleam of thy presence, help me humbly to accept that which thy loving wisdom shall appoint. Amen.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

Of the large attendance of representative Methodists at Lake Junaluska for the Missionary Conference and School of Missions held from July 29-August 5, it is interesting to note the presence of many women of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our W. N. C. conference, there for information and inspiration to help them in the furtherance of the missionary work in their local societies during the remainder of the year. The executive committee of the conference was also well represented, those present being: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president; Mrs. A. L. Thompson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., secretary; Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities; Mrs. W. F. Redding, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary young women and girls' work; Mrs. George Hoyle, secretary children's work. As district representatives there were present Miss Amy Hackney, Asheville district; Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Charlotte district; Mrs. Robert Rives, Greensboro district; Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Salisbury district; Mrs. T. V. Goode, Statesville district; Mrs. F. E. Branson, Waynesville district. Mrs. J. P. Morris of Rutherfordton represented the conference superintendent of spiritual life, Mrs. C. N. Clark, and also Miss Claudia Harbison of the Marion district.

ATTENTION, SECRETARIES LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, secretary of literature and publications for the Western North Carolina conference, sends the following important message relative to the program material for the Woman's Societies of Christian Service:

Dear Secretary of Literature and Publication:

The time is at hand for ordering your new program material so that you may have it in plenty of time for your September meeting. According to information received from Mrs. G. W. Keen, publication manager, the generally accepted plan is to have each local society order its own program material. In keeping with the general policy, our conference is following this plan.

The program material for 1941-1942 is already off the press. It contains programs for 16 months and is published and mailed in two parts.

Part I—"Proof Sheets of Power," contains programs and worship services for September, October and December, 1941.

Part II—"For the Facing of This Hour," is for use during the calendar year of 1942. It contains 12 programs and a number of suggested projects for use with each topic. The "Booklet Worship Services" contains 12 services that are correlated with the programs for use during the calendar year of 1942. There is also a set of pictures illustrating some of the work described in the programs of 1941-1942. The price of the entire packet is $1. Simply order Program Material for 1941-1942 and enclose $1 for each packet desired. Small societies will probably need only one packet; larger societies may order according to their needs. Send your order to Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Please keep in mind that the staff at Literature Headquarters can only do what is humanly possible. Orders will be filled as promptly as possible. However, if every society all over Methodism should wait until the last week in August to order material many will of necessity be disappointed because they do not receive their material in time for the September meeting. I suggest that you order your propram material AT ONCE. Continue to promote the wider circulation of The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook. Each issue of these magazines contains valuable information. For instance, the July issue of The Methodist Woman outlined the unified plan of the work of our young people's department. In the August issue you will find the plan for the work of the children's department. In just these two issues you will find the answers to many of your questions, and so it will continue to be with each issue. If I can be of assistance to you in any way I shall be glad to do so.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy,
Sec. Literature and Publications,
W. S. C. S. of W. N. C. Conf.

MEETING SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION IN JANUARY

The special announcement coming from Lake Junaluska that the first annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Southeastern Jurisdiction will be held in January, 1942, according to executive action taken there by the jurisdiction officers attending the School of Missions and Missionary Conference July 25-August 5.

The meeting under the direction of Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount, jurisdictional president, discussed matters relating to the promotion of the various lines of work sponsored by the Woman's Division of Christian Service throughout the jurisdiction and heard reports of officers, which indicated progress along all lines. The place and date of this meeting are to be announced later. Invitations have been received from several cities for this first meeting since the charter meeting in Richmond, Va., last December, which followed the consummation of unification plans between women's missionary organizations of the former Northern, Southern and Protestant branches of Methodism.

This jurisdiction embraces 17 annual conference divisions, with a membership of 234,262 members enrolled in 6,856 women's societies of Christian service, according to report of Mrs. J. S. Van Winkle of Danville, Ky., secretary of organization and promotion, a number larger by 16,236 members in 1,296 local societies since December when the jurisdiction was organized.

Practically all of the officers of the Southeastern Jurisdiction were present at the Junaluska meeting. These officers are: President, Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount; vice president, Mrs. H. C. Black, Johnston City, Tenn.; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Roy Jones, Columbia, S. C.; treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Hinton, Paris, Ky.; secretary home work, Mrs. C. C. Sapp, Albany, Ga.; secretary foreign work, Mrs. H. Talbot, Clarksdale, Miss.; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. M. E. Tilley, Atlanta, Ga.; secretary organization and promotion, Mrs. J. S. Van Winkle, Danville, Ky.; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. D. B. Little, Marietta, Ga.; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. K. W. Warden, Memphis, Tenn.; secretary student work, Mrs. R. R. Ellison, Montgomery, Ala.; secretary young women and girls' work, Mrs. J. H. Blackmore, Jr., Alexandria, Va.; secretary children's work, Miss Noreen Dunn, Nashville, Tenn.; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. C. W. Turpin; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. B. Williams.

DR. CRAM HEARD AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

Dr. W. G. Cram of New York, secretary of missionary cultivation Methodist Board of Missions and Church Extension, in delivering the keynote address at the opening of the missionary conference which was held in conjunction with the school of missions, had for his theme "Missions and World Revolution." In speaking of the changes that had come within the past 20 years, due to the turmoil of revolutions, the political upheaval, and the clash of arms, he referred to the influence of these things on the church and the missionary work. He said: "In all this the church and the missionary cause have been profoundly influenced. It is not the first time the church and the missionary movement have been in a crisis. The question is, how has the church emerged from all these difficulties? At times she has been in eclipse but she has always come through. She came through the revolution in Mexico and preserved her Christian message. During the Reformation with its internal fight against ecclesiastical priesthood she came through with freedom of faith. The church emerged into the glory of the Christian movement and the subsequent modern missionary movement.

"In the world field the missionary movement has accomplished much. It has established the Christian church in every quarter fo the globe. It has given modern education to the nations of the world; changed cruel and unjust social orders; elevated womanhood, and established indigenous churches. In America Methodists have adjusted themselves to the new age by the reunion of former Methodist branches into a single denomination."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

THE SECRET OF TRUE JOY

It is wonderful how often the words "joy" and "rejoice" occur in the Scriptures. The secret of true joy is not found in being always free from things that hurt and annoy. It is found in being able to keep our faces turned toward the sunshine of God's love, no matter what happens. I think we ought never to forget that our capacity for joy is sure to grow greater when we express it. A good part of the earthly life of Jesus was spent in the valleys of pain and privation, but he always rose above the valleys to the lighted hilltops. Even on the way to the cross he said to his disciples, "That my joy might be in you." He radiated joy, shares it with us. That is why when we let him into the inner room of our devotion, we catch his habit of distributing sunshine, of helping, inspiring, and comforting other lives.—From August Spiritual Life Program.

IT SHOULD BE OUR CONCERN

Last week on the N. C. Conference Woman's Page an item dealing with some recommendations from the department of C. S. R. and L. C. A. brought to us some vital matters about which we should be greatly concerned. The following is the conclusion of that item, which should be clipped and kept with the first. Both should be studied and acted upon. The concluding paragraphs of the recommendations which were not published last week state: "The Methodist Church has constituent groups in 48 states of the United States and is concerned with the strengthening of the ideal of democracy throughout the country. In the 1940 election of 40 states more than 70 per cent of the citizens voted. In eight states an average of 20 per cent or less voted. These eight states retain the poll tax as a pre-requisite for voting. The Geyer-Pepper bill to abolish the poll tax as a pre-requisite for voting in federal elections is pending in Congress (House Bill 1024; Senate Bill 1280). We recommend that Methodist women work for the passage of this bill, as one step toward making the ballot available to all citizens in every state, and curtailing in these states some of the pernicious activities of political machines that use poll tax to further their own ends. A request has come from a Methodist church in Pasadena, California, urging the Woman's Division to concern itself with the increasing rate of crime among youth, with the recognition of the fact that the movie and radio may be active agencies in the promotion of crime. In line with this request we recommend the following: 1. That the program for 1941 of the committee on Christian citizenship in the Department of C. S. R. and L. C. A. be further implemented in the society by the study of the causes of crime and delinquency among youth in local communities. We recommend that this study give special attention to the radio and movie as possible contributing factors to the increasing crime rate in the nation. 8. That Methodist women express appreciation to the movie producers for the higher moral tone and finer type of picture evident in many cases during recent months, at the same time attempting to further influence the motion picture industry to curtail the all too prevalent liquor scenes in productions. 3. That Methodist women take further steps to influence broadcasting companies to edit more carefully their radio programs for youth, thereby eliminating possibles features that create criminal tendencies among youth."

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

Many of the secretaries of publications in the local W. S. C. S. in the N. C. conference have enthusiastically endorsed the value of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman and using various methods by which to gain a wider and more appreciative relationship between these publications and the members of their churches and W. S. C. S. Some of these women have written: "World Outlook covers so completely just what its name implies."—Mrs. J. A. Lindsay, Washington, N. C.; "We give talks from World Outlook and The Methodist Woman at the fourth Sunday church school programs."—Mrs. Jessie Phifer, Zion church, Fayetteville district; "We place copies of World Outlook in the church for sale."—Mrs. Letha Henderson, Newport; "At every meeting we urge members to subscribe to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman and IN EVERY WAY we try to impress the value and importance of the magazines to members and others."—Mrs. Emma F. Jones, Mt. Herman church, New Bern district; "Only three members NOT reading World Outlook and The Methodist Woman."—Mrs. J. K. Watkins, Stem; "We leave copies of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman in the church so that other members might read them."—Mrs. J. N. Wynn, Zion church, Rocky Mount district; "Present copies of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman to all new members and ask them to subscribe."

GREAT DAY AT JUNALUSKA

In the face of perilous world conditions it is most imperative that Christians focus their thoughts and activities upon the need and opportunities for building a Christian world order. How happy and rich are the experiences of those who so recently have turned aside from the duties and routine of life in their communities, have journeyed to Lake Junaluska to worship, study, discuss ways and means of becoming more effective workers in the kingdom of God and to enjoy the fellowship with friends and new acquaintances. At Lake Junaluska the very atmosphere is charged with forces that impell one to higher and nobler thinking and living.

The School of Missions and Missionary Conference of the Joint Division of Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church was held at Lake Junaluska on July 24-August 5. Missions and Bible courses were taught by teachers of authority, experience and ability. Seminars were led by some of the most outstanding leaders in our Methodist Church and dealt with the vital issues and departments of our work. Addresses were given and forums held which brought to the attention of those attending the important phases of the work of the great missionary enterprise and gave them insight into the depths and foundations of work. Periods of social activities were sources of many pleasant experiences. During the next several weeks items of import and interest gleaned from the conference by your editor will be published on the woman's page. She is hopeful that, as she shares her experiences and gleanings, the readers of the woman's page may gain a deeper insight into the work and new incentives to go forward with more determination than ever before to make of this new organization a mighty power for good in a distorted and suspense filled world. Officers from the North Carolina conference attending the School of Missions and Missionary Conference were: Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, president, New Bern; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, corresponding secretary, Raleigh; Mrs. S. S. Holt, recording secretary, Graham; Mrs. B. F. Boone, secretary of missionary education and service, Zebulon; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Whitakers; Miss Mary Gardner, secretary publicity and publications; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, secretary spiritual life groups, Fayetteville; Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, secretary Fayetteville district, Sanford; Miss Florine Robertson, secretary Durham district, Burlington. Among others from the North Carolina conference attending were: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S., Rocky Mount; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro; Mrs. B. C. Thompson, Mt. Gilead; Mrs. F. S. Love, Burlington; Mrs. W. A. Cade, Goldsboro; Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount; Mrs. A. S. Parker, Wilmington; Mrs. E. B. Fisher, Lumberton; Mrs. G. L. Steele, Burlington; Mrs. T. A. Smoot, Wilmington; Mrs. Junius Wrenn, Siler City; Mrs. Floyd Souders, Fayetteville; Mrs. W. H. Cobb, Fayetteville; Mrs. Marshall Spiers, Durham; Mrs. H. I. Glass, Raleigh; Miss Ida Hankins, Wilmington; Mrs. J. L. Kilgo, Greenville; Miss Lizzie Hancock, New Bern; Mrs. W. V. McRae, Fayetteville; Mrs. Daniel Lane, Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. E. M. Snipes, Durham; Miss Sarah Massey, Cary; Miss Nell McLees, Raleigh; Mrs. F. S. Aldridge, Durham; Miss Laura Jones, Raleigh; Mrs. Walter Patten, Louisburg; Mrs. J. S. O'Neal, Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Mrs. A. P. Brantley, all of Sanford; Mrs. R. H. Willis, Hertford; Mrs. Lula Best, Goldsboro; Mrs. W. P. Wrenn, Mrs. Katie Gardner, Mrs. Mary Daniels, all of Goldsboro; Mrs. Minnie Dees, Fremont; Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Raleigh; Mrs. Leon Russell, New Bern—and others.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THEY ARE OFF

The youngsters have gone, bless 'em. About 300 of them have got into waiting automobiles, stood among the crowd at the bus station until they could board the big Greyhounds or hurried over to the union station, toddled down the long steps and climbed into the "kivvered cars." It makes a difference to have 300 children away. Eighty more will go to camp this afternoon, leaving only a corporal's guard here to milk the cows, gather the vegetables, and the surplus and keep the place from running away.

THE VALUE OF A THRILL

Everybody ought to get a thrill now and then. It tends to waken up the unused corner's of one's soul. Excitement is well worth while if it stimulates one's activities into new fields of endeavor. We like for our children to have thrills, thrills that are constructive. When such are provided they don't seek the wrong sort of thrills. It thrills an old fellow to see so many children thrilled. Vacation days bring a genuine thrill to our family.

BIG HELPINGS

We have some boys here who have said that they never had been given an opportunity to have all the ice cream they could eat. Well, yesterday we gave every youngster all he could eat. As a matter of fact, this scribe went up and down the dining room mingling with the youngsters and suggesting that they have a little more ice cream. We had a lot of fun about it. And a lot of ice cream was devoured. A good time was had by all, with no ill effects so far recorded.

KEEPING THE GATES

We have a lot of cows. They are healthy cows. They are the kind of cows that would take advantage of any opening. They like to go places. So some of the dairy boys are charged to be the gatekeepers lest the cows get out into the corn and ramble over the truck farm. Not until one night last week did any cows get out. The boys in their endeavor to build a new fence did not get it completed and an unused gate was left open. By 10:30 at night the cows were back in, thanks to the call of a neighbor, but not before a corn patch was somewhat disfigured. A gatekeeper is a responsible person at the Children's Home.

TWO GEORGES

We have more Williams, commonly called "Billy," at the Children's Home than any other name. But we have a number of Georges. Two of our Georges, George Holland, an errand boy at the office building, and George Tucker, a kitchen boy at the Norfleet cottage, got sick just the day before they were to go on vacation, not very sick but too sick to leave. Their relatives came for them and went away without them. I have just been up to see the Georges and left them talking up a storm about how soon they would be well enough to leave. It won't be long now.

THE LAST CASE

Our biggest Billy Williams, and we have three Billy Williamses, took on a case of mumps about a week ago. Big Bill owns the only mumps we now have on the place. The youngsters have had mumps in continuous fashion since last January. Big Bill wants to close up the mumps business. We hope Bill has his way about it.

RAG TAILS AND SHIRT TAILS

Our children have about decided that they can do away with two annoyances. The girls have have decided that they can take the papers and rags, designed to create curls, off their heads when they come out of their homes. The boys have about decided to keep their shirt tails in, though all of them have not quite been sold on the matter. To be sure, we have bought some shirts that many youngsters feel should be worn on the outside of their trousers. We feel the other way about it. It has gotten to the point where any boy wearing his shirt tail on the outside begins to get it in when "Pop" appears on the scene. We aren't overly sensitive about it but we are working on the process of doing away with showing rag tails and shirt tails.

SCHOOL DAYS

It is not long any more until the opening of school. We are beginning to think about additional desks, blackboards and chairs, as well as the work to be allocated to the different teachers. The Winston-Salem city school board has allotted us an additional teacher because of our increased number of children. Our teaching force will be composed of Miss Sarah Richardson, principal, W. C. Clary, W. R.

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OUR 1941 GRADUATES AS THEY APPEARED JUST BEFORE RECEIVING THEIR DIPLOMAS

Left to right, front row—Anne Cardwell, Doris Sherrill, Virginia Early, Marceline Ruff, Lucille Fowler, Julia Conrad, Louise Fowler, Shirley Mull, Rheumelle Thacker, Pearl Sloan, Frances Freeman. Back row—Louise Evans, Claude Parton, Charles Armstrong, Lindsay Weaver, Algie Moore, Donald Welborn, Hugh Townsend, James Hart, Benjamin Doggett, Edward Doggett, Evelyn Carter. Mid term graduates not shown.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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EMBARRASSING— Since the first of July the Methodist Orphanage has been operating on borrowed funds. It is a heavy tax on us to pay interest on borrowed money to meet our financial obligations.

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VACATION — On July 20 about three-fourths of our Orphanage family left the Orphanage campus for a two weeks' vacation. These youngsters returned to the Orphanage on the 3rd of August after a most delightful and refreshing vacation. On the same day they returned the other one-fourth of our children left for a two weeks' vacation. They will return to the home August 17. I am of the opinion that a vacation for our children is beneficial.

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MISLEADING—A lady friend visting us several days ago remarked that the Orphanage looked prosperous. We do have a beautiful campus and comfortable buildings, and the children are well provided for. I said to the lady that "everything that glitters is not gold," and that the Orphanage was operating on borrowed money. I have a feeling that there are a great many of our friends throughout the conference who share the opinion of our visitor. I wish with all my heart that we were on "Easy Street," so I would not have to appeal so often for funds to carry on.

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HAYES-BARTON — Hayes - Barton Methodist church—located in one of the best residential sections in the city of Raleigh—was organized just a little more than four years ago. A lovely church edifice has been built and the membership has rapidly increased. In a few years it will become one of the outstanding churches in the North Carolina conference. Rev. Leon Russell did a monumental piece of work during his four years' pastorate of this growing church. Under the present leadership of Rev. E. D. Weathers the church continues to grow and gather new momentum. On the last Sunday in July it was my happy privilege to preach in this lovely church. The day was hot and sultry, but the auditorium was more than half filled at the 11 o'clock hour. The congregation received me with open hands and hearts and I enjoyed speaking to such a responsive group. The membership of this church is generous and loyal toward the Methodist Orphanage, which is sincerely appreciated.

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LETTER FROM RACHEL SYKES —On this, the eve of my graduation from the Methodist Orphanage, I wish to express my deepest appreciation to you, the members of the N. C. Methodist conference, for the kindness and loving attention that I have received during my stay in this home.

During my six years here I have thoroughly enjoyed each and every moment. The matrons, faculty and students have been good to me, and the education and training I have received is of the very highest.

To the members of the woman's missionary society of Candor Methodist church, I wish to express my deepest thanks and gratitude for the kindness, love and devotion given to me by them during my stay here.

To Rev. A. S. Barnes—the loving father of all the children—I do thank you with all my heart for the fatherly interest that I have received from you. I shall never forget you and your kindness and love.

To Mrs. A. L. Stanford, the Orphanage nurse, I wish to express my deepest appreciation for her kindness and interest in my welfare. I shall always remember her.

CURIOSITIES OF THE BIBLE

By Mary H. Byer

The study of Bible curiosities is a profitable recreation. It gives us a greater knowledge of Bible facts, and is also a means of increasing our love for the Word of God.

There are three instances recorded in the Old Testament of the dead being raised to life—one by Elijah and two by Elisha.

Under the reign of King Solomon silver was as plentiful as stone in Jerusalem.

Huldah, a Prophetess, lived in a college.

First Chronicles 11:22 tells about a man that did a brave deed on a "snowy day."

A certain woman became the wife of a warrior. After her husband fled from his country she married another man; but when the first husband became great, he sent to the king of the country he had left and demanded his wife. The king took her from her second husband and sent her under a soldier's escort. Her second husband followed weeping until he was sent back by the captain. You can read this in Second Samuel 3.

An angel spoke to a man as he stood on a hilltop. At his feet lay 102 men scorched to death as recorded in Second Kings 1:9-12.

King Rehoboam had 88 children

Ezra, the scribe, preached from a pulpit.

Isaiah 15:2 tells how baldness was produced artificially as indicative of mourning.

According to the Scriptures the first letter was written by King David to Joab.

Ezekiel was told by God not to mourn when his wife died.

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ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS

Two fine assemblies for the young people of the Western North Carolina conference were held at Lake Junaluska again this year, with 375 in attendance at the Senior Assembly, June 30 to July 5; and 299 at the Young People's Assembly, July 7-12. At the close of each assembly a four-page paper was published, giving the high lights of the week. Articles from these papers form the basis for our page this week.

"In the Presence of God"

At Morning Watch.—It is early morning at Lake Junaluska and the sun is coming out in all its glory. A large number of young people take their places on the steps of the Shackford building. As they look across the lake at the cross, individual silent prayers rise from their hearts.

Nothing else could take the place of this source of inspiration for the day. God is in every lovely aspect of nature, in every hymn, in every period of meditation. In the sunlight beaming on the assembled group, each individual finds the answer to his unuttered prayer, hears the still small voice, and finds a holy light for guidance during the remainder of the day.

Morning Watch programs for both assemblies were in charge of Robert H. Stamey, who taught the class in Worship. The following young people took part on these programs: Frances Wolfe, Madge Shaw, Peggy Royal, Dora McSwain, Billy Crowell, Thelma Proctor, Miss Billy Rivers, Caroline York, Tommy Ridenhour, Betty Bryant, and Harold Hipps.

Study Groups

The well planned study program for the two assemblies included courses on department administration, work of the commissions, Bible study, and other courses for personal enrichment. In the Senior Assembly these study groups were led by Sherrill Biggers, Joe E. Brown, Robert H. Stamey, E. K. McLarty, Jr., Kenneth Goodson, W. Arthur Kale, J. Elwood Carroll, Norman Huffman, Reid Wall, and J. L. Stokes, II, assisted by Miss Mabel Cherry and Miss Marcia Wang. Leaders for the Young People's Assembly were: M. Teague Hipps, Mrs. G. G. Adams, Wilson Nesbitt, Robert Stamey, J. B. McLarty, Wilson O. Weldon, J. Clay Madison, and Robert V. Martin.

Business and Forum

Each morning a business session was held, preceded by a "song fest" led by Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., and thoroughly enjoyed by all. At these sessions the business of the Conference Young People's Organization was transacted, reports were made of the year's work by the district directors, and matters of general interest presented, such as Youth Activities Week, the Youth Caravan, and the new church school periodicals which will be available October 1.

One very important item was the election of officers for the new year. These were: President, J. Kempton Jones; vice president, Gilreath G. Adams; secretary, Miss Sadie Wolfe; associate secretary, Miss Peggy Royal; treasurer, Mrs. John F. Kirk; assistant treasurer, J. Max Henderlite.

Afternoon Recreation

Get a hobby and ride it! This is what all the delegates at Lake Junaluska did soon after their arrival. There were so many of these hobby or interest groups that it was difficult to decide just which one we would like best to fill our leisure time in the afternoons. Among those offered were mountain hiking, kodaking, ping pong, folk and sacred music, folk games, art and poster making, handicraft, story telling, outdoor games, oriental lore, tennis for beginners, preparation for the banquet, and journalism. Leaders of these groups were Sherrill Biggers, Reeves Wells, Norman Huffman, Bill Rock, Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., E. K. McLarty, Jr., J. B. McLarty, Mary Margaret Johnson, Evelyn Rothrock, Robert Martin, Earl Brower, Mrs. Norman Huffman, Brona Nifong, Marshal Mills, Miss Marcia Wang, Miss Mabel Cherry, Robert Stamey, Reid Wall, Wilson O. Weldon, Harold Hipps, and Bill Houck.

After four o'clock the interest groups were followed by soft ball, swimming, horse shoes, tennis, boating, hiking, and what have you. Everyone found many interesting things to do.

Vespers

There is no other twilight like the Junaluska twilight. In the setting of this twilight, by the side of the lake, brought all very near to the Creator of all beauty. Hearts were lifted in praise to God for all his blessings, and listened again, as in the mornings, for the still, small voice.

These vespers were planned by Miss Brona Nifong and Miss Evelyn Rothrock, with the following young people taking part: Kempton Jones, Gilreath Adams, Caroline York, Peggy Royal, Harold Hipps, George Atkins, Frances Martin, Hilda Nunn, Bill Rock, Dorothy Spruill, J. D. Holland, Helen Drye, James Gibbs, Annabelle Shoemaker, Tom Houts, Linda Sewell, Ray Jordan, Jr., E. H. Nease, Jr., Jo Anne Carter, and John Brown.

The Platform Hour

Sparkling with wit and full of dynamic enthusiasm, Dr. Albert C. Outler, professor of theology in Duke University divinity school, delivered the inspirational address at the platform hour in both assemblies. He captured the attention of every youth and through his unique ability in the use of human interest challenged the group to be Christian disciples.

World Friendship Service

The platform of the Shackford building was the setting on Wednesday evening of both weeks for a wide variety of races, when Miss Mabel Cherry presented the World Friendship service of worship.

The program featured an address by Miss Marcia Wang, dean of women of Nanking University in China. Using the subject, "Christianity in China Today," Miss Wang revealed to the assembly the fact that in our own generation one of the most courageous chapters in Christian history is being written.

Others on the program included Dorothy Welch and Woodrow Occuma, Indian delegate to the assemblies; Miss Hu from China; Porter Anderson, Oliver Snow, dean and Mary Anderson; Elizabeth Washington, negro, who gave a reading, "I Met My Master;" and a quartet of Paine College students.

The Fellowship Hour

A three-day fellowship hour, following each platform program, gave assembly delegates opportunities for: Folk games and songs, Indian Little Council campfire, and a ride on the Cherokee.

Sailing on the great White Cherokee, a hundred boys and girls—under the silver lining of the clouds, with the reflection from the moon and the beacon from the cross weaving a pattern of artistic beauty on the lake. Fun, romance and fellowship accompanied by the softly rolling waves breaking the stillness af the night.

"Silence-Silence," said the great Chief Wabash — and Indian Little Council campfire—contests for the young braves, also for the Indian maidens, and the telling of Indian lore by different people, under the direction of Earl Brewer.

"Come, let us be joyful," sang Mary Margaret Johnson, Evelyn Rothrock, and Robert Martin. Time 2:30; place, auditorium. Folk games and songs, exercise, or what have you! An excellent fellowship period while learning what the people of other lands do, and how they do it.

The Big Circus!

On Thursday evening of each week everyone gathered in the Cafeteria for the big circus (banquet). With Sherrill Biggers as master of ceremonies the first week, and Kempton Jones the second week, popsicles and pink lemonade to start off with, and clever entertainment presented by different members of the assembly, a grand time was had by all.

Consecration Communion Service

A fitting climax for the events of the assembly week was the consecration communion service held in the Shackford building on Friday evening.

Rev. W. Arthur Kale led the service the first week, and Rev. M. Teague Hipps the second week, with the other ministers attending the assembly assisting. The special choir was made up of the members of the sacred music

interest groups, led by Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., and J. B. McLarty.

Under the influence of this oldest of Christian service, the youth of the assembly found a new sense of consecration that will cause them to express the attitudes they formed at Junaluska in truer Christian living in their churches and communities.

The shadow of the cross—we were under its spell from the moment we entered the sanctuary. It was cast high upon the wall from the cross upon the white altar. Four seven-branch candalabra casting their soft radiance upon the altar and its white flowers, causes us to sense that we were in the presence of the Holy of Holies.

"TONICK LIST"

The Preacher spoke mildly unto a Member of his Flock, saying, "Methinks thou dost not attend worship regularly."

Whereup the Member exhibited the well-proven democratick spirit of the Protestant Church by replying, "Regularly? Nay, hardly at all. And what of it?"

The Preacher mumbled very, very carefully, lest he offend, "I wish you would."

Came the challenge, "Do I beat my wife? Have I robbed a bank?"

"Nay," sighed the Preacher, properly humbled.

Now, the Preacher kept a File for just this purpose. He called it his Tonick List, forsooth, and used it when depressed, mush as some men depend upon the solace of a Tonick purchased at a Package Store.

He opened his Tonick List and meditated upon the Case of the Thoughtful Man, who had telephoned the Parsonage one stormy morning to announce that he was Sick, but that lest his Empty Pew do evil, he had summoned a neighbor family to go and occupy it that Day.

Then he turned to the File on the Case of the Grateful Lady who, when she had fallen down and brake her Leg, was so thankful 'twas not her neck, withal, that she had contributed a Tidy Sum to the Parish Relief Fund as a token of gratitude.

Then he turned to the Case of the Little Girl who, when in Camp one Summer, had arisen the first Sabbath Morn to attend Church. Told that there was no Church but the Catholick, she had replied, "Then I'll go there. I always go to Church on the Sabbath." And she was unaware that her Pastor back home would ever hear of it, or be strengthened by it, or would put it in his Tonick List.

So the Preacher mused the while upon sundry Gracious and Understanding people in his Flock until the Pain of the Man whose contribution to the Kingdom was not beating his wife was gone from his Soul.

Then he closed the File, and set to work, much more stimulated than those who bolster their Spirit in less subtle ways.—The Carillon of Trinity Methodsit Church, Springfield, Mass.

A man who is proud of his money rarely has anything else to be proud of.—Proverb.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

James Teaches Consistent Christian Living

The Epistle of James

The student who wishes to do a little research on his own account will be interested to compare Matthews' report of the Sermon on the Mount (5-7) and the Epistle of James, and note how much of the Epistle is simply a putting of the Sermon on the Mount in other language.

At first sight the selections made for our lesson from the various parts of the Epistle seem unrelated, and yet on consideration one finds a certain unity. First of all, says James, Count your tribulations a means for the development of character. Rejoice in them (Matthew 5:10-12) Romans 5:3-5), and never for a moment pity yourselves and assume that God has put you into a condition whcih you cannot victoriously surmount. Never blame God and your fellowmen for your sins, and say, like Adam, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. Never say, I am the vehicle of environment and heredity. Only good and perfect gifts come down from God, and he never mocks us by giving us impossible commands. On the contrary, we are constructed for success (Ephesians 2:10).

God has planned to make us a kind of first fruits of his creatures, and the creative medium which he is using is his word. This parallels the saying attributed to our Lord in John's Gospel, The words which I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life (John 6:63). And since it is by the word of God that we are to be remade, every man should be doubly eager to hear it. Be swift to hear, says James, and slow to interrupt the speaker who is trying to proclaim the word of God, lest you lose the least mite of reality in his words; and be doubly slow to that theological wrath which always clouds the issue and ends in darkness (2 Timothy 2:14).

And we should not only be swift to hear, says James, but swift to apply the truth to life. James knew that unapplied truth rots on the premises. Faith without works is dead ,and the next step is putrefaction. Men say that James is opposing Paul's doctrine of salvation by faith. It would be better to say that he is opposing an immoral perversion of that doctrine. James has such glowing faith in the creative power of the great evangel that his whole soul recoils against trifling with it as though it were a mere theory to be juggled with. To him failure to express faith by deeds was as though a coast guard kept on painting his life boat while a ship was going down in the offing.

James knew the next step after a period of formal orthodoxy is the repudiation of the faith. History's garbage cans are full of unapplied creeds. A time comes when men no longer hold them even as pious opinions, or, to use our Lord's metaphor, they trample the salt that has lost its savor under their feet (Matthew 5:10). This is what has happened in Russia today. Some blame the atheistic revolution on the economic materialism of Karl Marx, but an even more potent cause was the fact that the Russian orthodox church, while professing to follow Jesus, failed to champion the cause of the poor. If the church had given the ruling classes repeated hypodermics of such protest against the oppression of the peasants as we find in this epistle (5:1-6), the masses would not have turned to atheism.

In the last chapter James says, But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by the heaven nor by the earth, nor by any other oath. His exhortation seems to have no connection with that which precedes or follows, but it is in real harmony with the whole burden of the epistle, which is a condemnation of all unreality in religion. Don't use the sacred Name, says he, or anything associated with it, to attest the truth of every small assertion. That is as though the pastor's wife should make a habit of ringing the church bell to call him to dinner.

If a man uses sacred things triflingly the next step is out and out profanity, and profanity grieves away the Holy Spirit and leaves him a prey to the powers of darkness. Every time a man swears he makes God less real to himself and to all who hear him. And that is cutting into the life line which is man's only hope against sinking beneath the waves.

TENNYSON'S CONFESSION OF FAITH

Strong Son of God, immortal Love,
Whom we, that have not seen thy face,
By faith and faith alone, embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove.

Thine are these orbs of light and shade;
Thou madest Life in man and brute;
Thou madest Death, and lo, thy foot
Is on the skull that thou hast made.

Thou wilt not leave us in the dust:
Thou madest man, he knows not why,
He thinks he was not made to die;
And thou hast made him; thou art just.

Thou seemest human and divine,
The highest, holiest manhood, thou;
Our wills are ours, we know not how;
Our wills are ours, to make them thine.

Our little systems have their day;
They have their day and cease to be;
They are but broken lights of thee,
And thou, O Lord, are more than they.

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Children's Storyland



SAMMY SKATER

Sammy Small sat on the front steps with his chin in his hands. He was wishing that he was big enough to drive his daddy's automobile or that his legs were long enough to ride his big brother Bill's bicycle.

He was too big for a kiddie-car. He was too small for an automobile or a bicycle.

Sammy felt as though he were too big or too little for just everything. He sat and felt unhappy about it.

Just then his Uncle Charlie came up the walk with a package. "Isn't tomorrow your birthday, Sammy?" Uncle Charlie asked.

Sammy had been too busy feeling unhappy to remember. But tomorrow would be a birthday!

"I've brought you a birthday present," Uncle Charlie said. "You may open it now if you like."

Sammy unwrapped the package in a hurry—so much of a hurry he almost forgot to say "Thank you ever so much!" to Uncle Charlie.

Inside the package was the most beautiful, shiny pair of roller skates he had ever seen. He held them up to look at the shining wheels and the sturdy straps.

"I think you're big enough to learn to skate forward and backward and in curlicues," Uncle Charlie told Sammy.

"Oh! Oh! Oh!" Sammy squealed. "Oh, thank you!"

Uncle Charlie fixed the skates so they were not too little and not too big for Sammy's play shoes. They were just exactly right for Sammy's feet. Uncle Charlie screwed them on firmly and buckled the straps. Then he helped Sammy to stand up.

"Oh! Oh! Oh!" Sammy squealed. "Skates are just exactly what I wanted more than anything!"

He started down the front walk—wiggle-roll-wobble. The skates felt very strange. Sammy waved his arms to keep his balance. He waved them wide. He got halfway down the walk.

Then BING! Sammy's skates went out from under him. He sat down very hard on the cement.

Uncle Charlie hurried to help him up. Sammy blinked, but when Uncle Charlie asked if he wanted to take the skates off he said, "No! No, thank you! I guess I'll have to practice, but I'm going to learn to skate forward and backward and in curlicues."

"That's the spirit!" Uncle Charlie said, slapping Sammy's shoulder. "If at first you don't succeed, try, try, try again!"

"I m-m-m-mean to!" Sammy told him, not very steadily because he was trying again and the skates were still not behaving just as he wanted them to.

Sammy took several more tumbles that afternoon, but he kept trying. By the end of the afternoon he could skate forward all the way around the block, only waving his arms now and then and not tumbling at all. He passed the babies on their kiddie-cars, being careful not to run into them. He went almost as fast as the big boys on their bicycles.

"Well, how's Sammy Skater?" Uncle Charlie asked next time he came to the house, several weeks after Sammy's birthday. "Can you skate forward and backward and in curlicues?"

Sammy grinned. "I can skate forward and two steps backward and in little plain curlicues. But I mean to keep practicing till I can go backward six steps and do big fancy curlicues," he told his uncle.

"That's the spirit!" Uncle Charlie said, slapping Sammy's shoulder. "Try, try, try again!"

Just then Sammy's dad drove up in his car, but Sammy was too busy with big fancy curlicues to wish he could drive it. Bill came around the corner on his bicycle, but Sammy did not bother about whether his legs were long enough to ride it.

"What a silly I used to be wishing I was bigger or smaller," Sammy laughed to himself. "Why, I'm just exactly the right size for roller skates and I'd rather be a plain and fancy skater than anything right now."

And Just then he managed the biggest, fancies curlicue anyone in that neighborhood had ever seen.—Eleanor Hammond, Story World.

THE BEAUTIFUL WORLD

There's never a rose in all the world
But makes some green spray sweeter;
There's never a wind in all the sky
But makes some bird wing fleeter;
There's never a star but brings to heaven
Some silver radiance tender;
And never a rosy cloud but helps
To crowd the sunset splendor;
No robin but may thrill some heart,
His dawn-like gladness voicing;
God gives us all some small, sweet way
To set the world rejoicing.

—Anonymous.

Teacher (to bring out the idea of size)—"Mention a difference between and elephant and a flea."

Tommy—"Well, an elephant can have fleas, but a flea can't have elephants."—Everybody's.

A GAME OF BIRDS

The game of birds will prove interesting to a party of young people and give a pleasant evening's entertainment.

The game itself is a game of questions and answers, the questions to be written upon sheets of paper, and the answers to be written after each question.

Each guest should be given a sheet of questions ,and a pencil and only a given number of minutes must be allowed to write the answers. The list should then be corrected and the prizes awarded ,if prizes are to be given.

What bird tells the time? Cuckoo.

What bird is apt to be cowardly? Quail.

What bird belongs to the laboring classes? Pheasant.

What bird is impertinent? Mockingbird.

What bird is needed in the harvest field? Thrasher.

What bird do you find at the meat market? Butcher.

What bird would you choose to make you a suit? Tailor.

What bird comes in early winter? Snow.

What bird is the children's pet? Catbird.

What bird is Uncle Sam's pet? Eagle.

What bird is mentally deranged? Loon.

What bird is a pessimist? Blue.

What bird was caught thieving? Robin.

What bird is a colored letter? Bluejay.

What bird represents rapid motion? Swift.

What bird represents a girl's nickname and a form of pastry? Magpie.

What bird represents a foreign country? Turkey.

What bird stands in the fireplace? Crane.

It should be understood by the guests that the questions do not refer at all to the habits of the birds, but simply play upon their names.

An interesting feature may be added to the evening's entertainment by having each guest relate some anecdote or story of a bird, or tell of some unusual habit or character of the bird.—Selected.

Little Jimmy—"Mother, can me and Billy have some cake?"

Mother—"Not unless you ask grammatically, dear."

Little Jimmy—"Well—mother, may I have some cake?"—Mutual Magazine.

Father: "Son, every time you do wrong I get another gray hair."

Little Boy: "My, dad, you must 'a' been awful! Look at grandpa!"

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FOURTH ROUND

August

West Burlington, 11 31
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 3 31
Graham, 7:30 31

September

Mebane, Central, 7:30 3
Eno, 7:30 4
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 11 7
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 3 7
Branson, 7:30 7
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Calvary, 7:30 10
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
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Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
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Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glendale, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Oriental, 11 31

September

Straits-Harkers Island, 11 7
Marshallburg, 7:30 7
Atlantic, 11 14
Beaufort, 7:30 14
Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
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Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
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Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
River Side-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Elm City, 11 10
W. Halifax, Hollister, 8 10
Elm City, Hornes, 8 11

September

Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
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St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND

August

Bailey, Mt. Pleasant, 8 8
Benson, Elevation, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 8 10
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
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FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 17
Whiteville, 8 20
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 24
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, W. Mem., 8 24
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 8 29
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 11 31

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 10
Whiteville, 8 10
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

August 10, 11 a.m.—Central, preaching; French Broad Avenue, night, preaching.
August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

Fairview, Sharon, 11 31
Acton, Oak Hill, night 31

September

Central Church, Asheville 1
Biltmore, night 2
Asbury Memorial, night 3
Hot Springs, Antioch, night 4
French Broad Avenue, night 5
Ivy, 11 7
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 7
Haywood Street, night 8
E. Flat Rock, night 9
Tryon, night 10
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 12
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14
Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

August

Farmington, Bethlehem, 11 10
Advance, 3 10
Jonesville, Grassy Creek, night 10
Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Rock Springs, Denver, 2:30 10
Gastonia, East End, night 10
Cramerton, 11 17
Belmont, Park St., night 17
Lincoln-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11 24
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul, 2:30 24
Cherryville, First Church, night 24
Belmont, Main Street, night 27
Lowesville, 11 30
Maylo-Smyre, 11 31
McAdenville, night 31

September

Gastonia, Main Street, night 2
Mount Holly, night 3
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 7
Lincolnton First Church, night 7
Gastonia, West End, night 10
Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5

Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
THIRD ROUND

August

Mitchell's Grove, 11 10
Stoneville, 3 10
Pleasant Garden, 11 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 24
Mt. Pleasant, District League Stewards, 3 31

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bostic, Salem, 11 10
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 10
Pleasant Grove, 8 10
Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Statesville, Boulevard, 11 10
Stony Point, 7:30 10
Troutman, 11 17
Mooresville, Broad St., 7:30 17
Statesville, Broad St., 11 24
Statesville, Race St., 7:30 24
Olin, Macedonia, 11 31
Harmony, Harmony, 7:30 31

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Franklin Ct., Bethel, 11 10
Franklin, 8 10
Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

August

Central Terrace, 11 17
Centenary, 11 24
Grace, 7:30 24
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lowisville-Concord, 11 14
North Davidson, 3 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October
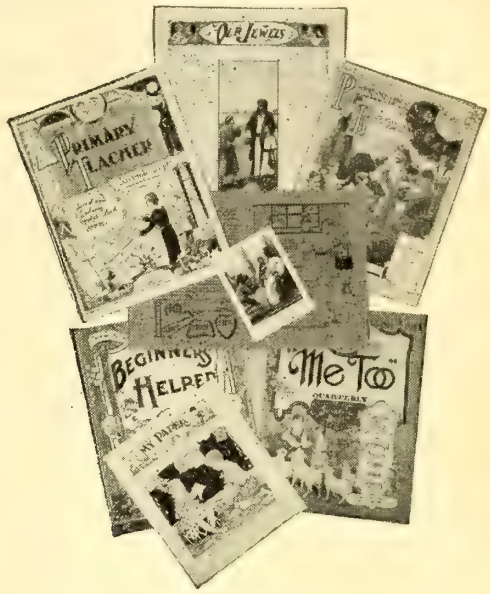
Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Centenary, 7:30 8
Doubs, 7:30 9
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 17
Kernersville, 7:30 17

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NO RINGINGS

The old ten per cent apportionment bell has been mighty still during the past week. Nobody has raised up and pulled the cord. We'd like to have a little bell ringing. In order for the bell to ring it will be necessary for some congregation to pay its ten per cent apportionment in full.

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ROGERS—In the passing of A. K. Rogers, Union Chapel Methodist church lost its oldest member. Mr. Rogers was in his 78th year when he died, and for 75 years he had been an interested and consecrated member of the Union congregation. He had gathered to himself a multitude of friends by whom he was highly esteemed and loved.

The funeral services were held in the historic Plank Chapel Methodist church on the afternoon of fifth Sunday in June. Brother J. A. Martin, pastor of Tar River circuit, assisted in the service. The funeral was largely attended and the feeling was universal that God had called one of his chosen and prepared servants to the eternal home.

To the sons and daughters who are left behind, we extend our prayers and sympathy in their hour of bereavement and sorrow. And may their trust and hope continue in Him who doeth all things well. J. P. Pegg.

A TRIBUTE

Miss Myrtle Hanes passed to her eternal home June 16, 1941. Early she gave her life to Jesus and joined the Methodist church in Lexington. Later she moved to Greensboro and became a faithful member of College Place church. For years Miss Hanes was a sufferer but she bravely bore her affliction she questioned not, often expressing a desire for the transition that she might rejoin loved ones and be forever with her Lord.

We miss this friend and her beautiful service, but we think of her as being where there is neither sorrow nor any more pain.

Miss Mamie Clayton.
Mrs. Mary Moose,
Mrs. Mary Jeffreys,

A TRIBUTE

In the passing of Mrs. Geo. P. Carter, the Fairfield Woman's Society of Christian Service lost a most useful and beloved member. She was loyal to her church and its organizations, and her genial presence is sorely missed by all who knew her.

Mrs. Carter was a woman of delightful personality and Christian character, always gracious and ready to help in any good work.

We offer our sympathy to her family and join with them in cherishing the memory of this life well spent in God's service.

Mrs. P. E. Swindell,
Mrs. A. B. Midgette,
Mrs. J. L. Simmons.

A TRIBUTE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Rich Square Methodist church offers humble tribute to the memory of the beautiful life of Ada Sessoms Buxton, who served, through length of days, with gladness of heart. The sweet fragrance of that life through four score years is to us like the memory of lavender and old lace.

She loved the flowers of her garden, and all the beauty of God's world; and out there she often walked and talked with him.

There was "no moaning at the bar" as with calm trust in the Eternal she just crossed over the border in the cool of the evening to be at home with God.

We extend to her loved ones our sincere sympathy, and for comfort in the hour of bereavement we commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows.

We desire that a copy of this tribute be placed on our minutes, a copy be sent to The Roanoke Chowan Times, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy to the family.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson,
For the Society.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our loving heavenly Father has seen fit to call from earth one of the most faithful and loyal members of Jarvis Memorial church and chairman of the board of trustees, Mr. A. B. Ellington, be it resolved:

First, That we express our deepest appreciation of his devotion and long years of faithful service to our church and to the work of this board.

Second, That we commend to those who felt his example as being one eminently worthy of being followed, it being the deepest joy of his life to serve his beloved Master in every possible way, manifested at all times a spirit of good cheer and encouragement to those about him.

Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the board of trustees, a copy sent the family, and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

M. K. Blount,
K. T. Futrell.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of North Wilkesboro Methodist church, pause to pay sincere tribute to one of our faithful and loved members, Lois Frances Cranor, who passed away on Sunday, June 1, 1941.

Her Christian career began early in life when she accepted Christ as her personal Saviour and joined the church. Since then she had been a faithful worker in the Sunday school and church. A few months before her death she was unable to climb the steps to the church, but up until this time its doors seldom opened without finding her ready to take her Sunday school class of small children and work faithfully with them.

She was a charter member of the young women's circle and held an office until death. She was not able to attend the last two meetings but was interested in sending in her report.

It is true that one's life is not to be measured by the number of years through which one may live but more accurately by the quality of life for which they will be remembered. Frances will be remembered as an unselfish Christian. This unselfishness expressed itself through a devotion in her home, to her church and her friends. She put God's work first in her life and was always ready to do all she could. May her impressive Christian life be an inspiration to other young women.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will who doeth all things well.

Second, That we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service extend to the family and loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy placed in the records of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. Edd F. Gardner, Pres.

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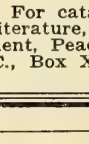
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Blowing Rock, One of the Many Scenic Spots of Western North Carolina

HOW TO STOP SALE OF LIQUOR IN NORTH CAROLINA

Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, holding superior court last week in Charlotte, showed the way to get rid of liquor sales in North Carolina; and, as for that matter, in every other commonwealth of this nation.

We let the Charlotte Observer of Friday morning, August 8, tell the story which is as follows:

"Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, that law enforcing man from Woodland, yesterday took out of circulation at least two operators of what the judge referred to as 'Mecklenburg barrooms' when he sentenced A. W. 'Slim' Jordan to the roads for 90 days and gave O. R. Perrell a road term of 60 days.

"The two men were arrested on bench warrants issued by Judge Burgwyn during the course of the trial of a taxicab driver who was charged with robbing a passenger after he and the passenger had made a round of the liquor dispensaries in Charlotte.

"Jordan and his wife and Perrell were convicted of violating the liquor laws in Judge Burgwyn's court Wednesday, and yesterday the judge sentenced them. They made no effort to appeal, and one of them even requested that he be sent to the road camp yesterday afternoon so that he could begin making his time.

"In addition to the road terms, the two men were given two years suspended, and ordered placed on probation when they get off the chain gang. Mrs. Jordan was sentenced to six months suspended."

If the judges of every superior court and of every police court will follow the example of Judge Burgwyn in liquor law enforcement North Carolina will soon become a Sahara. And the judges will follow his example if all the preachers will do their duty in arousing public sentiment. Any preacher with a D.D. attached to his name who is not a devil driver should have these letters blotted from his name and he should hunt some other job Any preacher who is satisfied to look pious and recite some religious platitudes and never at any time attacks the works of the devil fails to measure up to his profession.

THE RUSSIAN EARTH

One doubts that even Adolf Hitler, communing with what he takes to be his soul in lofty Berchtesgaden, can grasp the full extent of land, of peoples and of history which he has troubled by his invasion of Russia. His deepest penetrations, after a month of war, were pin-pricks in Russia's skin, however, costly to her armies. At Smolensk, Kiev, Leningrad or even Moscow, the invader is barely launched upon the Russian ocean. From these points to Vladivostok is a journey of weary thousands of miles.

Take the whole continent of North America, throw in Central America, add Venezuela and Colombia, and one has a little more than the equivalent of the Soviet Union. Place Soviet-controled Outer Mongolia and parts of Chinese Turkestan on the Russian side of the scales and they will send the balance down with a bang. In total population the Russians will have considerably the advantage.

For centuries beyond history this unimaginable area has been trampled by countless invasions and migrations. Scythians, Sarmatians, Goths, Huns, Mongols, Northmen, Turks, Germans, Swedes and Frenchmen have at one time or another inhabited or invaded it. Jenghis Khan and Kublai Khan in the thirteenth century, Tamerlane in the fifteenth, Napoleon in the nineteenth have controled or attempted to control great parts of it.

The European plain of Russia has been a recurrent battleground. Minglings of races have taken place which no scholar can now unravel. Neither rivers nor mountains have ever proved a permanent barrier. Almost every condition of human life on earth has existed within the Soviet Union; life on the tundras and among the stunted firs and pines of the north; in the forest belt of oaks, elms and beeches; on the fertile black earth of the middle belt; in grazing lands and deserts south and east; in the wild mountains of the Urals and the Caucasus, and in the shadow of the ranges of Turkestan and Mongolia.

The Chinese, the Greeks, the Italians of the Renaissance, the French of the Age of Enlightenment have all contributed to historic Russia. Her Communist phase has not wiped out her physical geography, her racial composition or her immemorial tendencies. And now her land and people are a channel between the waters and civilizations of the Atlantic and those of the Pacific.

When one considers the magnitude of Russia, the depth of her tradition, the strategy of her place on the globe's surface, one may be skeptical as to the lasting effects of nearly a quarter of a century of Leninism and Stalinism, as well as doubtful of how much Hitler's destroying angels may be able to accomplish. The Nazi tanks go where the Golden Horde once ruled, but the dust and rust may swallow them up too.—New York Times.

THE ELOQUENCE OF SILENCE

We should really say more if we talked less. There is something massive about silence. "Silence deep as eternity," exclaimed Carlyle, "speech shallow as time." We speak of keeping silence, really silence keeps us. "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength."

If we want fellowship with God we must walk with him in the valley of silence. Silence without may not always be had, but at least there can be silence within. Hence Jesus' counsel to his disciples, "Enter into thine inner chamber, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

I walk down the Valley of Silence,
Down the dim, voiceless valley alone,
And I hear not the sound of a footstep
Around me, save God's and my own,
And the hush of my heart is as holy
As hallows where angels have flown.

Do you ask me the name of the valley,
Ye hearts that are harrowed with care?
It lieth afar between mountains,
And God and his angels are there,
And one is the dark moment of sorrow,
And one the bright mountain of prayer.

"Be still and know that I am God." After all, notwithstanding all the din and uproar of human life, we are the children of silence. It is out of the silence we came, and into the silence we go.—H. A. Porter, in The Christian Index.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

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The country meetings continue. God bless every one who has a part in these. They are the seed-beds of Methodism.

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Many are returning from the summer outing to take up the tasks of life. Will the church folks be as diligent in all the affairs of the kingdom?

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Many things demand the attention of our Methodist people for the next few weeks. But these can not be set down in a brief paragraph. Surely no one will have any reason to be idle. In fact most of us have more than we can do.

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Here is a tall tale from the Wall Street Journal: "It was so cold where we were," said the Arctic explorer, "that the candle froze and we couldn't blow it out." "That is nothing," said his rival. "Where we were the words came out of our mouths in pieces of ice and we had to fry them to hear what we were talking about."

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In the midst of uncertainties in American life one thing is certain. No one can with success dispute the increasing curse of liquor to the American people. Reports from every state tell the same story. The advertisements of liquor encourage its use; and death sits at the wheel of our automobiles. This much is certain.

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With the good crops of tobacco and other products of Carolina fields we may expect an increase of drunken drivers on the highways. The liquor stores are already counting on increased sales of the poison to be dispensed for profit. Wake county stores alone last year sold $1,126,661. Think of the total for 27 counties. But look out for these coming months. The hour for a campaign against liquor in North Carolina has struck!

A literary journal asked Dr. Joseph Fort Newton to write an article to be entitled, "What Has Taken the Pull Out of the Pulpit?" A companion article for this might very well have been entitled, "What Has Taken the Indignation Against Sin Out of the Pew?" It does seem that enthusiasm for righteousness and indignation against sin are largely wanting in the pulpit and the pew of this day.

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During this harvest season renewed energy should be displayed in all good causes. Pastors and leaders in the church should be found early and late these days in the harvest fields that the gatherings may go beyond any known for years. Many churches should at once double the subscription list to the church paper—thus making this the measure of what they are going to do for all other causes. It will be a burning shame to be content with the showing made the past few years. Some have been forced to stop their Advocate, but with the assurance that better times would find them renewing. Why not get them back on the mailing list? Why not get these to come back to the old standards of church support?

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The cedar of Lebanon represented the greatest thing in the vegetable kingdom, and the hyssop the lowliest, the most humble plant, for it was said of Solomon, indescribing his wisdom, that he could talk upon any subject, from "the cedar tree that is in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall" (1 Kings 4:33). And this innocent, humble hyssop has stirred up more controversy than any other plant mentioned in the Bible; at least it has consumed more pages of discussion, and every writer or reader familiar with hyssop literature will tell you that Celsius, author of the Hierobotanicon—that foundation stone of Bible botany—devoted forty-two pages to this subject and discussed eighteen kinds of plants without ever arriving at a conclusion!

Not the Rich Man's Country

MORE than thirty years ago we heard Senator J. P. Dolliver of Iowa deliver a thrilling address before 8,000 people at Chautauqua, N. Y., on the theme, "America." In that notable address this senator, who had spent more than twenty-five years in public life—about one-half in the House and the other in the Senate—disputed the oft heard declaration that this is the rich man's country—the poor man having no show in America.

The senator said he had heard this so often that he determined to make a rather careful investigation to see what there is to this claim. Having himself been a student of public affairs and a close reader of the papers for more than a quarter of a century, he could claim some familiarity with the public men of America. So he made out a list of all the men of note in the city of New York he could recall, and then he added to this list, after conference with well informed men in that city, other names of note. Following this collection of names, Senator Dolliver traced the history of these men and then made a careful estimate of his findings. To his surprise and contrary to the claim made by so many, he found that eighty-five per cent of the men who had come to prominence in business and professional life in the nation's great metropolis were poor boys who had walked from the villages and country places of this land into the city of New York and made their way to the front in the nation's life.

Just as was claimed fifty years ago with so much assurance men are still insisting that a poor man has no show in this land of opportunity. In fact, the assertion is made over and over again that no opportunity remains for any but for the few plutocrats with their millions. So the one and only hope of salvation is to have a new and equal distribution of wealth. Let the vast accumulations of this past century be so distributed that all may be placed on a common level. Herein is the one hope for the less favored.

Underlying this demand is the philosophy of materialism fundamental to Soviet Russia. This puts God, the church, the family, and the civilization that we have known aside.

America is not the rich man's country; this is the poor man's country. For all who make life to consist in more than the things they possess, the America that exalted God, the Bible, the church, the family, the democracy of the fathers, is the land of opportunity—this is the poor man's country.

"For Truth and Honesty"

IN our courts of justice there are just two things that are primary in the character of a witness. One is truth and the other is honesty. If a witness can qualify in this respect, other things are secondary. The court and the jury are ready to accept his testimony.

And this necessary qualification for a witness in a court of law is a necessary qualification in all relations of life. Just as the lawyers ask, "How is he for truth and honesty?" so may all men ask of every man "How is he for truth and honesty?"

We need a fresh emphasis on these old fashioned and fundamental virtues. Parents should teach them, both by example and precept, to their children. From entrance to the kindergarten till commencement day in college emphasis should be put by teachers upon these fundamentals of character. If the preachers would emphasize these as they ought there would be a different state of affairs in this country.

You have heard of the old preacher whose hobby was debt-paying. His presiding elder gave him a text so he would have to stay off his hobby. The text was, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." The first words of this man's sermon were, "A man who believes on Jesus Christ will pay his debts." We are sorry this preacher "sleeps with his fathers." But he was true to his conscience while he lived. If a man must have a hobby there is none better than "truth and honesty."

Every One a Crusader

IS there a preacher who reads this that does not feel how glorious it is in this day to crusade for Christ? Nothing is more needed and will count for more. To idle along, living a perfunctory kind of life, should be foreign to every one of us. Crusades for human betterment; crusades for world conquests; crusades for making the Christ a living presence in the lives of the many who need the immortal hope, call for each and every preacher to gird himself afresh for the conquest.

A crusader for the Christ calls men to repentance; he will be in this present fight against the liquor forces of the land; he will, with passionate appeal, join in the effort for

missionary conquest. When men of prophetic passion and apostolic zeal burn and flame in the pulpits, our dead churches will take on new life and stand for human betterment and for the saving of the nation.

Our Methodist churches and their pastors have a wonderful opportunity if they will take their stand and refuse to surrender to the greed and godlessness of the crowd that desecrates the Sabbath, fosters the liquor trade and encourages gambling for the sake of gain, done in the name of charity, morals and human betterment. Every Methodist preacher who knows the Christ and glories in the spirit of the heroic men who rode with Asbury should make themselves heard and felt in every village and country side in North Carolina. These days should count in a big way as the land rings from side to side with crusaders for the Christ.

The Book Marker

HOW many of our readers can remember the old style book-marker of perforated card with some motto or verse wrought thereupon with needle and highly colored silk thread and then the whole thing attached to a silk ribbon that reached from one end of the book to the other and hung as an ornament from both ends of the volume? That old "marker" is a thing of the past, but here is a stanza of doggerel recovered from one of these that is very much up-to-date. A quotation from a quaint book marker, in Christian Life:

"Mother, I've found an old dusty thing
High on the shelf—just a book!"
"Why, that's a Bible, Tommy dear:
Be careful—that's God's book!"
"God's book!" the child exclaimed,
"Then, mother, before we lose it
We'd better send it back to God,
For you know we never use it!"

Not So Bad After All

THE Associated Press a little while ago carried the following suprising story:

"Loss of life in bombed England actually is less that in peace time, according to James B. Forgan, chairman of the Chicago chapter of the American Red Cross. 'By taking automobiles off the highways, by exercising caution in the home and in industry, by improving diet, by safeguarding self and community from the threats of epidemics through sanitation, vaccination and immunization, the English are saving more lives than their enemies are able to take.'"

"Anywhere, So It Is Forward"

ANYWHERE, so it is forward" became David Livingstone's motto after he got his vision of duty when Robert Moffatt, his father-in-law, took him to a hilltop in Africa and showed him the smoke curling from a thousand villages in not one of which the gospel had ever been preached. And as it was with Livingstone, so it is with every conscientious man when he gets a vision of the world's need and is willing to pay the price. And to such ministers and martyrs are we indebted for the progress that the cause of Jesus Christ has made through the long eventful centuries. At the end of ten centuries the Christians numbered 10,000,000, at the end of the fifteenth century 100,000,000, and there are now, the statisticians tell us, 700,000,000 nominal Christians in the world which gives the Christian religion numerical leadership among the great religions of the world. The non-Christian world numbers according to recent estimates approximately 1,000,000,000 souls. God be praised for such men as David Livingstone who have carried the cross of Christ to every land and every language.

The Egotist

JESUS tells us about one of these men. He was a big talker and his chief topic was about himself, his virtues and his victories. He was an expert in the use of the big "I." "I thank thee that I am not as other men are. I fast, I give tithes." Whether he talked to other people or prayed to himself, it was "I," "I," "I." We are accustomed to say he was self-righteous. But it was not so much that as old fashioned every day egotism which manifests itself in a superabundant use of the big "I."

That high churchman whom Jesus held up to the scorn of all good people everywhere was not simply a man of the first century who made periodic visits to the temple in Jerusalem. He belongs to every century and makes his abode among all peoples. In many instances he never darkens a church door or calls upon his God except in profane speech. He is the godless, profane egotist who loves to boast of himself and of his deeds, whether good or bad.

On the other hand he may be a man with many excellent qualities, but he has one terrible handicap, he is an egotist. And Jesus says that a miserable sinner who will humbly confess his faults is superior to an egotist.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

We are now engaged in our Lake Landing district union revival in which I think all are enjoying fine preaching done by Rev. J. W. Frank, returned missionary, from Mt. Airy. —J. R. Regan.

Miss Lola Long, deaconess at St. Paul's Methodist church, Houston, Texas, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Long, in Greensboro. Mr. Long had his children and grandchildren with him last Sunday for dinner.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor of the First church in China Grove, was the preacher in the Methodist church at Myrtle Beach, S. C., on August 3, and in the Broad Street church of Statesville on last Sunday morning, August 10.

The sixth annual home coming will be held Tuesday, August 19, at Asbury Memorial church on the Huntersville charge, near Huntersville. All former pastors and district superintendents are especially invited. Exercises will begin at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served at 12:30. We are looking forward to meeting many old friends and associates.—Bert Puett.

On the editorial page of the New York Times of July 17 was a snapshot-in-words which must have made many maternal hearts ache. It depicted a nine-year-old boy refugee from overseas who said to an American child, "I eat and I eat, and I get all the food I want. I think I am in heaven! In heaven!" "A little boy thinks he is in heaven because he gets enough to eat!" the writer comments.

The educational building of Bethel church, Yanceyville charge, will be formally dedicated Sunday, August 17. Rev. W. L. Maness of Jackson, during whose pastorate the addition was made, will preach at 11 a. m. and render the dedication. In the afternoon a special musical program will be presented. All former pastors, members and interested persons have a very cordial invitation to attend the dedication and home coming services Sunday.—Joyce V. Early, Pastor.

Mrs. O. D. Nelson, alumna of Greensboro College, and Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion at the college, conducted a school for Christian workers at Asheboro Central Methodist church, of which Rev. J. W. Braxton is minister, and Tom Houts, Jr., director of religion, from Sunday, August 3, until Thursday, August 7. The period included ten sessions during which Mrs. Nelson gave a course in the children's division of the church and Dr. Smith a course on "How Christian Character Develops." Around forty people were enrolled, with 29 of them receiving credit cards.

Rev. D. P. Walters was given a surprise dinner in celebration of his 72nd birthday last Friday, July 25. A huge white birthday cake bearing 72 tiny candles decorated the center of the dinner table. Many friends called in addition to the following children and grandchildren: Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Belk, Gerald Belk and Martha Anne Belk of Mt. Ulla, Mr. and Mrs. Shelley Blackwelder, Aileen Blackwelder and Maurice Blackwelder, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stewart Edwards, Sarah Helen Edwards, Delilah Jane Edwards, Larry Edwards, and Mrs. D. M. Gudger, all of Mooresville, Mrs. Monroe Lowman of Morganton and Miss Hazel Lowman of Shelby.—Mooresville Tribune.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Youth Activities Week will be held at our church in Laurinburg August 18-22. All young people of the city and the surrounding territory are invited to participate. Activities to be held each night include a fellowship supper, class periods, a worship service, a forum, and a recreation period. The classes to be offered are Worship and Evangelism, World Friendship, Community Service, and Recreation. There will also be a class for adults, Workers with Youth. Be making your plans to attend this week of work and fun. —First Church Bulletin.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, attended August 12 and 13 the tenth annual conference of church-related colleges of the Southwest, held under the auspices of the national conference of church-related colleges at the George Vanderbilt Hotel, Asheville. Theme of the conference, over which President Spright Dowell of Mercer University presided, was "Church-Related Colleges and Christian Education—A Realistic Approach." Tuesday morning Dr. Gobbel, in collaboration with Dr. Walter L. Lingle, president emeritus of Davidson College; President J. L. Plyler, Furman University; President R. C. Greer, Erskine College, discussed "What Distinctive Qualities of Character Should the Alumnus of Church-Related Colleges Possess in Relation to Society."

Walter Vassar, professor of voice at Greensboro College, will complete his sixth summer as director of choirs at Lake Junaluska when his group, with 14 Greensboro College students among its members, ends its work on August 28. By Sunday the group will bring to a close the schedule of regular concerts, including five Sunday afternoon and two night programs. During the season, which opened June 16, the choir has furnished music for all conferences convening at the resort and has presented programs for various clubs in neighboring towns. Greensboro College students who are members of the choir are: Sopranos, Misses Hilda Somers, Burlington; soloist; Alice Price, Taylorsville; Helen Ownbey, Greensboro; Helen Reid White, Mebane; Mary Somers, Burlington; Mary Lillian Jonas, Lincolnton; Margaret Ross, Burlington; Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury; Louise Kilgo, Greenville, Gwendolyn Holler, Greensboro, 1941 graduate of the school of music; and Nellie Alexander, alumna of the college and teacher in Kannapolis public schools. Altos are Misses Margaret Foard, Lenoir; Alice Odell Taylor, Hookerton; Louise Taylor, Oxford; and Margaret Humphrey, Burgaw. Mrs, Vassar is accompanist for the group.

Several things have been happening at Andrews since our last report. We reported one-half of our budget paid at district conference with funds left in the treasury. We have liquidated an old debt that had stood for about 15 years. We have an old debt of several years' standing paid at the Publishing House which was against our church school. Insurance has been paid up for three years on church and parsonage. The women recently refurnished the living room and a bed room in the parsonage. We are now painting the church without and within. We expect to close the year with all items paid in full. We had a great vacation church school; Miss Vivian Moore, superintendent, assisted by Mr. Kesler of Duke Also conducted a school for the negroes. Along spiritual lines we made a study of The World Mission of Methodism. Mr. A. J. Kirby came and spoke to our official board and then the entire congregation in his fine, effective manner. Bishop Purcell came and preached a great message. Rev. F. W. Kiker came to us and preached in our revival for ten days in that fine manner of his. We expect to be at Winston-Salem October 21-24 with good reports, to enjoy the fine fellowship and partake of the inspiration of a great conference.—G. N. Dulin.

DR. SLEETH AND MISS ECHERD JOIN GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACULTY

Dr. Charles R. Sleeth, A.B., A.M., West Virginia University; B.A., Oxford University; A.M., Ph.D., Princeton University, will join the faculty of Greensboro College at the opening of the fall semester on September 8, according to a recent announcement by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college. Dr. Sleeth will be professor of English and acting head of the department, succeeding Dr. Roddey Miller, deceased.

Dr. Sleeth, member of Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honor society, following his attainment of two academic degrees at West Virginia University, went as a Rhodes scholar to Oxford University, England, where he stayed for three years and where he earned, in addition to the B.A. degree, a diploma in comparative philology with distinction, the highest honor awarded with such diplomas. At Prince-



Dr. Charles R. Sleeth



Miss Eugenia Echerd

ton University, where he received the A.M. and Ph.D. degrees, he was a Procter fellow, highest award that Princeton gives graduate students. Dr. Sleeth's teaching experience has been at Princeton University as member of the faculty in the English department. He comes to Greensboro College directly from the University of Michigan, where for the past three summers he has been engaged in work on the Middle English dictionary. He is a member of the Linguistic Society of America and the author of "Shakespeare's Counselors of State," Revue Anglo- Americaine, December 1935, and "The Friendship of Chaucer's Pardoner and Summoner," Modern Language Notes, February 1941.

Dr. Sleeth is a native of West Virginia, where for approximately forty years his father, the Rev. W. T. W. Sleeth, served as minister. Dr. and Mrs. Sleeth will move to Greensboro the latter part of August.

Concerning Dr. Miller, who died at his home at Guilford College on July 29 after serving as head of the English department of Greensboro College since 1930, President Gobbel issued the following statement upon his return to his office from Chicago where he had gone when Dr. Miller died:

"The death of Dr. J. Roddey Miller removes from Greensboro College and from the forces of Christian higher education in this country a most capable, faithful, devoted, inspiring and effective teacher, counselor and friend. Possessing a radiant personality and high scholastic attainments, he gave himself completely and joyously to the task of teaching young women and, through his department and the committees on which he served, and through his wide personal influence, to the promotion and expansion not only of the work of his department but the larger services and welfare of the college and of humanity. Indicative of the scope of his influence and the extent to which he was relied upon for large service is the fact that he was a member of nine standing committees of the faculty, including chapel, classification, library, lectures and concerts, radio, student council, testing, publicity, and student publications, being chairman of the latter two. As chairman of the college's Centennial Celebration committee, Dr. Miller rendered conspicuous and sacrificial service.

"Dr. Miller's influence extended far beyond the campus into the church and community. His passing brings a sadness and a tremendous sense of loss, not only to me personally and to Greensboro College, but to the hundreds of his students throughout the state and nation."

Miss Eugenia Echerd

Appointment of Miss Eugenia Echerd as instructor in the Greensboro College department of education has been announced by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.

Miss Echerd, native of Taylorsville, attended Mitchell College, received the A.B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne College, the M.A. degree from Duke University, and has done additional work at Columbia University and Duke University where she has spent the summer. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, honorary organization. Miss Echerd, who will come to the college as instructor in the department of education, headed by Dr. Elizabeth B. Young, will teach primary and grammar grade methods, child psychology, classroom management, educational tests and measurements, and psychological tests and measurements. She succeeds Miss Lorrie Walker, who was part time assistant in education last year. Miss Echerd's appointment is due to expansion in the curriculum of the college and growth in the number of students.

TURRENTINE REUNION, HILLSBORO, AUGUST 17

Many of the Turrentine family descendants and connecnections from many states are expected to gather at Hillsboro, the ancestral home of the Turrentines in this county, August 17, to reunite scattered branches of some founding families of Orange county, North Carolina. This nation-wide reunion has been planned by a group of the clan headed by Mrs. Robert M. Lester of New York City, and including the group's historian, Dr. George Ruford Turrentine, dean and registrar, Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Arkansas, and Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C., and others.

Col. John Steele, of Orange county, from whom the Turrentines of North Carolina and other states are descended, fought in the Battle of Alamance and rendered valiant service in the Revolutionary War. The sword he used in the cause of freedom is preserved with pride by the family as a memento of his patriotism and valor.

The battle of Alamance, fought near Hillsboro, N. C., on May 16, 1771, between the militia of the royal government and the Regulators is sometimes termed the first battle of the American Revolution, according to the Encyclopedia Americana. A monument to the patriotism and resolution of the colonists of North Carolina stands on the historic battlefield.

Three stars on the windshield and rear windows of the cars of the pilgrims to this reunion will identify the members to each other and constitute an invitation to fellowship.

Eastern daylight saving time will be observed in the program on August 17, as follows:

Registration, high school auditorium, 10 a. m.

Holy Communion, conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell, of Charlotte, N. C., in the Methodist church, 10:30, followed by the baptism of infants; Assembly, high school auditorium, 11:35 a. m.; basket lunch, gymnasium, 1 p. m.

Participants in basket lunch are asked to take basket lunches to be enjoyed in common.

Afternoon assembly in auditorium, 3 p. m.

OFFICERS OF DURHAM DISTRICT YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The young adults of the Durham district met in historic Hillsboro last Sunday afternoon and organized the first District Young Adult Fellowship in the N. C. conference. The followship officers were elected for the church school year beginning October 1, 1941:

President—Thurman Taylor, Burlington.

Vice President—L. L. Garner, Chapel Hill.

Secretary—Miss Ann Garrard, Durham.

Treasurer—F. O. Carver, Jr., Roxboro.

Commission on Study and Worship—George Newton, Durham.

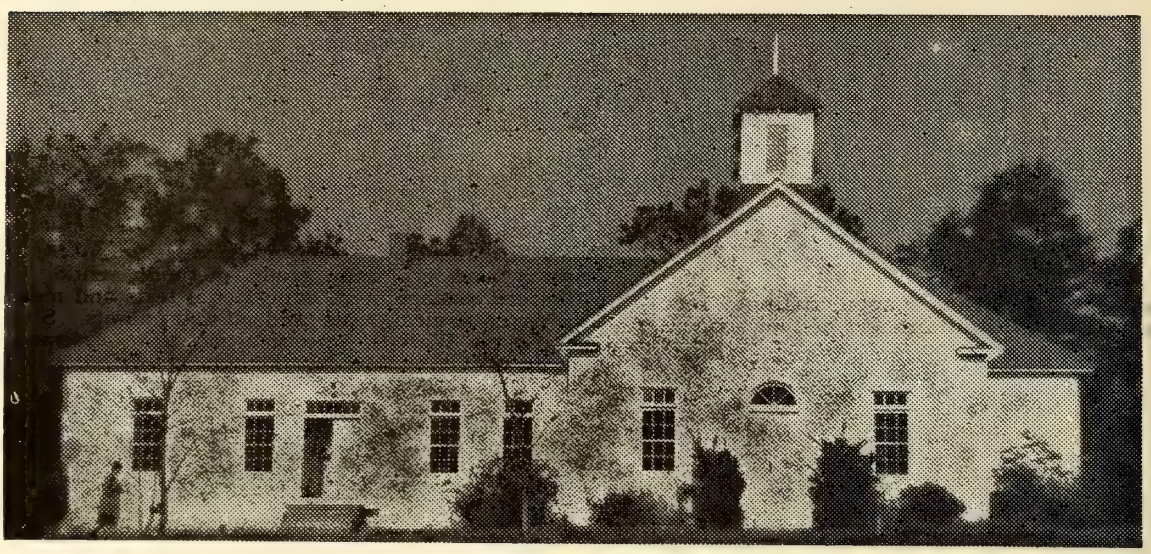
Commission on Recreation and Social Life—J. O. Hayes, Burlington.

Commission on Evangelism and Church Loyalty—Miss Pauline O'Brian, Durham.

Commission on Social Action and World Service—Mrs. J. H. Holloman, Chapel Hill.

It is the purpose of the Young Adult Fellowship to make their program of living a church centered program. They recognize the existence of crucial problems which if solved must be solved by them and those who come after them. They are uniting to present a unified front in the battle for moral reform and for spiritual conquests.

T. B. Hough, Director.



Shiloh Methodist Church Dedication Sunday

Shiloh Methodist church in the Winston-Salem district will be dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell on August 17 at 7:30 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time). This church has been completely remodeled and Sunday school rooms added during the pastorate of Rev. Charles D. White. This modern rural church is located about nine miles from Winston-Salem on the old Box Mountain-Germanton road.

Church History

Methodists of the Shiloh community first began their worship in a log building known as Buffalo church, which stood on the site now occupied by Providence Moravian church. This building was abandoned over sixty years ago and the Methodists had no suitable place to worship for some time.

Mrs. Sallie Fowler, a widow of the community, started a movement to build a church where Shiloh is now located. William Marshall gave an acre of land, but in order to make the deed legal there had to be a purchase price, and for the consideration of $5 Marshall added another acre, so the congregation now has a beautiful two-acre site. A frame building was erected in 1881, with Marshall furnishing a large part of the lumber and helping to put up the building. Records do not disclose who was pastor at this time, but it is believed Rev. Howard Pegram was in charge.

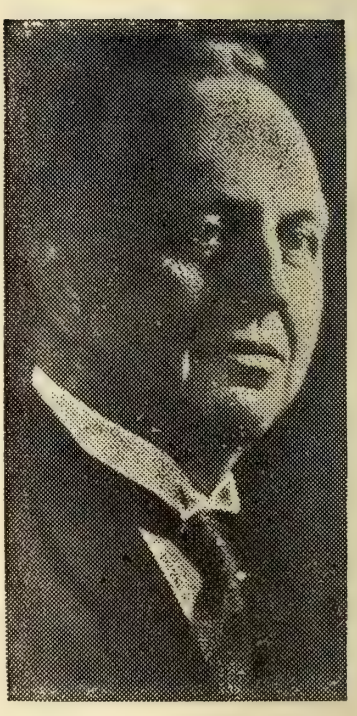
The modern history of the church began with the pastorate of Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, who reorganized the congregation. When the first frame building became dilapidated interest in a new building sprang up and the frame building gave place to a building of cement blocks manufactured by the members of the church. This building was completed in 1923 while Rev. John W. Cline was pastor.

While Rev. B. M. Crosby was pastor of the church, he and members felt the need of additional room. The Duke Foundation promised help and the membership started a campaign to raise what other amount was needed. It was not until 1940, however, under the pastorate of the present pastor that actual building was started. Members of the church rallied to the cause and with able assistance of business men of Winston-Salem constructed the modern church of cement blocks. Although this church has been on the Forsyth circuit and Ogburn Memorial charge, it is now on the Oak Summit-Shiloh charge.

Members of the building committee included T. M. Bowman, chairman, W. G. Helton, A. B. Newsome, W. M. Bowman, J. R. Fulp, and S. W. Fulk. Mrs. W. G. Helton served as treasurer.

Former Pastors

The following pastors are known to have served Shiloh since its beginning: Rev. Mr. Roberson, Joe S. Hiatt, D. P. Waters, G. W. Vick, J. W. Vestal, H. H. Mitchell, John W. Cline, E. K. Creel, J. C. Cornett, George B. Clemmer, W. M. Robbins, O. P. Ader, O. L. Brown, B. M. Crosby, R. E. Hinshaw, and the present pastor, Charles D. White.



Dr. C. C. Weaver
District Superintendent



Rev. Charles D. White
Pastor

MR. AND MRS. HENRY PFEIFFER, BENEFACTOR

A gift of a million dollars for strengthening the educational institutions of the church would be a great and glorious gift any day. At no time could such a gift be more opportune nor of more vital service than in this present year of 1941. A gift somewhat in excess of this amount is now being directed to the board of education of our church by the trustees of the Henry Pfeiffer estate. Since the will of Mr. Pfeiffer, written some years ago, named the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church as the recipient of this benefaction, the gift is being received and allocations made through this corporation. The scope and



interest includes junior colleges, four year colleges and theological schools, some of which are specifically for the Negro race. This bequest grows out of a continuing interest throughout Mr. Pfeiffer's life and is the culmination of his concern for the Christian education of the youth of our land. While other interests of the church were also included in Mr. Pfeiffer's will, the field of Christian higher education is receiving an especially significant portion of the estate. Mr. Pfeiffer's public relations were characterized by leadership in two fields. He was a highly successful business man and he was a devout member and a truly great layman of the church.

Mr. Pfeiffer was born in Lewiston, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1857, the first of ten children. He moved as a young boy with his parents to Cedar Falls, Iowa, which became the permanent home of the family. His education was secured in the public schools of Cedar Falls and at North Central College, Naperville, Illinois. The sincere faith and simple piety of his home provided a foundation for character and religious interest which characterized his entire life.

His business career began as a clerk in a drug store in Cedar Falls. His salary as an apprentice was $100 for the first year, $200 for the second year and $300 for the third year, then he entered the retail drug business for himself, later moving into the manufacturing and wholesale field. Eventually his interests took him to St. Louis, then to Philadelphia and finally to New York, where he came to a place of leadership and high regard in the manufacture of drugs, pharmaceuticals and chemicals used in the drug trade. While he was devoting great energy to the development of important business interests, he was studying with equal care his administration of his growing fortune in behalf of the welfare of others, making the church the chief channel of his benefaction. This life-long policy of his is clearly indicated in the provisions of his will which again makes the church the chief channel for the final allocation of his estate.

At the age of 25 Mr. Pfeiffer married Miss Annie Merner of Cedar Falls, who, like her husband, grew up in a Christian home. Their life together was one of beautiful partnership, particularly in the task of using their resources for the good of others. It was customary for them to consider together the task of directing their gifts and most of their contributions to the important work of the church were joint gifts of husband and wife. They "gave themselves to the stewardship of wealth as a vocation from God."

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

The new college year will open Monday, September 15. Announcement has just been made that the faculty for the new year has been completed. A force of young men are now reconditioning the college buildings in preparation for the opening.

Dean C. E. Buckner has just returned from five weeks of special study in Peabody College. Mr. Buckner attended a work-shop on terminal education upon special invitation of the American Association of Junior Colleges. Brevard College expects ot specialize in this phase of college education in the next few years.

Dr. Hiden T. Cox will become dean of men and instructor in biology. Dr. Cox comes from a family of teachers and is well qualified to maintain high standards in the field of his special study. For the past three years he has been a graduate student in the University of North Carolina.

Miss Madge Rhyne will be the new head of the department of home economics. In addition to graduation from the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in 1931, Miss Rhyne has completed the requirements for the M.A. degree in her chosen field and has ten years of successful teaching experience to her credit. Miss Rhyne is a native of Gastonia. Since its opening seven years ago, Brevard College has emphasized the study of home economics. Graduates of Brevard College in this particular subject are able to enter the junior classes in the best colleges and universities in the South and receive their degrees two years later. Many of Brevard's graduates in home economics are now teaching this special subject in the public high schools of North Carolina.

Miss Nancy Blanton will have charge of the special work in physical education for young women. Miss Blanton was graduated from the Woman's College at the recent commencement as an outstanding member of her class. At the present time she is a counselor in Camp Mudjekeewis in Maine. Her home is at Ellenboro in Rutherford county, her father being a substantial layman on the Bostic charge.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION HELD RETREAT AT CAMP BARIUM ON CATAWBA RIVER

The Good Fellowship Union of Methodist young people held a retreat at Camp Barium at Buffalo Shoals on the Catawba river Saturday and Sunday, August 2-3, with 54 people attending. Saturday afternoon the young people heard (Dad) Evans of Mooresville give a lecture on the Bible. Rev. R. B. Shumaker, pastor of Kerr Street Methodist church of Concord, addressed the group on "Church Music."

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district, gave a lecture on "What Is in Thine Hand?" In the evening Rev. W. S. Smith of Cornelius, pastor of the Mount Zion church, discussed "The Church and Current Events."

Sunday morning Rev. J. C. Reichard of Troutman preached on "Humiliation and Ungodly Pride." Caswell Carson of Central church and Miss Helen Collins of Rocky Mount gave a worship program on "Making Friends."

In the afternoon assembly Rev. A. G. Lackey briefly addressed the group on "How Your Church Can Help the Union," and Junior Simpson followed with "How the Union Can Help the Individual Churches." Rev. H. L. Powell, pastor of the Mooresville circuit, concluded the program with "Why Should We Support the Church Financially, Educationally, and Evangelistically?"

Handicaps in the Ministry

By RAYMOND H. HUSE

A Southern bishop objected when one of his ministers used that word "handicap." He said it was a term used in that un-Methodistic sport, horse racing. However, the dictionary gives a second definition for this worldly word "handicap" which justifies its use by the Southern preacher and me. Says Noah Webster—or his worthy successor: "Handicap—any disadvantage that renders success more difficult." Hence I may speak of handicaps in the ministry. The first one is

An Impressive Personal Appearance

Those who know me may think this is an attempt to rationalize my own Pauline appearance, "bodily presence weak and speech contemptible." Perhaps so, but I have been so often disappointed by the handsome preacher I am led to list his physical attractiveness as a handicap.

There he sits, an Apollo to look at. There he stands, and all is silent. Then he speaks, and more and more you find yourself recalling the words of Oliver Wendell Holmes on the katydid:

> Thou mindest me of gentle folks,
> Old gentle folks are they,
> Thou say'st an undisputed thing
> In such a solemn way.

Of course, if an impressive personal appearance is a handicap, there are two reasons for it. One is that it creates an expectation in the audience—or the spectators—difficult to fulfill. That is probably unavoidable, and all my handsome brothers will have to bear this cross. The other is that the preacher himself, unless he watch and pray, will depend on the fact that he is goodly to look at and will neglect careful preparation.

A second handicap is

The Gift of Fluent Speech

This is especially dangerous if it comes in early youth. You young sons of the prophets, who can talk so easily on any subject while all the listening folks say, "Isn't he smart? He will be bishop some day," beware, beware!

The secret of success for the modern Methodist minister is "Preparation, preparation, preparation." And when natural fluency prevents preparation, it transforms extemporaneousness into what the Negro preacher called "extemporoarousness," and becomes a serious handicap.

The third handicap I mention with some reluctance is

Musical Ability

I believe all preachers ought to learn to sing. This is especially true of the people called "Methodist." It is also a distinct advantage to be numbered with those who play on instruments. But I have witnessed the failure of men of unusual musical ability. When a preacher specializes in anything except preaching, he is walking along the edge of a precipice.

One cause of his failure is the same as that mentioned in the previous handicap, the tendency to make it a substitute for careful, prayerful preparation. Another cause is the temptation, if he is a good muscian, to be critical of those who are carrying on the musical department of the church. I once saw an evangelist lose a meeting because he said, "No, don't sing that song that way. Sing it this way," and he proceeded to give a demonstration. He did it well, but the local song leader was hurt and so were her friends.

Dear pastor, do not try to run the musical department of the church, and, what is even more important, do not let your wife do it, if you have any influence with that elect lady.

The fourth handicap I mention with even greater diffidence. It is

Profound Scholarship

Do I hear the professors in theological seminaries and the members of the Board of Ministerial Training emphatically dissenting and eagerly protesting? I do not! They know, as we all know, that there is a danger that goes with scholarship itself, namely, that a preacher will become so interested in things in books, in ideas, even in truth, as to lose his interest in folks.

Dr. Samuel Upham used to tell with great glee of the preacher who began his sermon in a rural schoolhouse, "You may have learned from your studies in psychology." Somehow they did not remember that particular lesson!

The fifth handicap I mention will disturb all the saints. It is

The Sin of Being Overpious

I hasten to say that one cannot be too Christ-like, too unselfish, too humanly helpful, too Spirit-filled, but there is a use of words, a tone of voice, a manner of speech that is so sanctimonious as to smack of unreality!

A fine Christian layman said of his pastor, "I am tired of seeing the white of his eyes." He looked up too much and did not lift up enough.

If we say "Brothers" instead of "Brethren," if we say "Truly" instead of "Verily," if we wait until we are as old as the apostle John when he wrote it in his epistle before we say "Dearly beloved," it will help to keep us natural and human.

These, then, are some of the handicaps in the ministry. Notice, I do not say they are fatal hindrances. If we recognize they are handicaps, we can overcome them.

A handsome man may be a great speaker. Wendell Phillips was.

A brilliant and fluent extemporizer may also be a constructive preacher—Edwin H. Hughes is!

A good and great singer may be a good and great preacher—page Chaplain C. C. McCabe.

A profound scholar may keep his human touch. Thank God for Francis J. McConnell!

I suppose the glib user of pious phrases may also be a source of spiritual helpfulness, although I do not know one who is.

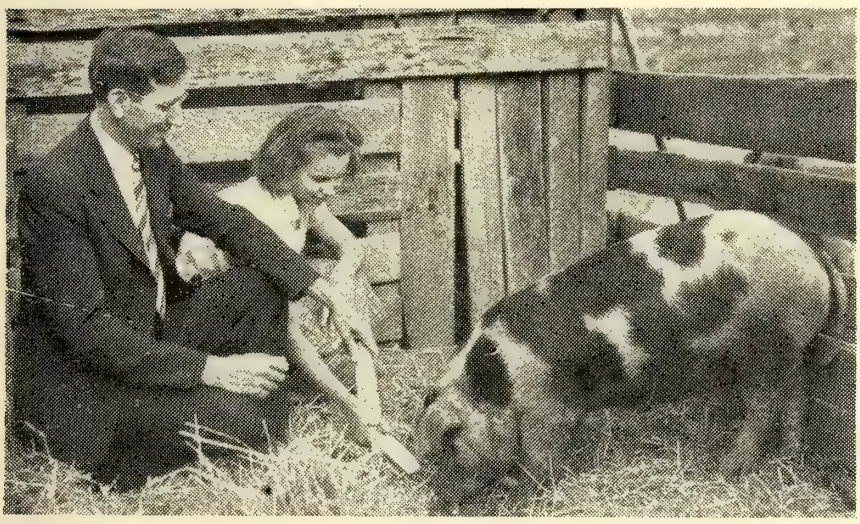
Brothers of mine, let us overcome our handicaps.—Zions Herald.

There is no truer test of a man's character than the ideals which excite his genuine enthusiasm; there is no surer measure of what he will become than a real knowledge of what he admires.—Liddon.

MORE ACRES FOR THE LORD

Erskine Caldwell had some fun with the idea in God's Little Acre: a sly farmer kept moving his consecrated piece of ground to the weediest locations, to make sure that God took a loss instead of a profit. But in the rural South and Midwest the Lord's Acre Plan has saved so many churches that its director last week scheduled a nine-state lecture tour this fall to spread the idea in the Southwest.

Biggest problem in rural church finance is that farmers have little cash to put in the collection plate. But



V. P. Crowder, Betty Cope and the Lord's Pig

farmers usually have plenty of cotton, wheat or corn-on-the-hoof—and most of them can be induced to work a few extra hours to raise a bit more to help the church. The Lord's Acre Plan asks church-going farmers to till an acre or so, or raise extra livestock, and give the extra cash to the church.

Inspired by the ancient tithe (gift of a tenth) the Lord's Acre Plan got its start outside the churches eleven years ago, when James G. K. McClure, pious president of the Farmers Federation of North Carolina and son of the late theologian James Gore King McClure, decided the federation should have a religion department—something unique for a run-of-the-mill agricultural co-operative. Its project No. 1 was the Lord's Acre Plan, and its head was and is Mr. McClure's brother-in-law, the Rev. Dumont Clarke, one time Presbyterian missionary and prep-school chaplain (Lawrenceville, Andover).

Over a thousand churches of 20 denominations in some 20 states have found financial salvation through the Plan. To Asheville, N. C., Lord's Acres' headquarters, churches in 47 states have written for advice. Many a group of missionaries on furlough has flocked to talk with the founders. An important visitor was Japan's No. 1 Christian, Toyohiko Kagawa. Lord's Acres now flourish in India, China, Brazil, Mexico and Japan, furnishing rupees, dollars, milries, pesos and yen for the local missions.

A Lord's Acre project may be as modest as a pig—North Carolinian Betty Mae Cope raised one for her Methodist church, netted $15.50—or as big as the planting done by farmers near Hendersonville, N. C., who ran up a whole new $8,000 Baptist church with their tithing. Hendersonville's Baptists raised $2,352 in a single year by the Plan. Men fattened pigs for market or planted extra crops. The men's Bible class grew potatoes as a group project, made $469. Women gave the "Sunday eggs" from their flocks, grew flowers to sell. Children fed chicks until they were fryers, picked berries on the hillside and sold them in town.

There is nothing Caldwellesque about such farms. So proud of them are their owners that the Lord's Acre, often dedicated with a religious service, usually bears a neat sign setting it apart. In fact, there are two North Carolina farms whose enthusiastic owners have named them for the Plan: Lord's Acre Farm No. 1, Lord's Acre Farm No. 2.

MRS. J. M. LOWDER

Mrs. J. M. Lowder, 78, widow of the late Rev. J. M. Lowder of the North Carolina conference, died on July 21 at her home in Rutherford College after a long illness. She was a native of Stanley county, having been born near Cottonville and reared near Norwood. She was the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Shankle, daughter of Eli and Betty Shankle.

A brief funeral service was held at the home on Tuesday morning, the 22nd, with final obsequies at Norwood at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Surviving are three sons and five daughters: W. B. Lowder and M. S. Lowder of Rutherford College, and J. Paul Lowder of Norwood; Miss Sallie Lowder of Rutherford College, Miss Rosa Lowder, a missionary to Songdo, Korea, but now at home on furlough, Miss Mary Lowder of Roanoke Rapids, Miss Ruth Lowder of Asheville, and Mrs. J. F. Martin of Raleigh.

Her Pastor, J. R. Duncan.

A MIRACLE HAS BEEN PERFORMED

We would like our many friends to know that the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. Last November when we came to the Wallace-Rosehill charge, we came to a very bad looking old parsonage (here at Rosehill). We came from Rosemary charge, where they had a very nice parsonage—made this one seem bad looking. The folks began to talk about repairing at once, but as winter was just ahead we asked them to wait until spring. In June Mr. Dening, chairman of our board of stewards, and Mr. Hardy, one of the stewards from Wallace, got busy; and with the help of Wallace, Rosehill and Charity, we now have almost a new parsonage—new floors, new walls, and all newly painted inside. Am sure if our predecessors should drop in they would never recognize it being the same house. We have also newly furnished a part of the parsonage.

Wallace has taken the living room and put in a nice drugget and a pretty three-piece suite; also new curtains. We want to thank Mrs. Bryant and her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Bryant, and others who helped. We are also enjoying a pretty bedroom suite. To Mr. and Mrs. Dening of Rosehill, with the help of a few others, we owe a vote of thanks. And to Charity we want to say thank you for the new dress they gave our studio couch. So we are all dressed up and will be glad to have our friends come to see us.

Last week while we were away they bricked around the parsonage. Now if we can get a new dress on the outside, we will have a good looking parsonage.

May we prove faithful to the task that is ours here on Wallace-Rosehill charge.

Mrs. C. T. Rogers.

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Youth Conference (Education Building) ..... August 5-16
Leadership School ..... August 18-29

Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 17, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon: Bishop H. Lester Smith.
4:00-4:30 P. M.—Choir Concert.
8:00 P. M.—Sermon: Bishop H. Lester Smith.

Leadership School, August 18-29 (Auditorium)

Monday, August 18, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Inter-relatedness of Religion and the Emotional Life."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Morbid Grief."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. John Q. Schisler

Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Emotional and Religious Development of the Child."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Alcoholism."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern

Wednesday, August 20, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Hidden Energies of the Mind."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Homo-sexuality."
8:00 P. M.—Lecture, Professor Archibald Rutledge, "The Meaning of Love."

Thursday, August 21, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Problem of Guilt."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Danger Signals of Mental Disorder."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Bishop Clare Purcell

Friday, August 22, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "Mental Mechanisms That Determine Our Conduct."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Counseling for Marriage."
8:00 P. M.—Address ..... Dr. Edna M. Baxter

Saturday, August 23, 10:30 A. M.—Lecture, Dr. Smiley Blanton, "The Fundamental Principles of Pastoral Counseling."
11:30 A. M.—Blanton Seminar, "Dealing with Tensions in a Time of Crisis."
5:00 P. M.—Boat Pageant.
8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "The Devil and Miss Jones," and Disney Cartoon, "Billposters."

NEW FACUTLY MEMBERS LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The following new faculty members have been announced by President Walter Patten for Louisburg College for the coming scholastic year:

Harold Bell Hancock, A.B., A.M., Miss Julia Brown Hudgins, B.S., and Miss Marjorie Crisp, B.S. Each of these comes to Louisburg College with the best recommendations and is thoroughly equipped for the special work to which the faculty member is assigned.

Professor Hancock is a graduate of Wesleyan University, having attained to Phi Beta Kappa honors, and he has his Master's degree from Harvard University, where he has also done some of his work for his doctor's degree. He comes to Louisburg College as head of the department of social science. Professor Hancock has had a number of years of most successful experience in teaching in the schools of Delaware.

Miss Hudgins graduated from Louisburg College, then transferred to the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, majoring in commercial science and business administration, and taking the degree of Bachelor of Science from that institution. Since graduation she has several years of most successful experience as a member of the faculty of one of the leading schools of North Carolina. She will assist in the department of business administration in Louisburg College.

The Appalachian State Teachers College has the honor of graduating Miss Crisp. Since her graduation with the degree of Bachelor of Science she has been head of the department of physical education for young women in one of the leading junior colleges of the state. For the past two summers she has been taking work towards her degree of Master of Arts in the George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn. Miss Crisp takes the position of head of the department of physical education for young women at Louisburg College.

EUREKA CHURCH, FREMONT CHARGE, TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

The new educational building of the Eureka Methodist church of the Fremont charge will be dedicated Sunday, August 17. Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University will preach the dedicatory sermon at 11 o'clock and Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, will lead in the dedication service in the afternoon. Lunch will be served during the noon hour.



Eureka Church and Education Building

All former pastors, former members, donors, and other friends are cordially invited.

The educational building was erected last year at a cost of approximately $6,000, including renovation of the auditorium. This amount was raised among the members and friends of the church, together with a substantial donation from the Duke Endowment. Rev. C. W. Robbins is the pastor; G. E. Yelverton, S. J. Martin and C. T. Davis are the trustees and constituted the building committee.

MINORITY REPORT

Something regrettable is happening to the world in which we used to live. Twenty-five years ago everyone hated work; it was regarded as the natural enemy of man. Now the world has fallen in love with it. My friends, I find, go for a week's vacation, not for its own sake, but because they say they work better when they get back. I know a man who walks out into the country every Sunday: not that he likes the country, but he claims that if he walks on Sunday his head is as clear as a bell for work on Monday. I know another man who wears very loose boots because he can work better in them, and another who wears only soft shirts because he can work better in a soft shirt. There are plenty of men today who would wear dog-harness if they thought they could work better in it. This change, I am sure, is excellent. I am merely saying, quietly and humbly, that I am not in it. Against work itself, I say nothing. But I sometimes wonder if I stand alone in this thing. Am I the only person left who hates it?—Stephen Leacock in Laugh Parade.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERING REPORT

We are publishing herewith the report of fourth Sunday offerings for World Service for the second quarter of the conference year. The reports thus far indicate quite an increase in fourth Sunday offerings for this year as compared with offerings for a corresponding period last year. We believe that more and more of our churches will take advantage of this fourth Sunday opportunity for missionary cultivation and church-wide giving to all the causes of the church.

Durham District

Burlington, Davis St.	$ 50.00
Front Street	28.96
Webb Avenue	13.77
Bynum	7.10
Cedar Grove, Carr	2.25
Cedar Grove	6.00
Chapel Hill	23.55
Durham, Duke Memorial	40.73
Trinity	28.62
West Durham	12.45
Eno	3.50
Graham	4.00
Leasburg, Hebron	2.28
Leasburg	8.50
Mebane, Central	11.30
Milton, Connally	1.40
New Hope	7.05
Purley	5.14
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills	1.00
Mt. Zion	2.37
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge	2.79
Union Grove	1.50
Saxapahaw, Concord	3.32
Saxapahaw	3.00
Swepsonville, Phillips' Chapel	8.75
Yanceyville, Bethel	6.00
Prospect	9.10
Total	294.43

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	13.43
Aulander, Aulander	2.82
Colerain	36.65
Lewiston	5.20
Belhaven, Epworth	3.94
Hebron	5.66
Trinity	18.48
Chowan, Anderson	4.99
Center Hill	.30
Columbia, Cedar Grove	3.50
Wesley's Chapel	5.31
Wesley Memorial	11.28
Currituck, Ebenezer	15.16
Sharon	3.40
Elizabeth City, City Road	14.61
First Church	29.21
Kinnakeet, Clarks-Bethel	3.23
Fair Haven	4.46
St. John	5.49
Manteo	35.63
Mattamuskeet, Amity	1.50
Bethany	.57
Englehard	7.46
Watson's	2.58
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial	4.33
Moyock	4.30
Murfreesboro, Union	6.00
North Gates, Kittrels	2.90
Parkers	8.15
Pasquotank-Eureka, Mt. Hermon	5.47
New Begun	7.13
Union	23.29
Perquimans, Epworth	13.77
New Hope	6.77
Oak Grove	1.21
Woodland	4.00
Roper, Jamesville	3.00
Mt. Hebron	7.83
South Camden, Wesley	14.61
South Mills, McBrides	2.83
Newland	19.28
Sharon	3.00
Trinity	10.43
Stumpy Point, Dare	4.71
Stumpy Point	6.83
Swan Quarter, Fairfield	4.11
Soule	3.36
Wanchese	15.00
Washington	22.04
Williamston, Williamston	7.98
Windsor, Cashie	3.00
White Oak	4.16
Windsor	6.07
Total	460.42

Fayetteville District

Biscoe, Biscoe	11.61
Candor	26.90
Star	10.55
Carthage, Center	2.28
Fayetteville, Hay St.	48.95
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground	6.92
Glendon, Cool Springs	1.70
Goldston, Asbury	3.99
Meroney's	2.35
Hamlet	36.15
Jonesboro, Jonesboro	4.00
Lemon Springs	5.00
Parkton, Marvin	6.56
Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff	30.00
Rockingham	32.61
Sanford	42.60
West End, Doub's Chapel	1.00
Eagle Springs	1.00
West End	28.00
Total	302.17

New Bern District

Aurora, Aurora	10.20
Beaufort, Beaufort	15.00
Dover, Asbury	3.35
Dover	2.22
Lanes	5.79
Goldsboro, St. Paul	121.59
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels	20.00
Salem	8.87
Thompson	2.30
Hookerton, Hookerton	5.42
Maury	5.96
Rainbow	4.42
Kinston, Queen Street	49.17
Marshallburg, Marshallburg	14.50
Newport-Harlowe, Havelock	4.61
Newport	5.25
Oriental, Oriental	17.62
Pamlico Ct., Bayboro	2.44
Riverside, Reelsboro	5.00
Seven Springs, Beston	2.80
Snow Hill, Tabernacle	3.16
Straits-Harker's Island	6.25
Vanceboro, Vanceboro	5.00
Total	320.92

Raleigh District

Bailey, Simms	3.00
Benson, Benson	17.60
Cary-Apex, Apex	4.68
Cary	16.68
Creedmoor-Banks	13.00
Bullocks	4.00
Grove Hill	1.50
Four Oaks, Four Oaks	6.70
Franklinton, Franklinton	19.48
Fuquay-Cokesbury	2.25
Fuquay Springs	6.63
Kipling	4.68
Newton Grove, Newton Grove	2.86
Oxford	19.64
Oxford Ct., Stovall	3.00
Princeton, Princeton	7.69
Raleigh, Edenton St.	67.00
Fairmont	47.25
Hayes-Barton	27.58
Selma	24.28
Vance Ct., Gillburg	10.00
Harris Chapel	1.68
Total	311.18

Rocky Mount District

Bethel	25.65
Conway, Severn	19.06
Elm City, Mt. Zion	2.40
Farmville	37.10
Halifax Halifax	6.16
Smith's	4.33
Kenly, Kenly	6.00
Middleburg, Shocco	6.00
Norlina-Jerusalem	1.80
Zion	3.00
Rocky Mount, Clark St.	15.00
First Church	89.93
Marvin	10.93
St. Paul-Maple Ct., St. Paul	4.00
Sandy Cross-Belford, White Oak	2.00
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	30.52
Spring Hope, Gibson Mem.	3.00
Stantonburg, Stantonburg	26.97
Walstonburg, Walstonburg	10.16
Warren-Bethlehem	14.05
Providence	36.36
Shady Grove	16.44
Warrenton, Macon	8.49
Warren Plains	7.33
Warrenton	14.74
Whitakers, Whitakers	3.00
Wilson	69.14
Total	473.56

Wilmington District

Bladen, Center	1.50
Windsor	1.00
Burgaw, Burgaw	13.69
Rocky Point	15.45
Jordan	3.25
Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek	2.00
Council	2.92
Chadbourn-Cerro Gordo, Evergreen	4.00
Clinton, Clinton	29.82
Keener	3.60
Elizabeth, Clarkton	2.37
Perdie	5.06
Singletary	2.00
Union	2.00
Wesley	4.80
Trinity	19.52
Fairmont-Bethesda	7.80
Trinity	30.00
Faison-Kenansville, Faison	7.95
Goshen	1.37
Garland-Antioch	2.64
Johnson's Chapel	2.80
Garland	9.00
Hallsboro, Hallsboro	13.97
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke	6.38
Pembroke Parish, First Methodist	2.18
Pleasant Grove	3.25
Sandy Plains	1.00
Prospect	3.40
Roseboro, Roseboro	3.60
Seagate	4.14
Shallotte, Concord	.50
St. Pauls, Barker	10.19
Regan	11.19
St. Pauls	16.50
Southport, Trinity	6.90
Swansboro, Swansboro	3.60
Town Creek, Zion	1.00
Whiteville, Whiteville	10.90
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	17.00
Grace	21.00
Trinity	32.45
Wesley Memorial	8.94
Total	352.63
Total second quarter	2515.31

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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GOD'S POWER

From St. Patrick's Breastplate

I bind unto myself today
The power of God to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need.
The wisdom of my God to teach,
His hand to guide, his shield to ward,
The Word of God to give me speech,
The Heavenly Host to be my guard.

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

At an executive session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the W. N. C. Conference, held at Lake Junaluska during the past week, several items of importance were brought before the committee by the administrative committee for approval.

In discussing plans for the study leaders' meetings for September, it was found that Miss Ruth Wheaton, newly appointed field worker, will be in the W. N. C. conference at that time and will accompany the group of conference officers to these meetings.

A motion was made and carried that the units of the Wesleyan Service Guild of this conference be allowed one delegate each to the annual conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, to be held in the spring in Asheville.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

By Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Cor. Sec.

While so many people have been suffering from the heat wave that has swept over our country, more than 200 women and a group of fortunate men, have been enjoying the physical, mental and spiritual refreshment that Lake Junaluska always offers to all who can come to the Southern Assembly.

From July 24 to August 5 we had a most helpful, informing and altogether fine school of missions, held in beautiful Mission Inn, where the capacity was taxed to the limit, and where convenitent and well equipped class rooms, offices and library furnishes the facilities for a real school of missions every summer. The corps of instructors and the range and value of the courses offered, surpassed, if possible, all previous schools of missions. Mr. Henry G. Barnett, head of tlhe English department in Southern College, taught one section of a class in "Christians and World Order." Mrs. J. W. Perry of Abingdon, Va., the president of our former Woman's Missionary Council, was in charge of a second section. Dr. Hugh C. Stentz, vice president of Scarritt College, gave a course in "Christianity and Democracy in America." "The Missionary Message of the Bible" was taught by Dr. J. W. Shackford, district superintendent in South Carolina. Miss Ocie Sanders, a trained and experienced Bible teacher, had a large class studying "The Christian Family." From Texas came Mrs. J. W. Mills, vice president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, to teach an interesting and helpful course on "Conducting a Study Group in Missions and Christian Service." Students had difficulty in choosing their one study from such a wealth of courses offered.

Just as profitable to many were the seminars on various phases of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Attendance upon these seminars is voluntary and no "credit" is given; but the vast amount of information given out was eagerly sought and appropriated by crowds of enthusiastic missionary-minded women.

A list of the topics with the leaders will reveal the feast that was presented: Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. M. Alexander; Christian Social Relations, Mrs. M. E. Tilley; Missionary Education, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne; Missionary Enterprise, Mrs. Otis Moore; Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Marian Leila Norris and Miss Jane McDonald; Student Work, Mrs. Herman Beimfohr; Young Women and Girls' Work, Miss Ruth Wheaton; Children's Work, Miss Ruby Van Hooser.

A number of home and foreign workers contributed much of value and interest to the seminars. One cannot express the half of what it means to spend a week or two weeks at Lake Junaluska. Increased knowledge, efficiency, enthusiasm and joy in the work of our church will surely come to all who attend the school of missions.

LITERATURE ON MISSIONS

The first complete statement of all the missionary work of Methodism ever brought together—Home and Foreign, General and Woman's — is found in The World Parish Series, edited by Dr. Elmer T. Clark, and The Homeland Series, edited by Dr. Clark and Miss Dorothy McConnell, also the Missionary Year Book by Dr. Clark and Miss McConnell is now available. An advertisement of this literature is carried on back cover page of The World Outlook for August, 1941.—From August World Outlook.

A UNIQUE RELIGIOUS MEETING

The American Christian Ashram, which is being held through August 15 at Blue Ridge for those in the surrounding territory who are interested in attending, is a unique kind of religious meeting. The idea of an Ashram originated in India, where a group of students went off with their teacher into the forest for study in quiet and seclusion. Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary to India, has participated in several of these meetings and has written about them in his book, "Along the Indian Road."

Now Dr. Jones is conducting an Ashram along Indian lines for 130 ministers and laymen and children at Blue Ridge, following the same pattern used in India. The suggestion for such a meeting in America came from Edgar V. Moormán of Quincey, Ill., former candidate for vice president on the Prohibition ticket. The idea came to the attention of Dr. Jesse M. Bader, executive secretary of the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, who put the idea into effect and is now directing the meeting at Blue Ridge. This is the second summer the Ashram has been held at Blue Ridge. Last summer two were held, one at the Blue Ridge, the other at Saugatuck in Michigan. The program opens each morning with a fellowship hour followed by breakfast. Then there is an hour work period of manual labor, with an address on "What Is Christianity" by Dr. George W. Richards of Lancaster, president emeritus of the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. Dr. Stanley Jones speaks to the group each morning at 11 o'clock about "Abundant Living." The afternoon has a recreation period and three seminars. Vespers are held each evening by various leaders and Dr. Jones is the closing speaker of the day's program.

REVELATIONS OF CHRISTIAN FAITH IN CHINA

The deepest revelation of Christian faithfulness which the Chinese Church has revealed has not been its evangelistic fervor, nor its generous giving, nor its ability to suffer hardship—marvelous as these have been. The greatest revelation of Christian character has been its freedom from bitterness and its spirit of forgiveness. Two stories about widley different Christians will illustrate: A young high school girl in China, in a school where students were being hardened to hate, said: "I am a Christian. The way of force is not my way of overcoming the enemy. Christians around the world are a family, not split up into countries and races. This the way I see things."

A visitor in the home of General Chiang tells that one evening after dinner following an air raid he was requested to remain and join in the evening devotions. The Generalissimo read from the Scriptures and the three —the visitor, the general and Madame Chiang—joined in prayer. The guest in telling of the Generalissimo's prayer said: "I never expect to hear such a prayer again in all my life. He began with a simple expression of thanks for their personal safety. Then he added thanks for the courage of the nation under fire; then he prayed for strength for the men in the field along the firing line; he prayed for strength for himself. But the amazing thing in his prayer was a plea that God would help him and help China not to hate the Japanese people. He prayed for the Jananese Christians and for all the suffering multitudes of Japan, whose impoverishment was making the war on China possible. He prayed for the people who are bombed, and for forgiveness for those who dropped the bombs."—Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, in Highlights of Missions.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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GLEANINGS

The most persistent and dynamic of all movements in human history is the missionary movement.... There comes through the years a growing conviction that the great God of nature is the One God. When a nation realizes that, then comes the conviction that no one nation has a right to keep that knowledge of God.... There is a sense in which Jesus himself, through his oneness with God introduced a new relationship with God—the living example.—Dr. John W. Shackford.

UNITED EFFORTS COUNT

At the recent missionary conference at Lake Junaluska Mrs. Otis Moore, one of the executive secretaries of foreign work of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, told a group of folk that the missionary enterpise is much more than just what the Methodist Church is doing and that every time we think of missions we need to enlarge our thinking and remind ourselves of what is being done all over the world by all the churches. In many of the foreign fields the Protestant churches are working as a united church. This of course makes for more effective work in those fields. Many of the missionaries were present at the conference and told thrilling and meaingful experiences of their work. All of which should bring gratitude to the heart of each woman who is giving of her time, talents and means in the local church that the great work may be carried on. Another encouraging note was sounded when those present were reminded again and again that although many of the missionaries have returned from China, Japan and Korea, such a high type of education leadership among the natives of those countries has been developed that the work of Christ is being carried on in a tremendous way with marvelous results. The Christians in those countries are loyal to Christ and to his cause. All of the returned missionaries are eager to return to their work. Interesting excerpts from the addresses of some of these folk will be published on the woman's page from time to time during the next several weeks.

FELLOWSHIP MEETING

During the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska a called meeting of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. was held with Mrs. E. L. Hillman presiding. The theme for the afternoon session was the place of the jurisdiction in the new set-up of woman's work. Said Mrs. Hillman: "We are making an effort to become conscious of ourselves as a jurisdiction." Mrs. Hillman further stated that at the end of the second quarter this year 6,856 societies with a membership of 234,262 were reported. "There is a place for the jurisdiction and to find that place and get started right is our responsibility." Mrs. Hillman also told of the jurisdictional executive committee meeting which was held at Lake Junaluska immediately prior to the opening of the school of missions, and introduced the other officers of the Southeastern Jurisdiction who were present. Speakers on the program were Mrs. J. W. Perry, a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and Mrs. J. W. Mills, vice president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Miss Bessie Oliver, missionary to Korea, read the Scripture. Following the program a fellowship hour was enjoyed.

TEN NEW SOCIETIES

Beginning with the new organization last September and throughout the twelve months following, there have been ten new societies organized in the Elizabeth City district. All excepting two of the more recent organizations have reported as they should. We are happy to welcome these societies into the band of faithful workers and we sincerely hope that they will get a real joy out of serving our Master as a Woman's Society of Christian Service. The new societies are: Amity, Cashie, Holly Grove, Mackeys, McBrides, Pleasant Grove, Savage, Sharson, Watson's Chapel, Wesley's Chapel.—Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Sec. Elizabeth City District.

Editor's note: It is always a happy privilege to welcome new organizations of W. S. C. S. Everything possible should be done to encourage and strengthen them and every woman who becomes a member of this great missionary enterprise should feel a very high sense of joy and privilege.

NEGRO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

Eighty-three leaders and youth of the C. M. E. churches throughout North Carolina registered for the North Carolina School for Christian Workers and Youth Conference, which was held in Winston-Salem from July 7 to 12. This year the school had an additional class over the usual number—The Rural Community and the Christian Church, with Rev. Rollin Gibbs of Liberty as instructor. The other classes were: The Life of Christ; How to Administer the Vacation Church School; Preparing and Preaching Sermons; Guiding Youth Groups in Specific Projects; The Missionary Society in Relation to the Total Program of the Church; and Handicraft and Home Making.

The latter class is of particular interest to the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the North Carolina conference, since they provide funds and instructor for this class. In some ways this class was the best it has ever been; it was certainly larger in size, having an enrollment of 53. During the first class period everybody began making fly swatters. The succeeding days were enthusiastically spent in various activities, and on the last night the class had quite an impressive exhibit. Some 15 had made crayon pictures on cloth, using passe partout for frames (very effective ones, too); one boy had made a wooden plaque, using a picture from a World Outlook cover; four of the ladies had made luncheon sets, three using red-checked material and one using unbleached cloth with applique work, and they used these in setting the small tables; one lady had made a dressing table of lemon crates with a stool of a nail keg; and others had made smaller articles. All in all, it was a mighty good class. If the members of the other classes were as smart as the members of my class, and I suspect they were, then this was the best school we have ever had.—Viola Nethery.

A TESTIMONY

The first Methodist missionary conference that I attended as a young person was the home missionary conference held in Weldon. Mrs. R. B. John was president. I was impressed by her graciousness and ease of manner. I had attended other organization annual meetings, but never one which thrilled me so and of which I felt so definitely a part. Then I attended the conference in Durham after the unification of home and foreign missionary conferences. The missionary auxiliary of our local church at that time was the most alive organization in my home town. It meant an opportunity for service, a chance to work with a band of consecrated women whose burning desire was to send the Good News. It meant cultural opportunities as worth while books and many pamphlets of well written literature were studied. It developed loyalties and an acceptance of citizenship responsibilities. To those women who were placed in positions of leadership in auxiliaries, districts or conference it offered training and experience involving administrative responsibility. As a training school for citizenship, Mrs. W. A. Newell's writing as well as Miss Estelle Haskins' and others contributed in a large way.

Under the new organization leadership we have today, members of W. S. C. S. will help raise the community level and do it better than they have ever done it before. They will help meet the nation's needs, will maintain and raise our standard of living, will educate our nation to do away with prejudice, to unselfishly give time and finances, to tell those at home and in foreign lands of the story of Christ and him crucified, and to personally develop into that highest type of humanity.—Mrs. Inez Boney.

MEDITATION

The glory of the Master is that he so lived out his life in the lives of all mankind that he could say and mean it: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of one of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."—Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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IF OUR PEOPLE KNEW!

Mrs. H. T. Prosser of Greensboro, president of the Greensboro College alumnae association and an enthusiast for any cause she espouses, is a long time friend of Mrs. Woosley. Some weeks ago she accompanied Mrs. Woosley and this scribe on a day's trip of case work. After a number of cases had been visited and investigated and while homeward bound we were reviewing the day's work, Mrs. Prosser exclaimed, "If our Methodist people only knew the distressing circumstances connected with so many children who have a right to look to the Children's Home for security and an opportunity to make good in life they would willingly contribute to the work our Home is doing!" This good woman thought that there ought to be some way of presenting the cases to our people. She was reminded that many of the circumstances connected with some of the deserving children could not properly become public information. However, we are presenting brief outlines of some of the cases now before us.

CASE NO. 1

There are three boys, seven, nine and eleven years of age, whose father had deserted and whose mother, in frail health, is busy throughout her entire time in caring for her bedridden mother and her decrepit father. There is no means of income beyond a monthly $15 A.D.C. grant and a $6 old age assistance grant. The entire home is saturated with sickness. The three boys have been waiting for months to live in health at the Children's Home. The mother, the grandmother and the grandfather are Methodists and in times of good fortune were liberal contributors to its benevolent causes.

CASE NO. 2

Two up-and-going boys, nine and eleven years old, have recently lost their mother. Their father died several years ago. Their aged grandfather is a superannuate member of the Western North Carolina conference. These boys have good connections but there seems to be none who is in position to provide a home for them. They are knocking at the door of the Methodist Children's Home for admittance.

CASE NO. 3

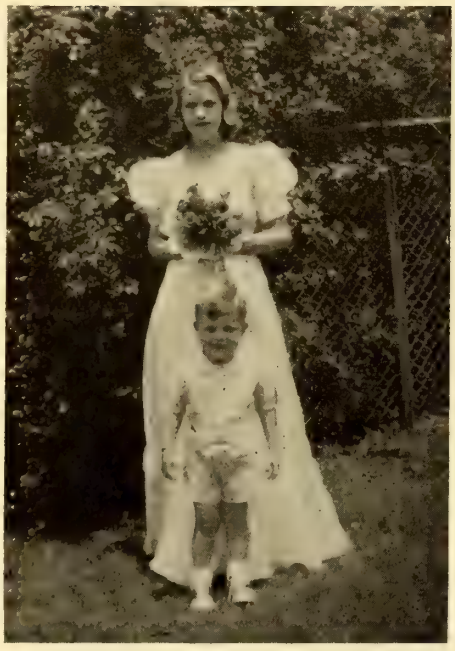
Three girls and a boy lost their mother some years ago. Their father, through the trial and error fashion, lost all the material resources the family had. He was given to strong drink. Now the children are wandering about from pillar to post, being temporarily helped by this group and again by another group, but in no consistent and constructive fashion. They are becoming a liability on the community. They are knocking at the Children's Home's door, hoping to see it open.

CASE NO. 4

Three good boys live in a modest home with two good women, their paternal aunts, one of whom has a WPA job in the sewing room and the other does the work in the modest home. Both are getting well along in years. The father and mother of these children, good and conscientious church members, have passed away. The three boys want to live together in another Methodist home, the Children's Home.

CASE NO. 5

An attractive and sweet little nine-year-old girl was born out of wedlock. Her mother is a wayward woman in spite of the fact that her people are very respectable and upstanding members of the Methodist church. The little girl, living with an aged and decrepit grandmother who is just about ready to take off to the Promised Land, asks for a more permanent home. She pleas for an opportunity to come to the Children's Home.



It's the Boy This Time

CASE NO. 6

There's a little five-year-old darling whose father recently died and whose mother is a granddaughter of a former Methodist minister. This good woman has no close relatives who are in position to take care of her little girl. As a part time worker with a health organization the mother can make a living for herself. She pleads for an opportunity to place her child where she can be properly safeguarded, directed and live an abundant life. The good woman will gladly help the Children's Home help her little darling girl, if only the opportunity is presented.

CASE NO. 7

The mother died about a year ago leaving a bereaved husband and four distressed children. The father of these children works in a lumber plant while the children are scattered in four different homes, moving from time to time to relieve embarrassing situations. The father pleads for a more permanent home for his children. Eventually he hopes to get out of debt and re-establish his home. But pending that time he would like to have a home for his homeless children. For years he has contributed through his church to the Children's Home, never thinking that some day his children would be knocking at its doors for admittance.

CASE NO. 8

Twin children, a boy and a girl, have lost their father and mother. The girl likes to read and study books. The boy likes to roam in the woods and to play games. They live with a stepmother whose funds are exhausted. She would like to start life anew. The children would like to have a permanent home. The twins are knocking at the door of the Children's Home with a persistance that cannot be denied.

THE LITTLE BOY

The picture herewith presented recently appeared in the Advocate. At that time attention was called to the young lady, a recent graduate from the Children's Home and a promising prospect for a trained nurse. The little boy is Enoch Jacob Norris, just three years old and as interesting as he can be. He was chosen as mascot of the June graduating class of the Richard J. Reynolds high school. Little Jake is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lutz of Cleveland county, a young couple of fine worth and sterling character.

ON THE JOB

"Please find check covering balance of Children's Home quota for Flag Springs, Why Not charge. We are glad you send us the Home Chronicle. We find we are getting as much interested in your large family as we were in our smaller family at High Point. Our church is small in number but trust we can continue to do our bit in carrying on the great work you are doing in training children."—Mrs. Fannie P. Luck.

"The enclosed amount pays Salem, Weaverville circuit, out for this year. I think this is the first time that Salem has ever paid all of its Children's Home apportionment. Hope to have all the others to pay out this year. Having a great year."—Rev. J. Max Brandon, Jr.

"The enclosed amount pays in full the Children's Home apportionment for Smith Chapel and Sandy Ridge on the Union Grove charge. If it would be possible for you to visit our charge in September it would be very helpful and I will greatly appreciate it. I never like to complain but I get a little lonesome for the old time enthusiasm. I believe a visit from your class will move our people for the Children's Home cause."—Rev. J. O. Cox.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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COUPONS—I am deeply interested in securing battleship linoleum for our large dining hall. We have a plan on foot if worked properly, by which we can get the linoleum without costing the Orphanage anything. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the North Carolina conference, is in charge of this campaign for the Orphanage. She is doing everything within her power to enlist the interest and co-operation of every Woman's Society of Christian Service in the North Carolina conference. Mrs. Hood is thoroughly familiar with our needs and heartily endorses the movement to secure a sufficient number of Octagon soap coupons to pay for the battleship linoleum. May I ask and urge all the societies of Christian service, and other interested women, to put forth every possible effort to the end that we may secure the linoleum at an early date. I am deeply grateful to the societies and individuals who have sent us a collection of Octagon soap coupons and coupons of other Octagon products.

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BELIEVE IT OR NOT — I asked our bookkeeper to inform me how many charges in the North Carolina conference had failed to send the Orphanage anything on their ten per cent Orphanage apportionment. Now three-fourths of the conference is behind us, and I find that there are thirty-seven charges that have failed to send us any of their apportionment. Most of these charges that have failed to remember us during this conference year are circuits. I do not think I am overestimating the number of individual churches that have, for some cause or other, overlooked the needs of the Orphanage through the conference year up to the present, when I say there are at least one hundred churches in that group. We are borrowing money each month now to pay our operating expenses. When we take into consideration the fact that prices are advancing, our financial situation becomes more embarassing. I have had very little to say this year in the Advocate or by personal letters about our needs, hoping that by saying less in the Advocate and by personal letters that our friends would appreciate that course. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the churches that have paid their apportionment in full or a good portion of their obligation. May I express the hope that all other churches will remember us as promptly and generously as local conditions will permit.

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RUTH PATE'S LETTER

As I approach the close of my eight years in the home I look upon them as the happiest of my life. Now that the time is drawing near for me to leave, I regret to say goodbye.

I would like to thank first the people of the North Carolina conference who have made it possible for me to have had such a lovely home in which to live. Your sacrifices for this home are greatly appreciated.

To the friends of the Graham Methodist church, who have sent me clothes twice a year, I would like to express my appreciation. This kindness will never be forgotten.

To our beloved superintendent, "Dad Barnes," I wish to thank for the "fatherly" love he has shown me during my years here. He has been so kind and understanding even in the darkest times. He will always have a place in my heart.

The doctors of Raleigh, who have given so much time and service to the home, will be remembered with a great deal of appreciation.

Last, I thank each of the matrons and teachers, who have taken part in my training. Especially I want to thank Mrs. Catherine Bradsher, the matron of the baby cottage, with whom I have been closely associated during the past four years.

Some day I hope I shall be able to do something for the home to show my appreciation for what it has done for me.

CURIOSITIES OF THE BIBLE

By Mary H. Byer

There are only two women whose ages are recorded in the Bible—Sarah, 107, and Anna, 84.

There are only three persons in the Bible whose names commence with the letter "F"—Felix, Festus, and Fortunatus.

Quartus is the only person mentioned whose name begins with Q.

We have record in Acts 20:7 of a sermon that lasted till midnight. During that sermon a man fell out of a third story window and was taken up for dead.

In Second Kings 6:6 we read that Elisha caused an ax to swim.

Second Kings 21:13 tells how men wipe dishes.

Damascus is the oldest city in the world.

Do you know the meaning of the word "Mizpah?" You will find it in Genesis 31:49.

JUST LET WILLIAM TELL

William Gladstone's greatest admirer was his wife. Once she was entertaining visitors who fell into an argument over the meaning of a passage in the Bible. One of them, hoping to end the discussion, remarked finally, "There is One who knows all."

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By Rollin H. Walker

Peter Encourages Suffering Christians

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

The Epistle of Peter is radiantly joyful. Its tone is like that of Paul's letter to the Philippians which was written in prison, and it also, like that letter, rose out of a time when Christians were suffering persecution and a social boycott that annoyed them like a cloud of mosquitoes.

We are told that the English lost their battles in Greece and in Crete largely through lack of air bases. We often lose a spiritual battle through lack of an air base where we can refuel and take on bombs for offensive warfare. Reason is one of our air bases. Peter says, Always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in you. He means a reason solidly grounded on the fact of Christ, his life, death and resurrection.

One hears men say, "I don't think much about the next world; I believe if I do my duty in this world the next will take care of itself." This is profoundly true, but when calamity overtakes us it is not easy to do our duty in this world. To be able like a military tank to surmount rocks and hills and wire entanglements we must be well stocked with the fuel of hope. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, says Peter, who according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

But Peter also realizes that in order for a little community to have the joy and courage that will enable them to stand together in the face of a frowning and hostile world, there must be that oneness that comes from the spirit of humility and mutual forbearance. The older men must be willing to take responsibility and at the same time be free from an officious and dictatorial spirit. And the young men must be free from the tendency to look upon the older group as obstructionists whose funerals would clear the deck for action. Every one, old and young, says the apostle, should gird himself humbly with the apron of a serving man. Nothing is more important and vital for the life and influence of a church than the spirit of fervent charity and close co-operation among its members.

When in a community the order of the day is to drink and carouse, and engage in all sorts of folly, it is not enough to tell the little group of faithful young people to stand out against this dissipation, and endure the taunt of being called narrow minded and puritan. They must be helped to have a social life far more delightful and inspiring than anything the world has to give. And especially is this true when the pressure of persecution becomes intense. The boycotted and despised minority must have the supernatural joy that comes from the close Christian comradeship which is inspired by the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:46). This will not only hold them together, but greatly impress the outside world. Hereby, says Jesus, shall all men know that ye are my disciples, because ye have love one to another (John 13:24-35).

If men thus live in close Christian bonds, and humble themselves under the mighty hand of God, says the apostle, they will receive power to cast all their anxiety upon God. What wonders of health and efficiency would come to a church that was chemically pure of anxiety!

But now comes one of those paradoxes of which the Bible is so full. Throw to the wind your care, says the apostle, but be alertly aware of your danger. Be sober, be watchful, for your adversary the devil walketh about seeking whom he may devour. To the optimistic liberalism of the last generation the devil seemed more like a pussy cat who was just mewing, but to our ears he is no longer merely mewing. The roar of fleets of bombing planes makes evil as terribly real to us as it was to Peter; and we understand why Paul said, Our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against . . . the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Nothing, says Peter, but serpentine wisdom and desperate faith can defeat the forces of evil. But if the church is resolute in due time God will give to his soldiers the temper of veterans. He will make victory a habit with them, and give them a heavenly bravado that continually raises the doxology to him who reigns for ever and ever.

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"Yes," I said, "I remember it."

"Well, when you and Churchill went up to the top floor to have a smoke and a talk, Sir William Vernon Harcourt said that whichever of you got the floor first would keep it to the end; he believed that you, being old and experienced, would get it and that Churchill's lungs would have a half-hour's rest for the first time in years. Later, when you two came down, Sir William asked Churchill if he had had a good time, and he answered eagerly, 'Yes.' Then Sir William asked you if you had had a good time. You hesitated, and said, I have had a smoke.'"
—Mark Twain in Eruption.

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Children's Storyland



DADDY'S BEST BIRTHDAY PRESENT

Connie and Beth were going to the show. Mother said they could not go if it rained, but they wanted to go anyway.

"Let's hurry, Beth," whispered Connie, "let's go before it rains. I know it is going to rain. Then mother won't let us go."

"I think it has already begun to rain, Connie. Maybe we had better not go today," replied Beth.

"Oh, Beth, there is nothing to do here, let's slip out, I'm all ready. Get your coat on!"

Beth did not much want to go. She knew it was raining. She knew her mother had said they could not go it it rained. But Connie kept right after her. They were both ready to go now.

"Connie, where are you and Beth going?" called Larry in a very loud tone of voice.

"Oh, nowhere," whispered Connie, "you run along."

"Mother, Mother!" called Larry at the top of his voice, "where are Connie and Beth going?"

Just then mother came downstairs. "Oh, girls, it is raining. Mother said you could not go in the rain. I don't want you to get wet."

"But, mother, we are all ready. Why can't we go?" whined Connie. "There's nothing to do here."

"You may sew; or have you read your new books?" said mother.

"We don't want to sew, and we don't want to read! We want to go to the show," Connie pouted.

Larry began to sing: "You can't go to the show 'cause it's going to rain some more. You can't go, you can't go!" He sang a tune all his own.

"Hush, Larry!" said Connie impatiently.

"I know what you can do. Tomorrow is daddy's birthday, and you may make him a birthday cake. I will give you the recipe and you can make it all by yourselves," said mother.

"I want to make a birthday cake, too," called Larry. I want to eat a birthday cake."

"Oh, Larry!" said Beth, "let daddy eat it. But we will let you help us make it. Run and wash your hands."

In just a minute Connie and Beth were in the kitchen. They were reading the cake recipe mother had given them. Soon there were three busy children. What fun they had! Of course Larry helped. Before they had finished, he looked like a clown. He had cake batter from one ear to the other.

"I want to taste that now," said Larry. "That's good, Connie, do you want me to put some chocolate in it?"

"No, Larry, that is not a chocolate cake, this is daddy's birthday cake," answered Connie.

"Where's the ice cream? Don't we have ice cream for a birthday?" continued Larry.

"But Larry, tomorrow is daddy's birthday. Then we shall have the ice cream," explained Beth.

At last the cake was finished. They had been very careful. It was a beautiful cake, and they were all happy.

Just then the door opened, and in walked daddy.

"Well, I have caught a new pig in the kitchen!" And he grabbed Larry. They all had to laugh.

"Daddy, we wanted to surprise you, but you caught us. Look what we have made for your birthday," said the girls.

"What?" said daddy in surprise, "you made it?"

"And me, daddy!" chimed in Larry.

"Well, this is a happy surprise! This is the best birthday present I ever had."

How good Connie and Beth felt. Even Connie was glad she did not go to the show.—Cynthia Smyth Newson in Storytime.

THE SLEEPY MAN

Nurse says the sleepy man
Is coming—let us run,
And wacth him through the keyhole;
'Twill be such glorious fun.

So they softly crept to the playroom—
Little Ted and blue-eyed Nan—
And waited long and patiently
To see the sleepy man.

At last it came their bedtime,
And nurse looked all around
For Baby Nan and Little Ted
But neither could be found.

So then she sought the playroom,
And lo, behind the door,
The sleepy man had caught them both
And laid them on the floor.

—Selected.

NOT ENOUGH NAMES TO GO AROUND

Consternation reigns at the Golden Rule Farm for Boys in Franklin, N. H. It was like this:

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P.S. There were only two Elizabeths this time.—Our Dumb Animals.

GRANDMOTHER'S GLADNESS

By Mrs. Lydia Lion Roberts

"Yes, I had a real pleasant visit," said bright-eyed grandmother to her friends, "and Ellen's husband was so thoughtful of me. Every morning he gave me the morning paper and kissed me good-bye, and the last thing at night he wanted to know if I was comforable, and gave me a goodnight kiss. It isn't always that young folks think to do those loving little ways for us old folks."

"That's just it," assented the gray-haired visitor, "and it isn't that they mean to be careless, but they don't realize how those little attentions brighten the days for us. Now, my niece, Evelyn, writes to me once a week, and I can't begin to tell you how I appreciate it. She is a busy girl, at the office all day, and keeps house for her father, too, yet every week she sends me a bright, chatty letter. She doesn't write so much after all, some weeks she says there isn't much news, but every joke she hears, or the little happenings in the office, or trying a new recipe at home, or the people she meets, she tells me about them all, and I enjoy every bit."

"Yes, it makes one feel a part of the world, and as if one knew what was going on," agreed her hostess. "Now, my married daughter has three children and is busy as a bee, but every few days she runs over and tells me the news. She never forgets to leave a little package for me, either. She'll say, 'Try these new cookies I made today,' or 'How do you like my brand of jam?' I guess she knows I like presents and surprises as well as the youngsters. Anyway, it please me."

"It doesn't take much to make us grandmothers glad," smiled the gentle-faced friend, "just a bit of loving to make us glad we're living, and a bit of the day's news so we can keep in touch with things, and the days are brighter and life sweeter as we knit and think and wait."—Home Department Magazine.

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Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
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Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Millbrook, Oak Grove, 11 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 17
Whiteville, 8 20
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 24
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, W. Mem., 8 24
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 8 29
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 11 31

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 10
Whiteville, 8 10
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Conferences in groups for Christian Education Rallies:

August 17, 11 a.m.—Haywood St., preaching; Hillside-Merrimon, night, preaching.
August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

Fairview, Sharon, 11 31
Acton, Oak Hill, night 31

September

Central Church, Asheville 1
Biltmore, night 2
Asbury Memorial, night 3
Hot Springs, Antioch, night 4
French Broad Avenue, night 5
Ivy, 11 7
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 7
Haywood Street, night 8
E. Flat Rock, night 9
Tryon, night 10
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 12
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14
Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

August

Duncan Memorial, 11 17
Unionville, Mill Grove, 3 17
Big Springs, 8 17
Lilesville, Forestville, 8 18
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 8 20
Monroe, Central, 11 24
Zoar, 3 24
Central Avenue, 8 24
Wadesboro, 8 25
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 29
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 11 31
Weddington, Bond's Grove, 3 31
Trinity, 8 31

September

Matthews, 8 1
Calvary, 8 3
Wesley Heights, 8 5
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 7
Prospect, Midway, 3 7
Morven, Morven, 8 7
Ansonville, Ansonville, 8 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 10
Dilworth, 8 12
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 11 14
Polkton, Poplar Hill, 3 14
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 14
Chadwick, 8 15
Spencer Memorial, 8 17
Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8
The Charlotte District Check-up Meeting, Monday, September 29, 7:30 p. m., First Church, Charlotte.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

August

Cooleemee, 11 17
East Bend, 3 17
Yadkinville, Mitchell's Chapel, night 17
Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Cramerton, 11 17
Belmont, Park St., night 17
Lincoln-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11 24
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul, 2:30 24

Cherryville, First Church, night 24
Belmont, Main Street, night 27
Lowesville, 11 30
Maylo-Smyre, 11 31
McAdenville, night 31

September

Gastonia, Main Street, night 2
Mount Holly, night 3
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 7
Lincolnton First Church, night 7
Gastonia, West End, night 10
Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro

FOURTH ROUND

August

West Market, 11 17
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 24
Moriah, 3 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 8 24
Bessemer, 8 27
Ruffin, 3 30
Flat Rock, 11 31
District League of Stewards, Mt. Pleasant, 3 31
Calvary, 8 31

September

Centenary, 8 1
College Place, 8 3
Reidsville Ct., 11 6
Haw River, 11 7
Stokesdale, 3 7
St. Paul, 8 7
West Market, Q.C., 7:30 8
Newlyn Street, 7:30 10
Guilford Ct., 7:30 13
Gibsonville, 11 14
Shady Grove, 3 14
Proximity, 7:30 14
Glenwood, 7:30 15
West Greensboro, 7:30 17
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

August

Valdese, 11 17
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 17
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 8 17
Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury

FOURTH ROUND

August

Norwood, 11 17
South River, 11 24
Providence, 11 31
Badin, 7:30 31

September

First Street, Albemarle, 11 7
Albemarle Ct., 3 7
Mt. Olivet, 7:30 7
Midland, 7:30 8
S. China Grove, 11 14
Midway, 3 14
Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 14
East Spencer, 7:30 15
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 16
Kerr Street, 7:30 17
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21
Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hia't, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

August

Troutman, 11 17
Mooresville, Broad St., 7:30 17
Statesville, Broad St., 11 24
Statesville, Race St., 7:30 24
Olin, Macedonia, 11 31
Harmony, Harmony, 7:30 31

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 7:30 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

August

Clay County, Oak Forest, 11 17
Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem

FOURTH ROUND

August

Central Terrace, 11 17
Centenary, 11 24
Grace, 7:30 24
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
North Davidson, 3 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Centenary, 7:30 8
Doubs, 7:30 9
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13

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HEALTH

How to Get It and How to Keep It

If the reading of this article teaches you only this one lesson about your own body it may be worth more than millions of dollars to you; for of what use is money without health, or after you are dead?

The lesson is this:—"Keep your system pure and you may have health and strength to gain and enjoy happiness, success and length of years." But you may ask:—

How Can I Keep My System Pure?

That is not a hard question to answer, for Science plainly teaches you that your liver, which is larger than all of the other glands of the body combined, has the special work of purifying your blood and thereby your entire system and of keeping it pure.

How Does the Liver Purify?

Physicians tell us that the liver destroys, or renders harmless, poisons such as uric acid and other toxic waste matter that is normally formed in the tissues, and also prevents the formation of poisons in the bowels by manufacturing a greenish-yellow, bitter fluid called **bile**, which, between meals, is stored up in the gall-bladder, but after each meal is poured out into the intestines. The bile is **purgative** and indirectly **antiseptic** or prophylactic. In health it is your bile that makes your bowels act regularly and freely every day,—it is **Nature's Purgative.** It is your bile that keeps your bowels pure, clean and free from excessive fermentation (gas) and putrefaction. Remember that putrefactive germs do not thrive where there is fresh bile and there can therefore be no fermentation to cause gas, nor putrefaction to produce poisons, or toxines. Also, as bile is Nature's purgative, there can be no constipation if the bile is flowing naturally and freely from the gall-bladder into the bowels after each meal.

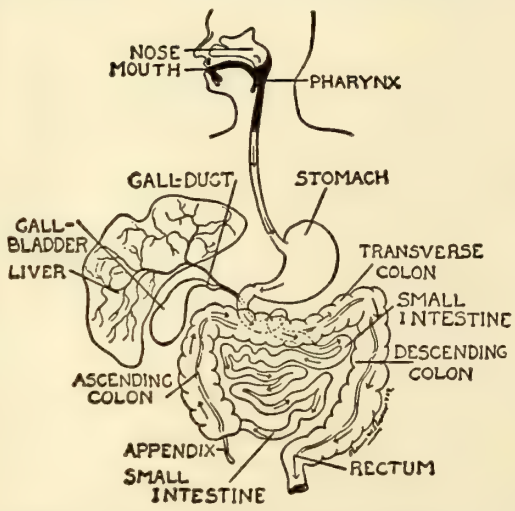
But when the bile becomes stagnant your bowels stop acting regularly and the contents become a breeding bed for the germs of fermentation (gas) and putrefaction. These poisons (called toxines), are gradually absorbed into your blood and if the quantity be more than the liver can destroy, may circulate all over your body, poisoning, irritating or inflaming your brain and nerves, your muscles and joints, your heart, skin, kidneys, and every vital organ of your body. Your doctor calls this "intestinal toxaemia," and tells you that your system is "toxic," or, if mild, "bilious."

Functions of Gall-Bladder

In 24 hours your liver manufactures about 3 to 4 teacupsful of bile, which flows through millions of minute canals, or ducts, uniting to make a large tube which empties into the gall-bladder, as creeks and rivulets unite to form a river that flows into a lake. Your gall-bladder is a hollow muscle that serves the double purpose of a reservoir and a pump. Its functions are similar to those of the urinary bladder. About three hours after eating, when the food is passing from the stomach into the intestines, your gall-bladder should begin its contractions, thus pumping the bile into the small intestine where it is mixed with your food. Bile is also an essential digestive fluid, aiding in the digestion and absorption of fats and oils. Its absence inevitably causes bilious indigestion, so common in hot climates.

Nature's Danger Signals

When the bile becomes stagnant in your gall-bladder and is dammed back into your liver instead of flowing freely into your bowels, you, sooner or later, begin to feel some of the following symptoms:—Your breath may become unpleasant (halitosis), your tongue coated, a bad taste in your mouth, your coffee (and tobacco) lose their natural flavor, your food does not agree with you; you may have heart burn, gas, or fluttering around the heart, dizziness or blind spell; you may be troubled with belching or frequent passages of gas from the bowels; the gas "balloons" your bowels and presses so hard on the kidneys that it gives you pain in the small of your back over your kidneys, making you think you have kidney trouble; at night the gas in your bowels presses upon your bladder making you get up frequently, thus breaking into your sleep.



Study the above drawing for a few minutes. Notice particularly how the bile flows from the liver into and out of the gall-bladder and thence into the small intestine which it enters at a point just below the stomach. A cut-off valve prevents the return of the bile from the intestine into the gall-bladder. The gall-bladder is the pump for the bile, acting like the bulb of an atomizer.

In the morning you are tired instead of refreshed. Gradually your health is injured. Your complexion becomes sallow or bilious; dark rings may appear under your eyes, you may feel lazy, dull and irritable or blue and melancholic. You may have frequent colds (catarrh) or dull headache; your bowels stop their free, full and natural action; you have constipation, gas, putrefaction and self-poisoning or "intestinal toxaemia," as the doctors call it. This group of symptoms is referred to, in the South, as "Torpid Liver," but apparently a better expression might be Torpid Bile Flow.

NOTE:—If the above symptoms are very mild, they are called bilious; if severe, "toxic." Some may be of nervous reflex origin.

How to Make the Bile Flow

But when the bile stops flowing freely, how can we help Nature start it again? The answer is: **Take Calotabs at bedtime and drink water freely the next day.*** This formula is designed to increase the force and frequency of contraction of the gall-bladder and the upper intestine (duodenum), thus promoting the expulsion of bile from the gall-bladder and bile ducts into the small intestine and thence through and out of the bowels. When you take Calotabs you know that you have taken what the doctors call a **cholagogue** or bile expelling medicine. It cleans you out thoroughly. Every inch of your twenty-five foot canal, including your stomach, small intestine and large intestine or colon is thoroughly cleared and washed clean and pure, and you can see and feel the bile in the stools. (Bile causes a slight burning sensation and a bright yellow or greenish yellow color.) Next morning your system feels purified and refreshed and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you wish and go about your work or pleasure.

*NOTE—If the stagnation of bile is caused by the pressure of a tumor upon the gall duct, or by a permanently impacted gallstone, only a surgical operation can remove the cause. But the common cause of stagnation of bile is the accumulation of catarrhal mucus in the gall-bladder or gall-duct. This mucus may be expelled by Calotabs. The mucus is caused by engorgement of the liver, usually the result of over-indulgence in highly seasoned foods, or stimulating drinks. Calotabs help to relieve this engorgement.

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When You Need Calotabs

Unwholesome foods and drinks, or over-indulgence in good foods and beverages, especially meats, alcohol, coffee, tea and tobacco, cause engorgement of the liver with stagnation of bile, and intestinal toxaemia. Colds with their toxines, bring about a similar toxic condition. Hot summer weather, overwork, mental strain, irregular habits, and lack of sleep tend to make the system toxic.

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Not one cent of this amount was counted in our budget for the year. So this must be secured over and above former estimates.

The pastors with the support of loyal laymen by a united effort can secure the last dollar of this within 30 days. Let each pastor send from one to ten new subscriptions for the Advocate and the deed will be done. But this plan will fail unless each one will act—AND ACT AT ONCE!

We suggest that the pastors of the larger churches lay this matter before their official boards at the next meeting and the women present it to their societies of Christian Service. The time is short and the cause is urgent.

The money will be forthcoming and furthermore the churches and the homes will profit by the presence of the church paper.

We do not argue this case. We rely on the loyalty and the devotion of our Methodist pastors and people who have stood by the Advocate through all the years.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK WE WILL KEEP ALL INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN

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The Christian Leader reports that eighteen hundred and thirty conscientious objectors are in work camps. They or their friends have to put up the money for board. Over half come from Mennonite, Quaker and Brethren churches. Five are Unitarians.

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Every prospect is that the fatalities on our American highways will pass the 100,000 mark —double that of previous years. How could it be otherwise? Liquor is on the throne in the land and war and making ready for war is the one cry. These are the two curses of humanity as death and slaughter hold sway. Bacchus and Mars—money and human greed—are kept to the front. Man's inhumanity to man holds high carnival.

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Sheriff Clayton did a good job in Roxboro in holding the mob at bay that assaulted the Roxboro jail in an effort to lynch a prisoner. The sheriff deserves and has received universal acclaim for his good work. Now let him go after the mob and have the guilty parties brought to justice and this good sheriff will be worthy of double honor. We at this writing have heard nothing of the search for the guilty members of that mob.

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Warren county votes on September 27, Franklin county on October 11, and Vance county on October 21 as to whether ABC stores will continue in these counties or the liquor trade be put out of business. These elections will be of general interest in all North Carolina. These three fine old counties are going to test out this issue at the ballot box. For the drys to win in Warren, Franklin and Vance on the Virginia border will do much to win the way for the democracy of the state to speak at the ballot box. So these elections are more than local issues. All who hate liquor and have the welfare of their fellowman at heart should aid in these campaigns.

The National Geographic Magazine devotes a large part of the August number to North Carolina, and it is truly a valuable piece of information concerning the wealth, variety of attractions and the natural charm of the Old North State. All people who are interested in North Carolina will be eager to see this particular number of The National Geographic Magazine, and those who are not already interested in the state will be after seeing this August number.

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During the first World War we never heard of the "conscientious objector" except the Quakers, who have through all their history opposed war. This time we have camps scattered over the land for the conscientious objectors. By the next war these will have so multiplied that the war makers will sit up and take notice. The Christian world is coming more and more to the position of the Quakers. Methodists are fast becoming Friends on this issue of human slaughter. The conscientious objector has a recognized place in the Methodist Church that must be recognized and respected by the legislatures of this land. We must become more and more Christian if the Republic is to endure.

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We were told with all the assurance of the Army and the seriousness of men in authority that unless the draftees were held the Army would be sorely hurt. Now (August 20) the Army says less than 18 months rather than the 30 months authorized by law will be the term. They expect this to give a "lift" to the morale of the troops. The accusation that the government did not deal fairly with the boys seems to have a basis of fact. Evidently there was a want of candor in dealing with the American public before the draft and also before the passage of the bill to hold the selectees for more than 12 months. However, we must remember that false propaganda and armies are inseparable.

Britain Eager to Get Us Into War

IT is becoming more and more evident that some English leaders are doing their best to pull America into this present war. We have been giving money by the hundreds of thousands of millions of dollars to carry on in the efforts of the British Empire, but this does not satisfy them. They want blood. The American boys are wanted to help the empire to police their far flung posessions in the ends of the earth. We are nominally at work for the defense of this western world; they are eager to pull us into the full dominance of the Far East. It would be well for England to take a different attitude towards India before she insists that our boys enter into the efforts of the British Empire in the defense of democracy. We are for American democracy rather than for the dominance of the British Empire.

America is ready to go to the final limit in defense of that democracy for which our fathers died in their efforts to escape tyrannies of the Old World, but we are not willing to join in the efforts to dominate the world in the name of world democracy. Our present distress is the burdens heaped upon us for those undertakings which are no concern of ours. We have enough to do to take care of our own business. Democracy at home is of more concern than imperialism abroad.

We are still ready to aid England by "sending them the tools," to use the words of Churchill, but the American people are not ready to get into another war. It would be far better for us to stay out and aid in securing an honorable peace, free from the selfish dominance that followed the Armistice of 1918, than to go to shooting. Then our boys returned rejoicing in the conquest made. But, alas, this proved to be only seeds of this present war. Just now it looks much as it did then when democracy was the cry, but those designs of selfish men ended in the present conflict of the nations. Oh, the crimes that are committed in the name of democracy!

Are We for Democracy at Home?

MILLIONS of men and billions of money are for the defense of world-wide democracy. In good old democratic North Carolina we pour out money with a lavish hand and the boys are being rounded up in camp. But how about our democracy when it comes to the liquor trade? The ABC crowd stands for dictation of the worst sort.

Let the people have a right to vote in these wet counties; then see to it that the next legislature gives the same right to all the people of the state. If we are not willing to allow this much democracy at home we should quit shouting for the downfall of Hitler. Such is our platform.

With the hundreds of thousands of young men brought into the camps the people of the ABC counties of the East should stop talking about liquor tax money and set themselves to the defense of the boys from other sections of the country. But this is the way with the liquor crowd—in this case a small oligarchy. The mass of Carolinians would have it otherwise. The hour has struck for all who would have it otherwise. The good men opposed to the present order, backed up by the preachers and the women opposed to liquor, can bring in a new and better day. They that would be free must themselves strike the blow! How about some real democracy at home?

We fully expect a line up against ABC stores that will mark a new day for real democracy in North Carolina. God speed the day!

Honor to Sheriff Clayton

ALL honor to Sheriff M. T. Clayton of Person county for the determined and alert stand he took last week against a mob set to lynch a negro prisoner. Such officers of the law are the best defense against mob violence —and also a credit to the good citizens of Person county. Weak and hesitant sheriffs too often allow mobs to defy the law and disgrace the state in which enraged men take the law into their own hands. The need at all times is for men such as Sheriff Clayton who did not hesitate to act.

The man who hesitates to act when he should take his stand against the mob is unworthy of a place of honor among brave men. He is almost on a par with a preacher who when questions of high moral issue are at stake hesitates to take his stand. All such are doomed to the fatal end of soul decay. The true brave officer of the law drives straight ahead in defense of the law, just as the true man of God does not hesitate to act when right is on the scaffold and wrong is on the throne. He who hesitates is damned.

Person county should feel grateful for one officer that saved the state from the disgrace

of another defiance of law and order. God give us more men in every sphere of action able to meet the issues of the hour as did Sheriff Clayton.

The Eight Points of Roosevelt and Churchill and the Fourteen Points of Woodrow Wilson

THE "peace aims," better known as the eight points, to which President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill put their signatures, are reminiscent of Woodrow Wilson's celebrated fourteen points of 1918, but they are by no means duplicates one of the other. President Wilson went into details of territorial readjustments. The Roosevelt-Churchill formula was general and consisted of eight "common principles as a basis for a better future of the world." Summarized, they are:

1. No territorial or other aggrandizement by the United States or Britain.
2. Territorial changes only through self-determination.
3. "All peoples" have a right to choose their own forms of government; those forcibly deprived of the right should have it restored.
4. Free international trade.
5. World-wide co-operation to secure "improved labor standards, economic adjustments and social security."
6. "After the final destruction of the Nazi tyranny," assurances of a secure peace, of "freedom from fear and want."
7. Freedom of the seas.
8. "Abandonment of the use of force," disarming of aggressor nations, and lightening "for peace-loving peoples the crushing burden of armaments."

Here we have a joint public declaration agreed upon and signed by the head of the American government and the Prime Minister of Great Britain, and it is not rash to assume that this act upon the part of the heads of these governments will be approved by a big majority of the citizens of these two countries. This Wilson's did not have. The fourteen points of Woodrow Wilson were only a statement of his aims to be pursued in making a better world.

While we thought well of Wilson's fourteen points of 1918 it goes without saying that we think well of the present proposed aims and purposes.

It remains to be seen, after the "murderous tyrant" has been removed from power, whether the peoples of Europe will be inclined to adopt any such plans as have been here proposed by the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain. Let us hope and strive for some such results when this war shall have ended.

First Hand Story of the Hess Capture in Scotland

TWO North Carolina boys, Fred Ross Burgess, Jr., and Colburn Burgess, 12 and 8 year old sons, respectively, of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burgess of Gatesville, wrote David McLean, the Scotch farmer who captured Rudolf Hess, for his autograph and in reply received the following complete story of what happened on that historic occasion:

"Dear Colburn and Fred:

"I really don't know that there is much I can write and say but here goes. Well, I was in bed when I first heard the plane pass overhead and shortly afterwards it returned, and it was so low and the engines were cut off, so I rushed outside to see if the farm buildings were safe as I imagined that the plane must crash here, but to my surprise I saw a man descending in a parachute. So I told my mother she had better get up as at that time I did not know how many there might be beside the one I saw.

"On going into the park, I saw the man lying face downwards on the grass. In passing, I may say I had no pitchfork nor weapon of any kind. When I got to the man (I had no idea at this time that he was as important a person he turned out to be, for he gave us the name of Alfred Horne) I assisted him to his feet and, thanking me, he inquired for the Duke of Hamilton and said he had important information for the R.A.F. He also assured me that he was alone and had no arms on his person nor in the plane.

"He followed my mother round to our house while I got in touch with the authorities who came and took charge of him, and that is the story and I don't know that there was anything daring or exceptional in my action. The man was a good English talker and I may say the reporters who have since followed have been more nuisance and bother to us."

The reader will do well to file this Scotch farmer's letter among his interesting papers, for in a few years it will be a rare paper and consequently of great value because it is a "plain unvarnished tale" of truth that is stranger than fiction and with a strongly romantic setting.

In these tempestuous days let every one be careful not to foster strife and contention. Blessed are the peacemakers. War settles nothing, whether it be industrial or national strife. Let contentions give place to a spirit of justice and fair play.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Rev. and Mrs. K. G. Holt announce the birth of a boy on July 29. Both mother and boy are doing fine.

Read and read again the statement on page 2 of this week's paper. It is of first concern to all Methodists of the state.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Harry C. Spencer of New York, a son—Ralph Wakefield Spencer—on July 30. Mr. Spencer is a member of the staff of the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Mrs. W. E. Hauss of China Grove is at Lake Junaluska trying to gain her strength back from a nervous breakdown. Her health isn't good. She would appreciate the prayers of those who pray. Mrs. Hauss is the widow of the late Rev. W. E. Hauss.

Rev. I. L. Roberts, pastor of Randleman-Union charge, began revival services last Sunday at Naomi church to continue through the week and perhaps longer. The pastor is expecting fine results from this series of services. Brother Roberts is doing fine work at Randleman.

Mrs. W. L. Dawson has returned to her home in Thomasville, after spending some time in the Charlotte Clinic, where she was treated for cataract. She responded well to treatment and her condition is encouraging. This announcement will bring joy to her host of friends who have been concerned about her.

Another ship that the Germans several times had reported sunk arrived at Hampton Roads August 18 for repairs. It was the Empress of Russia of the Canadian Pacific Lines and a former luxury liner. It looks like Germany and Russia and all other liars would learn their lies do not stand the test of time.

The annual home coming service will be held at Littlejohn Methodist church Sunday, August 24. All former pastors and members along with all friends are cordially invited to return. Miss Lelia J. Tuttle, a returned missionary from China, will speak at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be on the grounds at 1 o'clock.

The first Sunday in August was the 85th birthday of Rev. A. J. Groves, Methodist minister. On that day he rode 25 miles and preached three times in a revival in Bladen county. The following week he preached twice each day. "I was very grateful of the fact that I was able to conduct three services on my 85th birthday," Mr. Groves remarked.

Littlejohn's church will hold its annual home coming service Sunday, August 24. All former pastors and members are invited to return for the all day meeting. Dinner will be served on the grounds at 1 o'clock. Miss Lelia J. Tuttle, returned missionary from China and a native of the Littlejohn section, will be the principal speaker at the 11 o'clock service.

Vacations for most people are now ended and with fresh enthusiasm they are taking up the work of fall and winter. Those who enter enthusiastically upon their task are certain to succeed and have great joy in their work. Try it and see how happy you can be even if it is a hard job. Don't be like dumb driven cattle, but rather go singing to your work. This is the deep secret of a happy life, a secret many would know.

Mathews Tabernacle meeting, Mathews county, Mathews Courthouse, Virginia, is a great old camp of about 80 years of age. With its rich tradition it is a marvelous place to worship and to preach. Under the direction of Dr. C. Fred Williams, district superintendent of the Rappahannock district, I have just concluded what he called the most successful meeting in a decade. It was a great experience.—Edward J. Rees.

A mission point has been established on the Whitakers charge with the reopening of Speights Chapel. This is a former Methodist Protestant church, which was discontinued about 12 years ago. Home coming is to be observed at this church on the fifth Sunday in August, with services in the morning and afternoon, and picnic dinner on the grounds. All former pastors, members and friends of this old church are invited to return for this occasion and bring lunch.—A. M. Williams.

The Children's Home Methodist orphanage of Winston-Salem is the sole beneficiary of a will signed on October 6, 1930, by A. A. Martin, 75, prominent citizen of the Morven community, who died August 5, as a result of an automobile accident. He was a widower and childless. The will is in the office of Clerk of Court R. E. Little in Wadesboro, but has not been probated. Mr. Martin's estate is conservatively valued at $50,000, of which about $40,000 is cash and high grade stocks and bonds.—Monroe Enquirer.

The News and Observer of last Monday morning carried the following interesting item: "The news that Senator Robert R. Reynolds will make Miss Evalyn Walsh McLean, 20-year-old daughter of the celebrated Mrs. Evalyn Walsh Walsh McLean, his fifth wife has aroused a new interest in the 57-year-old junior senator from N. C. The following wire is typical of the treatment newspapers at the capital gave the senator's announcement: 'City Editor, News and Observer, Raleigh, N. C.: Do you have photos of wives No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Senator Reynolds? Would appreciate prints air mail special earliest available. Please advise. Otis Black, Sunday editor, Times Herald.' "

A lonely 13-year-old boy entered the court house here and walked into the office of the superior court clerk, Everett Houser, to inquire if he could get in the Jackson Training School without having to steal anything or commit a crime. The young boy's unusual request was prompted by the fact that his friends and playmates had shunned him, he said, because someone had accused him of doing wrong, and false accusations had made him a social outcast. He had a brother in the training school, he said, and had visited him there and liked the place because he would have someone to play with. Mr. Houser stated that the boy was honest in his request, and Mr. Houser is making an effort to place the boy in a state orphanage.—Charlotte Observer.

Revival services were held at Love's Chapel Methodist church in Stanfield the week of August 3-8. Rev. A. C. Waggoner, minister in the Coburn Memorial Methodist church of Salisbury, was the guest preacher for the services. He preached twice daily from Sunday through Friday to a large and appreciative congregation. His messages were clear and forceful and went straight to the heart of the audience. There were 11 additions to the church, nine on profession of faith and two by church letter, and three children were baptized. The membership of Love's Chapel, together with their pastor, Rev. John R. Hamilton, wish to publicly thank through the Advocate Mr. Waggoner for his fine services rendered. We feel that he has done our church much good, and may God bless this "good minister of Jesus Christ."

A REUNION OF THE TURRENTINES AND CONNECTIONS AT HILLSBORO LAST SUNDAY

Two hundred of the descendants of Alexander, Samuel and Daniel Turrentine, colonial pioneers in Orange county, North Carolina, with a number of visiting friends, are reported to have assembled in Hillsboro from eleven states of the union Sunday, August 17, for their first nation-wide reunion of the Turrentine family and connections.

The officiating ministers in the communion service held in the Methodist church were: Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, N. C., Rev. S. F. Nicks, the pastor of the church, Rev. Francis M. Turrentine of Daytona Beach, Fla., Rev. Ernest Riemer of Wyoming, N. Y., Rev. S. B. Turrentine and Rev. W. C. Jones, both of Greensboro, N. C.

Bishop Purcell, in opening the assembly program in the high school auditorium, after the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," based his remarks on "Other men have laboured, and ye are entered into their labours." Included in the prayer by the bishop was a petition for "those who are striving against the aggressors."

Hon. A. H. Graham of Hillsboro, in his felicitous address of welcome, lauded the part played by the Turrentine clan in the building of the state and nation.

Two other outstanding features of the program were: The response to the address of welcome by Mrs. R. M. Lester of New York City, president of the association, and the sketch of the Turrentine family by Dr. George Ruford Turrentine, dean and registrar of the Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Arkansas, the group historian.

Bountiful basket lunches were spread in the high school gymnasium, and enjoyed in common, followed by a period of getting acquainted.

Mrs. Lester, in presiding over the business session at three o'clock brought the day's program to a delightful conclusion.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: Mrs. Robert M. Lester, New York City, president; Dr. George Ruford Turrentine, Russellville, Arkansas, first vice president and historian; Rev. Samuel B. Turrentine, Greensboro, N. C., vice president; Rev. Francis M. Turrentine, Daytona Beach, Fla., vice president; Mrs. Sallie Robinson, Liberty, Tenn., vice president; Miss Carolyn Turrentine Smith, Birmingham, Ala., secretary; and Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington, N. C., assistant secretary.

A resolution was adopted expressing the desire of the descendants of the Turrentine family and connections that a national park be made of the grounds on which the Battle of Alamance was fought. This association also voted to establish a Turrentine memorial collection of historical books in the Hillsboro Public Library.

Shelbyville, Tenn., was tentatively selected as the place in which the Turrentine clan would hold its reunion next year, unless war conditions should prevent. The executive committee, composed of the officers of the association, will decide.

After the singing of "God be with you till we meet again," with deep emotion, a pilgrimage was made by a number of attendants to the Turrentine plot in the cemetery, where the graves were decorated.

EBENEZER MYERS REPORTS

I have recently been with Rev. Philip Green in a 15 days' meeting at Bethel church on the Franklin circuit. We had a good meeting—14 or 15 came to the altar and prayed through. One woman made the whole consecration and believed for the baptism of the Holy Spirit and was graciously filled. Nine members were received on profession of faith and one by certificate, and I think there will be others.

Fifty-two years ago I held my first revival in the old church on or near the same spot where this church stands. I taught school through the day and preached at night for four weeks. Only a small number of my students were still in the community.

It was fine to be with Brother and Sister Green in the meeting. They are both fine, talented and devoted young people and are doing good work on the Franklin circuit.

Macon county is well supplied with Methodist preachers: Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, at the station, Brother J. C. Swaim on the Macon circuit, who is doing fine work, and Brother Philip L. Green on the Franklin circuit. These all are preaching the whole gospel, which means much for the people of today.

I thank God that he is still giving me the old time gospel that saves and giving me strength to preach it. I came out of the meeting in better condition physically than when I began, and I praise the Lord that in these 52 years he has never let me break down in a meeting—and I have put myself into all of them. To his name be all the praise and glory.

Ebenezer Myers.

BISHOP PFOHL TO DELIVER THE HISTORICAL ADDRESS AT CONFERENCE

Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl of Winston-Salem has accepted the invitation of the president and the executive committee of the Historical Society of the Western North Carolina Conference to deliver the annual address of the society Monday evening, October 20, which is the evening before conference convenes Tuesday, October 21, in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem. The speaker has not yet announced his subject but it will be upon some aspect of the relations between the Moravian and Methodist churches. The exact subject will be announced at an early date.

Bishop Pfohl expressed his personal pleasure at being asked to speak upon this occasion and we bespeak for him a great hearing by the conference.

A. W. Plyler,
For the Executive Committee.

ANTIOCH CHURCH ON RURAL HALL CHARGE TO HAVE HOME COMING SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

Antioch church, one of the oldest Methodist churches in Forsyth county, will celebrate its 110th anniversary with an all day service in the form of a home coming with a former pastor, Rev. O. L. Brown, preaching the 11 o'clock sermon.

Following the sermon, a picnic dinner will be served on the grounds, followed by an afternoon service featuring talks by visiting friends and former pastors and congregational singing. A brief history of the church will be read at this service.

Antioch church has had a long and useful history. Many leaders have gone out of it into places of prominence. Among these have been the late Rev. Solomon H. Helsabeck, the late Rev. S. A. Vest, and Rev. P. L. Shore, pastor of Mount Pleasant church in the Greensboro district. Rev. I. L. Sharp is the present pastor.

All members, former members and friends, and all former pastors are given a special invitation to take part in the celebration and bring well filled baskets.

"THIS IS LONDON"

In the Columbia broadcast of "The World Today" program one expression each evening has stood out above all the rest. It is Edward R. Murrow as he responds: "This is London." Edward R. Murrow is a North Carolinian and was a Methodist when he left North Carolina and is yet so far as we know. His name is now on the church roll of Level Cross Methodist church, which stands on the left side of the highway as one travels from Greensboro to Randleman and Asheboro. It is about two miles south of the Guilford-Randolph line. This church before Methodism united was a Methodist Protestant church. Guilford county claims Murrow and he may have lived in this county but his church membership was in Randolph.

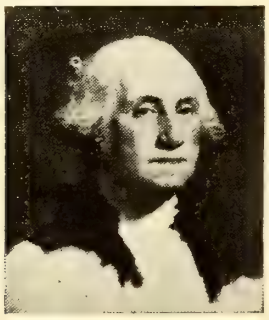
ELKIN DISTRICT PICNIC

On Thursday morning, August 28, about 11 o'clock daylight saving time, the ministers and their families of the Elkin district will gather at Neaves' Park, Elkin, for their annual picnic. Brother A. C. Gibbs, our district superintendent, is looking forward to seeing all the preachers present with their families. Let's make this a big day. Come and bring a full basket and enjoy the fun and fellowship together.

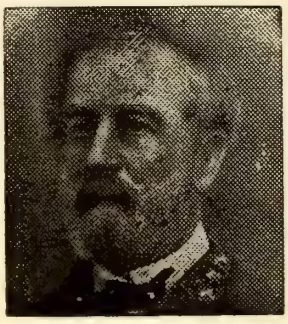
Mrs. Dwight B. Mullis, Sec.

More Than a Land of Beginnings

Virginia has a history any state might cherish with pride. The record made in the tidewater region during the past three centuries enriches the history of America. Out from this region has gone many of the stern and heroic spirits that made possible the achievements of the early pioneers and the later builders of the Republic.



George Washington



Robert E. Lee

West of Cape Charles and Cape Henry stretches the historic waters of Hampton Roads. These two capes provide a gateway to the nations and to the seven seas. Over the waters of Hampton Roads came the colonists in 1607 that made the first permanent English settlement in the western world.

At Jamestown Island on the James river English civilization on this continent began and out from this spot went the early pioneers of the later millions who have dominated this land between the two oceans.

Into the waters of historic Hampton Roads and Chesapeake Bay flow the James, the York, the Rappahannock and the Potomac. Also the less notable streams. Richmond on the James, and Fredericksburg on the Rappahannock, as well as Washington on the Potomac, are sufficient to render famous any section. The historic markers along the highways on both sides of the James remind the traveler of the deeds of daring and the lives lived by an illustrious people through the past decades. That narrow strip of land between the Rappahannock and the Potomac below the nation's capital had it done nothing more than furnish the birthplace of George Washington and of Robert E. Lee, it would hold a most illustrious place in the historic records of the centuries. "First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen." This may be said in all sincerity of Lee as well as of Washington. Much yet remains for the historians and the poets to tell adequately of the life that gathered about these three historic rivers with their three notable cities. Washington, the capital of the nation; Richmond, the capital of the Old Dominion; and Fredericksburg, where stands the simple shaft with its eloquent tribute—

MARY: THE MOTHER OF WASHINGTON

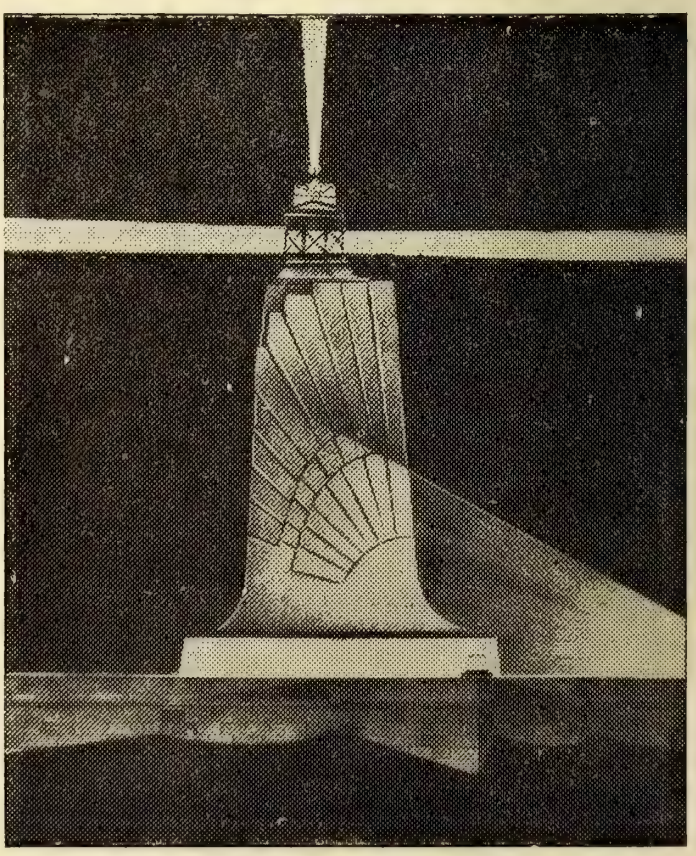
The pioneer years during which scattered ships sailed the waters between Cape Charles and Cape Henry, and later the light river craft that made their way up the rivers into the depths of the dense forests of a continent not yet explored are no more. Ships from Norfolk and Baltimore flying the flags of the nations carry cargoes not a few to the ends of the earth. The skies today are full of droning aircraft and the navy yards at Portsmouth and Newport News are veritable hives of industry building ships and repairing those crippled by destructive bombers across the seas.

That such a change should come in the less than forty years since the Wrights did their first flying at Kill Devil Hill almost startles us. Less than seventy-five miles south of Hampton Roads above which aircraft soar came the beginning of aviation which has made possible in its results forces the nations to plan for major battles in the air on a scale vaster than any ever known on all the battlefields of earth.

In a most real sense Roanoke Island where the first white child on the American continent was born and Kill Devil Hill, 12 miles to the north, where the first flying was done, made possible all that gathers about Hampton Roads. So this 100 miles of the Atlantic seaboard are the most revolutionary spots in all the new world. Without doubt Roanoke Island and Jamestown Island are at the center of events of world import.

Two centuries and a half ago an early migration from the Hampton Roads area began into all the Albemarle section of North Carolina. From Norfolk, Nansemond. Isle of Wight, Surry and other counties of that section the migration continued for a century as is disclosed by the old Carolina records. Later, the tide turned and the descendants of these early families helped to build cities such as Suffolk and Norfolk. Even in this day one of the catch questions asked of Carolinians is, "Which is the biggest North Carolina city not in the state?" The reference, of course, is the great numbers of "down homers" in Norfolk.

To a less marked degree the further migrations of Virginians to the West and South sent the citizens of the



Historic Wright Memorial at Kitty Hawk

Old Dominion across the continent. Go where you may all the way to the Pacific ocean and you will run upon good men and women—and some not so good—who will talk with lofty pride of their Virginia ancestry. Sometimes I feel that almost everything good had its beginning in Virginia.

At the present time all is changed. From all points of the compass the mixed multitudes come to make their abode in this favored section. Nearly half a million belong to the Hampton Roads area. The present estimate is that there will be in this area three-quarters of a million within five years. Of course war industries account for much of this growth.

Did space allow it would be interesting to follow the course of pioneer Methodist preachers of Virginia and North Carolina since Joseph Pilmoor came from Norfolk to Currituck Courthouse and went on down the Carolina coast in 1772—the first Methodist preacher to enter the state. Those days of beginnings for Methodism have also given place to the larger conquest of later times. Much yet remains to be done if we are to meet the demands of these later times. A spiritual conquest equal to any of the earlier years remains to us. The call is urgent and the needs pressing. M. T. P.

REV. I. L. SHAVER WRITES FROM IDAHO

After an uneventful trip by automobile from New London, North Carolina, across mountains and valleys, through deserts and plains, over jack rabbits and coyotes, amidst the heat wave and thunder showers, we arrived in this land of contrasts a week ago. Out here one drives one moment through jack rabbited sage bush and tumble weed plains, and the next down by singing rivulets and sleepy meadows, or by mountain torrents and irrigated potato fields. This is also the land of the horse, where the bucking bronco still bucks. (I saw plenty of this at the Rodeo last week). In this old but ever new country they say the cow sings when given her own milk to drink, "It all comes back to me now."

In short, this is a great country, and we are happy to be here. The people are friendly and we are looking forward to meeting the Japanese in this part of the state in the near future. We have come here to work among the Japanese during the remainder of our furlough. There are nearly one hundred families in this state.

I have met some Tar Heels already, but they have been out here so long that most of the tar has worn off and prairie sand has taken its place.

The College of Idaho is located in this splendid little city (Caldwell), and we have a broadcasting station.

ASBURY CHURCH HOLDS REUNION

Asbury Chapel Methodist church in Mecklenburg county, of which Rev. F. W. Bangle if the present pastor, observed its annual home coming August 19 with a combined program and memorial service. This was preceded by the annual business session of the home coming association. Concluding the celebration was a bountiful picnic dinner served on the grounds. A large crowd was in attendance.

Having a place on the program were Rev. S. W. Johnson, pastor of Grace Methodist church, Kings Mountain, who spoke on the subject, "A Heresy Religion versus a Religion of Experience"; Dr. G. T. Bond, superintendent of the Charlotte district, whose theme was "Memorial Stones"; and Rev. B. A. Culp, pastor of the First Methodist church, Winston-Salem, whose address memorialized Rev. F. F. Frisbee, former pastor of the Asbury church, and Paul Edwards and Mrs. Ira L. Edwards, members of the church, of whom all have died since last home coming.

Mr. Bangle presided at the services, Rev. W. Y. Poole of Statesville offered the prayer and Rev. William M. Henderson, assistant pastor of the Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, pronounced the benediction.

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AN INTERESTING "CHECK-UP" MEETING AT ASHEBORO LAST MONDAY

Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, and his pastors of the High Point district spent the greater part of the day last Monday in First Methodist church, Asheboro, of which Paul Hardin is pastor, in work that pertained to the welfare and progress of the district.

Morning Program

Subject: The Minister and His Own Soul.

1. The Minister and Menaces to His Own Soul. Rev. Paul Hardin.

2. The Minister and Food for His Own Soul. Rev. J. E. Pritchard.

3. The Minister and Assurance for His Own Soul. Round table, led by S. W. Taylor.

Miss Viola Brigman, director of youth work in High Point district, spoke in interest of her work.

Mrs. D. A. Lamb, conference director of boys' and girls' work of the W. S. C. S., spoke for this work.

Mrs. W. C. Hammer, president of the district W. S. C. S., was introduced to the meeting and spoke briefly of plan of the W. S. C. C.

Sam Moss, recently elected director of religious education of Main Street, High Point; Robert Stamey, newly appointed supply pastor of Randleman charge; Worth Royal, newly appointed supply pastor of Liberty circuit, were introduced to the group. Also Sulon Ferree, pastor of Laurel Springs charge, and B. A. S. Stamey, who will enter High Point College this fall, were presented.

The Noon Hour

The association of pastors' wives at noon served a delicious lunch in the dining room of the church. Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, president of the association, in gracious words extended an invitation that all enter fully into the joys of the occasion and they took Mrs. Pritchard at her word and it was in all respects a delightful occasion. At the close of this hour of fellowship a hearty note of thanks was extended Mrs. Pritchard and her society for their hospitality.

Checking on the Charges

With care a check was made concerning the work as the end of the year approaches. The reports of the pastors showed that all goes well and if they are not disappointed in the end there will be full reports for the district.

These reports were supplemented by timely remarks upon the missionary work by I. L. Roberts, the district missionary secretary.

Dr. Taylor and his pastors are meeting with fine success in placing markers at each church in the district. These markers contain the name of the church and that it is a Methodist church. Other information may be added if desired.

Of more than ordinary interest are the following items: Wesley Memorial church, High Point, has paid everything in full for the year and has $10,000 secured for improvement of church property. Rev. R. H. Kennington, pastor of South Davidson, has a charge that reaches into four counties, Davidson, Randolph, Stanly and Montgomery. There is a church building a few miles from Farmer that has been owned by the Methodists, the Baptists, the Methodist protestants, and now by united Methodism.

* "There Was a Rainbow About the Throne"

(Revelation 4:3)

There are times when a passage in the Bible will hit you between the eyes. I suppose you have read the passage I have used as a text very many times. I do not know how many sermons I have heard preached from this passage, but one day when I was thinking along these lines, suddenly the thing took form again—a rainbow around the throne of God. The trouble with our rainbows is that they have all dissolved in mist. They have no permanence. They become vague. They become shadowy. They disappear in the heavy darkness of the bitter night. Is there a bright shining rainbow which is permanent and never dissolves in mist? Is there a bright shining glory of exquisite beauty which is permanent? Can you give the youth of our generation some ideal which will not betray? There is a rainbow which grows, not out of the idyllic dreams of man, but out of the character of Almighty God. I suppose that is what this author was attempting to say, that the rainbow about the throne of God is always shining because God never abdicates his throne, that the rainbow about the throne of God is always beautiful because God never surrenders that eternal beauty which is his very life, that the rainbow about the throne of God is forever good because goodness, immortal, immutable, and transcendent, is the deathless and eternal characteristic of the living God. One great ideal which will never betray, one great enthusiasm which will never break us, one great and commanding and magnificent hope which is as permanent as the character of the living God!

As I look back, since 1929, the thing that hurts does not come from the depression itself. It comes from this. We have been extraordinarily weak; not everybody, but enormous numbers of people. Go over the last fifteen centuries—many times the world has confronted more desperate situations than this, but somehow before 1920, men have had a feeling they had to be ready for devastation, and the bitter hour was the hour of courage and strength. I used to belong to a club of which it was said, falsely I hope, that during the worst period of the depression there had been a suicide in that club every week for fifty-two weeks. The thing which has tremendously disturbed me has been the ease with which men have cracked. We have lost that tremendous virility which belonged to the great days of the human race and the Christian church, because (mark this) all the great men of the world have extracted their greatness from bitter and hostile circumstances. I am not saying this as a kind of defense mechanism avoiding social responsibility. We must do everything under heaven we can. Robert William Dale stood for the position that we should make the kingdom of God the kingdom of good, here and now. But there is a way in which this ideal may betray us, and it is easy for us to come to feel, when we dream of more perfect social relationships, we can wait to be real men and women until that new social order comes in. That is a great mistake. No environment ever made a really good man at heart, or a bad man at heart. Socrates had two outstanding pupils. Diogenes Laertius tells that Socrates dreamed that a swan came and sang a lovely song; the next day Plato came, and Socrates recognized the fulfillment of his dream. Socrates had another disciple, Alcibiades. Nobody was ever more clever. They say, that as a youth, he was talking to Pericles and telling him how Athens should be governed. Pericles was "fed up," and said: "Alcibiades, when I was your age, I used to talk the way you are talking," and, without a flicker of his eye, Alcibiades said: "O Pericles, how I should have liked to have known you when you were at your best." If mere brilliancy would have made a tremendous leader, what a leader he would have been, but Alcibiades never touched Athens without poisoning it. He never made a public address without leaving Athens a poorer state, and if some public spirited man could have made it impossible for him to sharpen his wits in the school of Socrates, he would have rendered a great service. Yet the same environment produced Plato and Alcibiades.

I again go to a higher authority. There was once a Teacher who had one disciple of such exquisite and rare and beautiful spiritual perception that by and by when the Fourth Gospel was written, with all its spiritual loveliness, it was inevitable that that Gospel should be associated with the name of John. He had another disciple whose name was Judas, and in the long trek of the busy days, Judas was near to Jesus, and in the lonely beautiful nights under the bright shining Syrian stars he would lie on the ground near the Master and listen to his words. He was exposed to the sheer searchlight of a moral splendor, of a noble life so bright that it dazzles us to think of it, and Judas became Judas in that environment. Let us not become confused because of our social enthusiasms, and let us not lose sight of the fact that environment never made a bad man at heart nor a good man at heart. The great good people of the world have always extracted their greatness and their goodness from the bitterness of hostile circumstances. What has happened to us is that somehow we are waiting for an exquisite environment to make the flowers bloom. The thing that makes me most anxious is that too many men have cracked. We have become soft. The Christian church did not grow, you know, in happy days. The whole truth is the Christian church has ever needed to be afraid of prosperity. There is a kind of fatty degeneration which, again and again, has rotted the fibre of the Christian church, but, by and large, for twenty centuries, if you could just make life hard enough, just give men the glorious opportunity of the forlorn hope, the Christian church has flourished. I do not need to call the rosary of those great Christians, from Paul who defined the empire and built within it a more eternal empire, to the very day in which you and I live, but if I did call the roll, this would-be the characteristic of all the heroes and the heroines, that somehow the rainbow about the throne of God came to be the rainbow in their own hearts. Alaric sacked Rome in the year 410. It had been a great solid strength of civilization, and in North Africa, Augustine, watching the downfall of the only civilization he knew, wrote his "City of God," to prove that the city of man might fall, but the city of God was eternal.

Let me put it to you with grim earnestness. Have you anything which would hold steady if our civilization should crack? Have you anything which would remain

if every temporal thing were broken up in the modern cataclysm? You are never defeated until you are defeated inside. Is there some inner citadel of hope and strength, mighty, immutable, and splendid, because the rainbow about the throne of God is the rainbow in your own heart? It is idle to talk about the power of the Christian church in any other terms than these. If we give ourselves to some temporary cause, however great may be the elements of good in that cause, if we give ourselves to the solutions of time as if they were the solution of eternity, we are perfectly sure to go down into disillusionment and frustration and futility at last. There is no "either or" about this in working for the better thing. From 1832 to 1867 and all through the century, there was in Great Britain such a succession of great bills for the improvement of the underprivileged as no country in the world had known at any other time. All these things happened in England as the by-produce of the great eighteenth century revival. It is rather dangerous to say "either or." Those workers in the newly-built factories had little meetings at night in which they saw the vision of eternity. You can imagine with what a sneer many a man would look at them. "The escape mechanism." They escaped because they got a vision of Jesus Christ. With Blake they said:

> "I will not cease from mental fight,
> Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
> Till we have built Jerusalem
> In England's green and pleasant land."

Do not be afraid that if the rainbow about the throne of God comes into your heart, you will be less efficient about the practical problems. On the other hand, it is necessary to be terribly honest. For more than a generation we have been making God in our own image, creating the Christian religion in the terms of our desires. We have not realized that we do not change Christianity; it changes us. We do not elect Almighty God to his sovereignty. We do not exercise the initiative and referendum in our relation to his decisions. Suppose we should discover God. That is what religion is about—the Christian religion. The greatest fault of the Christian church is the irreligious Christian who has substituted a formula for the eternal fellowship of the living God whose face we see in the face of Jesus Christ. The rainbow about the throne of God? Of course one can not talk about that. You have to discover it; it has to discover you. And in some corner of your life, when you are discouraged and broken with that bitter kind of frustration that comes when you realize that the good thing about you has betrayed you, you suddenly find yourself standing by that Bishop of Hippo of North Africa, when his world had broken to bits, and he looked up to see the city of God eternal rising above the wrecks of time. Eternity breaking into time, that is what the Christian religion is. The timeless breaking into the passing and the fleeting, until when we see That One Face, it does not shrink but rather grow until it becomes our universe that feels and knows.

Words, words, how cheap they are! You cannot do anything by just saying things, but here and there a man or a woman, a little child around some corner of experience, discovers the rainbow about the throne of God. And if enough people have that experience, we can save our world. We can come through anything that happens. The city of God will remain, whatever happens to the city of man, and by and by the city of man will be built after the fashion of God's desire. Have you found anything that cannot be broken by the bitter vicissitudes of this disappointing world? If you have, what a person you are! Perhaps nobody calls you great, or even important, but in your little circle you are a center of assurance and solidity and power, and in your eye there is a light never seen on sea or land, the light of the glory of the grace of God in Jesus Christ, the rainbow built round the throne of God!

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*Excerpts from sermon by Dr. Lynn Harold Hough in Duke Chapel, December 1, 1938.

WHO BUILT THE CHURCH?

By Mrs. Leslie Werner

Who built the Church?

"We built the Church," said the Laborers. "With our shovels we dug the dirt for the foundation. On our shoulders we carried hods of brick and hods of mortar; on our shoulders we have borne the Church."

"We built the Church," said the Artisans. "We laid the bricks skillfully into a straight wall, with true corners, fine and tall. We fitted beams and fastened wires and pipes into their rightful places; with our hands we built the Church, we built the Church."

"I built the Church," said the Superintendent of Works. "I supervised each step of the construction. I measured the proper mix of the cement. I watched the delivery of the bricks, and their laying. I saw that each pipe and each wire was placed correctly at the proper time. I managed the men, that no group impeded the progress of another group; with my eyes I watched over it all. I built the Church."

"I built the Church," said the Contractor. "I estimated the needs and the cost of each part. I saw that materials selected fulfilled the specifications for each integral unit. I forwarded the money for paying the men and for materials. I furnished the large tools for the construction: with my knowledge of building and of men, I built the Church. I built the Church."

"I built the Church," said the Architect. "With my mind's eye I visualized the needs for the buliding. I blended and fitted together the spaces and the rooms required for the many uses of the Church. I fitted these upon the given site. I harmonized the architecture with the surroundings. I planned the coloring and the ornamentation of the whole: with my artistic vision I built the church. I built the Church."

"We built the Church," said the Church Membership. "'Twas our growing activities required it. 'Twas our children's religious welfare demanded it. Beside the school house of present day convenience, their need for a proper House of Worship reached to the faith of our hearts and the strings of our purse. With our enthusiasm we have encouraged, and with the dedication of our wealth we have accomplished the funds necessary for its erection; with our determination and zeal we have built the Church. We built the Church."

Who built the Church?

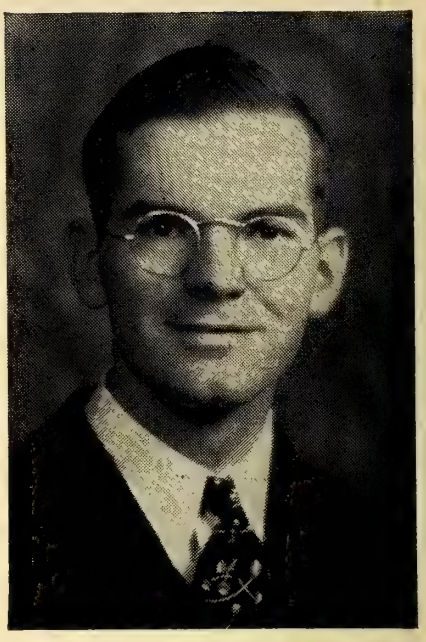
Amid his Church Membership stands the Servant of God. He studied to meet their spiritual needs by day, and bore their burdens on his heart in prayer by night. He instructed their children and comforted their saints. He called their wandering members to repentance. . . . He taught them to pray, to sing, to worship God, to help their fellow men ,to play. He instructed them in the use of God's Portion of their income. By example he taught them to live simply, that there might be time to worship God, and means to build His Church.

Who built the Church?

Except Jehovah build the House, they labor in vain who build it.—Southern Christian Advocate.



Educational Building, Bethel Church, Yanceyville Charge



Rev. J. V. Early, Pastor

Yanceyville Charge and Rev. J. V. Early in Great Good Fortune

In the first place the Yanceyville circuit has secured a new parsonage that would do credit to any charge and make a comfortable home for any family. This is located in Yanceyville, county seat of good old Caswell. Then, along with this home, the educational building of Bethel church was dedicated last Sunday, August 17, by Rev. W. L. Maness, a former pastor and builder of the educational plant, who preached the sermon. Bethel, the home church of some of the leading families of Caswell county, has now a church house substantial and useful that will be sufficient for many years to come.

Incidentally, we would like to add that Yanceyville circuit has been in recent years very fortunate in having two such successful and effective pastors as are W. L. Maness and J. V. Early. These two brethren succeed wherever they go, be the work easy or hard. They are free from hookworm and laziness and all such maladies. No finer men and ministers are to be found anywhere amongst us.

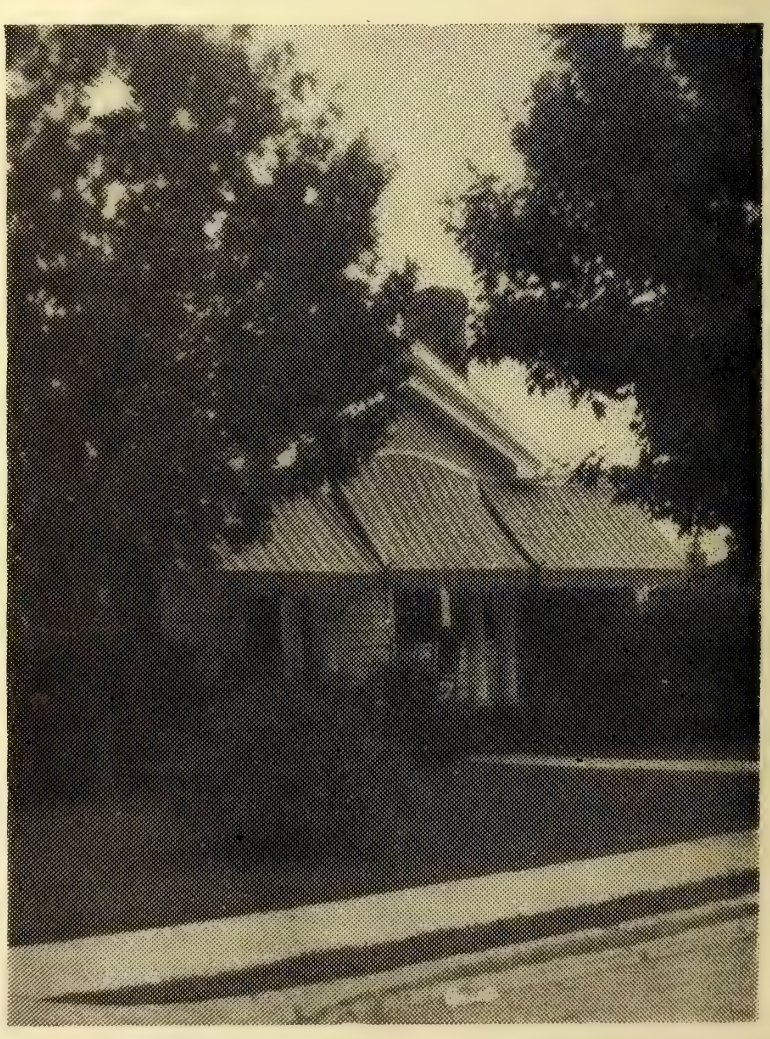
Yanceyville Methodist parsonage was recently purchased by the charge following the sale of the old parsonage on June 21. It is of modern build, consisting of seven rooms, besides bath and breakfast room, and is heated by steam with a stoker furnace. The living room has been completely furnished with new and modern furniture by Bethel, while the dining room was furnished with new and attractive furniture by Prospect church. Best of all this parsonage has a permanent endowment of $1000, the income from which will be used for upkeep in future years.

Bethel church was in its beginning a "free church," non-denominational in which all ministers were allowed to preach. Dr. Dabney, a physician, donated the land more than a century and a half ago. At that time the Primitive Baptists used it more than any others.

In 1884, through the influence of Colonel Pinnix, Rev. Mr. Guthrie came to the community to see if a church could be organized. As the Methodists were now more numerous and with the aid of Eugene A. Glass they investigated the deed in Yanceyville to see if a deed from Dr. Dabney had been recorded. There was none, and as the record showed that the Glass family were the last owners of the land, they very readliy gave a deed. The old church was remodeled and made longer. Eugene A. Glass, Mrs. Sally Joyner and Mrs. Jack Dailey were charter members.

Rev. B. J. Barrett was the first pastor and served in 1885. Others served as follows: Rev. J. D. Buie, 1886-87; L. E. Thompson, 1888-91; G. W. Fisher, 1892-93; J. H. Shore, 1894-97; J. W. Twilley, 1898-99; R. F. Taylor, 1900-01; J. H. McCracken, 1902-04; E. Pope, 1905; W. H. Kirton, 1906; Rev. Mr. Rood, 1907; Chas. Ross, and J. E. Blaylock; Rev. E. L. Pierman, 1914; S. F. Nicks, 1916-19; R. G. L. Edwards, 1915; J. T. Stanford, 1920-23; E. L. Stack, 1924; W. C. Merritt, 1925-27; S. J. Starnes, 1928-31; I. T. Poole, 1932-35; W. L. Maness, 1936-39; A. E. Brown, 1940; and J. V. Early the present pastor was appointed November 12, 1940, and is in his first year.

This church and parsonage are a credit to any people and the Bethel congregation is justly proud of them.



The Methodist Parsonage, Yanceyville Charge

HIGH POINT DISTRICT RETREAT AND CHECK-UP MEETING

The pastors and their wives met Monday, August 18, in First church, Asheboro, in a retreat and check-up meeting. Twenty-six charges were represented and a goodly number of wives were present. The program opened at ten in the morning in a two-hour devotional. The meditations for this period centered around the general theme, "The Minister and His Own Soul." Rev. Paul Hardin, pastor of First church, Asheboro, led the first period in this meditation as he discussed "The Minister and Manaces to His Own Soul." Rev. J. E. Prtichard, pastor of Ramseur-Franklinville, followed in a discussion of "The Minister and Food for His Own Soul." Rev. N. C. Williams who was to have discussed "The Minister and Assurance for His Own Soul" could not be present. The writer led the group in a round table discussion of this phase of the general theme.

These discussions, together with prayers and the singing of the great hymns of the church, made this a rich season of spiritual refreshing. The group decided to make this a feature of each check-up meeting in the future. The Association of Ministers' Wives of the district served a delicious luncheon in the social room of the church. The check-up meeting followed the luncheon. While this was going on the wives were also having their meeting. Many interesting and encouraging things were reported in the check-up. Revival meetings held throughout the district resulted in a goodly addition of members to the churches. Several meetings are in progress now. Many churches have put up new church markers, or changed the wording of the old to conform to The Methodist Church. This will continue until all churches in the district are properly marked. Much improvement is in progress on church and parsonage buildings. First church, Denton, Bethany church, Linwood charge, and the church school annex to Cotton Grove church, Linwood charge, are all to be dedicated in September. Central Falls church will be completed by early October. Asheboro Central plans extensive improvements on church buildings. Parts of the interior of their parsonage have recently been done over. The contract will be let soon for the rebuilding of Hopewell church, Trinity charge. Mt. Shepherd church, West Randolph charge, will begin on their church school room very soon. Ward Street announces plans for pipe organ and memorial windows. Lebanon, High Point, has just been given a new coat of paint, inside and out. Improvements are to be made at once on furnace, and plans are in the making for a new parsonage. Electric lights have just been installed in two charges on Seagrove-Love Joy charge. Water has just been put in the Denton Central parsonage. Plans are on for the building of a parsonage at Denton First. Cedar Falls church has a church building plan in the making. They are also talking a new parsonage. Gray's Chapel church has brick on the ground for their church school annex. Ramseur-Franklinville has just been dressed up with a new coat of paint inside and out. Rankin Memorial is putting final finish on their church school rooms. Wesley Memorial will make extensive improvements on their church school building. The cost, approximately $10,000, is nearly or fully subscribed. West Chapel, Randolph circuit, has added four church school rooms. So has Pleasant Grove, West Randolph charge. The prospect for full payment of all financial obligations is highly encouraging. Some charges are already out on part or all of conference claims. Many vacation Bible schools and two training schools have been held in the district.

It was gratifying to have Editor A. W. Plyler with us during the day. Our people are interested in his paper and are co-operating in the subscription campaign. We are always glad to have the editor in our district meetings. Mrs. W. C. Hammer, president of the W.S.C.S. of the High Point district; Mrs. A. E. Lamb, conference secretary of children's, girls' and young women's work, and Miss Viola Brigman, director of youth fellowship, High Point district, were present and presented their respective causes to the group. We are alwyas glad to have these and all other officials in our district meetings. Brother Robert Stamey, supply pastor of Randleman charge; Worth Royal, supply pastor of Liberty circuit; Sam Moss, director of religious education, Main Street church; and "Bill" Stamey, brother of Robert, were introduced to the meeting. We most heartily welcome these excellent young men to our fellowship in service. "Bill" Stamey will enter High Point College this fall. Rev. S. G. Ferree, pastor of Laurel Springs charge, Elkin charge, and son of Rev. G. B. Ferree. pastor of Randolph charge, was present. It was a pleasure to present him to the group and to have him with us for the day.

We are grateful to all who helped in providing a good program for the day; to our good friends at First church for their hospitality and for the use of their church; and to our wives for a most toothsome lunch. Our pastors and their people cheer our hearts by their faithful work. God's blessings upon them for these closing weeks.

S. W. Taylor.

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

Dean C. E. Buckner, who has been engaged in special study of junior college curricula for a part of the summer in Peabody College, has outlined several different programs of studies for Brevard College students. Mr. Buckner has just issued the following preliminary statement:

"Brevard College has organized its program of studies to meet the needs of four distinct groups of students: (1) Those students who wish to continue their education in a senior college of liberal arts; (2) those students who wish to continue their studies in professional colleges and universities; (3) those students who desire a broad cultural training with the idea of terminating their formal education at the end of two years; (4) those students who desire two years of specialized vocational training that will qualify them to enter some vocation."

In outlining this program Mr. Buckner has indicated courses of study which will lead to such professions as engineering, business administration, ministry, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, agriculture, forestry, home economics, and teaching. This year the college administration will give special attention to courses in business education and certain courses such as mechanical drawing descriptive geometry, and mathematical analysis. All courses which have special terminal value have been considerably strengthened.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Campbell have just returned from the University of Tennessee, where they have been studying the practical phases of junior college education. Mrs. Campbell spent the entire year on problems of business education. As a result of her work the college this year will offer both one-year and two-year courses in this field. Mr. Campbell is now prepared to give courses which will prepare students for admission to the junior classes in such engineering schools as Duke, State, Clemson, and Tennessee.

The programs of training now being outlined are based on careful studies of the opportunities in the various industries of the region. Many of Brevard's graduates, after special study in engineering institutions, are now being employed in such industries as the Ecusta Paper Corporation and similar organizations. This development has given added impetus to the movement to develop Brevard College as a standard modern college.

E. J. Coltrane, Pres.

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES, 1941

Leadership School ..... August 18-29

Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 24, 9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. John H. Hicks
8:00 P. M.—Sermon ..... Dr. R. T. Henry (China)

Monday, August 25, 10:30 A. M.—Fashion Show (Ivey's, Asheville).
8:00 P. M.—Dr. R. T. Henry.

Tuesday, August 26, 10:30 A. M.—Negro Spirituals, led by Lucius Pitts.
8:00 P. M.—Dr. Harrison S. Elliott.

Wednesday, August 27, 8:00 P. M.—Dr. Harrison S. Elliott.

Thursday, August 28, 8:00 P. M.—Dr. D. M. Maynard.

Friday, August 29, 8:00 P. M.—Moving Picture, "Cheers for Miss Bishop," and Disney Cartoon, "Mr. Duck Steps Out."

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE KINGDOM—WHAT IS IT?

What is it? Light upon the path of nations;
Honor and power that force could not obtain;
Meaning for law, happy consummations
Of all that righteous men have hoped to gain;
Battlefields turned to gardens; hate, unkindness,
Self, and distrust forever put away;
Men healed of fear, and ignorance and blindness;
Over all kingdoms love's eternal sway.

—Clarence Edward Flynn.

"Self is the only prison that can ever bind the soul. Love is the only angel that can bid the gates unroll. And when He comes to call us let us arise and follow fast. His way may be through darkness, but it leads to light at last."

A BEAUTIFUL STORY

The Upper Room for the third quarter of 1941 carries the following from Mrs. Grace Noll Crowell:

"Bishop Arthur J. Moore calls this 'the most beautiful story that has come out of the war in China.' The Allen Memorial church in Shanghai is considered the mother church of Methodism in China. One day the ministers of the Japanase Mission asked the Chinese Christians to permit them to use this historic church as a place of worship for the many Japanese soldiers stationed in Shanghai, after the capture of the city. At first the Chinese hesitated, but after praying over the question, granted full permission, saying: 'We would not want the world to hear that the doors of our church had been closed to any group that wanted to worship God.' How beautiful the example set by that wounded nation! Those who had so recently learned the teachings of Jesus forgot their injuries to follow his teachings to the letter: 'Do good to them which despitefully use you and persecute you.' Surely above the roar of bursting shells one can hear the Master's voice, 'Well done, good and faithful servants.' "

UNITED STATES ERECTING 555 ARMY-NAVY CHAPELS

Work has already begun on the first 555 chapels which the United States government is planning to erect at the nation's army camps. Congress has appropriated $12,816,000 for these buildings, some of which will be in every state of the Union. The chapels are designed to serve all faiths, each having altars, pulpits and reading desks that will be movable. The army chaplains will be in charge, but clergymen of all faiths from surrounding communities will be invited to conduct services.

The main floor of each chapel will seat about 300 people, besides providing rooms for the chaplains. In the balcony there will be an electric organ and seats for the choir. Each chapel will be 95 feet long and 37 feet wide with a slanting roof and a spire 23 feet above the peak of the roof. Plans provide that the chapels are to be wood, as they are not considered permanent structures to the army establishment, but for the emergency and training periods only.—The World Outlook for August, 1941.

INFORMATION ABOUT STUDY COURSES

From Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of missionary and education, comes the following information as to our study courses for 1941-1942. An extensive list of books, reference materials and general reading materials has been compiled and mailed to every conference secretary of missionary education. Four of the major new courses recommended are "Christians and World Order"; "The Christian Family"; "Our Times: What Has the Bible to Say?" "Christianity and Democracy in America." It seems advisable for woman's societies of Christian service to begin the studies in September or October with the theme, "Christians and World Order." The timeliness of these studies is unquestioned, and our periodicals will continue to carry suitable articles to be used in connection with such significant studies. The study of this theme is based on the text book "The Christian Imperative" by Boswell Barnes. Price 60 cents). Some of the aims of the study are: "To bring the church membership to a realization that the church faces a tremendous opportunity to serve this day and generation; to become the world's most potent force in bringing order out of chaos; to help the church to become a new interpreter of its belief in God as a universal Father, who has a genuine concern for his children and who can and will work with us in bringing about a Christian order; to help the Christian church to discover new technique and a new strategy in achieving a world-wide Christian society; and to help Christians realize that they have a personal responsibility for contributing to the building of the kingdom of God, and to be willing to face the problems, readjustments and sacrifices necessary to rebuilding the world."

To recite a creed is no barren and dry test of orthodoxy; it is a loving outburst of a loving heart.—Author unknown.

THE BIBLE IN MISSION FIELDS

(From "Highlights of Missions")
By Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon

Around the world missionaries have built churches and schools, hospitals and social centers. These have been and are of inestimable value as instruments in building the kingdom of God. But if all of them by some disaster of cyclone or war should be destroyed, there would remain an achivement of missionary labor on which the younger churches could continue to build. The achievement is the translation of the Bible into a thousand tongues. This is the basic gift of the missionaries in the world Christian community.

No tribute too high can be paid to the pioneer missionary translators of the Bible. Their life stories are of surpassing interest. Carey of India, Judson of Burma, Robert Morrison of China, and others stand out in missionary history as heroic and brilliant translators, but hundreds of other missionaries and native Christians have spent years in this difficult and strategic work. Their patience, scholarship, hard work, physical suffering, loneliness and even persecution, are all a part of the story of giving the Bible to the world.

Today the Bible translated into a thousand languages is indeed the foundation upon which all mission work is dependent. The fact that nine-tenths of the people of the world have the Bible in their own tongue in this period of the world's history, when communications between the various units of the universal church are broken by war, gives profound hope and assurance that the life of the church will be maintained.

Most encouraging is the discovery and re-discovery of the Bible in these days by the youth of many countries. At Madras a young German delegate in the 'Committee on the Faith by which the Church lives,' said the youth of Germany had the Bible and were finding it sufficient—that while social centers had been closed,athletic activties curtailed, forums prohibited, study of the Bible was still allowed, and in this crisis the Christian youth of Germany were finding the Bible sufficient. In Amsterdam in 1939 the study of the Bible was the main feature of each morning's program and many a young person came away convinced that the Bible study was the most thrilling experience of the great conference. In China it is impossible to supply a sufficient number of Bibles for the students who are asking for them. Miss Marie Adams of the Peking Methodist mission says: "Every week I see girls come into the kingdom from my classes. I feel as if I am living in a little heaven on earth, even if war is going on all around us."

"In a world where many of the material foundations of life have been destroyed and where faith has been lost, people within and without the church in Europe and America as in Asia and Africa, are turning to the timeless message of the Bible. The sacrifice and labors of the translators who have made it available to the people of all lands are being repaid a hundred fold."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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ONE HUNDRED PER CENT

Prayer groups can and do mean much to the life of our woman's work. It is most heartening, therefore, to receive from Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, the announcement that her district is organized 100 per cent in spiritual life groups. Mrs. Edens is expected that the district spiritual life leader and local spiritual life group chairman shall follow up these organizations with cultivation. These consecrated women will be a potent factor in the work of the Wilmington district and in the conference. How wonderful if the other six districts in the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. should follow this excellent example set by the Wilmington district.

MISS TITTSWORTH CALLING

Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville, is asking our co-operation in planning her work for the coming school year. Miss Tittsworth is already busy about the plans for ways in which she will be able to help the Methodist students at E. C. T. C. and is desirous of obtaining the names of all Methodist young people who will enter that college this fall, also something of the background, interests, etc., of each student. Miss Tittsworth is doing an excellent and effective work at E. C. T. C. and we should cooperate with her in every way possible.

STUDY NEW PLANS FOR YOUTH

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, is urging that members of the W. S. C. S. study the unified plan for youth. A clear and interesting account of these plans are published on page 21 of the July issue of The Methodist Woman. Mrs. Chadwick is further urging that all secretaries of young women and girls' work in the local societies order and study the free leaflet, "A Unified Program for the Missionary Education of Methodist Youth." These leaflets may be obtained from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio; from Youth Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or from Rev. Robert Bradshaw, Executive Secretary, N. C. Conference Board of Christian Education, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

INTERRACIAL GOOD WILL

Speaking to a large audience of white and negro folk at Lake Junaluska recently upon the occasion of the dedication of the Negro Center on the Assembly grounds, James Walker, a young negro, impressed his hearers with his earnestness and his eagerness for the practice of Christian attitudes among both races for each other. Walker spoke feelingly of his early ambitions to go out and do a type of work that would help negroes understand whites and the white people to understand the negroes. Said he: "All have a human personality and if that personality is to be developed we must practice common courtesy. . . . We should not be radical, but should use common sense in telling the white people it is hard to live in many places in the south. . . . White people should listen to the problems of the negroes. The negro people will never advance unless the white people give the negro a chance to protect desirable negro womanhood, in order to have a better social heritage and more worthy homes. There should be a white group of representatives who are willing to hear the needs of the negroes and a negro group going into every community to interpret their needs." Walker is a graduate of Paine College and a teacher in Georgia.

AN IMPORTANT BOARD SET UP

Another great step in the new organization plans of the Methodist Church was taken when on August 6-7 representatives from the Southeastern Jurisdiction met at Lake Junaluska and organized the Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension. The meeting was convened by Bishop Arthur Moore, Atlanta, president of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church. Others taking part on the program were: Dr. W. G. Cram, New York, executive secretary Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension; Mrs. V. F. Devinny, New York, secretary Organization and Promotion, Woman's Section of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation; Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president Southeastern Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service and others. Officers elected were: Dr. H. P. Myers, Danville, Va., president; Rev. R. C. Tyler, Miami, Fla., vice president; Rev. S. O. Cantey, Cheraw, S. C., secretary-treasurer. The Jurisdictional Board of Missions is composed of the bishops of the jurisdiction, the members of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension residing within the jurisdiction, the president of the Jurisdictional Woman's Society of Christian Service and the following representatives from each annual conference in the jurisdiction: One district superintendent, selected by the cabinet; the chairman of the annual conference board of missions and church extension; the conference missionary secretary; the president of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service; the conference lay leader; one young man and one young woman, one of whom is responsible for missions and world friendship in the conference youth organization. The Southeastern Jurisdiction comprises 17 annual conferences in the United States and the annual conference of Cuba. The jurisdictional board of missions will have a missionary council, which will be an inspirational meeting open to anyone who is interested. Each ministers' annual conference will send the president of the conference board of missions and the conference missionary secretary to the meeting, which is to be held at the time when the Southeastern Jurisdictional W. S. C. S. shall meet.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

The Northampton zone of the Rocky Mount district met on July 24 at Severn Methodist church. Mrs. W. P. Stephenson, zone leader, presided. A cordial welcome was extended the visitors by Mrs. J. B. Stephenson, Sr., to which Mrs. W. P. Stephenson responded. Mrs. H. I. Coggins, Milwaukee, conducted the opening devotionals. Rev. P. F. Newton led in prayer. A brief business session was held. Miss Viola Nethery, a graduate of Scarritt College, described the activities of that institution. Miss Nethery was presented a shower of gifts from the members. Mrs. Nellie B. Rives of the Methodist Orphanage faculty brought interesting news of her sister, Miss Alice Greene, missionary to China. Miss Greene is working in Shanghai. Mrs. B. B. Slaughter conducted a retreat hour. Rev. J. L. Smith pronounced the benediction. Following the luncheon and fellowship hour the afternoon session opened with worship led by Mrs. J. P. Garris, Conway. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, discussed the promotion of the work of the W. S. C. S. Mrs. B. B. Slaughter explained the new plans for missionary education of children. Miss Hazel Copeland, Woodland, expressed appreciation on behalf of the zone to the Severn society for the hospitality. Pleasant Grove society was awarded the attendance banner. Special music was rendered at both sessions by members of the Severn society. A most important action was taken by the zone when it was decided to send to the N. C. senators in Washingto a letter urging their support of the bill now pending in Congress which would protect the morals of young men in training camps.

ASSEMBLY MEETING POSTPONED

The Assembly is the largest body of the Woman's Division of Christian Service and is an inspirational event, the first meeting of which was scheduled to meet during the first week in December in St. Louis, Mo., has been postponed. However, the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. will meet early in January and definite plans for date, place of meeting, etc., will be announced later.

A tiny four-year-old was spending a night away from home. At bedtime she knelt at her hostess's knee to say her prayers, expecting the usual prompting. Finding Mrs. B. unable to help her, she concluded thus:

"Please, God, 'scuse me. I can't remember my prayers and I'm staying with a lady who doesn't know any."—Christian Advocate.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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MONEY NEEDED

We are standing in the need of some money. We haven't enough to meet our next pay roll. We haven't borrowed any money yet. It looked for a while that we would have to borrow some to meet the July bills, but our friends remembered us sufficiently well to meet that issue. We are now looking to our friends to help us through the August drought. To be perfectly frank about the matter, we need some money, and we need it very much.

MONEY EXHIBIT

The next issue of the Home Chronicle will list by districts and charges the amounts paid on the ten per cent apportionment. Such an exhibit cannot be presented in the Advocate because of its volume. The Chronicle will carry the amount apportioned to each charge this year and the amount paid to the fifteenth of August. Our records show that $24,499.64 is yet to be paid if every charge pays the Children's Home quota in full.

MONEY PERCENTAGES

In the middle of this page appears by districts the percentages of the ten per cent apportionment paid to the fifteenth of August. It is not necessary to state that the Children's Home needs every bit of money apportioned to the various charges. Let every pastor and every congregation carefully look after this matter.

MONEY CHECK-UPS

It will not be long until there will be district and sub-district check-ups on money matters. It frequently happens that in these check-ups no mention is made of the Children's Home apportionment. Benevolences are emphasized, but to the average mind they mean those monies that are collected to be sent to the conference treasurer. Definite accounting must be made with regard to these items. Sometimes official pressure is put on to see that they are met. The Children's Home account is left on its merits. Funds provided for the orphans are not sent to the conference treasure but to the Children's Home treasurer. There is no pressure involved. But there is a plea, brethren and sisters, there is an earnest plea.

MONEY SUNDAY

August 31 brings another fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. We would like for this Sunday to have come a little later, but the calendar did not consult us in making this decision. Its coming will find our tried and true church school friends prepared for it. It will not slip up on them, even though it comes at the tail end of vacation time. These friends have got in the habit of being ready to do something for the Children's Home family on fifth Sundays. They will do something this August.

MONEY MONTHS

It is just two months until conference. Thirty-eight per cent of the Children's Home apportionment is yet to be collected. But the two months coming are the money months of the year. Some people wait until the last of the year to do that which might have been done earlier. But the Children's Home family needs the money now just as much as any other time and it will serve just as good a purpose now as it would any other time. We sincerely hope that the next two months will be real money months for the Children's Home family.

DISTRICT PAYMENT PERCENTAGES

WINSTON-SALEM	82
GASTONIA	70
GREENSBORO	67
STATESVILLE	66
HIGH POINT	64
CHARLOTTE	61
SALISBURY	60
ELKIN	55
MARION	50
ASHEVILLE	44
WAYNESVILLE	35

MONEY SENDERS

As we plead for more money from more people we should not let an opportunity go by to state that more charges have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report. These good people have been a present help in time of trouble. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

Baltimore, West Forsyth circuit, Rev. A. Burgess.

Flag Springs, Why Not circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Bethel, Dulin and Union Chapel, Mocksville circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

Salem, Weaverville circuit, Rev. J. Max Brandon, Jr.

Oak Summit, Oak Summit-Shiloh, Rev. C. D. White.

Warlick's Chapel, Valdese, Dr. O. B. Mitchell.

Friendship, Shiloh, Rev. T. G. Madison.

Main Street, Kernersville, Rev. W. A. Barber.

Rockford Street, Mount Airy, Rev. C. E. Williams.

Shady Grove, Rutherford College, Rev. J. R. Duncan.

RETURNING CHILDREN

Our children are coming back and vacations are being concluded. Before these lines appear in print our entire family will be home again. Over 300 children have been away visiting friends and relatives. Many of them have written about the good times they are having. Nine-tenths of those returning will come back greatly benefitted. A few will not know that their vacations have ended and that the normal way of living has begun. Such children are abnormal. But our vacations are immensely worth while. They bring more problems to those who work with them, but they bring joy and happy experiences to children who for a whole year have lived in a normal routine.

RETURNING WORKERS

Our vacations are so scheduled that while our children are away a majority of our workers are away on their vacations. Most of our cottages are closed. The workers are now returning and will have their homes cleaned, dusted and arranged in such way as to welcome the children on their return. Rested workers with smiles on their faces will be very valuable to happy youngsters as they come back to tell about their unusual experiences. Our choice workers will be sympathetic, appreciative and understanding as they evaluate the experiences of their children.

ADDITIONAL CHILDREN

We have done a lot of case work this summer. Trips have been made throughout the various sections of our conference. Much investigation of conditions connected with applicants has been made. Only those children whose plight seems to be most deserving will come to live at the Children's Home. We propose to fill our buildings with children who have a right to look to our Methodist people for security and opportunity. Having done this, we will have faith in our people to meet the actual needs of these children. Some thirty children will soon join us.

CROPS, GOOD AND BAD

Our growing crops will not produce nearly as much this year as was produced last year. Our early truck farming was reduced to much less than half a normal yield. Then came the excessive rains with the hot sunshine intervening, causing the tomato crop, on which we depended a great deal, to be seriously reduced. Corn and beans have been abundant. The farm yields have been better, though the late corn has been seriously impaired. The alfalfa and other hay yields have been short but we have been enabled to save all that matured. Our boys have worked well and when fall comes we feel that our efforts will have been reasonably well rewarded.

Little Joan acknowledged a gift from her aunt Josephine:

"Thank you for your present. I've always wanted a pincushion, but not very much."—Christian Science Monitor.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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MRS. NELLIE B. RIVES—August 10 the singing class was in New Bern, guest of Centenary church. The minister, Rev. Leon Russell, was out of the city, so Mr. W. C. Chadwick held the devotional preceding the concert. Our evening service was at Vanceboro with Rev. Henry Lewis, pastor in charge. Both of these churches gave us a cordial welcome. The class was very happy in serving these churches.

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WRONG CONCLUSION—A lady after seing a picture of our graduating class in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, recently said to me that she thought it was extravagant to dress our children in evening dresses when we were having such a hard time to meet our financial obligations. I was happy to say to this good lady that the Orphanage did not invest a dollar in our graduating dresses, since they were given to the girls. It is a very easy matter to get a wrong slant on things, which leads to false conclusions. A number of societies of Christian Service that clothe our children provide them with their graduating dresses. Miss Virginia Land, who is connected with the W. R. Land Department Store in Hamlet, sends our girls a large collection of clothes each year, among which are many evening dresses. I often think of that old saying, "All that glitters is not gold."

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CALVARY CHURCH, DURHAM — In the absence of Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, I had the pleasure and privilege of preaching to his congregation on the second Sunday in this month. I was gratified to see so many present at the 11 o'clock hour. I do not recall when I have preached to a more responsive congregation. The singing by the choir was exceptionally good,and the friendly atmosphere of the congregation made preaching a real delight. Brother George Mumford, a prominent business man and former member of the state legislature, conducted the devotional service and presented me. Under the leadership of the pastor, Calvary church has developed into a strong congregation. Brother Earnhardt is a unique man and an exceptionally fine preacher. He has a wonderful grip on his people, and they think they have the best preacher in the conference. He is a true friend of the Methodist Orphanage, and his congregation takes special delight in ministering to the needs of the children in our home.

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ADJUSTMENT — If the Methodist Orphanage is to continue to render needed and effective service to the dependent children of the North Carolina conference, there should be some new adjustments made for its maintenance. Unless something is done along this line, it will become absolutely necessary to curtail its service. Our per capita cost is lower than the per capita cost of the majority of the largest orphanages in the state. I do not think there is any disposition on the part of the board of trustees, or the leadership of our conference to curtail the service that we are rendering or to lower our standard. Judging by the many urgent requests that come to us from our preachers and leading laymen, I would conclude that there is a demand that we go forward instead of beating a retreat. Doubtless the board of trustees and our conference orphanage committee will submit a proposition to the conference when it meets in Durham in November. The Orphanage is owned and operated by the churches of the North Carolina conference, and it is the responsibility of the annual conference to determine the policies that govern the home. Frankly, I do not believe there is any desire on the part of our church to take a backward step. From many sources demands have come that we increase our facilities in order to widen the scope and the content of our work. I am of the opinion that our preachers and churches are going to rally to the support of the Methodist Orphanage in the future as they have never done in the past.

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Nona Frances Mayo's letter:

As I have but little time left in this wonderful home, I begin to realize what a blessing it is that there is such a fine place for children to find a home. During my childhood days I feel that I have received special care and guidance that shall go with me through life.

The members of the eastern Carolina conference have been a great factor in the support of this home and I want each one to know that each child here appreciates the kindness and deep interest that they have shown us.

To Mr. Barnes, who has been a real dad to us, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your love and interest. For your efforts and teachings we shall reward you with our best accomplishments.

To the members of the faculty I wish to say thank you for all you have done to help me reach the goal I have now attained.

To each member of the Eleanor Reese Bible class in Washington I wish to say I appreciate the beautiful clothes you gave me twice each year during my eleven years in this home. I am also grateful for the many other thoughtful things you did for me. I shall try not to disappoint you.

To my dear brothers and sisters I wish to express my gratitude for making my stay here more pleasant and happy. I also wish to thank the members of the alumni for the many thoughtful pleasures which come to us through them.

As I go out from this home I shall always be proud to say I lived at the Methodist Orphanage and I hope I shall live up to its ideals and teachings.

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WE ARE PROUD!

The Western North Carolina conference can well be proud of the fact that one of our own young people has been chosen as president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. At a meeting of this group recently held at Lake Junaluska in connection with the Young People's Leadership conference, Kempton Jones of Salisbury was elected president for the ensuing year. He was vice president this past year, and due to the absence of the president presided at most of the meetings. His ready wit and skill as a presiding officer won for him the enthusiastic support of the entire group.

YOUTH CARAVAN

During the last two summers twelve communities in our Western North Carolina conference have been visited by the Youth Caravan, and know something of their work. Our enthusiasm for and belief in this movement is so strong we want to take this opportunity to acquaint all who read this page with this comparatively new venture in Methodism.

The general idea of a "caravan" or "deputation" of young people is not new. For some years the Quaker church has been sending out teams of young people to work in the cause of peace. But not until 1939 did the former M. E. Church, South, start something of this kind. That year 15 teams were sent out, each one consisting of two girls, two boys, and an adult counselor. The next year, as the success of the first year's work won over some of those who were more cautious, 57 teams were used by churches in the territory of the Southern church. This year, with unification a reality, caravans were not confined to one section of the country, but worked throughout united Methodism. In those states where the idea was new, there were not so many requests for teams, but in the Southern states that had had two years to become acquainted with their work, there were many more requests than could possibly be granted. One conference alone asked for eight teams, but could secure only two. It is no easy task to find the right young people to serve as Caravaners, and the amount of money our General Board has for this purpose places a limit on the number of persons they can train for the work. Eighty-five teams were sent out this year.

Selection of Caravaners

The young people serving on the caravan teams are college students, and have to be highly recommended by their college and by the executive secretary of the conference board of education. These recommendations together with questionnaries completed by the young people themselves are carefully studied by those members of our general board staff who are responsible for this work. Only those are chosen who seem best qualified in personality, training and experience in youth work in their own local groups. While there is no financial remuneration for caravan work, it is an opportunity eagerly sought by outstanding young people throughout Methodism. They pay their own transportation to the training camp and back home from their last assignment. Travel and entertainment during their seven weeks of service is taken care of by the churches they serve.

Like the young people, the adult counselor also serves without remuneration. One difference is that the counselor always serves in his or her own conference, while the Caravaners do not know where they will serve, except that it will not be in their home conference. The counselor is chosen by the conference executive secretary and serves as a connecting link between the local churches and the visiting caravan team.

Training

This year there were six caravan training camps—in Mississippi, Ohio, North Carolina (Lake Junaluska), Texas, Iowa, and California. It was the writer's privilege to attend the training camp at Junaluska, and any doubts of the real worth of the caravan work vanished after two or three days of association with the 100 young people and 25 adults who were there. The young people were wide-awake, attractive and full of fun, as all normal young people are, but never have I been privileged to spend a week with a group so thoroughly consecrated and so much in earnest about this business of helping to build God's kingdom on earth. I felt that in spite of any shortcomings which they might have these young people would be a blessing to any community in which they worked, for they were honestly trying to rid themselves entirely of self, that God might work freely through them. This was true also of the adult counselors. As the group gathered in morning watch and evening vespers and were led in moments of silent meditation on their need for patience, humility, courage, and deep spiritual resources, one felt very keenly the presence of God in their midst.

Reading of Appointments

The reading of the appointments at annual conference is an exciting time, but equally so, if not even more exciting, was the reading of the appointments Wednesday noon at the caravan training camp, when the young people found out where they were to go, and who their adult counselor and team mates were to be. From then until they left for their appointments on Saturday morning they met as individual teams, studying the questionnaires prepared by the churches where they were to serve. From these they learned something of the communities and what was expected of them, and could plan their work more definitely.

Our W. N. C. Team

The team which worked in our conference was composed of the following members:

Miss Helen Strickland of Cleburne, Texas, a student in Texas State College for Women. Miss Strickland is president of the youth group in her own church, and also active in activities on the campus.

Miss Jane Miller, College Grove, Tenn., a student at State Teachers College in Murfreesboro, Tenn., where she was active in dramatics and the Student Christian Union.

Ross Francisco of Bluefield, W. Va., and Howard Wilkinson of Katy, Texas, ministerial students at Duke University. Both of these young men had served on the caravan in 1940.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Cox, Greensboro, N. C., who served as adult counselor of the team. Miss Cox is a graduate of Greensboro College, and has been teaching in high school for three years. Her practical experience as an active member of a youth group and later as an adult counselor made her especially qualified for this caravan work.

Itinerary

June 21-28—Forest Hill, Concord, with Epworth and Central co-operating.

June 28-July 5—First church, China Grove.

July 5-12—First church Lexington.

July 12-19—Park Avenue, Salisbury.

July 19-26—Trinity, Kannapolis.

July 26-August 2—First church, Hickory.

August 2-9—Main St., Kernersville.

In all of these communities young people from the nearby Methodist churches also attended the caravan meetings.

Scope of Work

A caravan does not go to a church with the purpose of "putting on" a program of activities for a week, but to help strengthen the regular program, and to help the young people themselves start projects that can be carried on all through the year. This was especially true this year, as the five members of the team were trained in the work of the four commissions and the general organization and administration of youth work in the local church.

How to Secure a Caravan for 1942

The caravan team is sent to those churches who ask for it, will attend the planning conference, pay their share of the caravan expense, and make the necessary preparations for the coming of the team. The caravan cannot do their best work unless the local church, both local and adults, give their wholehearted co-operation both before the coming of the team and during their visit.

If you are interested in having the caravan visit your church in 1942 get in touch with your conference board of education early. This applies both to city churches and to those in rural communities.

Agnes E. Kirk.

AN ARMY IN RESERVE

By William T. Ellis

Recently, I visited Penney Farms, in Florida, the community where dwell retired clergymen and their wives. The experience was a pleasant one, and stimulating.

For this group of two hundred veteran Christian workers brings to mind the great company of men and women, numbering many thousands, who have finished their active ministry, and yet retain a keen and intelligent interest in everything that affects the Kingdom of God. All are concerned with the present world crisis; and wistful to have a part in meeting the needs that so fearsomely confront our time.

Is not our greatest need one that this host may most effectively meet? For the problem underlying all our other problems is that of quickening and strengthening the Nation's spiritual reserves. From every quarter come warnings of the need for spiritual preparedness. To enlist the people on the side of God, and of the eternal principles of righteousness which He has identified with His own nature, is surely our greatest task.

So the practical suggestion naturally emerges that all retired ministers, and other Christian workers, enroll as a Reserve Army of Prayer, agreeing to give at least an hour of every day to intercession. Myriads outside of this special classification would gladly join up in a systematic, organized movement to entreat the aid of the only Power that can give the world a complete victory for righteousness, liberty and peace.

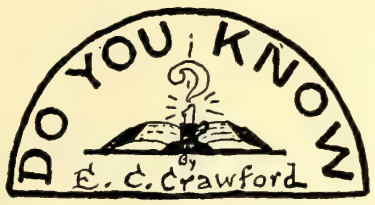
This project is more than a proposal that Christians devote a part of their daily prayers to the overmastering subject of victory for the nations who have aligned themselves upon what we reverently believe to be God's side in the present world conflict. It calls for a definite pledge to devote at least one whole hour a day, at a specified time, to personal prayer for this great purpose. In many places, it may be possible to have stated daily gatherings for the fellowship of prayer. Preceding the intercessory hour there should be careful study of the countless Scripture promises of Divine aid in such a condition as the present.

When the British churches united in a day of prayer, the miracle of Dunkirk straighway followed in answer. When again they obeyed King George's summons for another day of concerted prayer, Yugo-Slavia turned to the alied side. Verily, "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." A praying nation would be irresistible in its undefeated soul.

Naturally, it would be heartening to know somewhat of the size and distribution of this Army in Reserve. Were devout persons to provide the expenses, an enrollment could be kept by some such central organization as the Federal Council of Churches, and pledge cards supplied to the enrolees. Even the most optimistic of us have an inadequate conception of the hosts of God who would marshall for this supreme battle.

Christendom is today in process of being punished and purged and prepared by the Almighty whom we have so grievously sinned against, as nations and individuals. But we know that He waits to be gracious, and will hear the prayers of those who turn to Him in penitence and faith.

It is time to call up the Prayer Army Reserves!



That a negro was fined $5.00 in Alamance county for harvesting his wheat on Sunday. He said he knew it was wrong, but did not think it any worse than curing tobacco on Sunday and hauling it to Market on Sunday. It seems that a man ought to have as much right to save his wheat bread on Sunday as to play ball and run Sunday movies on Sunday.

That the Methodist people of North Carolina contributed to the church for all purposes $3,669,980 in 1940. But in the same year the people of the state spent $14,000,000 for alcoholic beverage; over $7,000,000 of this was for liquor.

That the twenty oil paintings of men who have been closely associated with Duke University, hanging in the Duke library, seven are pictured with tobacco—pipe, cigar, or cigarette—in hand, four are holding a book, one a pair of glasses, one a manuscript, and the other six are empty-handed.

That there are three classes of people in our defense program—the manufacturer, the laborer, and the soldier. The manufacturer can close down his work and go fishing if he likes, the laborer can strike for higher wages or quit work if he wants to, but the soldier has to keep marching.

The average age of Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States in 1937 was 72; today the average age is 55.

That the number of farms operated by tenants in North Carolina has decreased from 137,615 in 1930 to 123,476 in 1940.

That Chas. Randle, jailor in Fayetteville, N. C., says that he thinks 95 per cent of cases in court are the result of liquor.

That North Carolina has an average of only two hospital beds for every 1,000 population, and in only 35 counties of the state does the average reach that high. There are 44 states that have a better average than North Carolina.

That one-half of one per cent of the people in the United States receive as much of the national income as the poorest 32.5 per cent of the people.

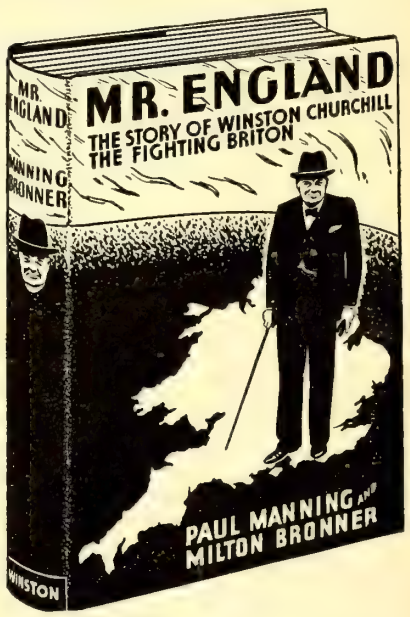
That by law this country is seeking to rule communists out of the national defense program while sending defense material to Russia, the strongest communistic country in the world.

That two per cent of the property owners in England own 64 per cent of the national wealth.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Writer of Hebrews Explains the New Covenant

Hebrews 8:1 to 10:18

One of the most daring thinkers among the Old Testament prophets was Jeremiah. He hears God saying, The days will come that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel (31:31-37). He even dares to say that the day will come when men will no longer remember the ark of the covenant, neither shall they miss it, neither shall it be made any more, because that for which the old relic stood has been so vitally fulfilled (Jeremiah 3:16). The preacher who gives the impression that he is a curator of a museum of antiquities would get no sympathy from Jeremiah.

But, says some one, did not Jesus say that a dot of an I or a cross of a T shall in no wise pass away from the law and the prophets until all be fulfilled (Matthew 5:17-20)? Yes, but fulfillment always means change. Jesus definitely disregarded the letter of the Old Testament when, for instance, he said it did not matter what a man put into his mouth if only what came out of his mouth was clean (Leviticus 11: 1-13; Mark 7:14-19), and also when he annulled Moses' toleration of divorce (Mark 10:2-12). We therefore conclude that when he said, One jot or tittle shall in no wise pass away until all be fulfilled, he must have meant that every value and every aspiration expressed in the ancient law will be brought to a consummation. It will be fulfilled just as the goosequill used by our ancestors is fulfilled by a good fountain pen.

The epistle to the Hebrews is a perfect illustration of our Lord's meaning. The letter is a strikingly original comparison between the old Jewish rites and the new, eternal realities revealed to the world in Christ. The writer first contrasts Christ with the angels, then with Moses, and now in our lesson with the high priest. The Jewish high priest must go in year after year to make atonement for the people, but Christ once for all entered the holy place and ever liveth to make intercession for us. The high priest sacrificed bulls and goats as an atonement for sin, but our high priest through the eternal Spirit sacrificed himself for the sins of the world. All that the old cultus symbolized he embodies. All that it failed to accomplish he completely fulfilled. He made a new covenant with mankind in his own blood.

That is precisely what Jesus himself said, This is my blood of the new covenant (Luke 22:20). He meant, This is the revelation of a hitherto hidden but now revealed spiritual law which I make known unto you, the law that God forever suffers for and with the sinner ,and hence is forever willing to cleanse him when he repents. The new covenant does not represent a change in God, but a new revelation of his nature, just as the soft glow of an Edison incandescent burner is a new revelation of the nature of lighting which was always supposed to be exclusively destructive.

How gloriously new the gospel seemed to the writer of the epistle to the Hebrews! And it should also seem new to us, for the voice from heaven keeps saying to each successive generation, Behold, I make all things new (Revelation 21:5). The Spirit forever brings to us the old gospel in fresh forms, illustrated by new analogies from the advancing discoveries of science. It is like the sun shining on the frozen earth in the spring time which repeats every year the old miracle in forms that surprise us.

The true teacher of the Bible always gives us the impression that he has made a discovery that he never thought of before, which is just the message of our newest problem, just the solution for our newest difficulty. And yet after we have been with his new thought a while we have the impression that we are in an ancient cathedral whose vaulted arches are centuries old, and ere long we seem to hear echoes of the voices of the mighty preachers of the past. The gospel when it is understood is always the newest thing, and yet the oldest thing (Matthew 13:51, 52). And its central message is always like the central message of the epistle to the Hebrews, that in Christ we find our all in all.

"CHURCH OF CHRIST" ORGANIZED IN JAPAN

The Church of Christ in Japan—the new government-sponsored union of all the Protestant churches and missions that have been serving in that country—has been organized with the election of Rev. Mitsuru Tomita, moderator of the Church of Christ in Japan (Presbyterian) as the "Torisha" or head, according to cable advices received by the International Missionary Council from Dr. William Axling of the Japan Christian Council. Dr. Michio Kozaki, vice chairman of the Japan Christian Council, was chosen associate Torisha; and Bishop Yoshimme Abe, of the Jan Methodist Church, is the chairman of the organizing conference and chairman of the executive committee of the new church. Dr. Kozaki and Bishop Abe were among the Japanese church leaders who visited the United States in May of this year for a series of conferences with the Federal Council of Churches of Christ and the International Missionary Council. Dr. Axling adds that 2200 Christians attended a thanksgiving service following the organization of the new church.

The essence of sin is excess and deficiency; whereas the essence of virtue is the mean.—Zoroaster.

Real happiness is cheap enough, yet how dearly we pay for its counterfeit.

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Children's Storyland



UP A TREE IN SHETLAND

By May Whiting

Essa and her brother John Sigurd always thought it a great treat when their father took them to the pleasant harbor town of Scalloway on the sheltered side of Shetland. Scalloway is the only place on the islands where trees grow, and there are five of them behind a high garden wall with a gate that locks with a big key.

Essa could not understand why John Sigurd should choose to look at lobster pots with his father when Aunt Nellie had the key to the garden and they might play there. Perhaps Aunt Nellie saw that the little girl was a wee bit disappointed, for she said:

"Wouldn't you like to climb a tree this morning?"

Climb a tree! Essa had always thought of trees as precious things with which one must not take liberties. It was almost as surprising as if her mother had asked, "Will you wear your new shoes when getting in the peat?"

But Aunt Nellie was sure that a tree would be pleased to have a child in its branches, and she lifted Essa up so that she could put one foot in the first crotch and grasp the trunk firmly with both hands. Then Essa put her other foot in the next crotch higher and pulled herself up. She was very near the garden wall, and there sat a yellow spider looking at her.

"Don't bother me," he said, as he lifted a long leg and swayed it gently. I'm busy repairing my house. The roof leaks."

Then Essa took another step up and looked about. All she could see was the wall, and that was full of chinks grown in with the moss. A honey-bee stood very still in one and seemed to say:

"How can you be so lively? I'm waiting for the sun to warm my wings before I can fly."

"Just a little higher," encouraged Aunt Nellie.

Essa was up one more step, and her head was above the top of the garden wall. A row of ants were hurrying along the edge, not even pausing to see what strange creature was coming so near. Essa looked down on Aunt Nellie's smooth brown head and Aunt Nellie looked up to speak to her, just as little girls usually have to look up to speak with grown folks.

Sure enough, a branch larger than the others stretched out an inviting arm and Essa settled comfortably in the hollow. Then she called down:

"I'll stay here while you go to the store. I'll play I'm queen of this tree."

In such a high place Essa felt very much like a queen. Many, many children in Shetland have never seen a tree, and surely very few have climbed one. She could see up and down the road a long way and out across the water to the rocky skerries where the waves were breaking white. Soon she saw the town crier coming and she told him, not out loud, of course, to stop at the corner and beat his drum, and he did.

Then John Sigurd came strolling along. He was so interested in a white shell he had found that he never looked up until she dropped a twig neatly on his head. Then he stopped short, his mouth open wide in surprise. All he could say was:

"How did you get up there?"

"Climbed up," said Essa proudly. "It wasn't very hard. I guess you could do it."

John Sigurd pretended not to hear.

"Father says we can go out in the boat," he explained, "and I came to tell you, but if you're up a tree—"

"I'd love to go in the boat," said Essa.

"How are you going to get down?" asked John Sigurd.

Essa hadn't considered that. The ground did look a long way off if you thought of it in that way, and the crotches in the tree seemed far apart when you were looking down at them.

"The garden gate is open," said John Sigurd, "and I'll come in and help you. It will be easy coming down."

In fact, with John Sigurd standing beneath, it was not difficult. There was the same row of ants hurrying just as fast and the spider still busy with his house, but the bee had flown.

"Thanks for helping me," said Essa, as, with hands in John Sigurd's, she jumped to the ground. And she added, "I think it's very handy to have a brother."—Zion's Herald.

THE HOUND DOG AND THE BUMBLEBEE

By Harry Brokaw

A lean old hound dog lay asleep in the shade
By the edge of a clover patch;
And he dreamed a dream of Reynard, the fox—
Of the fox he hoped to catch.

A bumblebee with a velvety coat
Came by with a musical hum,
To sample a bloom quite near the dog
That now was snoring some.

The hum of the bee, so near at hand,
Made the hound dog think of the fox,
And the trail that lay through the leafy woods
To a den in the midst of the rocks.

He awoke with a start as the bumblebee
Came near to the end of his nose;
Then I heard him make one wicked snap,
And his jaws like lightning close.

In an instant then from an open throat
The howls of anguish sprung,
For the bumblebee, in an angry mood,
Sat down on the old dog's tongue.

The moral that I hope to teach
Is not so hard to see:
Don't snap too soon, before you think,
Like the dog at the bumblebee.

ANIMALS IN ENGLAND

Animals lovers can't help but wonder about the animals in England during these troubled times when bombs fall and all is confusion with people having little enough time to think of themselves and their dependents. However, reports claim that the domestic animal of the Britisher is not forgotten, nor neglected, and that men, women and children are often seen scurrying for air-raid shelters with a dog or a cat under their arms.

Animals are on rations, as well as people. In the zoos the chimpanzees and gorillas who used to have fruits, eggs, milk and even orange juice, now have, instead, cabbage, carrots, turnips, beet-root and bread. All of this given in the morning and this is their only meal of the day; formerly they had two meals. The reptiles (and even the one famous 130-pound crocodile) eat little in winter months, anyway.

A corner of Monkey Hill was knocked off by a bomb and the wise animals quickly took cover in the tunnels beneath, and later were moved to Whipsnade, an open-air zoo outside the city.

English animals seem to be able to "take it" as well as the stoical humans. Only one zebra has been hurt in all the air raids and his injury was slight, merely a small skin wound.—L. P. B. in Our Dumb Animals.

Office Boy: "I think I know what's wrong with the country."

Bank Executive: "What's that son?"

Office Boy: "We are trying to run the country with only one vice president."—Selected.

Mother: "Stop using such terrible language, Margaret."

Little Margaret: "Shakespeare uses it, mother."

Mother: "Then don't play with him. He's no fit companion for you."

Mother—"What are you doing in the pantry?"

Jimmie — "Fighting temptation, mother."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

West Burlington, 11 31
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 3 31
Graham, 7:30 31

September

Mebane, Central, 7:30 3
Eno, 7:30 4
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 11 7
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 3 7
Branson, 7:30 7
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Calvary, 7:30 10
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

August

Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 31

September

Ahoskie-Basnight Memorial, 11 7
North Gates, Savages, 3 7
Hertford, night 7
Murfreesboro, Winton, 11 14
Edenton, night 14
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 1:30 20
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 21
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 21
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 21
Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Stedman, Bethobara, 11 31
Fayetteville, Downing St., 3 31
Fayetteville, Gardner's, 8 31

September

Fayettoville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 7
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 3 7
Fayetteville, Hay St., 8 7
Hemp, Tabernacle, 11 14
Clendon, Fair Promise, 3 14
Raeford, 8 14
Laurinburg, 11 21
St. John, 3 21
Aberdeen, 8 21
Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Oriracoke, 11 31

September

Straits-Harkers Island, 11 7
Marshallburg, 7:30 7
Atlantic, 11 14
Beaufort, 7:30 14
Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 17
Whiteville, 8 20
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 24
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, W. Mem., 8 24
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 8 29
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 11 31

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 10
Whiteville, 8 10
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 11
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
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FOURTH ROUND

August

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August 24, 11 a.m.—Oakley, preaching; West Asheville, night, preaching.

Fairview, Sharon, 11 31
Acton, Oak Hill, night 31

September

Central Church, Asheville 1
Biltmore, night 2
Asbury Memorial, night 3
Hot Springs, Antioch, night 4
French Broad Avenue, night 5
Ivy, 11 7
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 7
Haywood Street, night 8
E. Flat Rock, night 9
Tryon, night 10
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 12
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14
Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

August

Duncan Memorial, 11 17
Unionville, Mill Grove, 3 17
Big Springs, 8 17
Lilesville, Forestville, 8 18
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 8 20
Monroe, Central, 11 24
Zoar, 3 24
Central Avenue, 8 24
Wadesboro, 8 25
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 29
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 11 31
Weddington, Bond's Grove, 3 31
Trinity, 8 31

September

Matthews, 8 1
Calvary, 8 3
Wesley Heights, 8 5
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 7
Prospect, Midway, 3 7
Morven, Morven, 8 7
Ansonville, Ansonville, 8 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 10
Dilworth, 8 12
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 11 14
Polkton, Poplar Hill, 3 14
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 14
Chadwick, 8 15
Spencer Memorial, 8 17
Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

The Charlotte District Check-up Meeting, Monday, September 29, 7:30 p. m., First Church, Charlotte.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, B.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

August

Trap Hill, 11 24
St. Paul, Asbury, 3 24
Elkin, night 24
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 31
Dobson, Dobson, 3 31
Bryant Memorial, night 31

September

Sparta, night 3
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 7
Jefferson, night 7
Wilkesboro, 11 14
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 3 14
North Wilkesboro, night 14
Boone, night 17
Watauga, night 18
Creston, night 19
Green Valley, night 20
Warrensville, 11 21
Todd, Blackburn's, 3 21
Jonesville, night 21
Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 28

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Lincoln-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11 24
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul, 2:30 24
Cherryville, First Church, night 24
Belmont, Main Street, night 27
Lowesville, 11 30
Maylo-Smyre, 11 31
McAdenville, night 31

September

Gastonia, Main Street, night 2
Mount Holly, night 3
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 7
Lincolnton First Church, night 7
Gastonia, West End, night 10
Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

August

Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 24
Moriah, 3 24
Tabernacle, Julian, 8 24
Bessemer, 8 27
Ruffin, 3 30
Flat Rock, 11 31
District League of Stewards, Mt. Pleasant, 3 31
Calvary, 8 31

September

Centenary, 8 1
College Place, 8 3
Reidsville Ct., 11 6
Haw River, 11 7
Stokesdale, 3 7
St. Paul, 8 7
West Market, Q.C., 7:30 8
Newlyn Street, 7:30 10
Guilford Ct., 7:30 13
Gibsonville, 11 14
Shady Grove, 3 14
Proximity, 7:30 14
Glenwood, 7:30 15
West Greensboro, 7:30 17
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

September

Ward Street, 7 3
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Archdale, 7 10
Farmer, 11, N.H. 14
Richland, 7, W.B. 14
Lebanon, 7 17
Greer's Chapel, 7 18
Coleridge, Concord, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7 21
First Church, H.P., 7 24
Linwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October

Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Denton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Glen Alpine, 11 24
McDowell, Trinity, 3 24
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 7:30 24
Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

August

South River, 11 24
Providence, 11 31
Badin, 7:30 31

September

First Street, Albemarle, 11 7
Albemarle Ct., 3 7
Mt. Olivet, 7:30 7
Midland, 7:30 8
S. China Grove, 11 14
Midway, 3 14
Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 14
East Spencer, 7:30 15
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 16
Kerr Street, 7:30 17
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21
Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Statesville, Broad St., 11 24
Statesville, Race St., 7:30 24
Olin, Macedonia, 11 31
Harmony, Harmony, 7:30 31

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 7:30 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Cherokee Co. Methodism, Murphy, 11 24
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 25
Waynesville, 8 27

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

August

Centenary, 11 24
Grace, 7:30 24
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
North Davidson, 3 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Centenary, 7:30 8
Doubs, 7:30 9
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 17
Kernersville, 7:30 17



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October **Highroad**

Pagan Claim . . . . . Christian Fact

"According to paganism human beings are destined to remain in their present status forever." What is the Christian view? Ernest Fremont Tittle writes on "What Is Man?"

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The shadow of subversive and un-Christian leadership falls across the path of American youth. How dispel it? "Shadows over America" by Luther Wesley Smith.

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Perhaps you're teaching children for the first time. Maybe you've been teaching them for years. But you'll want to read Donald M. Maynard's article "So You're Going to Teach." Out of his experience in supervising teachers at Scarritt College the writer gives a few practical hints —especially to new teachers.



Understand Children?

Are you ready for the thousand shocks and surprises you'll get as a teacher? What do you know about the laws of learning and growth? Need to brush up on your teaching technique? Then you'd better read Lois Barclay Murphy's series of articles beginning in October. Read "Toward an Understanding of Children."

October **Child Guidance in Christian Living**

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JUNE WEDDING IN THE DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

Setting for June weddings is the Chapel on the campus of Duke University. The photograph was made during one of last June's marriages in the campus church. Looking down on the principals are the figures of Christ and other New Testament characters, depicted in stained glass in the great choir window. Scores of Duke alumni have been married in this impressive setting.

MEN OF METHODISM!

Show Yourselves to be Real Leaders

The North Carolina Christian Advocate has fallen into the hands of the tax-gatherers

Under a recent decision of the Supreme Court much property of orphanages, schools and churches formerly exempt from tax levies have been placed on the tax books. Along with these have gone the Advocate property.

$1,889.37 for taxes must be secured by Sept. 30, the end of our financial year

Not one cent of this amount was counted in our budget for the year. So this must be secured over and above former estimates.

The pastors with the support of loyal laymen by a united effort can secure the last dollar of this within 30 days. Let each pastor send from one to ten new subscriptions for the Advocate and the deed will be done. But this plan will fail unless each one will act—AND ACT AT ONCE!

We suggest that the pastors of the larger churches lay this matter before their official boards at the next meeting and the women present it to their societies of Christian Service. The time is short and the cause is urgent.

The money will be forthcoming and furthermore the churches and the homes will profit by the presence of the church paper.

We do not argue this case. We rely on the loyalty and the devotion of our Methodist pastors and people who have stood by the Advocate through all the years.

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If some Americans had been making the world, they would have made all the trees giant redwoods, all the birds ostriches, all our mountains to lift their heads in the eternal snows, simply because of their fondness for big things. But God rides no hobbies. He does not specialize on big things or little things. Variety is the great law of creation.

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Ministers of yesterday used to preach quite a bit about judgment. But recently who has heard a sermon on the judgment? But it is a big word in the Bible. Again and again it speaks of judgment. Justice and judgment are the habitation of His throne, declared the Hebrew hymn writer. One of the arresting questions in the book of beginnings is, "Will not the judge of all the earth do right?"

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Next Monday is Labor Day. For the business world this is the beginning of the autumn advance. Summer has ended, business folks have returned from their vacations and labor has enjoyed its celebration. This year Labor Day should be of double significance with all the extra demands of defense undertakings. Surely church folks will be doubly alert with the many undertakings pressing upon us.

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The apostolic church was a brotherly church, it was a witnessing church, it was a church of joyous optimism. The chief purpose of Jesus was to build a brotherhood and in this he had succeeded at Pentecost. "Ye shall be witnesses of me," he had said over and over, and in this he succeeded in those first days of the Christian church. Their joyous optimism went to incredible length. Opposed, arrested, whipped and made to encounter unspeakable outrages they rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer thus for the sake of their victorious Lord. These qualifications of the spirit gave to them amazing power and they went about "turning the world upside down."

Bishop McConnell in speaking to a class of theological graduates said: "Young gentlemen, when you begin your ministry, and somebody comes forward after the sermon and tells you 'that was a new thought you gave me today; I never thought of that before,' do not be puffed up over it. The chances are that he will never think of it again."

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We hear about a gospel for war times. The special writers for the church press are just now ringing the changes on this idea. And with great frequency we can hear people talking about a gospel for the young, a gospel for the rich and a gospel for the poor. Even St. Paul wrote of "my gospel." But Paul's gospel was likewise for all men. The larger truth is that the gospel of Jesus Christ is for every time, every class of men, for all nations and tongues. A gospel that is for times and seasons and special places is too limited. It is for all men everywhere at all times.

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Is Raleigh, our capital city, going to embarrass the state? The situation as disclosed by the records at Fort Bragg is shameful. Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, is striving to care for the health of the soldiers by getting rid of the prostitutes that infest Raleigh and thereby to remedy the vice situation there. Chief of Police Bryan passes over the efforts of this state health officer to fight disease by saying, "We will wait until the doctor gets through his crusade before we start." Are the citizens of Raleigh going to stand for any such local officers there? The people of the state are accustomed to the reports of prostitutes and liquor in abundance during the sessions of the legislature, but they have not known anything similar to this Fort Bragg situation, as disclosed by a state health officer. The local officers of Raleigh sustain a most responsible position in their relation to the people of the state and the nation. All honor to Dr. Reynolds in his effort for the public health.

Present Demands on the Church and Ministry

THE ideals set out by the Roosevelt-Churchill agreement stand for much that belongs to the state, but the bigger issues must be made possible by the gospel of the Son of God. The suggestion that peace and justice supplant force among the nations is certainly a case in point. The church of Jesus Christ is the one means of putting aside force in the conduct of nations.

The burning shame of the church through the centuries has been in linking the cross with the sword in human advance. With a bloody sword in one hand and a cross in the other the church has disgraced the centuries. Too much of this spirit still fills the pulpits and the pews. The big and urgent demand pressing upon the church just now is a crusade for peace and good will right here in our own land that we may have a real democracy. Military might must give way before the world can have a substitute for the rule of force. The ministers of the gospel must lead in this. Every pulpit should be aflame with this spirit. In the long run, such a crusade is far more important than bombing planes and big battleships. The world got clear of the Kaiser and it will be rid of Hitler ere long, but to little permanent good unless the gospel and a real Christian democracy supplants soviet communism and German nazism.

We would that every leader in the church might become as eager as are the war lords in building their military machine. May we all be saved from that propaganda that tends to hush church leaders and to suppress free utterance of the pew for the enthronement of the Christ.

Another Lincoln Story

THERE is no end to the Lincoln stories in this country. Out in the middle west every humorous story, no matter how old—it may have been with Noah in the ark, but now it is attributed to Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln originated the story, according to his worshippers in Illinois and adjoining states.

But here is a new Lincoln story, anyhow new to us:

A mother was walking past the old Lincoln home in Springfield one night with her little daughter. The lights were burning in the house as usual. The mother spoke of the great man and his work. When she had finished, the little girl said: "Mr. Lincoln forgot to put out his light when he went away."

Well said of this great American. The same, however, is true of George Washington and Thomas Edison, two other February born celebrities. They forgot to put out their lights when they went away.

Summer Sundays in London

THIS is England. Go ahead and talk, it's a free country." "The speaker thus interrupted by a voice from the crowd was typical of a dozen in Hyde Park, all of them skilled in the art of amusing or provoking argument in the group clustered about their stand."

Such is the beginning of David Anderson's wireless message to last Sunday's issue of the New York Times in which he declares that the parks and gardens of London are full on Sundays in war times as well as in times of peace, and the old spielers still cry, "Go ahead and talk, it's a free country." As in peace times, the people stream in from Piccadilly to hear a military band play, and among them are men not a few from the dominions and a sprinkling of Americans.

"Let us take a walk," says Mr. Anderson, "and see what is going on. Starting from Marble Arch, there is the celebrated open-air forum where the sky's the limit, provided speakers don't become vulgar or drunk, these being two indiscretions for which the police are on watch. One will find perhaps a dozen or eighteen crowds, each of them with speakers on rostrums.

Attacks aimed at the government are more guarded than in peacetime, owing to the public mood that demands some respect for the war effort which each person feels is partly his own. The conflict is on everybody's mind, but that does not lead to depression. For instance, when an exasperated evangelist cried 'You don't seem to like the pillar of fire platform' some one shouted back, 'No, Mate, what we want is the blood and thunder platform.' And the crowd all laughed. On the day of our visit one-third of the speakers dealt with religion, but by far the largest crowd listened to a Socialist who, incidentally, had the foresight to bring the loftiest stand."

The most marked changes in London's famous park is the make-up of the visitors who throng that celebrated gathering place. Even Londoners using the park are different from those who went there before the war. Gone are the family groups that once played in the park. Instead of fashionable young mothers with their nurses, the places are taken by shabby baby carriages, some of which no doubt had carried bedding to shelters during the last winter bombings.

But down by the lakes in the park the swans gather for crumbs tossed on the nearby slope as they have always done, "while ducks

and geese grab off what they can in competition with sparrows and pigeons."

"This is London."

Our Father's World

BLACK night has covered the earth but yonder gray sky grows red with light and the sun appears, nature's signal, awakening man to seek his daily bread.

Man, the highest achievement of God's creation, entrusted with dominion over all lesser creations, steps forth to assert his divine authority. Each, with his individual capacity looks upon earth, sky and sea and finds somewhere a place to satisfy his cravings. As wide as the sea, as infinite as the depths of the heavens, as varied as the composition of earth are the capacities of men in their search to satisfy their desires. The millions of men jostle together to get what they want and to all the voice of divine authority speaks: "Thou shalt not kill."

The man with prodigious brain power gathers a store house of riches and controls the markets of the world; the scientist shuts himself in his laboratory to discover new things and new ways of living; artists see wondrous sights and use paint and canvas that others may see; poets and philosophers spread their knowledge on the printed page that others may learn; men whose souls have caught inspiring harmonies are giving them out to bring joy and inspiration to other men; and there are millions, handicapped by the poverty of their limited capacities who seek little and obtain little; and still others, to whom nature gave a minimum, typed by the gnarled negro dwarf driving a billy-goat cart in the village street, picking up the garbage from house to house. You may speak to him, but he only replies with a grin and sits in his cart and drives on, accepting a coin when a friend hands it to him, hardly aware that he lives in his Father's world.

Men grow weary as the striving continues; the sun sets in brilliant splendor in the western sky and soon man lies on his couch for refreshing slumber.

Just ahead there is a new day, with new strength and renewed hope, and a challenge to high endeavor.

The freshness of the morning, the newness of the coming day, the consciousness of the Father's ruling hand, brings new courage for the continuous effort.

The Problem of the Country Church

IT has become well nigh a fad to discuss the country church problem. We talk a lot about it, but do very little. In all the history of our Methodism there has been but one great outstanding leader in this work. Can anybody name him? He is well known. Can't you think who he is? Francis Asbury was his name.

When he came to this country he found that all the Methodist preachers were eager to stay in town just like they are at the present time.

Asbury went to the country and addressed himself to the task. And he sent his preachers to the country. But for Francis Asbury, Methodism would have hardly got out of Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York. All we need now is the spirit and vision and inclination of Asbury and the job will be done. Plenty of people now are willing to write essays and make speeches about the country church, but how many are willing to get on the job? Don't everybody speak at once.

The country preachers who through winter's cold and summer's heat minister to the country churches are the real draft horses of our Methodism. Blessings on them all!

Noah's Flood the First News Story

A BRIGHT school boy in Kansas, or he may not live in the Sunflower State, tells us all about editors, where they originated, what they do, something of their hardships and embarrassments and that they are born and not made. It is an interesting story and this unknown lad is sure, like cream, to rise to the top.

We give our readers the benefit of the story in full and shall expect a card of thanks. It goes like this:

"I don't know how newspapers and magazines got into the world, and I don't think God does, for he ain't got nothing to say about these in the Bible. I think the editor is the missing link we read of, and that he stayed in business until after the flood, came out and wrote things up, and has kept busy ever since. If the editor makes a mistake, folks say he ought to be hung; but if the doctor makes mistakes, he buries them and people don't say nothing because they can't read Latin. When the editor makes a mistake, there is a big lawsuit and swearing and a big fuss; but if the doctor makes one there is a funeral with flowers and perfect silence. A doctor can use a word a yard long without him or any one else knowing what it means; but if the editor uses one, he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another man's wife, he charges for the visit, but if the editor goes, he gets a charge of buckshot. And colleges can make doctors to order, but editors have to be born."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24
N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Read and read again the statement on page 2 of this week's paper. It is of first concern to all Methodists of the state.

Rally day-home coming at West End Methodist church, Gastonia, the first Sunday, August 31. Rev. E. B. Edwards will preach in the morning. Dinner at Rankin Lake, with Rev. E. H. Brendall preaching in afternoon. All former pastors and members cordially invited to attend.—J. C. Grose.

Rev. Frank C. Ferguson, missionary to Shanghai, is due to arrive in San Francisco on the S. S. Coolidge on regular furlough the latter part of August, according to a cablegram received by Associate Secretary Frank T. Cartwright, of the Foreign Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Home coming service will be observed at Oak Forest Methodist church Sunday, August 31. All former pastors and members along with all friends are cordially invited to be present. Rev. B. A. Sisk will preach at 11 o'clock. Dinner on the grounds at 1 o'clock; other former pastors to speak in the afternoon.—Floyd Duckworth, Chm.

Rev. L. D. Thompson, pastor of First church, Lincolnton, will begin revival services next Sunday. Rev. Ralph E. Johnson, evangelist, minister of music, and director of young people and children's work, of Nashville, Tenn., will do the preaching and also lead in the singing during the special services. Mrs. Johnson will preside at the piano.

The number of deceased members of the Western North Carolina conference for the first ten months of this year is quite large. Here is the list of names: W. A. Patton, T. F. Marr, N. M. Modlin, J. H. Brendall, J. L. Reynolds, G. G. Adams, F. F. Frisbie, J. C. Umberger, J. R. Anderson and T. F. McCulloch (10).

"Town and Country Church," a leaflet of particular interest to members of the Conference Commission on Town and Country Work, has been published by Dr. A. J. Walton and Dr. A. H. Rapking, of the Town and Country Department of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. It is available for free distribution. Requests may be addressed to the Department of Town and Country Work, Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

I am getting on nicely from the wreck, though an X-ray examination disclosed my left shoulder is broken. A drunken driver hit our car and forced us off the road, wrecking the body of the car. Mrs. Maxwell suffered a sprained back and other minor bruises and sprains. It will keep me off duty several weeks. After seeing us wrecked the drunken driver sped away. He was apprehended by the police and acknowledged drunkenness and hit and run collision. —Sam Maxwell.

"These days when war is in everyone's mind, we have a partial black-out in Bombay—making it a little dangerous to drive at night," Dr. E. M. Moffatt says in telling of what the war means in India. "It is especially dangerous," he continues, "for a man in a black suit who walks in front of your headlights over which paper has been pasted. Once a week we are held up by Air Raid Precaution signals. Appeals for war funds, a little increase in prices, and certain restrictions in dock areas are the only indications that there is a war. I suppose we are as little affected as are people in America."

The farmers of eastern Carolina are jubilant these days. The high price of tobacco is the cause of this jubilancy. It began last Tuesday with the opening of the tobacco market, and this wave of joy will move westward as the weeks go by. We congratulate these farmers on the good fortune that has come to them.

All former pastors, district superintendents and other friends of the Wake Forest Methodist church have a special invitation to attend the dedication services the first Sunday morning of September. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedication sermon at 11 o'clock, lunch will be served on the grounds at 1 o'clock, and there will be a window dedication service at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Watch the Advocate for further information.—M. M. Walters, P. C.

Love's Grove Methodist church on the Stanfield charge held its annual revival the week of August 10-15. Rev. J. E. McSwain, pastor of the Ward Street Methodist church in High Point, was the visiting preacher and lived up to the high expectations of the congregation. There were five additions to the church, three on profession of faith and two by church letter, and three children were baptized. The church was greatly revived through the services of Mr. McSwain.

A profitable and enjoyable summer program on the Lincoln circuit was completed this month. Meetings and vacation church schools were held in each of the four churches: Ivey, McKendree, Marvin and Pisgah; and training schools were taught at Marvin and Pisgah under the leadership of Wilson Nesbitt, a Duke student. Each church on the circuit has benefitted by the activities and looks forward to continuing the fall work. Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt is pastor of the circuit.—W. H. Tyte.

"Churchville" was the Christian village of which primary youngsters were citizens as they attended vacation school at the Methodist church in Ketchikan, Alaska. Each day they chose tags, designating their services to their town for that day. Some were home-makers, carpenters, bankers, news reporters, band leaders, store keepers, policemen, and garbage collectors. They conducted their business in town meetings, attended church for worship, school for memory work, and play periods for their recreation. They made two four-room doll houses for the church nursery department and for the chapel.

If there is any one thing more important than all else for preachers to preach to themselves and to our times, it is that there is nothing fruitful and able to conquer in the name of Christ today except sacrifice. Indications are today that a minister who is going to be blessed of God is also going to have the selfishness inside of him burnt up. Things are heading up that way. Satan is behind the forces that will test our work, but God permits the testing and gives the power of his Spirit to those who learn by suffering. It is a wonderful opportunity—if we have it in us to pay the price! If not, God does not want us in the ministry!—The Western Recorder.

Noah A. Fry died last week at his home in Newton. He was 89 years old. He had been a loyal Methodist for many years. He first married Miss Frances Smyre of Catawba county. She died in 1908. In 1909 he married Miss Jessie Wyant of Gaston county. She with two sisters and a brother, Perry E. Fry of Newton, survive. He was an official member of Friendship church, near Newton, for many years. When he moved to Newton some 30 years ago, he put his membership in the First Methodist church. His pastor, Rev. M. Q. Tuttle, conducted the funeral at Newton. He was buried at Friendship. One of God's aged, faithful servants has gone to his reward.—A. C. Sherrill.

After a few weeks' rest in the summer, I am now back on the job in high gear at Tarboro. During that period of rest I came in contact with such great books as "The Springs of Creative Living," "The Strong Name,' '"Candles in the Wind," and "Conversations With the Master." These masterpieces are helping me to do much better preaching and living, I feel sure.—E. C. Durham.

Bishop Warren A. Candler was 84 years of age August 23. He was admitted on trial at Griffin, Ga., in 1875, which is 66 years ago. His ministerial record is as follows: He was eleven years a pastor; one year a presiding elder; two years assistant editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate; ten years president of Emory College at Oxford, Georgia; thirty-six years a bishop in active service; and for seven years he has been on the retired list.

More bicycle riders were killed in North Carolina the first seven months of this year than were killed during the entire twelve months of last year, the Highway Safety Division reported this week. Accident records show that 25 bicycle riders met with death on the streets and highways of this state from January through July of this year, an 80 per cent increase over the 14 cyclists killed the first seven months of 1940 and a 25 per cent increase over the total of 20 cyclists killed all last year. A majority of the riders were boys, and most of them were killed because of violations of the rules of safe riding.

The third session of the Kentucky annual conference will be held at Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., September 3-7, with Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, president, presiding. This is the third conference session that has been held since unification and full representation of pastors, delegates, board members and visitors is expected to be present for the meetings. Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, dean of Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., has been secured for the conference preacher. Dr. Hough is widely known throughout Methodism and his coming to the Kentucky conference is greeted with eager anticipation.—Kentucky Methodist.

Eighty-five years ago Shiloh church was organized. From that time the third Sunday in August has been the date for annual revival services. Some twenty or more pastors have served here, but no doubt not one has preached a plainer or more far-reaching and searching gospel than our pastor. Rev. T. G. Madison, has preached for eight days. It is true, no doubt, that many more conversions have been seen, but I believe that great results are yet to be seen. We are grateful to Rev. Mr. Madison for the spirit-led and spirit-filled messages. The services came to a close Sunday night, but we know that the revival spirit will continue. Our weekly prayer services are being continued on Friday nights at 7:30. Our woman's organization is progressing in its work. We now have, it seems, the fullest co-operation that we have seen. Our meetings are really proving helpful and inspiring. The young people's group is also active. Some weeks ago we had our regular meeting in the out-of-doors on our parsonage lawn. This meeting proved inspiring. We believe we shall have another soon.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Rep.

CONCERNING GREENSBORO COLLEGE ROOMING SITUATION

Greensboro College is grateful for the fact that so many young women are applying for admission and regrets that it is necessary to turn some away this fall. All rooms in our dormitories have been reserved for some time, and there is a waiting list. Our classrooms and other facilities, however, enable us to accommodate additional day students. Young women whose homes are not in Greensboro and for whom rooms may not be available in the college dormitories may make living arrangements off campus with close relatives, or with other than close relatives with the approval of the dean of students. Greensboro College is prepared to assist such persons in finding suitable accommodations.

Luther L. Gobbel, President
Greensboro College.

THE ALUMNI OF BREVARD INSTITUTE RALLY TO SUPPORT OF BREVARD COLLEGE

As Methodists all over the South know, Brevard Institute flourished for many years on the site and in the buildings now occupied by Brevard College. In 1933 the institute was closed permanently and the property given to the Western North Carolina conference for Brevard College. In 1934 the college was opened and has been in successful operation since that time.

A definite movement is now under way to enlarge the facilities of the college by the erection of at least three buildings which are greatly needed. One of these buildings is a modern fireproof library. Alumni of Brevard Institute are greatly interested in sponsoring this particular building as a memorial to Professor C. H. Trowbridge, who was head of the Institute from 1907 to 1923. Mr. Trowbridge was later president of Weaver College and has been vice president and professor of chemistry in Brevard College since it opened.

A group of former students and alumni of Brevard Institute are behind the proposed project. Already a substantial gift has been promised, provided the required amount for a suitable library building can be assured. Letters are going out to those who can be located with the definite suggestion that the movement be given all possible impetus with a view to raising the required amount within the next sixteen months. Those sponsoring the project are thinking in terms of a building that will cost at least $50,000. E. J. Coltrane.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE SEPTEMBER 9 BEGINS 104TH YEAR

Greensboro College will open its 104th year on September 9 with all dormitory space filled and a number of improvements evident on the campus, including completion of the new central heating plant, installation of underground wiring system, and redecoration of a number of dormitories.

Although the capacity enrollment of dormitory students has been reached, classroom facilities will make possible accommodation of additional day students, according to Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.

Orientation progam will begin Tuesday morning, September 9 at 8:30 o'clock with psychological tests for all new students; classification and registration of old students at 10 o'clock; English placement tests for new students at 10 o'clock; and music aptitude tests for all students interested in music at 3 o'clock. Wednesday, September 10, the program will continue with classification and registration of new students from 8 o'clock until 6 o'clock. Recitations are scheduled to open Thursday. The orientation program will continue through Tuesday, September 16, with lectures for freshmen.

New members of the faculty and staff who will be present for the first faculty and staff meeting at 8 o'clock Monday evening, September 8, include Dr. Charles R. Sleeth, acting head of the department of English, succeeding the late Dr. J. Roddey Miller; Miss Trinidad J. deMora, instructor in the department of romance language; Miss Eugenia Echerd, instructor in the department of education; Miss Martha Kasey, instructor in the school of music; Miss Melba Patzkie, dietitian, and Miss Dorothy Moore, promotional secretary.

MRS. FRED FELMET WRITES INTERESTINGLY

I do not think that "wisdom will die with me," but sometimes a perspective not too close up enables us to define our subject more accurately.

I can remember seeing my mother at her sewing machine. She would frequently turn her head from side to side, or even sometimes draw it slightly backward in order that she might increase the distance from which she was looking at her garment.

I believe that you as a preacher as well as an editor, were too close up to the question you asked this week, else you might have answered it.

You quote someone as asking "What has taken the pull out of the pulpit?" Then you suggest that a companion question should be, What has taken the indignation out of the pew?" I believe that the guilt for both rests in the pulpit; therefore I have a better perspective.

So I snap my finger to get the attention of the teacher and I say I can answer that question.

The thing that has taken the indignation against sin out of the pew is because the indignation against sin has departed from the pulpit. By the same token, as we kill two birds with one stone, so I give one answer to both your questions. The pull has been taken out of the pulpit because the indignation against sin has departed from the pulpit.

When my father used to preach hell hot, death certain, judgment swift for the sinner (not forgetting to put in the love of God for good measure) I would see men after church, on the way home, lying in the corners of those old rail fences, so under conviction of sin, or sometimes under the power of having been filled with the Spirit. (People are afraid to call it the Second Blessing these days because they fear ridicule). And these men have been known to lie there all night, and when they would, arise as the sun arose, they would be a "new creature in Christ Jesus." To them the "Sun of righteousness would soon arise with healing in his wings." (Second coming).

Today preachers are catering to the world. They preach the Bible in part, but not with the "demonstra-- of the Spirit and of power."

Added to the burning words of the psalmist has been put a bit of man's philosophy and we have this stirring thought: "While I was musing the fire burned, and while I was a-musing, it burned out."

Mrs. F. M. Felmet.

STUDENT PREACHERS END ACTIVE SUMMER

A company of 68 young preachers and religious education workers this week returned to the Duke University campus and to their homes following ten weeks in rural communities throughout North Carolina. It was the largest group ever to assist rural pastors in their summer programs since the Duke Endowment inaugurated its rural church program in 1826. The pastors' assistants are students in the Duke University Divinity School.

Summer work for the student ministers included delivering more than 1200 sermons, making nearly 8000 pastoral visits, directing vacation church schools with a combined enrollment of nearly 20,000, and conducting short-term training courses in which more than 2000 church workers were enrolled. Several hundred additions to church memberships are also credited to the work of the Duke assistants.

More than 6000 persons have joined the church by profession of faith during the summer periods the Duke ministers have aided ministers in charge. The number of children reached in vacation schools runs into several score thousands.

A chief feature of the Duke students' work has been conducting training schools for church workers, giving thousands of young church workers opportunity to study courses designed to aid them in teaching and in the administration and supervision of church and educational work. More than 15,000 certificates of credit have been issued to such church workers for the work done in these courses.

The work of these student religious workers, together with the pastors who supervise their summer work, has been one of the greatest stimulants to hundreds of Methodist churches in North Carolina to modernize their plants and their programs. (The Rural Church Fund of the Duke Endowment has allotted more than half a million dollars to assist in rural church construction and modernization during the period).

The Duke Endowment program of pastoral assistance for rural churches is under the direction of Dr. J. M. Ormond, executive secretary of the Rural Section of the Duke Endowment, who receives weekly reports from student workers and supervising pastors. All students in the divinity school are eligible to supply for summer assignments. This year's group numbered more than half the total enrollment.

The young ministers-without-pulpit take a keen delight in "endowment" work, which is often strenuous. Their comment on entertainment given them "in the country" is invariably enthusiastic.

Indication of the great popularity of Duke Endowment workers with the rural church folk of North Carolina is a clause in the agreement which each signs with the executive secretary: "The appointee hereby . . . . agrees and pledges himself not to contract marriage while holding this appointment."

The entire program is in line with the university's philosophy of education by experience as well as by precept, and is analogous to the internship served by candidates for degrees in medicine, work in the legal aid clinic ("the poor man's law office") done by candidates for degrees in law, and similar practical applications of knowledge by students in the school of forestry and other graduate and professional divisions.

Summer time is church-going time for rural people, more so than in winter, and the assistance which comes from the Duke Endowment men is a timely aid to the ministers on circuits throughout North Carolina.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

Announcement has been made from the office of President Walter Patten of the selection of Miss Ruth W. Merritt, A.B., A.M., and Mr. G. E. Badalis, A.B., as additions to the faculty of Louisburg College for the scholastic year of 1941-1942.

Miss Merritt assists in the department of English in the college. She received her degree of Bachelor of Arts from Duke University and the degree of Master of Arts was conferred on her by Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn. In each of these institutions her scholastic record was of a high order. Her several years of successful teaching experience were in Brazil, and in the junior colleges and high schools of the United States. Miss Merritt comes to Louisburg College from the head of the English department of the Ellerbe high school.

Mr. Badalis received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and he comes as instructor in the department of science.

President Patten also announces that the date of the opening of Louisburg College is September 8, 1941, and that the prospect for a large opening is exceedingly good.

It is noted that twin sisters, Misses Annie Catherine Barnett and Annie Laurie Barnett of Roxboro, N. C., have registered for the coming year's work in Louisburg College. Twin sisters entering college together is a rather unusual occurrence.

President Walter Patten went on Friday of last week to Junaluska for a few days vacation. He and his family return to Louisburg on Wednesday of this week. The family have been enjoying a vacation of a month or more at Lake Junaluska.

Dr. T. C. Amick spent last week end with his wife and foster daughter, Miss Frances Devinney, who are vacationing at the home of Mr. John Devinney at Julian.

Miss Lula May Stipe is spending a few days away from the college hill this week on a business trip.

All faculty members will return to the college on Thursday, September 4, to make final preparations for the opening of the college on the 8th.

Prof. and Mrs. V. R. Kilby spent a few days at Louisburg this past week. Mrs. Kilby will be at Louisburg ready for duty in the college on the first day of September.

Mrs. T. C. Amick and her foster daughter will arrive at Louisburg on the first of September. The daughter, Miss Frances Devinney, will leave the latter part of the week for Tallehassee, Florida, where she will enter the Florida State College for Women.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET SUNDAY: JUDGE HAYES CHIEF SPEAKER

Judge Johnson J. Hayes of Wilkesboro, judge of United States district court, will be principal speaker when the Greensboro District League of Stewards holds its quarterly meeting at 3 o'clock at Mt. Pleasant church, near Kimesville, next Sunday.



Judge Johnson J. Hayes

In addition to Judge Hayes' address, there will be a number of short discussions on the general theme of "Paying Our Debts," including the benevolences, church building debts, and debts to society.

Officers of the League of Stewards are: Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president; C. A. Hines and F. R. Stout, vice presidents; F. Eugene Hester, secretary; T. C. Hoyle, Sr., treasurer. All stewards and all ministers of the Greensboro district, as well as laymen, are invited to attend.

THE WHITE HOUSE COULD HELP

A lot is being said about Army morale these days. Or would it be better to say the morale of the draftees? For the regulars are professionals, and as such are supposed to be on their toes all the time, not giving a hang about anything. They are in the army from choice. It is their work, their job, and they make the most of it.

The draftees, on the other hand are subject to many emotions. They have left their good jobs, most of them; they have sweethearts at home and other loved ones, and they have other plans that have to do with their future. Naturally they are restless and uncertain, and add to that the fact that they are not sure what is in store for them, and not entirely sold on the need for patriotic sacrifices, and you know very good reasons why it is necessary that they be bolstered in every little way that is possible. Certainly it is not good for what ails this country to discourage them in all the other little ways that they can be discouraged.

The government senses the necessity to create a more wholesome atmosphere around these youngsters and is trying to do something about it. Frederick H. Osborn, a New York corporation executive and social scientist, and fitted for the job, has been named chief of the army's morale branch, and commissioned to pep up the lads in every way possible. He will find lots of ways and, with the help of the people, he ought to show results.

But his job is being made harder by some of the higher-ups who have a bigger stake in the outcome than some of us smaller fry who are called upon to dip an oar. The White House family could work wonders in this respect, with just a little calm consideration.

Each of the President's sons is in some branch of the government's military service—but in places of preferment. None of them is working for $31 a month, and none of them peels potatoes or engages in those menial jobs that soil hands or cause backaches. And that's not saying that any one of them does not merit the recognition he gets. He probably rates the badge he wears. But just the same it is not lost on the thousands of buck privates in the rear ranks who, justly or not, resent it.

And it is not calculated to bolster morale, as Gen. Fred Osborn probably will find. For every time Eleanor urges mothers to take it on their chin and encourages their sons to buck up and take it, there'll be the inclination for some of them to say "Oh, yeah!" And that will be bad, very bad.—Editorial in Statesville Landmark.

MISS KIRKPATRICK WEDS DR. TROXLER IN DUKE CHAPEL

In the presence of the two families and close friends Miss Catherine Kirkpatrick, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Silas Kirkpatrick, 447 Arlington street, and Dr. Eulyss Robert Troxler, Greensboro and Boston, Mass., son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Troxler, 507 Woodlawn avenue, were married at 5 o'clock August 20 in the chapel of Duke University, Durham. Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick, the bride's father, officiated.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. John B. Jones, Charleston, S. C., as matron of honor. Fred Troxler was his brother's best man. Ushers were John F. Troxler, Jr., brother of the bridegroom. Hubert K. Plott, Roanoke, Va., Paul Haistings, Reidsville, his brothers-in-law, and William Van Eaton Sprinkle, brother-in-law of the bride. Dr. Charles A. Kirkpatrick of College Park, Md., gave his sister in marriage.

Prior to the ceremony, Paul Robinson, chapel organist, presented a short program of nuptial music. The wedding party entered to the traditional wedding music from Wagner's "Lohengrin." The vows were spoken before the altar which was flanked by white tapers.

The bride wore a princess dress of white dotted swiss with finger-tip veil attached to a coronet of orange blossoms. She wore an antique gold brooch, gift of the bridegroom, and carried her mother's wedding handkerchief. She carried a colonial bouquet of white blossoms. Mrs. Jones wore blue dotted swiss with matching hat and carried a bouquet of pastel flowers.

The bride's parents gave a buffet supper for members of the families and out-of-town guests in the University union after the ceremony. Both bride and bridegroom were educated at Duke University. Dr. Troxler, a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, now holds an appointment in the department of orthopedics at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston where the couple will be at home after September 1.

METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATION MEETS OCTOBER 9

The annual meeting of the Methodist Board of Publication will be held in the Advocate office, Thursday, October 9. This allows time for all reports to be ready for the sessions of the annual conferences.

The financial year of the North Carolina Christian Advocate closes September 30.

"Put the Sky First"

From the Address of the President, Rev. Walter H. Armstrong, to the annual session of the British Methodist Conference held last month in Leeds, England

It is said of a noted French artist that he always began his pictures by painting the sky first. Then the pool imaged the heavens, and the grass, the trees, and the flowers harmonize with the light. The earth below was seen in the light of the heavens above.

It is the privilege and responsibility of the Christian church to so live and work that the will of God should be done on earth as it is in heaven. That implies that we should have some knowledge of both heaven and earth. In the days of my early ministry I read much of working up through nature to God, and through man to God. That there are such avenues of approach is undoubted, though it is not putting the sky in first. When nature and man are seen through God, the vision is much more clear. When Saul Kane says in Masefield's poem—

> "The station brook to my new eyes
> Was bubbling out of Paradise,"

he was looking at the stream from a different and higher viewpoint. Our views of God derived from nature and man have often to be revised in the light of the revelation of God in the face of Jesus Christ. St. Paul tells us that he looked at the visible in the light of the invisible, and at the temporal in the light of the eternal, and, as Professor Oman reminds us, the temporal and the eternal are not distinctions of time but of value.

Looking around the world today, we do not see much of the sky in it. War is being waged on an unprecedented scale. Our earth is becoming a cemetery of blasted hopes and broken purposes. In this gigantic and terrible world conflict, thousands upon thousands of our Methodist youth are actively engaged. What has this conference to say to them? There is a general impression in some quarters outside that the Methodist Church has committed itself to pacifism. That is simply, plainly, and definitely, not true. What the Methodist Church has done is to declare that it would do all that lies in its power for the men who are in the forces, and would also stand by those whom it regarded as genuine conscientious objectors.

What are we fighting for? One answer to this question is that other peoples of the world know if we do not. Some of them know better than we do, for they have experienced, and are experiencing, all the horrors of an awful tyranny with all its madness and brutality. It is to remove the yoke that hangs around their necks, and to save that yoke being placed around our own necks, that we are fighting. And we are fighting against a doctrine which is in direct antagonism to Christian ideals, which, if victorious, would strike a deadly blow to our spiritual convictions and social aspirations, and, what perhaps is far worse, we are fighting to save our children from being impregnated with teachings which we utterly and entirely abhor.

This doctrine is, to quote a phrase of Burk's, an "armed doctrine" and we are meeting force with force. And force, we are told, is not an ultimate solution. But that is true of all evils; yet no one proposes to allow these evils to have free course and run riot. Adolf Hitler uses force, brutal force. Abraham Lincoln used force. Are the two to be classified together and come under the same condemnation? Booker T. Washington, the Negro leader born inslavery, said of Lincoln, that he found the Negro race mere goods and chattles and he made it a race of free citizens. Adolf Hitler finds peoples free and enslaves them. If we can see no vital difference between them, then surely we defame the dead. It might also be remembered that the opposite to love is not force but hate.

We shall never deal effectively with this gigantic evil until we realize that war and peace are not roots but fruits. The Old Book is our truest guide here. It never shirks problems but faces them. "Whence come wars and rumors of wars? Come they not out of your own evil imaginings? Ye lust, ye covet, ye desire, ye kill." That goes right to the heart of the matter, and "lust" has a much larger connotation in Scripture than we ascribe to the word. "The work (or fruit) of righteousness shall be peace." Righteousness the opposite of crookedness! Does not that go to the heart of things? For any ultimate solution, we shall have to get back to the eternal laws of God, yea, further, to God himself. No mere economic measures will work out salvation for us. To say as the Jews of old did, "The bricks are fallen, but we will build again with hewn stones; the sycamores are cut down, but we will build again with cedars," is simply to affirm a rebuilding with the same materials, only stronger. Swords will not be beaten into plowshares, and spears into pruning hooks, until the mountain of the Lord's house is established in the top of the mountains, and all nations flow unto it and the peoples shall say, "Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths." We must put the sky in first.

Turning to the Christian church, we find that all is far from well. All is not well with our beloved Methodist Church. Dean Inge says that "every institution ends in stranglng the ideas which gave it birth." Methodism did run well, what has hindered it? May it not be that the heaven that was round about us in our infancy has receded from our view? May it not be that we are more concerned with things that are temporal than we are with things that are eternal?

Writing some thirty years ago, a distinguished scholar and preacher in the United States said of his age, that it was, to an amazing extent, concerned with the local and temporal in religion, and that to this aspect of religion more scientific attention had been given during the previous fifty years than in any similar period in the history of mankind. The concern, he said, was with the literature of religion, its texts, its documents, its compositions, and the history of these, and the ideas embodied in them. Valuable, however, as these are, he declared, they are not religion. They do not constitute the soil in which the soul develops. Little had been done towards a profounder vision of the Eternal.

Writing at a much later period, one of our own thinkers makes a similar affirmation. Religion, he says, "is being taken in hand with a thoroughness unknown in any previous age." The science, history, philosophy, and evo-

lution of religion are phrases well known to all educated persons. "Even sermons which used to be occupied in calling sinners to repentance are now largely devoted to the nature of religion, its origin, its conditions, its probable future, its relations to morality, to science, and to politics." Now, valuable as all this is, it is not the soil in which real saintliness can grow in beauty and and in strength. Learning and insight go together, but sometimes they part company. And of this I am sure, that if we are to make any real impact on the things of time and sense, if we are to comfort those who mourn, to strengthen the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees, and say to them that are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, fear not," we shall have to draw more deeply from the depths of eternity.

Lastly, and far more briefly than the subject deserves, we must face the gigantic tasks that are with us and before us with a far greater confidence in God, who alone giveth us a future and a hope; that God who is always to be found in the ultimates. In one of his books, Dr. L. P. Jacks tells us that he was once present at a series of "intelligent tests" carried out in a boys' school. A room had been prepared furnished with all sorts of things, and the boys had two minutes in the room to write out the things observed. After they came out, the masters, including two or three expert phychologists, went through the same test. The result showed that things visible monopolized the lists. More notable was the fact that only one mentioned the light which alone made the objects visible. Boys and experts alike overlooked the daylight.

Our danger is in overlooking God and all that we have in him through Christ Jesus. We talk too much about our problems. The apostles had their problems, but they did not talk about them. They did, however, talk a great deal of their resources. What a wealth of phrases they used! "The riches of his grace," "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me," "Thanks be to God, who always causeth us to triumph." The same resources are ours.

"Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number; he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that he is strong in power; not one faileth. Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God? Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? There is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fail; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

Put the sky first.—Zions Herald.

It is hard enough to make one Christian, harder still to make a Christian church. To make a Christian nation is a task to stagger the imagination; to make a Christian world may well seem all but impossible. Yet this is the goal which our religion sets us.—Wm. Adams Brown.

The reward of one duty is the power to fulfill another. —George Eliot.

A DESERVED TRIBUTE TO REV. E. M. AVETT OF MOCKSVILLE

The Winston-Salem Journal in its column "Personalities of the Northwest" carried a few days ago the following deserved tribute to Rev. E. M. Avett, a prominent member of the Western North Carolina conference who is now stationed at Mocksville.

Here is the Journal's story:

"There is perhaps not a man in Davie county who is better loved or more appreciated than is Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of Mocksville Methodist church. One fact as much as anything else that reveals the popularity of Rev. Mr. Avett in Davie is that he has not only served the church of Mocksville, but also the Davie Methodist circuit as pastor at different periods. Another thing, and this is perhaps the most outstanding reason why he is such a favorite with rural and townspeople alike, is that he never shirks an opportunity to be of service to his friends of the town of Mocksville and even the entire community. For the past four years he has been pastor of the Mocksville church. He is a native of Anson county. There he received about all the formal schooling that he ever obtained. He explains that he perhaps would have taken advanced education but for the fact that he had to help his widowed mother operate their farm and look after other younger members of the family. He took correspondence courses from colleges, even Greek, and not having gone to college, he was forced by necessity to become a keen student of many fields of learning. He is recognized today as a well prepared man, the result of faithful study and application on his part. In his young manhood he taught school a few years in Stanly, a county where he spent much of his early life. He entered the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church at Mount Airy in 1906. His first pastorate was Big Lick Mission in Stanly county. He has served pastorates in Rowan, Haywood and Mecklenburg counties. One unusual thing about his ministry, he thinks, is the fact that he has always served pastorates in Salisbury district every other time that he has been transferred. Before going to Davie he was pastor of the Cornelius church. Every summer he always assists his fellow pastors in revival meetings. His family consists of his wife, the former Miss Kate Jenkins of Gold Hill; four children, E. J. Avett of Virginia Beach, Frank Avett of Reidsville, Miss Helen Avett, a teacher at Wilkesboro, and Miss Elva Grace Avett, a sophomore at Greensboro College The Rev. Mr. Avett is a member of the executive committee of the board of finance and world service of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church."

BROTHER EUGENE HOOD READS HIS CHURCH DISCIPLINE

I have been reading the Doctrines and Discipline of the Methodist Church, 1940, and I was very much interested in what that book has to say about the duties of pastors as well as laymen with reference to alcoholic beverages.

Paragraphs 566 and 567 have this to say as to what the pastors shall do:

"Each pastor shall actively promote a vigorous program of temperance education in all departments of his church or churches, and members of both the church and the church school be urged to pledge themselves to total abstinence from all alcoholic beverages.

Each pastor should present the cause of temperance on or near World Temperance Sunday and take a free will offering for the General Board of Temperance."

Paragraphs 1205 and 1204 of the Discipline are an exact copy of what is stated above.

Evidently the church means what it says, as it repeats this command. It says, "Each pastor shall—(not may be privileged to)—actively promote a vigorous program of temperance education in all departments of his church or churches." There seems to be no pastor excepted, and it does not seem to be left up to the pastors to do what some of our legislators do, namely, ask for an exception as to their particular charge or constituency, as is done sometimes when a legislator wishes his constituency exempted from the provisions of some proposed law.

This Methodist law says "Each pastor shall," and I respectively submit that "each pastor should" do exactly what this portion of the Discipline commands. I make bold to also suggest that no pastor should hesitate to do what his church asks in fighting the liquor traffic—not even in an ABC county. And the larger the congregation, the more important it is that the pastor "shall" take the lead and not be afraid to let himself be counted.

We laymen are watching the preachers and praying for real leadership from the pulpit in this fight.

Eugene A. Hood.

HAIL AND FAREWELL

Mrs. Martha J. Westmoreland, church secretary, kindly writes:

"I'm enclosing copy of an editorial which appeared in the Goldsboro News-Argus, July 24, concerning our old janitor, Deems Bennett, who served St. Paul church for 17 years. He died July 21."

"It doesn't seem the same at the St. Paul Methodist church. Deems Bennett, Negro, for 17 years janitor at the church, died this week.

Deems was a faithful worker. Bitter cold Sunday mornings he was up by electric light and by 4:30 he was stoking his boilers. He tried every way he knew to save the church money, to make it comfortable for worshippers. He used to tell his friends that he had as soon be working about his beloved church as at home resting himself.

Deems was a religious man. After he performed his duties at St. Paul he attended services at his own church. For such occasions he regularly dressed himself in his Sunday suit.

At the News-Argus we always liked his smiling face as he brought the church announcements in. Always he looked so happy, so serene. It did one good just to greet him.

Deems developed heart disease. His steps grew more tottering. Finally a day came when he no longer was able to climb the steps to the news rooms. And we missed him.

Now he is gone and the people of St. Paul will miss him. We salute you, Deems, for the good man you were.

We know you will be happy in your new home if Saint Peter will assign you as janitor for some lovely church up there. You won't be happy just flying around and playing on harps all day."

MISS ZOE ANNA DAVIS IS BRIDE OF REV. A. FRANK PHIBBS

Miss Zoe Anna Davis of Oakwood, Texas, and Rev. A. Frank Phibbs of Leicester, N. C., were married Wednesday evening, August 20, at 8 o'clock in the Duke University Chapel, Durham. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of the school of religion officiated.

The chapel was decorated with palms, white lilies and asters, and cathedral candles. Mr. Paul Robinson, chapel organist, presented an organ progam. Mrs. Tom Wall of Liberty sang "I Love You Truly" and "The Sweetest Story Ever Told." Mr. Ed Parkinson of Greenville sang "At Dawning" and "O Promise Me." Traditional wedding marches were used. During the ceremony the organist played "O Perfect Love."

The bride entered the chapel with Mr. Eugene Chesson of Durham. The bride's dress was designed of white silk marquisette, trimmed with cluny lace. The fitted bodice had long sleeves shirred over the wrist, with a full skirt falling into a graceful train. The veil of illusion tulle hung from a coronet of seed pearls and extended the full length of the train.

The bride carried a prayer book, showered with white swansonia.

The bride was attended by Miss Flora Thompson of Raleigh as maid of honor. She wore a chiffon dress with sweetheart neckline, fitted bodice and full skirt that fell into a short train. The maid of honor carried a colonial bouquet of pink roses, blue delphinium, pink asters and rebrum lilies. In the center of the bouquet was a lighted candle. She wore a tieria of natural flower, matching the bouquet. The bridesmaids were Miss Sara Anna Maxwell of Pink Hill and Miss Anna Laura Beale of Pendleton. The bridesmaids wore identical dresses of pink satin fitted bodice, sweetheart necklace, and a full skirt of net. The skirts were trimmed with bands of satin. They wore tulle shoulder-length veils caught back with tiny bouquets of natural flowers. They carried colonial bouquets with blue dephinium predominating.

The bridegroom was attended by J. E. Broady of Claremont as best man. Ushers were Ralph Spencer and C. L. Bentley, Greensboro, nephews of the groom, and Clifford Brown of Asheville.

Mrs. Phibbs is a graduate of State College, Texas; Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.; and has done additional graduate work at Duke University and Union Seminary, N. Y. For the past several years she has been working as deaconess under the Methodist Board of Missions, serving as student secretary at William and Mary, Williamsburg; East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville; and West Texas State Teachers' College, Canyon, Texas.

Mr. Phibbs is a B.D. graduate of Duke University and is serving as pastor of the Methodist church, Leicester.

After the wedding trip they will be at home at Leicester, Route 1.

REV. S. J. STARNES LEADS ALL THE REST

In last week's Advocate we set out to the Methodists of our two conferences the heavy tax bill laid upon our church paper, and we made request that the pastors lead in securing the $1,889.37 to take care of this bill. We are relying upon the loyalty and devotion of these men to take care of this situation.

Sure enough the responses are coming in. Monday of this week a check for $19 came from Rev. S. J. Starnes, pastor of the Durham circuit, for new subscribers. He adds this sentence: "These are from McManneus and Pleasant Green churches on the Durham circuit. Bethany and Fletcher's Chapel will be heard from later."

Were every pastor to do as Starnes has done the debt would be paid and a far better day would dawn for our North Carolina Methodism with the enlargement of the Advocate's influence and the fresh sense of victory that would come.

On the same day of Brother Starnes' remittance came a fine token of helpfulness from Dr. J. E. Pritchard, pastor at Ramseur, who is one of our most faithful and careful workers for the Advocate. He enclosed $2.00 for his copy. Though he does not, as pastor, have to pay for it, he wants "to help the paper in every way possible."

The spirit displayed by Starnes and Pritchard is an index to what will follow.

OPENING OF NEW CHURCH AND HOME COMING NEXT SUNDAY AT PROVIDENCE CHURCH

Home coming day will be observed at Providence church, located seven miles from Salisbury on the Bringle's Ferry road, Sunday, August 31. This day will also mark the opening of our new church and the beginning of a week's revival. Rev. C. G. Isley, pastor, will direct the day's program. Dr. C. N. Clark, Salisbury district superintendent, will deliver the home coming sermon at 11 a.m. (EST). Special music will be a feature of the day's services.

Following a picnic lunch which will be served in the grove adjoining the church an afternoon service will be held. Rev. O. C. Loy of Greensboro, who will be with us for a week's revival beginning on this Sunday, will speak, followed by short remarks by former pastors and friends. The services during the week will begin at 7:30 (EST). The public is urged to attend each service.

The members of Providence are eagerly looking forward to this day, as it will mark the opening of the new church. In 1939 Rev. T. B. Huneycutt, at that time pastor of the church, the people had a vision of a modern new structure and work began. The old church was torn away and a new building has been erected.

The church is situated in a grove of stately oaks. The structure is of brick veneer, English design, and has stained glass memorial windows. A two-story educational building connects with the auditorium. This is the third church to be built on this lot, the first two being frame buildings. The history dates back to 1840.

The following pastors have served this church: W. S. Creasy, B. A. York, H. M. Blair, C. M. Gentry, W. L. Cutchen, A. L. Coburn, J. J. Brooks, W. F. England, J. P. Davis, P. W. Tucker, J. T. Stover, J. C. Mock, E. M. Avett, R. C. Kirk, J. H. Brendall, R. K. Brady, C. R. Allison, W. B. Thompson, R. L. Melton, E. N. Crowder, W. A. Kale, G. G. Adams, J. O. Cox, W. S. Smith, T. B. Huneycutt, and C. G. Isley.

C. G. Isley, Pastor.

APPOINTED TO GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACULTY

Miss Martha Kasey of Malden, Mo., has been appointed to the Greensboro College faculty and staff for the coming year. Miss Kasey received the A.B. degree from the University of Missouri, the B.M. degree from Chicago



Miss Martha Kasey

Musical College, where she has done most of her work for the Master's degree. Miss Kasey, contralto, a pupil of Graham Reed, has taught voice and piano privately and is experienced as conductor of glee clubs. She fills the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mrs. Harold deJager, the former Miss Helen Maddock.

WHY THE LOW MORALE IN THE ARMY?

Here are two answers for low morale. First:

"London, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Capt. Elliott Roosevelt dropped into a Wapping Wharf pub Friday night, quaffed ale with London East Enders and planted a resounding kiss upon the cheek of 60-year-old 'Auntie' Sue Cunningham, one of the establishment's regulars. It was during a tour of bombed ruins along the Thames that the President's son made his impromptu call. Quickly the crowd of dock-wallopers recognized him and the piano player swung into a rendition of 'Franklin D. Roosevelt Jones.'"

The second answer: The report out of Washington is that Senator Robert Reynolds called off his junket to Iceland because he would not go unless he could go upon a destroyer or some other huge unit of the navy. To the credit of Secretary Knox he informed the senator that these ships could not be spared from convoy duty to serve Senator Reynolds for a pleasure trip to Iceland at public expense.

Who is Captain Roosevelt? Who is Senator Reynolds? Captain Elliott Roosevelt is a commissioned officer in the United States Army and a son of the commander-in-chief of the army of the United States. Who is Reynolds? The chairman of the military committee of the Senate of the United States.

Permit us to insist that commissioned officers stay on the job in the army camps and that Bob Reynolds stay on the job in the Senate. In other words, let the reform begin at the top and the boys in the ranks will not be of low morale. The people of the United States are not all fools, not even a majority of them. They can see and hear what is going on in this country.

REV. THOMAS FILMORE McCULLOCH

Rev. Thomas Filmore McCulloch, age 90, retired Methodist minister of the Western North Carolina conference, fell asleep in Jesus on August 20, 1941. He had recently celebrated his 90th birthday anniversary at his home near the city limits of Greensboro, on the Tabernacle road.

He was born near Pleasant Garden, a son of Joseph T. and Sarah Julian Teague McCulloch. He joined Tabernacle Methodist church in his youth and became a Christian worker at an early age. At the time of his death he was a charter member of Calvary Methodist church, and his regular attendance at every service was an inspiration to pastor and congregation.

He received his higher education at Yadkin College and the University of North Carolina. Throughout his life he was a great reader and always kept abreast of the times and the work of the church.

At the age of 25 he was admitted to the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, in which during his lifetime he served more than 100 churches. He was an advocate of Methodist union. He always championed the cause of prohibition. Few were more loved than he by children and young people—he never grew old.

Rev. Thomas F. McCulloch was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Coe, who passed to her reward October 31, 1924. Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. H. A. Garrett, Mrs. J. F. Coble, Misses Velna Pearl, Mary Wills, and Sarah McCulloch, all of Greensboro; two brothers, C. E. McCulloch of Wilmington, and A. E. McCulloch of Pleasant Garden, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held in Calvary Methodist church, Greensboro, at 4 p. m. August 21, and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. C. Stubbins, assisted by Drs. J. E. Pritchard, J. D. Williams, S. W. Taylor and Rev. W. F. Ashburn. The body was laid to rest in Tabernacle cemetery, 10 miles south of Greensboro. R. C. Stubbins.

AN APPRECIATION OF ELIZABETH M. CARVER HALL

The funeral services of Mrs. M. D. Hall, the former Elizabeth McDonald Carver, were held at Oak Forest, her ancestral home, on Friday afternoon, August 22, 1941, and her body was laid to rest in the family burying ground near by.

Elizabeth Carver was born in a home where centered the best culture of the old South, where hospitality abounded and the choicest personalities have gathered for a full century.

As a child she played underneath giant oaks whose leafy branches stretched wide to make a fascinating shade; huge box woods outlined the walk in front of the house, and here she learned to love delicate china and rich old mahogany.

She was graduated from Greensboro College with the class of 1892. Soon afterwards she began teaching. In later years she married Mr. M. D. Hall of Fairfax, Virginia, who was engaged in educational work. She became his assistant, and enjoyed active participation in the work-a-day world of her adopted community.

After her husband's death tbout two years ago, she began to plan her return to her native state. In the early summer she took up her residence at the old home with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Seawell, whose children had been to her a continuous source of interest and joy through many years. After a brief illness she died on August 21.

Elizabeth Carver Hall was a woman who held tenaciously to the best in life. She possessed the will to achieve and under all circumstances she met life with courage and good cheer. Such women contribute to build a Christian civilization in any land. Epie S. Plyler.

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TO TREASURERS OF W. S. C. S. OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

A shipment of 2500 blanks for local treasurers' reports came to me recently from headquarters. I have just finished mailing them to our 653 treasures, in most instances sending four. As there were not enough to go around at that rate, some envelopes had only three. I have kept in reserve a few for new societies, if their treasurers will write me for them. A great many of you already had some of the last ones issued. It is perfectly all right to use them. You can write in "local work," which had been lef t off on these. The new blanks are more complete and the members of the committee on literature think they will be more satisfactory.

Your report is due October 1. The reports should come to me on that date or in late September. I have been receiving small amounts at irregular intervals, especially for "cash supplies." It will be much better for the superintendent of supplies to turn over such donations to the treasurer of her local society, and let them come to me with the regular quarterly report. You understand that these have to be forwarded to the treasurer of the woman's division. She prefers not having small checks sent to her through the quarter. It is much easier for her to handle the full conference report at one time, as it is easier for me to handle the full society report at one time. These contributions for supplies do not count on the pledge of a society or of the conference.

The reports for the first two quarters were most saitsfactory, totaling about half of our conference pledge. If we continue to work for the remainder of the year with all our might, I foresee a successful close of the year 1941. Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Treas.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILDS OF SALISBURY

The three Wesleyan Service Guild circles of First church, Salisbury, recently held a most interesting meeting for the purpose of organization and election of officers for the group as a whole. A picnic supper was served in the social rooms of the church to about 75 of these business women and girls.

Mrs. J. A. Rendleman, chairman of circle No. 1, presided. Appropriate worship services were conducted by R. B. Earnhardt, a member of circle No. 2. Mrs. W. B. West, adult advisor for circle No. 3, spoke briefly of the plan of organization and the aims and goals of the Wesleyan Guild. Mrs. W. H. Smith of circle No. 2 was elected president, Miss Frances Walton of circle No. 3, vice president, and Mrs. T. B. Harris of circle No. 1, secretary-treasurer.

It was decided to hold these joint meetings twice a year. Plans are being made to have Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, who is the conference secretary of Wesleyan Guilds, to speak to the group at a late fall meeting.

A TRIBUTE TO MISSIONARIES

By Henry Witt Crane

Considered as a whole the most useful group of persons of whom I know on this earth are Christian missionaries. No class of people, no particular profession, no single organization is making a more valuable contribution to the general welfare of the world than they.

The motive of the missionary is found to be about the most useful bit of seed corn in the soil of humanity. I know of but one group who is for human beings just because they are human beings, and that group is the missionaries. Missionaries are, as a rule, seeking to serve as the Master served. They are healing the sick, training the ignorant, steadily, persuasively and without violence they are spreading those fundamental principles of humanity, kindness, integrity, and courage upon which civilization rests. Best of all they are planting everywhere the only idea upon which any practical internationalism and perfect peace can be founded—the idea of universal brotherhood.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

Today as never before does God need women of complete intelligence and complete understanding of the whole missionary program. Only by study can we know the needs of the men, women and children at home and abroad. Today the secular world is calling loudly and incessantly for skilled laborers, so calls the church of God "where the harvest is white and the laborers are few"—and many of these few are unskilled. Christianity fighting in many lands for its very existence calls for women with souls big enough and minds trained well enough to accept responsibility for a world task. Are we going to fail our church and our Lord in this critical hour? "Knowledge is power"—grasp it and ask for help to use it wisely. Then with love and faith and courage go forth to be a skilled Christian laborer—a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed."—From Annual Report of Secretary Missionary Education.

OUR FINANCIAL AFFAIRS FOR 1941

It is interesting to note from the statement from Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, that "the reports for the first two quarters are satisfactory, totaling about one-half of our conference pledge for this year." What about the remaining two quarters? Will we not make a great effort to continue our gifts to this great work and have a "paid in full" record for 1941? The following story was told during the unusually impressive and inspiring pledge service at the annual meeting in Greensboro in April of this year: "In Kahlil Gabran's 'The Prophet' there occurs a little essay on 'Giving,' of which the following is a part: Then said a rich man, 'Speak to us of giving.' And he answered, 'You give but little when you give of your posessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give. For what are possessions but things that you keep and guard for fear that you may need them tomorrow? And what is fear of need but need itself? There are those who give little of the much they have and they give it for recognition, and their hidden desire makes their gifts unwholesome. There are those who have little and give it all. These are the believers in life and the bounty of life and their coffer is never empty. There are those who give with joy and that joy is their reward. There are those who give and know not pain in giving, nor do they seek joy, nor give with mindfulness of virtue; they give as in yonder valley the myrtle breathes its fragrance into space. Through the hands of such as these God speaks, and from behind their eyes he smiles upon the earth. Let each of us be found in the last class, and as we cast our gifts may we remember that He who sits over against the treasury gave himself for us."

OUR MISSIONARY PUBLICATIONS

"For information and inspiration" get The Methodist Woman, the official magazine of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Price 50 cents per year. Goal of subscriptions for 1941 in W. N. C. conference 3,475.

The World Outlook, the official magazine of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Read it and become acquainted with the entire World Service program of our church. Price $1.00 per year. Goal for 1941—3,475. Combination offer The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook, both for $1.25 per year.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate—official organ of the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences. Promotes the interests of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Let every local society support the Advocate. Price $2.00 a year; $1.00 six months.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS ON THE WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

Mrs. F. E. Branson, district corresponding secretary of Waynesville district, sends us the names of the new societies on her district organized during the first two quarters of 1941, with the name of the president of each:

Canton, First church, Mrs. Nannie Stiles; Louisa, Mrs. Beatrice Wallace; Long's church, Mrs. E. M. Hoyle; Robbinsville, Mrs. Ed Ingram; Fines Creek, Mrs. J. T. Shackford; Fincher's Chapel, Mrs. Jennings McCrary; Hazelwood, Mrs. Will Hyatt.

We thank Mrs. Branson for this information and hope to have the lists from the other secretaries as early as possible after the organizations are reported to them.

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CONCERNING LITERATURE

The new handbooks for which we have long been waiting have not yet been published. However, there are handbooks for each department of work of the W. S. C. S. and any changes which have been made since the organization meetings are included in the constitution and by-laws. On the back pages of each issue of The Methodist Woman are lists of books and other literature which are needed in order to promote the full program of work. Some of these are free and the others are sold at a nominal cost. There is no alibi, therefore, if our membership in the W. S. C. S. is not informed and interested in these first things of the kingdom of God.

THANKS AND MORE REQUESTS

Mrs. J. S. Chandler, president of the Soldiers' Service Club of Fayetteville, writes most appreciatively of the donations of cookies which the women throughout the N. C. conference have been sending for the Soldiers' Town Home. The Soldiers' Town Home is a community center—a home away from home—and is located in the former Hay Street Methodist church parsonage. The soldiers are using this center in increasing numbers and to great advantage. There they find books, magazines, games, musical instruments, food and a hearty welcome from the hostesses. Recently one of the boys whose home is in Ohio, received a message that his mother had undergone an operation for cancer. After purchasing his ticket for his home town he had only 35 cents left. The ladies at the town home gave him lunch, packed another for him and gave him $2 to use on his way home, since he would spend two days and one night en route. He was so grateful that he almost cried. These and many other services are being rendered by the hostesses at Soldiers' Town Home in Fayetteville and by those who donate the needful food and other materials for these services. With more than 60,000 soldiers at Fort Bragg the folk in Fayetteville are working through the churches, clubs and in every possible way to help them, and one can readily see that their means would be limited among so many who need aid. Let's rally to this Christian cause and work with these good Fayetteville women in their undertakings. Send all donations to Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Hay Street Methodist Church, Fayetteville, N. C.

IMPRESSIONS OF A MISSIONARY

Answering a query concerning his impressions as a missionary and the necessity for missions, Rev. H. E. Caldwell, missionary to China, told a group of folk at Lake Junaluska recently that there is something about being a missionary that gets hold of one. Said he: "A job too big to be done and they are doing it. A job too big because there are not enough people to do it. The missionaries are doing the jobs of four or five people—not perfectly, perhaps, but diligently. They are seeking to do the impossible, but the impossible can be done by the grace of God. There is something about the Chinese church that gets hold of one. In the institutional church they are doing the many things that we in America talk about doing. They are saying that as long as they have enough of the love of God in the heart of one man in China, Christianity cannot fail. There is something about the Chinese people that gets hold of one. It will take patience, grace, sense of divine destiny to rebuild China. We shall see the new sun of the inspiration arising in the east and moving eastward."

THE JURISDICTION: ITS PLACE

Mrs. J. W. Mills of Tyler, Texas, vice president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, told a large representation of women from the Southeastern Jurisdiction gathered at Lake Junaluska for the school of missions and missionary conference that our road is concrete and complex; that we have a definite goal and that we shall be able to work it out and find it better than anything we have had before. Speaking of the place of the jurisdiction, Mrs. Mills stated: "The jurisdiction has two functions, (1) to carry the message from the woman's division to the jurisdiction, the jurisdiction carrying it into conference and local societies; (2) the jurisdiction transmits messages from the local societies, districts and conferences to the woman's division. The division itself must not be so far removed from the local women and the division will try to make the work so that it will meet the needs of every woman. The division has plans and methods of relaying to the woman information about the work at home and foreign fields, and the jurisdiction must be the agent to relay this information. We are studying, working, praying, sacrificing together that the work may be planned and worked out for the best of the future." Speaking further of the woman's organization Mrs. Mills said: "We are the largest woman's organization in the world and when we think of what we are organized for we know that we can not let down one bit in our giving."

GET YOUR BOOKS—LET'S STUDY

Study leaders' meetings in September are being planned for each district. Watch the Advocate page for announcements. District secretaries will also send a notice to each society. We are urging all secretaries of missionary education to be present and others who plan to teach the fall study class, as well as secretaries of Christian social relations and local church activities, Wesleyan Service Guild, young women and girls' work, children's work and spiritual life leaders. Our fall topic, "Christians and World Order," is both timely and challenging. We must probe deep, face facts, study conditions, diagnose what is wrong with society today and begin now to make our contribution to a new Christian world order. Secure the text book, "A Christian Imperative," by Roswell P. Barnes, price 60 cents, and also Leaders' Helps, 25 cents. These may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va. Begin to collect clippings from magazines and papers, visit your town or city library for materials, prepare in advance to make this study really mean something in your society and church. We must put something into it if we get anything out of it. Some excellent supplementary books are: "What Kind of a World Do You Want?" by Ruth Seabury, 25 cents; "Builders of a New World," by Bartlett, 25 cents; "The Seed and the Soil," by Baker, 60 cents; "Christianity and Our World," by Bennett, 50 cents; "Toward a World Christian Fellowship," by Latourette, 50 cents; "Faith by Which the Church Lives," by Georgia Harkness, and "Through Tragedy to Triumph," by Matthews, 60 cents.—Mrs. Ben F. Boone, Conference Secretary Missionary Education.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The question "Who is responsible for inaugurating the new plans for missionary education of children in the local church?" may perhaps be in the minds of many interested folk, and there is danger that in some churches the responsibility may be either shifted or remain unshouldered. The council of children's workers, composed of the superintendent of the children's division of the church school, the superintendents of the departments of the children's division, secretary of children's work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the missionary education counselor, the pastor of the church and superintendent of the church school. In the small church, where it is not convenient to have all these folk, the council of children's workers should be composed of all workers with children with the pastor and superintendent of the church school. Very early in September, and, if possible, some time in August, the council should meet to study the new plans for missionary education of children and to determine how best to meet the situation as outlined by these plans. Before the meeting the leaflet, "The Plan for Missionary Education of Children in the Methodist Church," should be in the hands of the members of the council and the contents should have become familiar to them. The new plan goes into effect on October 1. Meeting with a group of children's workers at Lake Junaluska recently, Miss Ruby Van Hooser, secretary of children's work of the joint division of education and cultivation of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, told them that the new plan for missionary education of children has a unified approach and that we are trying to raise up a generation of boys and girls that will be conscious of a oneness.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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ARE YOU READY?

When as a boy in attendance with my good father upon protracted and camp meetings I used to hear them sing in thunderous tones "Are you ready for the judgment day?" I felt some uncertainty, if not a bit of fear, permeating my system. I have been trying to get ready ever since. It is right important to be ready for any big day. We would encourage our friends to be ready for the Children's Home day. It comes next Sunday.

THE BARREL OF FLOUR

Tom Little, superintendent of the Wadesboro church school, always sees to it that the Children's Home Sunday is well remembered. He reads about the Children's Home and talks the Children's Home to his school. He does it all with a smile. And, brethren and sisters, he gets the money. On last fifth Sunday in passing the plate by George F. Craig, a good Children's Home booster, George put in a dollar bill, remarking that that was all he had with him, but stating that if Tom would come by his roller mill he would give him a barrel of flour. Tom went and brought us the barrel of flour.

ASSESSING ABSENTEES

At First church, Charlotte, from whence a liberal fifth Sunday offering always comes, Robin Kirby, the Children's Home representative, and a few others, have formed the habit of assessing liberal givers double their usaul amount when they are absent on fifth Sundays. The assessments are always paid. Liberal givers never grunt.

PAYING THE PREACHER

We have started an agitation here at the Children's Home towards getting all our church pledges paid, at least enough to pay the preacher. We don't seem to be able to get any rain. It rains to the north of us, to the east of us, to the south of us and even to the west of us, but it doesn't rain on top of us. Whether or not the old saying holds good that paying the preacher will help bring a good rain, it is well enough to pay the preacher.

THE MARTIN BEQUEST

One of the clearest cut benefactions that has ever come to the Children's Home came to light in early August after the death of A. A. Martin, a very interesting citizen of Anson county. He made a will leaving everything he had to his wife, with whom he lived 52 years, during her life time, in the event he should die before she did. In the event she preceded him, which did happen, his estate was to go to entirety to the Children's Home. He passed away suddenly in an automobile accident, leaving an estate estimated to be worth $50,000, most of which is in cash, to the Children's Home. This munificent gift will doubtless be set aside by our board of trustees as a Martin endowment, the income from which will indefinitely help make a good home for homeless children.

NELSON AWAKES

Ten-year-old Nelson came back from visiting his sponsors at Woodleaf, members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, rather late at night. He was visibly affected when goodbye's were being said. About two o'clock in the morning Nelson appeared at this scribe's room door, having gained access to uor home through an gained access to our home through an hand. After the excitement of the moment had passed Nelson confided, "Pop, I can't sleep. I have been used to a pillowy bed during the past week."

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AUBREY CAKES

Aubrey is a great big, handsome boy. He is a good cook. He can make good cakes. Last week while the boys were filling the silo on one of the hottest days Aubrey failed to show up after dinner at his job of lifting heavy-eared, long-topped corn stalks on the truck. Inquiry revealed that Aubrey had gone to the kitchen in the Gray building, where the girls live, to make and bake a cake for his home mother, Mrs. Tanner, in celebration of her birthday. The boys aren't quite certain whether Aubrey's love for Mrs. Tanner or his dislike of stinging worms had more to do with the baking of that cake.

THE BELL RINGS

The ten per cent apportionment bell has gone to ringing. It rang last week and it rings this week. Join us in grateful thanks to the following for having pulled the bell cord:

Balfour, Fletcher circuit, Rev. N. G. Bethea.

Central, Mooresville, Rev. J. W. Moore.

Grace, Grace-Rhodhiss, Rev. J. Max Brandon.

Linville, Table Rock circuit, Rev. V. P. Crowder.

Maple Springs, Forsyth - Maple Springs, Rev. R. A. Hunter.

THANKS, JESSE

The following greatly appreciated letter comes from Rev. Jesse G. Wilkinson, pastor of the Dallas charge, relative to one of our girls who was given a vacation by the good women of his congregation: "Elizabeth Mullis came, stayed with us for a while and is now on her way back to the Children's Home. Her fine example and influence abides, though she has returned. Elizabeth conducted herself in such a way as to win the love and respect of all. She entered so wholeheartedly and appreciatively into the life of the church and the community that we have regarded it as a privilege to have her here with us. The Children's Home and its work is in high favor here because she demonstrated in life and conduct the highest ideals and attitudes of the institution that has had her under its care. We congratulate you on turning out such worthy young people."

A MOTHER'S POST SCRIPT

On a little piece of scrap paper on which is printed "Don't say it—write it," Mrs. J. Max Brandon writes as follows relative to her son who got started in the Morganton high school while the Brandons lived in Morganton: "Our boy, Walter, started practice yesterday for football. He has been quarterback for three years at Morganton. They won the western championship for two years. Out of the twelve games last year he was only out for five minutes. He will play for Morganton again this year. He was captain of the basket ball squad and co-captain of the baseball squad. He played baseball in the Blue Ridge league this summer, where he has a batting average of .436." Where is the fellow who said all preachers' boys are bad?

OUR NEW COMERS

We are in the midst of receiving new members into the Children's Home family. Two came Saturday and five came today. Additional members will come until the number has grown to twenty-five or thirty. Having cleared our waiting list a month ago, we are now accumulating another one. This is the time of the year when pressure is unusually great for the admittance of children into orphanages. School time is drawing near and the winter is approaching. Children who could get along some way during the summer cannot easily be provided for without a good home in the winter. We will go along providing for as many as we can in the hope that our friends will approve such action.

Two things are bad: "too much" and "too little."—Proverb.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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MRS. RIVES—It is quite pleasing to visit the churches that recently came into our work. Pine Bluff was our appointment Sunday morning. Dr. William A. Parsons is pastor there. We had an appreciative hearing. Lemon Springs was our evening work. Rev. D. L. Fouts and congregation greeted us cordially.

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PEACHES—I do not have enough space in the Advocate to express my appreciation to the many friends who remember the Orphanage with valuable donations. Among the friends who remember us from time to time is Brother James May who lives near LaGrange. Last week Brother May brought us a load of the nicest peaches as I have ever seen. Our children have enjoyed the treat immensely. Such tangible expressions of good will and love by Brother May and other staunch friends mean much to our children.

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HIGH PRIVILEGE — Our many friends throughout the conference have a high and holy privilege to remember our three hundred children on this coming Sunday, which is the fifth Sunday. Every church school in the North Carolina conference has a splendid opportunity to render altruistic service where it is needed and appreciated most. I want to thank the Sunday school superintendents, teachers and officers for remembering the Methodist Orphanage this coming Sunday. We have been forced to borrow $10,000 to meet our operating expenses and a "lift," when our need is so imperative, will be sincerely appreciated. I have a feeling that our Sunday schools are going to do their best for us because they love and appreciate our boys and girls.

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A PROPOSED PLAN — Traveling over the conference I find that there is a growing conviction, particularly among our pastors, that the annual conference should provide a balanced budget for the maintenance of the Orphanage. Such a plan would do away with so many special appeals from the Orphanage. It is my purpose to call the conference Orphanage committee and the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Orphanage to meet at an early date to discuss the plan pro and con. If the consensus of opinion is in favor of such a plan, it will be submitted to the conference to take such action as it deems wise. There is no disposition on my part or the conference Orphanage committee or the trustees of the Orphanage to resort to any high pressure method to get the conference to adopt a unified budget for the Orphanage. I think it is perfectly obvious that a more satisfactory method for securing sufficient funds to operate the Orphanage is a wise one. Regardless whether a new plan is adopted or the old one continued, I shall gladly abide by the decision of the annual conference, whose responsibility it is to determine the policy that governs the Methodist Orphanage.

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As the time draws near for me to part from the Methodist Orphanage, which has been my home for the past eleven years, I would like to thank you for your kindness and faithfulness to me.

August 29, 1930, two years after the death of my dear father, I came to the Orphanage to make it my home. Since then I have received clothes from the Ladies' Aid Society of Fairmont, to whom I am deeply indebted for their love and kindness toward me.

I would like to speak of Daddy Barnes as one of the best men I have ever known. He has been my chum, friend, companion, and daddy during the years of my life at this home. Mr. Barnes has had hundreds of young boys and girls to come under his wing and then, after graduating leave, but he never forgets them and the time he has spent with them. I am happy to know that I am one of the hundreds who have had the opportunities that are offered at his home.

I would also like to thank all the matrons, teachers and other workers of the home who have made me happy while I was at the Orphanage.

Now that I have graduated from school, I am ready to go out into this large world and make the best of my life. After my training in this home, I feel that I am stronger against temptations and other problems that one has to face during life.

Again I would like to thank the friends of the churches, the home, and others over the state for the opportunities they have made possible for me.

Wade Holmes.

CHINESE CHURCH IN MANILA

A Chinese church in Manila, the Philippine Presbyterian, is an old bare unattractive building, yet a congregation of 700 Chinese meets on the second floor three times on the Sabbath and at other times for prayer and Bible study. During the week, two or three prayer meetings are held in the church and at homes. On the Sabbath each member comes to the church with his own Bible and hymn book. The sermons are Bible expositions. The church supports a pastor, an assistant pastor and two Bible women who do evangelistic work. A gospel band of 40 women do excellent service in teaching and preaching to women who do not go to Christian churches.

More tears are shed in playhouses than in churches.—Guthrie.

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YOUTH ASSEMBLIES

With an enlarged program our youth assemblies have had enrolled 864 registered delegates from approximately 300 churches. Visiting young people and adult leaders of youth who served in the assemblies would give us a total of almost one thousand young people and their adult leaders in our summer assemblies. It might be added that through youth activities weeks in local churches, in sub-district groups, in district retreats, and in regional groups approximately three thousand of our youth have been reached in our summer program. Our growth has been of a consistent and steady type and we believe that present interest and enthusiasm is indicative of continued growth in the future.

Even more significant than the increase in attendance, however, is the fine spirit that dominates the young people who attend the assemblies. We are led more and more to believe that the majority of the young people at the assemblies are desirous of finding the way of life that is Christian, and to go back into their local communities and live that way both by example and service. They are keenly aware, however, of the need of adult guidance in their local churches when they would put into operation the things that their interest and enthusiasm would determine. We trust that our adult leaders of youth will recognize the joyful privilege and the responsibility that is theirs in giving the guidance and help that their young people need and are seeking.

THE METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Methodist Youth Fellowship is "the name for all Methodist youth in all levels and including all groups, student as well as general youth work. Methodist youth are one within the Methodist Youth Fellowship." In short all persons identified with the Methodist Church within the ages of 12 to 23, inclusive, compose the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

The Fellowship operates in local churches as the Young People's Division formerly operated with a few changes. It functions in the Sunday school and in evening meetings of young people. The name Epworth League may be maintained for the evening meeting, but beyond the local church the term Epworth League is not projected. Instead of six standing committees through which the young people formerly carried on their work there are now four commission areas that serve a similar purpose. These commissions are: Worship and Evangelism, World Friendship, Community Service and Recreation. A series of manuals and pamphlets have been prepared that give full details about the youth organization and the commission areas. A list of some of these with a brief description of each is listed below. Other materials will be found listed in the pamphlet, "A Guide to Program Materials." Free materials may be secured from the Board of Education, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C., or from the Service Department, General Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Charge materials should be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

Youth Department Manuals

2004-H. The Methodsit Youth Fellowship in the Small Church, 15 cents. A general guide book for leaders on organization and program in the youth division which is not divided into departments.

2002-H. Senior and Young People's Department Manual, 15 cents. A guide book on organization and program for leaders of age group 15-23 in the youth division which is large enough to be subdivided into departments.

2003-H. Intermediate Department Manual, 20 cents. A general guide book on organization and program for leaders of the age group 12-14 in the youth division which is large enough to be subdivided into departments.

2005-H. Worship and Evangelism for Youth, 20 cents. For guidance of commission on worship and evangelism in the youth division.

2006-H. World Friendship for Youth, 20 cents. For guidance of commission on world friendship in the youth division.

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VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL REPORTS, 1941

Below we are listing the vacation church schools which have been reported to the conference office to date. If you do not see that the school held at your church is listed, please see that the conference office receives the report very soon.

Durham district—
Burlington: Davis Street, Fountain place, Webb Avenue, Front Street.
Carrboro: Carrboro, Orange.
Glen Raven: Glen Raven, Holt's.
Leasburg: Leasburg, Union, Salem, Bethel.
Mebane: Central.
Mebane: First church.
Milton: Milton, Semora, New Hope, Connally.
Person Ct.: Woodsdale, Oak Grove, Warren's Grove.
Yanceyville: Shady Grove, Prospect, Bethel, Locust Hill.
Elizabeth City district—
Ahoskie.
Aulander: Aulander, Roxobel.
Chowan: Evans, Anderson.
Creswell: Creswell, Mt. Hermon, Mt. Elmer.
Currituck: Mt. Zion.
Elizabeth City: First church.
Hatteras.
Hertford.
Kennakeet: Fair Haven, St. John's.
Kitty Hawk.
Manteo: Mt. Olivet.
Moyock: Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial.
North Gates: Savages, Kittrells, Parker's.
Pasquotank: Union, New Begun.
Perquiman's: New Hope, Oak Grove, Epworth, Woodland.
Plymouth.
South Mills: Trinity, Sharon's, McBride's, Newland.
Stumpy Point-Dare: Stumpy Point, Mann's Harbor.
Wanchese.
Windsor: Windsor, Cashie.
Fayetteville district—
Aberdeen-Vass: Aberdeen.
Laurel Hill: Laurel Hill, Sneed's Grove.
Maxton.
Mt. Gilead.
Rockingham Ct.: W. Rockingham.
Sanford.
Stedman: Cokesbury, Bethany.
Troy.
New Bern district—
Atlantic: Atlantic, Cedar Island, Williston.
Aurora: Aurora, Campbell's Creek.
Ayden: Ayden.
Beaufort.
Dover: Dover, Asbury.
Goldsboro: St. Paul.
Goldsboro Ct.: Salem.
Grimesland: Grimesland, Wharton, Salem.
Hookerton: Hookerton, Rainbow, Maury.
Jones: Trenton.
Kinston: Queen Street.
Marshallburg-Straits: Marshallburg.
Morehead City.
Mt. Olive-Calypso: Mt. Olive.
Newport: Newport, Riverdale, Bachelor.
Oriental: Oriental, Pamlico.
Pikeville-Elm St.: Pikeville, Elm Street.
Vanceboro: Epworth, Vanceboro.
Raleigh district—
Cary-Apex: Apex, Cary.
Fuquay Springs: Fuquay Springs.
Franklinton.
Henderson: First.
City Road: White Memorial.
Millbrook: Millbrook, Knightdale, Wake Forest.
Newton Grove: Ebenezer, Maple Grove, Hopewell, Mt. Moriah.
Oxford.
Princeton: Princeton.
Raleigh: Edenton St., Fairmont.
Selma.
Smithfield.
Stem: Stem, Calvary, Robert's Chap.
Tar River: Plank Chapel.
Vance Ct.: Spring Valley, Flat Rock, Gillburg.
Rocky Mount district—
Conway: Bethany.
Farmville.
Halifax: Halifax.
Littleton: Littleton.
Northampton: Northampton, Rehobeth, Lasker.
Roanoke Rapids.
Rocky Mount: Clark Street, First.
Spring Hope.
Walstonburg.
Whitakers: Whitakers, McTyeire, Battleboro.
Wilmington district—
Burgaw: Burgaw, Rocky Point, Herring's, Jordan's, Watha.
Elizabeth: Trinity, Singletary, Clarkton, Union, Wesley Chapel.
Fairmont: Trinity, Bethesda, Olivet.
Lumberton: Chestnut Street.
Lumberton Ct.: Buie, Pembroke.
Southport.
St. Paul's: St. Paul's, Barker, Regan.
Swansboro: Swansboro, Oak Grove, Bethlehem.
Whiteville.
Wilmington: Epworth, Fifth Avenue, Trinity, Wesley Memorial.

THE RECEDING HORIZON

Editor The Christian Century:

Sir: When you were a small boy did you consider a man of thirty to be in or nearing old age? And did you pity the man of fifty as if his day was over? You had a certain horizon which bounded life, but as you grew in stature that horizon receded, and now I imagine your horizon is no longer at 50 or even 60 degrees. And if, as I hope you will, you receive honor as a nonagenarian, you will then fix your attention upon the 100's.

When I first went to school I remember a master, to whom I owe gratitude, who looked, being bearded, a very senior man. That is well over 50 years ago and that man in full vigor of mind and spirit is still busy in the best of all services. I had the horizon of a small boy, but when I ceased to be a child, I put away at least that childish thing. The horizon has receded far, very far.

I have the deepest reverence for the psalmists of Israel, but I do not consider that they were fixing a standard horizon when they (or he) said, "The days of our years are threescore and ten." I can only regard this as an attempt to give a rough estimate of things as they were in Israel B.C. I am disposed to say to my friends in their sixties, "You are drawing near to the term of this mortal life. It is past 11 o'clock, and you must soon go to sleep." On the contrary, I should bid them consider the mighty men of 80. And when they reach 80 they will remember that 90 hath yet its honor, though I cannot recall much famous work that was done in the nineties since the days of Methuselah and his kind.

But the nineties at once become an object of interest to their friends and acquaintances. It has been truly said that there are many ways to fame, most of them hard to tread and very easy to miss, but the one certain way is that of longevity. Old Parr was not a great character, but he is remembered because he lived to 150. And do you recall that aged Turk who flew in an airplane anud declared that it was his most thrilling experience since fighting against Napoleon in Syria? That is fame.

If and when a man reaches 90, his own kindred will not change their regard and love for him; but his fellow townsmen and his acquaintances will have a new sporting interest aroused in them. They will speculate upon the chances whether or not he will reach 100. He will have a new and powerful interest. They will look upon his as trainees look upon a winner being prepared for a great event. And when he gets to 99, the excitement will be tremendous. And alas! he may share it. He is nearing the last horizon as he had come to see it. But if he passes that, will there be no other?

Do you think with Bernard Shaw that we do not live long enough, or ought to go back to Methuselah? If seventy, eighty or one hundred must be taken as the horizon, I am sure he is right. But if there waits for us a "far more eternal weight of glory," and if we are in the lower school only, I do not see why we should try to cram into our short life what belongs to the life beyond the last horizon.

Ever yours pondering,
Quintus Quiz.

THE MULE

What is this animal?
This is a mule.
Do you see the mule?
Yes, I see the mule.
What is the mule doing?
He is showing his teeth.
What else is he doing?
He is laying his ears back.
What does that mean?
It means he is going to kick.
Why does a mule kick?
Because he is a mule.
What is a mule for?
To work and pull loads.
Can he pull loads when he kicks?
No, he cannot.
Then why does he kick?
So he won't have to pull.
Do you know he is not pulling?
Yes, I know he is not pulling.
How do you know he is not pulling?
Because he is kicking.
Give me a sentence about kicking mules.
Kicking mules do not work. Working mules do not have time to kick.

Of course we are not mules—we are not even making the comparison. But there is a lesson to be learned from the primer above, which is that we should be so busy at our work that we have no time to find fault with others. We should be pulling so hard ourselves that we do not notice that perhaps others are shirking. If we are sincere in discovering our own faults, we will have no time to confess other people's sins. Censoriousness, ill-temper, bitterness, are a few of the things we should try to get out of our natures. Above all things a Christian should be good natured, always ready to do more than is required, and do it with a smile.—Rev. H. C. Benjamin, in The Churchman.

A MARRIED MAN

1. My wife is my boss; I shall not deny it.

2. She maketh me to lie down under the car to see what maketh it rattle, and she leadeth me to every antique sale she hears about.

3. She restoreth my pocketbook after she has emptied it. She leadeth me up the main aisle for her hat's sake.

4. Yea, though I walk through every store trying to find a new shoulder strap for her old handbag, I get no rest, for she is behind me with a lashing tongue that does anything but comfort me.

5. She prepareth a cold snack for me out of a can. Then she maketh a straight line for the Mother's Domestic Science Club. She anointeth my head with a rolling pin. My arms run over with bundles before she is half through shopping.

6. Surely her dressmaker's and millinery bills shall follow me all the rest of the days of my life and I shall dwell in the house of my wife forever. —Boy Scout News.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

John Urges Christian Love

The Epistle of John

As one reads the First Epistle of John he notes that the same thoughts seem to be repeated over and over. But it is not a monotony springing from lack of ideas, but the monotony of cannon firing in the presence of a formidable enemy. During a battle men do not strive for a variety like that of a chime of bells; they strive for repeated hits.

In John's day as in ours there was great confusion of thought as to just what Christianity was and stood for, and on all sides were highbrows ready to compress the Christian religion into a capsule and say, When you have taken this you have taken the whole thing. John knew that Christianity was too great and many-sided a thing to put into a capsule, and yet too simple to need any learned jargon to express it. The common man, through the Holy Spirit, was abundantly able to make all the tests required to assure himself as to whether he was walking in the light. He did not need to go to any philosophical specialist.

You have an anointing, he says, of moral good sense, and it teaches you all things. The chemists have a paper they call the litmus paper. If a slip of this paper is dipped into any kind of acid, it immediately turns red. This epistle might be called the spiritual litmus paper by which an ordinary man, dipping it into his life, may find whether or not he is the real thing.

The first test that John gives is, Do you love? We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren. And he means here not merely the charming and altogether agreeable brethren, but also those who are at times very trying. There are many counterfeit lovers. Some people are so constituted physically and emotionally that they overflow with kindly feeling, so much so that they cast their pearls before swine, and give that which is holy unto the dogs. Give some men a drink, and how generous they become! We all know the man who seems to be kindness itself, but can never under any circumstances be counted on to stand bravely on a moral issue.

So we must test our love and find whether it is the true thing by asking another question, Do we keep the commandments? Is our love tempered with righteousness? A man may have a vivid artistic imagination and a fine sense of color, but if he is no draftsman he will never paint a good picture. Our love must have about it the draftsmanship of genuine righteousness.

Another test, says John, as to whether you are walking in the way of truth, is this. Has God given you of his Spirit? Do you find yourself reinforced in hours of weakness, guided as by an inner voice in hours of perplexity, empowered in times of danger and voice? If so, then you are a true child of God.

But alas! we know some people who feel confident that they have been baptized in the Holy Ghost, but how bigoted and patronizing is their attitude toward the rest of us! And while they thrill with great emotions, they are not reliable when the emotion subsides. We need to test our so-called spirituality, and ask whether it has made us humble, co-operative, and ready to do our duty in spite of darkness and depression. For the baptism of the Spirit is not primarily a thrill, it is a state of grace that enables a man to be good without a thrill.

Another test which John gives is this. Do we believe that Jesus has come in the flesh? Or, in other words, do we believe that there has been an actual incarnation ,and are we so thrilled by the fact that our thoughts are centered around it?

When this letter was written there was a wide spread tendency to say that the sufferings of Christ were only appearances, our Lord was too divine to suffer. Today the tendency is just the opposite. Men readily acknowledge his real humanity, but doubt his divinity. But the true evangel is that a divine Saviour was tempted in all points like we are, yet without sin. And no man can really call himself a Christian who is not awed in wonder and gratitude before the great fact that in Christ Jesus God was manifest in the flesh.

THE HOUSE OF GOD

By Bess De Vries

Yonder spire points skyward
Beckoning man to God—
  Forget all care;
  Leave toil and sorrow.
  Hearts at prayer
  Fear not the morrow—
In the house of God!

The organ's solemn voice
Is heard as we draw nigh—
  Give ear to Him
  In this retreat;
  Labor and sin
  Meet with defeat
In the house of God!

The voice of Consecration
Speaks to list'ning hearts:
 "Thy God extol
  In song and thought,
  Eternal soul,
  For mercies wrought"
In the house of God!

Heavenly manna ever given,
In this holy place—
  His word, so plain,
  Tells us, "This do;
  Constant remain!
  Always be true
To the will of God!"

—The Banner.

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Children's Storyland



BE PROUD OF YOUR MOTHER

"Look! That's Grace Hunter's mother!" Phoebe looked, and her face changed strangely. Mrs. Hunter stood on the sidewalk, giving some directions to a servant, while at the curb the chauffeur waited. She was a handsome woman, dressed richly and in good taste. She was nearing forty, but she looked ten years younger.

"Isn't she the prettiest thing you ever saw in your life?" murmured Mamie Waring in Phoebe's ear. "I guess Grace must be awufIly proud of her."

Phoebe made a brief assent. She was trying to fancy what it would be like to have a mother one could be proud of, a mother of such graceful erectness, with hair elaborately dressed and rose-pink cheeks. Phoebe had always thought of mothers as a little round-shouldered, with tired wrinkles about their eyes and faded complexions. In Phoebe's world the mothers did not have much time to spend on their hair. At six o'clock in the morning it was screwed into a tight "pug" that was expected to keep in order till bedtime.

The two girls came abreast of the automobile as Mrs. Hunter took her seat and her careless glance met their eager young eyes indifferently. Mrs. Hunter was used to being stared at. Unconsciously she settled herself as if she were posing for a picture, gave the word of command, and the car whirled away. "That's a stylish hat she has on," Mamie said. "Would't you be proud, though, if you had a mother who looked like that?"

The question haunted Phoebe. Somehow she could not get away from the thought that she had been almost defrauded. How would it seem to have a mother like Mrs. Hunter, a beautiful mother, on whom one's eyes could rest with the same pleasure one felt in looking at a picture or a rosebud in bloom? Phoebe loved a beautiful thing with a passion which was perhaps all the more intense because it never was put in words. The mere sight of Grace Hunter's beautiful mother had made her heart beat hard and fast. Oh, if only she, too, had a mother of whom she could be proud!

The house was very still when Phoebe entered. In a minute she remembered the reason. There was sickness in a neighbor's famliy. Her mother had spent most of the night there, coming home in the early morning to get breakfast for the family, and hurrying through the house work for the day. It was a plain, poor little home, but scrupulously neat, very different in its look of daintiness and order from most of the houses in the row.

Deaconess walked in as Phoebe was hanging up her coat, and Phoebe welcomed her with effusion, for the deaconess, in spite of her plain uniform, was a beautiful woman, though her beauty was not in the least like that of Grace Hunter's mother. She was fond of fun, too, this deaconess, and when she smiled a dear little dimple was in evidence now as she greeted Phoebe.

"Good afternoon, my dear! Is your mother home?"

"She's at Mrs. Gray's, I guess. They're all sick again. Mother stayed there last night and Sunday night.

The deaconess drew a long breath. "Phoebe," she exclaimed, "you must be very proud of your mother!"

The remark chimed in so strangely with Phoebe's thoughts, and yet contradicted them so absolutely that Phoebe had no answer but a stare. But the deaconess was not waiting for an answer.

"I wonder if you realize, Phoebe, what your mother's life means to her neighbors here. No, you cannot realize it; one of us can. If ever I feel discouraged, I think of her, of her beautiful, helpful life, of the sacrifices she is all the time making, as a matter of course, and then I'm ashamed of being disheartened. You are a fortunate girl, my dear, to have such a mother. I only hope you are as proud of her as she deserves."

The deaconess did not stay long. "I'll go over to Mrs. Gray's and send your mother home for a rest," she said in her decided way, and as the trim figure went out of the door, Phoebe was thinking hard. It was all true; what the deaconess had said. When any of the neighbors were sick or in trouble they turned to Phoebe's mother. It was due to her that Jim Leary had signed the pledge. It was she who had interceded with the judge when Johnny Stone was arrested for stealing. From this litlte, plain, shabby house a constant stream of helpfulness flowed out into the needy neighborhood.

The door opened and a woman entered. She was not young, and she looked many years older than her actual age. She moved a little stiffly. Her lined face was very weary. But the eyes had a shining brightness that was like clear sunshine.

"Little Willie is better," said Phoebe's mother. "I thought last night we were going to lose him, but now it looks to me as if he will pull through." She went to the stove to see if it needed more coal, but on the way she was intercepted by a girl whose face was glowing.

"Mother! O Mother!" Phoebe cried, slipping her arm about the dear bowed shoulders, "why didn't I ever know before how beautiful you are!"—Richmond Christian Advocate.

A BOY IN THE HOUSE

A gun in the parlor, a kite in the hall,
In the kitchen a book, a bat and a ball;
On the sideboard a ship, on the book-
case a flute,
And a hat for whose ownership none
would dispute;
And out on the porch, gallantly
prancing nowhere,
A spirited hobby-horse paws at the
air;
And a well-polished pie-plate out there
on the shelf
Near the tall jelly jar, which a mis-
chievous elf
Emptied as slyly and slick as a mouse,
Make it easy to see there's a boy in
the house.

A racket, a rattle, a rollicking shout.
Above and below, around and about;
A whistling, a pounding, a hammering
of nails,
The building of houses, the shaping of
sails;
Entreaties for paper, for scissors, for
string,
For every unfindable, bothersome
thing;
A bang of the door, and a dash up the
stairs
In the interest of burdensome business
affairs,
And an elephant hunt for a bit of a
mouse,
Make it easy to hear there's a boy in
the house.

—Author unknown to us.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

The teacher told the class to rewrite the following sentence using their own words, but retaining the original meaning:

"A wink is as good as a nod to a blind horse."

Here is the answer that one girl handed in:

"A spasmodic movement of the optic is as adequate as a slight inclination of the cranium to an equine quadruped devoid of its visionary capacities."—Exchange.

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Teacher—Tommy Simpson, have you any good excuse for being late this morning?

Tommy—Yes—we had waffles and syrup for breakfast.—Pathfinder.

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Teacher—"Which boy can tell me what it is that comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb?"

Shorty — "Please, Teacher, it's our landlord when he gets the rent."

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Teacher—Johnny, what do you consider the greatest accomplishment of the ancient Romans?

Johnny—Speaking Latin.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

West Burlington, 11 31
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 3 31
Graham, 7:30 31

September

Mebane, Central, 7:30 3
Eno, 7:30 4
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 11 7
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 3 7
Branson, 7:30 7
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Calvary, 7:30 10
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

August

Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 31

September

Ahoskie-Basnight Memorial, 11 7
North Gates, Savages, 3 7
Hertford, night 7
Murfreesboro, Winton, 11 14
Edenton, night 14
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 1:30 20
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 21
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 21
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 21
Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Stedman, Bethobara, 11 31
Fayetteville, Downing St., 3 31
Fayetteville, Gardner's, 8 31

September

Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 7
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 3 7
Fayetteville, Hay St., 8 7
Hemp, Tabernacle, 11 14
Clendon, Fair Promise, 3 14
Raeford, 8 14
Laurinburg, 11 21
St. John, 3 21
Aberdeen, 8 21
Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Ocracoke, 11 31

September

Straits-Harkers Island, 11 7
Marshallburg, 7:30 7
Atlantic, 11 14
Beaufort, 7:30 14
Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Wilson, 8 2
Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 31

September

Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 7
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 7
Louisburg, 8 10
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 11 14
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 14
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 15
Selma, 8 17
Henderson, First Church, 11 21
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 3...21
Oxford, 8 21
Vance, Gillburg, 8 24
Benson, Benson, 11 28
Erwin, Erwin, 8 28

October

Louisburg Ct., Shiloh, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 17
Whiteville, 8 20
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 24
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, W. Mem., 8 24
Warsaw-Magnolia, Turkey, 8 29
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, 11 31

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 10
Whiteville, 8 10
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Fairview, Sharon, 11 31
Acton, Oak Hill, night 31

September

Central Church, Asheville 1
Biltmore, night 2
Asbury Memorial, night 3
Hot Springs, Antioch, night 4
French Broad Avenue, night 5
Ivy, 11 7
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 7
Haywood Street, night 8
E. Flat Rock, night 9
Tryon, night 10
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 12
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14

Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

August

Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 29
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 11 31
Weddington, Bond's Grove, 3 31
Trinity, 8 31

September

Matthews, 8 1
Calvary, 8 3
Wesley Heights, 8 5
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 7
Prospect, Midway, 3 7
Morven, Morven, 8 7
Ansonville, Ansonville, 8 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 10
Dilworth, 8 12
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 11 14
Polkton, Poplar Hill, 3 14
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 14
Chadwick, 8 15
Spencer Memorial, 8 17
Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

The Charlotte District Check-up Meeting, Monday, September 29, 7:30 p. m., First Church, Charlotte.

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND
REGULAR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

August

Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 31
Dobson, Dobson, 3 31
Bryant Memorial, night 31

September

Sparta, night 3
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 7
Jefferson, night 7
Wilkesboro, 11 14
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 3 14
North Wilkesboro, night 14
Boone, night 17
Watauga, night 18
Creston, night 19
Green Valley, night 20
Warrensville, 11 21
Todd, Blackburn's, 3 21
Jenesville, night 21
Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 28

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D. S., 506 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bessemer, 8 27
Ruffin, 3 30
Flat Rock, 11 31
District League of Stewards, Mt. Pleasant, 3 31
Calvary, 8 31

September

Centenary, 8 1
College Place, 8 3
Reidsville Ct., 11 6
Haw River, 11 7
Stokesdale, 3 7
St. Paul, 8 7
West Market, Q.C., 7:30 8
Newlyn Street, 7:30 10
Guilford Ct., 7:30 13
Gibsonville, 11 14
Shady Grove, 3 14
Proximity, 7:30 14
Glenwood, 7:30 15
West Greensboro, 7:30 17
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Lowesville, 11 30
Mayle-Smyre, 11 31
McAdenville, night 31

September

Gastonia, Main Street, night 2
Mount Holly, night 3
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 7
Lincolnton First Church, night 7
Gastonia, West End, night 10
Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

September

Ward Street, 7 3
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Archdale, 7 10
Farmer, 11, N.H. 14
Richland, 7, W.B. 14
Lebanon, 7 17
Greer's Chapel, 7 18
Coleridge, Concord, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7 21
First Church, H.P., 7 24
Elmwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October

Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Spindale, 11 31
Mill Spring, Manas, 3 31
Rutherfordton, 8 31

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bold Creek, Dayton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

August

Providence, 11 31
Badin, 7:30 31

September

First Street, Albemarle, 11 7
Albemarle Ct., 3 7
Mt. Olivet, 7:30 7
Midland, 7:30 8
S. China Grove, 11 14
Midway, 3 14
Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 14
East Spencer, 7:30 15
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 16
Kerr Street, 7:30 17
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21
Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Olin, Macedonia, 11 31
Harmony, Harmony, 7:30 31

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

August

Thomasville, Main Street, 11 31
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 31

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Doubs, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 8
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 15
North Davidson, 7:30 16
Kernersville, 7:30 17

Doctor (to pretty nurse): "Have you kept a complete chart of the patient's progress?"

Nurse (blushing): "Well, doctor, I have not put everything on the chart, but I can show you my diary."

In Memoriam

BOGGS—On Sunday, July 27, 1941, just before the evening sun slipped behind the western horizon, death visited the home of Brother and Sister Boggs and claimed their son, J. C., who stayed on this earth only 24 years.

On September 7, 1940, he was married to Miss Elizabeth McCauley, with whom he lived very happily until his death. Besides his beloved wife he leaves to mourn his departure his mother, father, seven sisters, and one brother.

J. C. was loved by one and all and will long be remembered by his friends and loved ones.

Funeral services were held at Haw River Baptist church Tuesday. Rev. O. D. Moore officiated and interment followed at Long's Chapel cemetery.

Mae Jones.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mount Grove Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member, Mrs. M. F. Ledbetter, whom God called home April 30, 1941.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray that God may guide their way and that they will meet her where there isn't any pain or sorrow.

Resolved, that our society has lost a member who was always willing to lend a helping hand to others in need; that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family and to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Logan Wakefield,
Mrs. Roy Nantz,
Miss Kate Sisk.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Hannah Koonce auxiliary of Woman's Society of Christian Service, Richlands Methodist church, wish to pay a loving tribute to our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Lila Ervin, who passed from this world July 21, 1941, to that eternal city whose builder and maker is God. Mrs. Ervin, until failing health, was a regular attendant to her Sunday school, church and society. In her younger days she was president of the Woman's Missionary Society, now Woman's Society of Christian Service. Be it resolved:

First, we recommend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him whom she loved and served.

Second, we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones and pray that they may be comforted by the Christ who never fails us.

Third, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy recorded in our minutes and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Lewis Sylvester,
Mrs. Edwin Steed,
Mrs. Zannie Hatch.

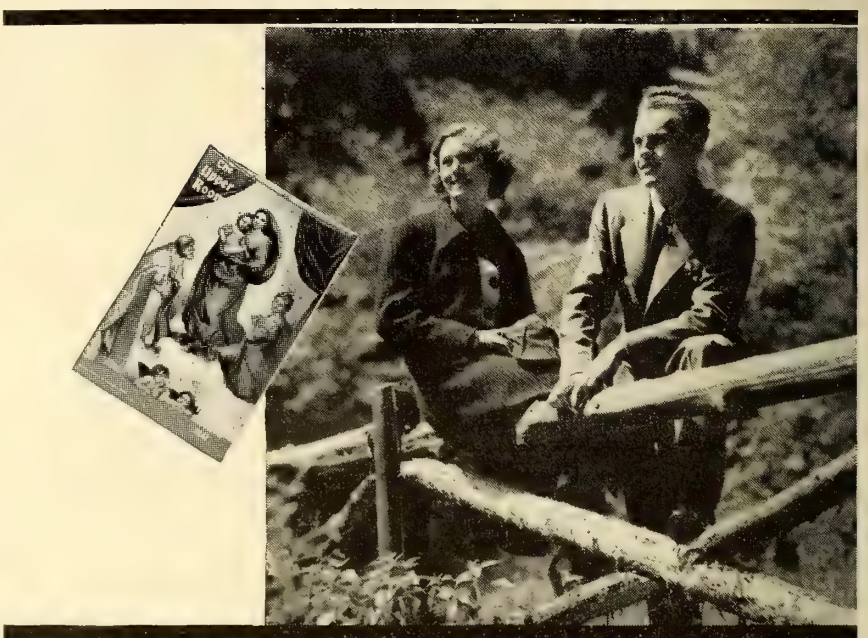
RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On June 16, 1941, God called to her reward a good and faithful servant, Miss Alice Bizzell. She loved the church and the cause it represents. She was a member of St. Paul church and a loyal member of the T. L. Ginn Philathea class, which she regularly attended while she was physically able. Her daily life testified to her love for her Master ,and her kind and gentle disposition won for her many friends. The T. L. Ginn class therefore resolves:

First, That in her death our class laments the loss of a faithful and consistent member who was ever ready to lend a helping hand and voice of sympathy wherever needed, and that we ever hold in our hearts the memory of her sweet Christian character and humbly say, "Thy will be done."

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and that a copy be kept in the minutes of our class.

Mrs. J. D. Pike,
Mrs. A. G. Woodard,
Miss Sallie Wood.



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A Pageant of Peace

IN the heart of Europe there is a tiny nation made up of twenty-two states, or cantons, which stands in sharp contrast to the one supreme state which the Nazis would hammer out. This is Switzerland, today an oasis in a desert of war—a little spot of freedom in a Europe that is in chains.

Those of us who listened on the radio on August 1 were put into direct contact with a ceremony of moving symbolism. On that day Switzerland celebrated the 650th anniversary of its existence as a nation. In 1291, two hundred years before Columbus discovered America, Switzerland was founded.

In a little glen near the shores of Lake Lucerne, three chieftains and their followers met and signed a compact. Three cantons united to form a nation. The place of meeting today is called the Rutli, and it is the most sacred place in the country.

Now the three cantons have become twenty-two. In the country the people speak four languages. There is no Swiss race. The people are French, German and Italian blood. But there is no race problem in Switzerland. Their loyalty is to their own country and to the oath taken by the three cantons, Uri, Schwyz and Unterwalden, in the beginning and repeated every year. The citizens swear to respect each others' liberty and never to permit an outside invader to have dominion over them. The country is founded on individual liberty and local self-government. No canton can dominate any other canton. And this League of Nations has worked. It has maintained its existence longer than any other form of government in Europe.

Every year at the Rutli, surrounded by towering mountains, the Swiss light the sacred fire of liberty, and then picked runners light their torches at the fire and carry the flame to their own cantons.

Today through the magic of radio we could have the pageant described step by step, listen to the singing and the martial music, and get unforgettable word pictures of one of the significant celebrations of the world.

—The Christian Leader.

MEN OF METHODISM!

Show Yourselves to be Real Leaders

The North Carolina Christian Advocate has fallen into the hands of the tax-gatherers

Under a recent decision of the Supreme Court much property of orphanages, schools and churches formerly exempt from tax levies have been placed on the tax books. Along with these have gone the Advocate property.

$1,889.37 for taxes must be secured by Sept. 30, the end of our financial year

Not one cent of this amount was counted in our budget for the year. So this must be secured over and above former estimates.

The pastors with the support of loyal laymen by a united effort can secure the last dollar of this within 30 days. Let each pastor send from one to ten new subscriptions for the Advocate and the deed will be done. But this plan will fail unless each one will act—AND ACT AT ONCE!

We suggest that the pastors of the larger churches lay this matter before their official boards at the next meeting and the women present it to their societies of Christian Service. The time is short and the cause is urgent.

The money will be forthcoming and furthermore the churches and the homes will profit by the presence of the church paper.

We do not argue this case. We rely on the loyalty and the devotion of our Methodist pastors and people who have stood by the Advocate through all the years.

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Are the Methodists of our two conferences in the state sufficient for the next three months? Well and good!

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"If it was a den of rattlesnakes opposing Hitler, I would aid and abet them," says Senator Josiah Bailey.

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It took the Children of Israel forty years to tramp from the Nile valley in Egypt to the Promise Land, which is now modern Palestine. But English bombers this year of 1941 require one hour or a little more for a trip from Egypt to Palestine.

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We hope some day to make a trip on the "Berlin to Baghdad" railway in Iraq, especially make the trip where once flourished the great cities of Nineveh and Babylon, and get the thrill of hearing the Pullman conductor say, "All out for Nineveh," "All out for Babylon."

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"England expects every man to do his duty" was the order on a certain crucial occasion in English history. In the present crucial hour, as set out on page 2, we urge every Methodist preacher in North Carolina to lead in this present Advocate campaign to take care of our tax burden. The next four weeks will tell the story. Let each one send to the office a list of new subscribers and the day will be won.

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A mirage of the desert may deceive the most experienced visitor to these barren stretches, but it cannot fool a desert mule. A traveler in Iraq tells how over the low hills before him appeared the domes and minarets of Baghdad. So he headed that way, but his mule objected. A minute later the phantom city faded from view. While the wise mule followed the trail that led to the real Baghdad.

The most excellent article, Tarheelia on Parade, in the August number of the National Geographic Magazine has given many a new and better conception of North Carolina. That vast land between Roanoke Island and Clingman's Dome is indeed a rich and varied scene of this notable state.

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Viscount Halifax of the British Embassy says the leaders of the churches in America and England have made and are making a notable contribution to a just and lasting peace in creating a public opinion which will make such a peace possible. So it must be evident to all thoughtful people that the churches must be arrayed against war and enlisted for peace so that in times of war they can do something to prepare for peace. Instead, many would have the churches to enlist in the cause of war and to bless the methods of the war lords. One decided difference notable between this and the other world war has been the tendency of the churches this time to stand aloof from the war machines.

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Senator Bailey says the new tax bill is the worst in history. Some say this is only a starter. All this is done in the name of defense. Senator Byrd pleads for a cut of two billions for the less essentials, but the administration has failed to call a halt. Then, too, the state keeps adding to taxes with the meeting of each General Assembly. The counties and the cities also keep heaping on more and more taxes. It does seem that sensible men would remember the fate of over taxation, since most revolutions result from this one cause. One could have more patience with the situation were the states to reduce, the counties to economize, and the nation to listen to such men as Senator Byrd. Instead the people will be burdened beyond endurance. When the economic and moral collapse comes and pay day crowds us, the folly of these years will appear.

Commercializing the Sabbath Day

JESUS used the Sabbath day for rest, for worship and for deeds of mercy. He did not approve of money changers in the temple, nor did he make the Sabbath a day of secular pursuits. It was a day holy unto the Lord and for the welfare of man. It was to be used and not abused. But we are fast making it a holiday rather than keeping it as a holy day.

From the first World War the American soldier returned to glorify the ways of Europe and to set at naught much that our fathers held dear. They esteemed the Bible, the church, the home and the Sabbath among the essentials of a national life, but the influx from the war overseas tended to disturb these things. The soldiers told of the virtues of wine-drinking France as compared with prohibition in America. Not aware were they of the present fate awaiting drunken France. The moral and spiritual collapse that followed that war in America should warn us of a worse fate to follow this present world collapse. War ever tramples upon and leaves in desolation all that is best and holiest in a people's life. Just now the Sabbath day gets no consideration at all. Here in America defense program gives slight consideration to a day holy unto the Lord. The desire of our fathers that America should be saved from the "continental Sabbath" is no more. Human greed and man's inhumanity to man holds sway. Rest and worship and deeds of mercy are in the discard.

Gradually the process of commercializing the Sabbath goes on. Sports and movies on Sunday are justified in the name of recreation and charity, but all this is simply to allow the camel to get his nose in the tent. This goes on persistently here in conservative North Carolina. Durham is a notable case in point. Other places would do well to take heed. Some of the income went to charity at first but the milk for hungry children is to be no more.

The Durham Herald reports August 28:

> Discontinuance of the policy of contributing 7½ per cent of Sunday receipts of local movie houses to the Junior League of Durham will go into effect on September 1, according to an announcement issued yesterday.
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> The announcement came from the North Carolina Theatres, Inc., operators of the Center, Carolina and Rialto theatres in the city, and managers of other local movie houses stated they would follow the action of the corporation.
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> The firm said that increased overhead costs of operation and higher taxes had made the move necessary.
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> Durham movie companies began the showing of films on Sunday in 1933 when the city council voted for the proposal on the condition that the companies pay the Junior League, sponsors of the Family Service Association, with offices in the city hall, 15 per cent of the proceeds taken in on Sundays. This policy was followed until 1939 when the percentage was cut to seven and one-half per cent, which amount is still being contributed.
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> Noble Arnold, manager of the Center Theatre, said that "we are truly grateful to the Junior League for inaugurating Sunday movies in Durham, but we feel that we have more than repaid the league in cash for this action."
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> Mrs. Eddie Cameron, president of the Junior League, has indicated that the Family Service Association will be unable to continue operation unless Sunday movie receipts are continued in Durham.

Longer Life for Americans

THE Census Bureau has completed a new statistical study of the length of days of men and women in the continental United States. In 1939 the expectancy stood at 60.6 years for men and 64.5 for women. This was for whites, the average is slightly lower for the non-white population. The average in 1900 was 48.2 years, which shows a decided increase in the last four decades.

Among the things that has resulted in this increase of days has been the radical lowering of mortality among infants and those in the early years of life. Better living conditions and higher medical and health standards have wrought wonders among all ages that have enjoyed these advantages which are the result of more intelligent modes of living.

How much more can be added to the life average remains a question for the years ahead to answer. But it is a safe guess that we have not yet reached the limit. Who knows but what the century mark is in the range of possibility in the distant years?

Why Repeat and Repeat?

A BOSTON editor had a contributor who insisted that he be allowed to ride his hobby through the columns of that paper. Having grown a bit weary this editor made reply in the following terms:

"Because we closed debate in our columns on the minor question of the status of this contributor, we did not close debate on war, peace, pacifists, conscientious objectors, heaven or hell. Only when a man has once said two plus two equal five, we see no reason why he need say it twice in this journal."

To repeat obvious absurdities with as much insistence as if they were truths from the Decalogue or the Sermon on the Mount grates on the nerves of more than editors who live and labor in Boston. But they are seldom so impressive in the form of their reply.

Eating the Fruits of Their Doings

WHY does God permit this war? is heard on every hand. This raises two other questions. (1) What are the causes of war? (2) What is man's part in war? Ambition, lust for power, hate, greed, and disregard of God, all lie back of this war. Along with this follows the question why does God allow these evils to influence and dominate men? True, he has made provision to rid from the heart of man these evils, but man would not. God made man free, so that he has the freedom of will, which enables man to choose between good and evil. Man being a free moral agent, God cannot arbitrarily override the freedom of human will and preserve at the same time the integrity of moral government. So carnal men rebel against God and compromise with evil in obedience to their own greed and hate and ambitions.

The peace following the first world war was not a Christian document. The victors never even claimed so much. Then the League of Nations failed because of lack of great moral leadership, careful obedience to the fundamental principles of peace and justice and human welfare. England compromised when the moment for action came. Japan was permitted to overrun Manchuria and Mussolini allowed to overrun Ethiopia. This gave a man such as Hitler opportunity to carry out his designs. He rebelled against God and adopted as his own the gods of his pagan fathers. The Christian's God stands for democracy and human brotherhood; but Hitler's one and only purpose is to make all nations subject to the superman—the superior race. So he set out determined to destroy democracy and debase Christianity—the Christian religion. And Mussolini set himself to restore the imperial Roman Empire. Thus these dictators determined to dethrone Jehovah and to put aside Christians and Jews and all people who cherish the welfare of mankind. The greed and hate and ambitions of wicked men who have rebelled against the God of the whole earth account for this present war which follows so fully in the channels of the first ungodly world war.

We freely admit that America has much to be ashamed of in the first and in this present world war. We also insist that God never approves of war, neither has he vacated his throne when man eats of the fruit of his doings, forcing the innocent to suffer with the guilty. The Christian's hope and expectation is that finally Jesus,the Prince of Peace, will ultimately bear rule in the hearts of all men. Then wars will cease and peace will rule among men.

Coach Wallace Wade in a New Role

ONE day last week Coach Wallace Wade of Durham was the noonday luncheon speaker for the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro. The local papers had announced that he would tell what are this year's prospects for his Blue Devils. Judge Rives of Greensboro in appropriate terms introduced the speaker.

Mr. Wade began his speech by expressing his thanks for the invitation and then added: "Judge Rives extended the invitation and in return I now invite him to come to Durham the night before the Carolina-Duke game and make the same "pep" talk to my team that he made last year to his team at Chapel Hill and that I enjoyed over the radio. (Laughter and applause).

With this he dismissed the subject of football and plunged into an address on " citizenship," which was a new subject for Coach Wade, but he spoke with the same wisdom and authority as when he discusses the technique of football at a coaching school.

If Duke University should at any time desire a special lecturer on the duties of American citizenship, there is no need to go beyond campus boundaries to secure such a man, for he can be found at the head of the athletic department of the university. His address made a profound impression upon the group that heard him in Greensboro before the members of the Kiwanis Club and guests who were almost equal in number to the membership of this large luncheon club.

Bad Bargains

THE story goes that a small boy was asked what he did not like about the sale of Joseph into Egypt by his brothers. The lad replied: "They sold him too cheap."

These are not the only men who have sold out too cheap. Judas sold out too cheap. When men sell their sons and daughters for the tax money they get out of liquor stores the sale is too cheap. When a man will sell his place in the church of God in order to engage in the liquor business he is selling out too cheap. When a man sells his ideals of youth for a mess of pottage he is selling out too cheap.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference: Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 21-24

N. C. Conference: Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

The first report on our campaign for taxes will appear next week. Be sure to get in on that.

The Waynesville district reports three charges already paid out on World Service.

Rev. and Mrs. Cecil G. Hefner of Norwood announce the arrival of a daughter, Mary Jane, August 19, at Albemarle.

Rev. H. W. Bell, pastor at Roberta, near Concord, sends seven new subscribers to the Advocate, for which he has our sincere thanks. Men who know how to lead never fail to get results.

Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor at Glenwood, Greensboro, sends six new subscribers to the Advocate. "Bob," tall and handsome, never fails to get the job done in good style. He is doing fine work at Glenwood.

Brother Geo. L. Curry of Denton, at the Asheboro check-up meeting said he expected to send some new subscribers to the Advocate. Five new ones came last Wednesday. We thank you most heartily, Brother Curry.

The many friends of Rev. Parker Holmes will be distressed to learn of his very serious illness. Those desiring to write Mr. and Mrs. Holmes may write to them at 440 East Main Street, Forest City, N. C.—W. Harold Groce.

A midget church, 16x12 feet, in Cornwall, England, has been demolished. Billy Bray, known to Americans through Regbie's "Twice Born Men," preached there. It was built originally on waste land and paid for by contributions from the very poor.

Rev. J. D. Williams, pastor of Welch Memorial, High Point, sends us seven new subscribers. Brother Williams was the war horse of the Methodist Protestant Church, a leader in all good things. In the united church he carries on in the same fine style.

The new president of the British Methodist conference, Rev. W. H. Armstrong, when given the field Bible and other insignia of office by his predecessor, Dr. Henry Bett, at the recent conference, became the 150th successor of John Wesley in presiding over that body.

Rev. G. W. Bumgarner, pastor at Morning Star, led 14 individuals down into the rippling waters of Pigeon river and baptized them in a manner that would be most pleasing to the most ardent immersionist. Those who witnessed the performance declare that the ordinance was performed in the most sacred manner and that Bill did not get wet above the knees.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district will hold a luncheon at 12 noon on Monday, September 8, in rooms 1 and 2 on the mezzanine floor of the S. & W. Cafeteria, Asheville. Mrs. George Schreyer, president, will preside. Plans will be made for the final meeting of the year which will be held some time in October, and an interesting program will be given.

The Morton Township Sunday School Convention of Alamance county met in New Salem church, Burlington circuit, this past Sunday. Seven pastors of the township were present. This township convention has been in existence forty years. Mr. J. C. Matkins of Shiloh church is the retiring president; Mr. Lester Stanley of Fairview is the newly elected president. The attendance, interest and inspiration of this past Sunday were very helpful.

Cove Creek, the ecclesiastical infant of the Waynesville district, was brought into being the latter part of June. Sixty dollars were pledged for the remaining months of the year, $70 have already been paid and the little congregation is moving on with enthusiasm. Rev. Odell Brown is the pastor.

Inman, a former M. E. church, abandoned in 1936, was reorganized two years ago with 14 members. Rev. G. W. Bumgarner held a meeting there recently and received 18 new members into the membership of the church. Electric lights will soon be installed and the building treated to a new coat of paint.

There will be a home coming day Sunday, September 7, at Oakdale Methodist church, Jamestown, Oakdale charge. Service begins with preaching at 11 o'clock, dinner on the ground at noon, and short talks and special music in the afternoon. All former pastors, members and friends are extended a cordial welcome.—C. M. McKinney, Pastor.

The offices of the Methodist Missionary Society in London, like those of several similiar buildings, have suffered serious damage in air raids. In the case of Livingstone House, headquarters of the London Missionary Society, removal of historic relics and records has resulted in the preservation of many, including Livingtone's medical instruments. The most valued historical document lost was a map of his first journey drawn by Livingstone's own hand.

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Western N. C. Conference is called to meet at Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, at 10 a. m. Wednesday, September 17. All district superintendents are requested to be sure that their applications for missionary appropriations for the coming year are in the hands of Brother L. B. Abernethy by that date.—Herman F. Duncan, Secretary.

Dr. G. Clifton Ervin, district superintendent, Missouri conference, a former member of the W. N. C. conference, and a son of J. O. Ervin of Farmer, writes as follows: "Enclosed is my check for $2.00 for a one-year renewal of my Advocate subscription. I enjoy the North Carolina Christian Advocate about as greatly as any periodical that comes to my desk. It helps me to keep in touch with the fine achievements of North Carolina Methodism and with the 'doings' of my friends in the great old W. N. C. conference."

Rev. J. W. Combs, pastor of the Lenoir circuit, writes: "We have just closed a good revival at Bess Chapel. Received eight members on profession of faith, one by letter. We plan to begin revival services here in Lincolnton September 7, Rev. John R. Church doing the preaching. We are glad to report that the church is now free from all indebtedness and will be dedicated on the second Sunday in September. Brother Plyler, come and be with us on that day. We are also laying the foundation for a new parsonage, this to be completed by annual conference."

The First Methodist church of Lincolnton is in the midst of revival services this week. Rev. Ralph E. Johnson, evangelist, minister of music, and director of young people and children's work, of Nashville, Tenn., is doing the preaching and also leads in the singing during the special services. Mrs. Johnson is presiding at the piano. The special services began Sunday morning when Rev. Mr. Johnson delivered his opening message. Sunday night he preached again, at which time a co-operative service was held with members of other congregations attending. The pastor, Rev. Loy Thompson, invites the public to attend.

You will want to be in next week's report of the tax campaign. Get on the band wagon.

Australian Methodist figures, compiled at their General Conference this summer, show 191,000 members, 12,484 probationers and 96,624 "junior members." The latter classification is not known to American Methodism but it obviously has its points. Sunday schools average around 50 members, there being 3725 schools with 179,959 scholars. Each of the 1200 ministers on the average has the assistance of nine local preachers. The church supports 180 missionaries. In the Fiji Islands, as a result of their labors, a very large proportion of the population are Methodists.

The new church at Pelham where "Jim" Fowler is pastor, will be completed before the close of this conference year in October. There is no debt on this church. Brother Fowler has done a wonderful work the past three years on the Ruffin charge. Each of the three congregations now has a new church free from debt. Two of these are of brick, the other of stone. Ruffin is now a first class charge in every respect and scores of pastors on the lookout for a place where they can say "truly the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places" will be turning their eyes toward Ruffin when the present pastor chooses to go elsewhere.

Dan McFarland of Asheville, one of the gate keepers at Lake Junaluska, listed license plates from the following states whose occupants bought tickets: North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama (leaders), Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, California, Washington (state), Washington, D. C., Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Iowa, Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, New York, Maine, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Arizona, Michigan, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Idaho, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Delaware, Cuba, and Hawaii.

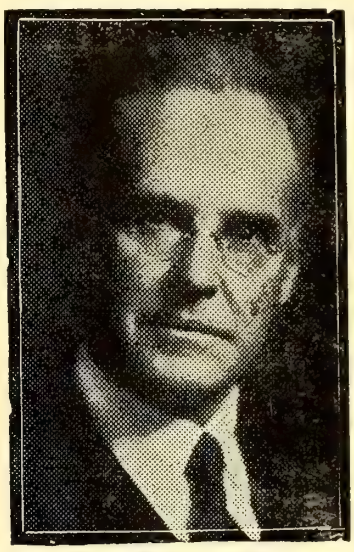
Dr. and Mrs. J. Z. Moore, missionaries of the Methodist Church in Keijo (Pyeng Yang), Korea, have sailed for Shanghai en route to the United States, according to a cablegram received in the offices of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Dr. and Mrs. Moore were the last Methodist missionaries to leave Korea, but were detained because of Mrs. Moore's arrest in connection with the circulation of the World Day of Prayer material. Mrs. Moore was not in jail, but was given recognizance by the Japanese government and allowed to leave the country. Dr. Moore has served in Korea since 1903 and Mrs. Moore since 1910. He is an alumnus of Mount Union College and Drew Theological Seminary. Mrs. Moore is a graduate of Goucher College.

Only 16 of the 152 English Methodist ministers voting in the Methodist conference in Leeds recently opposed the resolution which urged Methodists to "steadfastly uphold this sacred cause until its complete victory has been achieved by a righteous and lasting peace." The report adopted called upon the government to see "that the principles of the Gospel shall have full play in the making of peace, and in all the reconstruction at home and abroad which will follow the war." In addition to the five points of the Statement on the Foundation of Peace as set forth by British church leaders the Methodists asked for a sixth "of no less importance—the sacred and inviolable right of every man and woman to liberty of conscience and worship."

We have recently closed a successful four weeks of daily vacation Bible schools and training courses for church workers on the Rosman circuit. Bible schools were held at East Fork, July 21-25; Selica, July 28--August 1; Oak Grove, August 4-8; Lake Toxaway, August 11-15. Total attendance for the four schools was 86 children, 65 of whom did the necessary work to receive a certificate. Text book for the beginner-primary groups was "Bible Homes and Homes Today," by Elizabeth Reed. Text book for the junior-intermediate groups was "Discovering the Lands of the Bible," by Lola Hazelwood. Rev. L. V. Ruckman, Jr., Duke divinity student of Lexington, Va., assisted the pastor in the Bible schools and did an excellent piece of work. Mr. Ruckman also taught the training course for church school workers, using the text book, "The Educational Work of the Small Church" by John Q. Schisler. Last year was the first year the training course had been taught on the charge and eight certificates were granted. This year sixteen certificates were granted, showing an increase in interest, attendance, and work done of one hundred per cent over last year. A profitable month has been spent, and one which has laid the ground work for new and better things.—J. R. Bowman.

BIBLE CONFERENCE BEGINS AT BURLINGTON SUNDAY NIGHT: DEAN RUSSELL LEADER

The first large scale Bible conference ever held in the North Carolina conference will begin at Front Street church, Burlington, Sunday night, September 7, at 8:00. Dr. Elbert Russell of Duke University will be the leader each night through Friday, September 12. Fourteen charges will cooperate as follows: Alamance, Rev. G. L. Reynolds, pastor; Front Street, Rev. F. S. Love, pastor; Davis Street, Dr. F.



Dr. Elbert Russell

W. Pachal, pastor; Webb Avenue and Fountain Place, Rev. C. J. Andrews, pastor; West Burlington, Rev. L. L. Parrish, pastor; Burlington circuit, Rev. M. C. Ellerbe, pastor; Glencoe church, Rev. J. C. Williams, pastor; Glen Raven-Haw River, Rev. J. F. Coble, pastor; Mebane, Rev. W. T. Phipps, pastor; First church, Mebane, Rev. C. L. Spencer, pastor; Mt. Hermon, Rev. R. L. Hethcox, pastor; Saxapahaw, Rev. M. C. Henderson, pastor; Swepsonville, Rev. T. B. Hough, pastor; Graham, Rev. J. R. Edwards, pastor.

Services will be opened each night by the following: Monday night, September 8, Dr. F. W. Paschal; September 9, Rev. C. J. Andrews; September 10, Rev. R. L. Hethcox; September 11, Dr. F. S. Love; Friday night, September 12, Dr. M. T. Plyler.

Ushers and tellers are as follows: Rev. J. R. Edwards, chief, J. F. Coble, M. C. Henderson, M. C. Ellerbe.

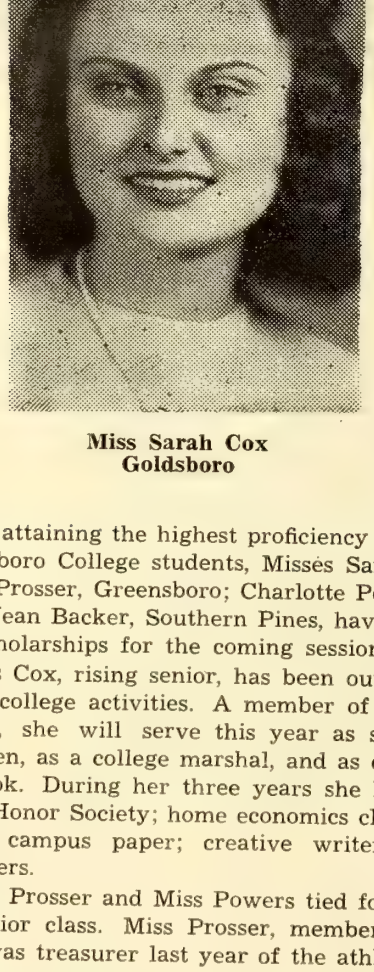
The purpose of this conference is to show how the Bible has affected and is now affecting the lfie of the race. It is hoped that a more intensive study of the Bible will be made by those atending these services.

PREPARATIONS AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE TO WELCOME STUDENTS

Plans are under way to welcome nearly 250 Methodist freshmen who are coming to Woman's College, U. N. C., in September. The young people of College Place church are planning a party for all of these new students for Friday night of freshman week, September 19. The Wesley Foundation Council will hold its fall retreat to complete plans for the year's program on September 17-18.

The director of the Wesley Foundation hopes that every pastor who has students coming from his church will call the Wesley Foundation to their attention and urge them to affiliate with this work. Letters are being sent each prospective student explaining the Wesley Foundation and welcoming the students to its fellowship.

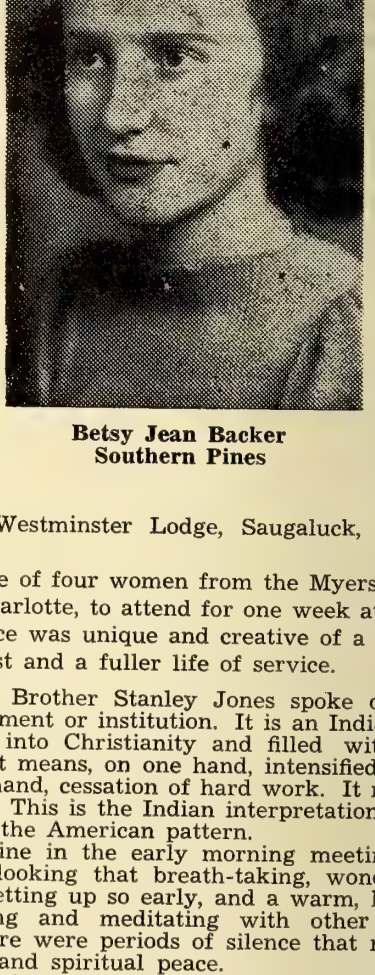
AWARDS RECEIVED FOR CLASS PROFICIENCY



Miss Sarah Cox
Goldsboro



Miss Bettie Prosser
Greensboro



Betsy Jean Backer
Southern Pines

For attaining the highest proficiency in their classes, four Greensboro College students, Misses Sarah Cox, Goldsboro; Bettie Prosser, Greensboro; Charlotte Powers, Durham; and Betsy Jean Backer, Southern Pines, have been awarded tuition scholarships for the coming session.

Miss Cox, rising senior, has been outstanding in a number of college activities. A member of the Irving Literary Society, she will serve this year as senior counselor for freshmen, as a college marshal, and as college editor of the yearbook. During her three years she has been a member of the Honor Society; home economics club; staff of the Collegian, campus paper; creative writers' club; and G. C. Daughters.

Miss Prosser and Miss Powers tied for honors in the rising junior class. Miss Prosser, member of the Irving Society, was treasurer last year of the athletic association; assistant manager of the Collegian; president of the Junior Honor Society; member of her class soccer team; and member of G. C. Daughters. During the coming year she will serve as council representative for the town students' organization and as class representative for the athletic association. Miss Powers, member of the Emerson Society, was elected to the Junior Honor Society. She is interested in the study of science and in creative writing.

Miss Backer, rising sophomore, is a member of the Emerson Society. Last year she was elected to the Junior Honor Society and served as photographic editor of the yearbook. Miss Backer was awarded the Leroy Lee Smith memorial scholarship last commencement for the most outstanding work done in freshman English.

Honorable mention for outstanding scholastic standing in the rising senior class went to Misses Sarolyn Janssen, Winter Haven, Fla., in second place; and Dorothy G. Smith, Bridgeton, in third place. In the rising junior class, Miss Sara Newton, Shelby, was named in second place, and Miss Lucinda Lyon, Oxford, in third. Rising sophomore in second place was Miss Marianne McCoy, Durham, and Miss Elva Grace Avett, Mocksville, in third place.

A WEEK OF HIGH PRIVILEGE AT BLUE RIDGE

The first two weeks of August saw a deeply interested group of men and women assembled at Blue Ridge, N. C., attending the second American Ashram held there. This meeting was under the auspices of the Department of Evangelism, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Dr. E. Stanley Jones was the leader. There were three Ashrams held in this country this summer, one at Occidental College, Los Angeles, the one at Blue Ridge, and one now in session at Westminster Lodge, Saugaluck, Michigan.

It was the privilge of four women from the Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, to attend for one week at Blue Ridge. The experience was unique and creative of a richer religious life in Christ and a fuller life of service.

The first evening Brother Stanley Jones spoke of the meaning of the movement or institution. It is an Indian institution taken over into Christianity and filled with its spirit and purpose. It means, on one hand, intensified hard living; on the other hand, cessation of hard work. It means a discipleship of life. This is the Indian interpretation. One finds both aspects in the American pattern.

There was discipline in the early morning meeting on the front pizza overlooking that breath-taking, wonderful view—discipline in getting up so early, and a warm, happy feeling of worshipping and meditating with other like-minded persons. There were periods of silence that ministered to our mental and spiritual peace.

Dr. Jones spoke twice each day. Never has this flaming evangel of the gospel of Jesus Christ been more vital, more convincing, more powerful in his presentation of the Christ. The awful chaos of world conditions, the human suffering have stirred his soul and clarified his thinking. It was a rare privilege to share his thinking.

Some of the placards on the wall of the auditorium explain the meeting. Here are a few:

"Leave behind all race and class distinctions, ye that enter here."

"Fellowship is based on confidence."

"We are a part of the disease or a part of the cure."

"When the world is at its worst Christianity must be at its best."

"Let go, let God."

"When about to criticize ask these things: Is it true? Is it necessary? Is it kind?"

There were a good number of very attractive young Methodist ministers in the Ashram, as well as a number of laymen and women of our communion. Of course nothing was said of denominations.

This institution is growing in this country and holds rich possibilities for Christian growth. It is open to all interested men and women, lay and professional religious workers. It is planned to hold three again next summer.

There were other faculty members that should be mentioned. Dr. Jesse M. Bades of the Federal Council conducted a seminar on Evangelism; Dr. Geo. W. Richards of Lancaster, Pa., also conducted a seminar. Other speakers and teachers were: Willis P. King, Atlanta; Dwight J. Bradley, New York City. Special mention should be made of Adolf Keller of Geneva, Switzerland, a man of great scholarship and power. He conducted an afternoon seminar on European theology. It was a glowing experience to sit at the feet of this great thinker and teacher. He is head of the Ecumenical Council of Europe, headquarters in Geneva. He is to spend this winter in this country teaching and lecturing. Such a visitor to our shores should be heard widely. Duke University would do well to secure him as visiting preacher and lecturer.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS —JUDGE HAYES HEARD

The Greensboro District League of Stewards met at Mt. Pleasant church, near Kimesville, last Sunday with excellent attendance and most of the charges of the district represented. Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, presided and Judge Johnson J. Hayes delivered the principal address.

Judge Hayes, introduced by C. A. Hines, vice president of the league, based his remarks upon the quotation, "What shall it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" Stressing the fact that moral victories are not won by drifting but involve sacrifice, Judge Hayes stated that the church must speak out against the state that permits the sale of alcohol. He pointed out the fact that if it is wrong for the individual to sell intoxicating beverages, it cannot be right for counties and states to sell them for revenue. In Judge Hayes' opinion, guilt lies heavily on the shoulders of politicians who have debased our morals.

Others on the program were Dr. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro, who conducted the opening devotional period; Rev. E. D. Ballard, Reidsville, song leader. Speaking briefly on the general subject "Paying Our Debts" were Rev. R. M. Courtney, "To World Service"; C. A. Hines, "Churches and Parsonages"; R. D. Porter, "The Liquor Situation"; Dr. A. W. Plyler, "North Carolina Christian Advocate"; Rev. R. G. Tuttle, "Missions"; Rev. L. B. Hayes, "The World Situation."

Reports from charges represented showed excellent financial condition with indications that all the charges of the district will pay out in the fall before the annual conference session in Winston-Salem in October.

Announcements were made concerning the annual layman's day to be observed on the fourth Sunday in February, 1942, and laymen's week, preceding layman's day.

HURLEY-MORSE MARRIAGE AT WILLIAMSTON

The wedding of Miss Dorothy Bruton Hurley of Williamston to William Clarence Moore, Jr., of Elizabeth City, took place in the Williamston Methodist church on Friday afternoon, August 29, at 5:30. The bride's father, Rev. Bernard Talmage Hurley, officiated, using the ring ceremony.

The church was beautifully decorated with floor baskets of white gladioli against a background of palms, ferns and native pines and candelabra containing cathedral candles.

An half hour musical program was rendered by Mrs. W. K. Parker of Williamston. A vested choir sang "O Perfect Love" and Mrs. James Smith of Williamston sang "Because" and "The Prayer Perfect."

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Bernard Talmage Hurley, Jr., wore a Vionnet model of ivory faille taffeta with bouffant skirt. The tight waisted bodice was made with sweetheart necklace bound with appliqued flowers of self material and full puffed sleeves. The finger tip veil fell from a fluted cap centered with faille taffeta flowers. She wore ivory lace elbow-length mitts and a single strand of pearls. She carried white Killarney roses showered with lilies of the valley, made cascade style.

The maid of honor, Miss Ruth Hurley, sister of the bride, wore a dress of melody blue faille taffeta with bouffant skirt and sweetheart neckline. She wore a tiara of matching flowers with shoulder length veil and carried an arm bouquet of mixed flowers tied with pink satin ribbon.

The bridesmaids, Miss Glennie Morse, of Elizabeth City, sister of the groom, and Miss Lucy Wynne of Washington, wore dresses of fuchia rose made identical with that of the maid of honor. They carried arm bouquets of mixed flowers tied with rainbow satin ribbon.

The groom was attended by his best man, William Thomas Jackson, Jr., of Elizabeth City. The groomsmen were Andrew J. Bailey, Walter Cahoon, Forrest Dunstan and Wiley Coppersmith, Jr., all of Elizabeth City. The vestibule ushers were W. H. Harrison and W. M. Manning of Williamston.

The bride's mother wore corded navy chiffon trimmed in white with navy accessories and wore a corsage of gardenias.

Mrs. Morse, the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Talmage Hurley of Williamston, is a graduate of Louisburg College, where she took an outstanding part in music. She has taught music for the past several years in the schools of Robeson county.

Mr. Morse, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Clarence Morse of Weeksville, is a graduate of Wake Forest College. He was formerly judge of recorder's court of Pasquotank county and member of the General Assembly, 1939 session. He is now practicing law in Elizabeth City.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Morse will make their home in Elizabeth City.

After the rehearsal Thursday night Rev. and Mrs. Bernard T. Hurley entertained at a cake cutting for the bridal party and out-of-town guests at their home on Church street.

MOTHER OF REV. M. W. LAWRENCE PASSES SUDDENLY

During the early evening of August 4 Mrs. Margaret Wood Lawrence, the wife of Mr. L. C. Lawrence of New Bern, slipped away quietly and entered the Father's house. Mrs. Lawrence had had a busy and happy day with the members of her family, and as she was preparing her evening meal a heart attack seized her and in a few moments her earthly journey was over.

Mrs. Lawrence was one of the most radiant Christian characters we have ever known. She was loved by every one who knew her, and her life was an inspiration to her family, her church, and her community. Her children, her friends, and her neighbors all rise up to call her blessed and to thank God for her life among us.

Mrs. Lawrence was the daughter of Rev. Marquis L. Wood, long a leader in North Carolina Methodism. He was a pioneer missionary to China, president of Trinity College, presiding elder, and preacher. She was born in Iredell county, North Carolina, on December 17, 1875.

Besides her husband, who is a steward in Centenary church, New Bern, and her preacher son, Mrs. Lawrence is survived by the following children: L. C. Lawrence, Jr., of Fayetteville, John B. Lawrence of Mebane, Thomas P. Lawrence of Fort Bragg, Mrs. F. D. Conderman and Miss Isabel Lawrence of New Bern.

The funeral services were held from Centenary church on Wednesday morning, August 6, with Rev. J. A. Russell, Rev. W. L. Clegg, and Rev. E. W. Downum officiating.

Leon Russell.

REV. D. H. RHINEHARDT A GOOD MINISTER OF JESUS CHRIST

Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt, pastor of the Lincolnton circuit, is doing a great work on his charge. Elsewhere appears a brief account of what has been and is being accomplished as the days go by.

The $18 check which he sent us for new subscribers to the Advocate is very greatly appreciated and we thank him for it. It shows how a man with capacity for leadership seldom fails to get results. Some of the laymen who are on the lookout for a pastor that knows how to get results will try to get this pastor at Lincolnton. But it may not be an easy task, for such men are in demand where they are.

GREAT WORK ON LINCOLNTON CIRCUIT

"Eighteen dollars enclosed for new subscriptions. This makes my official board 100 per cent subscribers to the Advocate.

"We have been busy this year," writes D. H. Rhinehart, the pastor. "Four good vacation Bible schools; two training classes; four splendid revivals—24 on profession of faith and baptized 24 babies.

"We have dedicated two churches; paid off the indebtedness on Pisgah and have it ready for dedication October 5 at 3 o'clock. The debt on the parsonage has been paid and will be dedicated on the same date at 5 p. m.

"We are planning a building program at Ivey—in fact already started. This will give the Lincoln circuit four modern brick and rock churches and an excellent parsonage."

The first report on our campaign for taxes will appear next week. Be sure to get in on that.

Has God Gone?

By NORRIS T. MORTON

Has God gone? This question has been asked again and again in every crisis by Christian people. Whenever the shadows whether of war, pestilence or other catastrophe have darkened our world men ask where is God that he allows such things to be.

This question was asked by the Jews at the time of the dispersion. When the Children of Israel were carried away captive into many foreign lands they asked, "Has God gone?" The Psalmist voiced their feeling, "How can we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" "By the rivers of Babylon we sat down and wept."

The Children wept for two reasons. In the first place they wept because their God was a tribal God. He had nothing to do with foreigners. Consequently to scatter them abroad meant the loss of Jehovah who was interested only in the Jews. They wept in the second place because their God was a geographical God. He was only contained within the confines of the Jewish nation and his headquarters were located in the Temple of the City of Jerusalem.

The dispersion caused grief to their cherished notions about Jehovah. But Isaiah, their minister, came along and with prophetic insight and broadness of mind, he was able to comfort his people. He made a great discovery which he announced to his people. "Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour." Isaiah learned that when people's ideas of God are narrow and inadequate, God has a way of hiding himself for a season that he may reveal himself in a larger way.

In the eighth century before Christ four great prophets appeared between 765 to 701. They were Amos, Hosea, Micah, and Isaiah. Isaiah was the last of the four and he suffered martyrdom under the wicked King Manasseh. After Isaiah there was no prophet in Judah. The prophets were either killed or cast into jail. Religion at this period sank to a very low level. Surely now, if ever, one would be justified in putting forth the query, "Has God gone?"

But no. God had not gone. Another king came to the throne whose name was Josiah. One day during some browsing around in the Temple a book was found which led to the restoration of pure religion. That book turned out to be our present Book of Deuteronomy.

After every midnight there is a dawn. God's face may be hidden behind the shadows but he has not gone. There are many hidden evidences that he is still active in the affairs of this life.

I. First, there is the record of history.

The operation and function of the moral law is a fact of history. And so long as the moral law continues to function there will be no doubt about the reality of God's presence in the world. Victor Hugo, in commenting on the Battle of Waterloo, has stated the case in favor of God. His great words could apply equally in our day if just one word were changed. Substitute Hitler for Napoleon and Mr. Hugo's message will be most timely. He declares, "End of the Dictatorship. A whole European system crumbled away. Was it possible that Napoleon should have won that battle? We answer, 'No.' 'Why?' Because of Wellington? Because of Blucher? No. Because of God. When the earth is suffering from too heavy a burden, there are mysterious groanings in the shades, to which the abyss lends an ear. Napoleon had been denounced in the infinite, and his fall had been decided on. He embarrassed God."

Our hope is in the God of history. So many evidences of his existence are found that mathematicians have calculated the odds against this world being the product of blind chance. They have found the odds in favor of an intelligent purpose to be, not 10 to 1 but 10,420,000,000 to 1. Thus Eddington tells us that it amounts to a practical certainty that the universe is not a product of chance.

The Apostle Paul goes a step farther and testifies in God's behalf, "He is not very far from each one of us for in him we live and move and have our being.

11. In the second place there is the fact of conscience.

Lincoln Steffens tells the story of his contact with a colored jockey many years ago. The jockey's name was Smoke. Smoke was the best jockey in the crowd. He was, though colored, more honorable than all the others. One day his boss ordered him to hold back his horse so that another could win the race. Smoke had no choice in the matter. When the race was over Smoke's horse lost. As he dismounted, his horse turned and looked at him. It was just a glance but as a result of this look Smoke disappeared. Finally when Mr. Steffens located him Smoke was in a dark corner of the barn weeping. "It's all right," he sobbed, "It's good business for de white folks and a nigger don't matter, but de hoss. A hoss is a gentleman, kid. It hurts him to lose a race. . . . You oughta have seen de look he done give me when I got down off'n him."

Just so long as we are sensitive to the voice of conscience, we can be sure of the presence of God. Whenever we come to the point that we can sin with impunity, then God has gone so far as we are concerned. But when there is a trace of remorse for our wrong doing we can hope in God.

SPRAY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 27, we closed a great revival at Spray. Brother and Mrs. Ralph E. Johnson, general evangelist, led the campaign. Brother Johnson brought great messages. Every single service was an outstanding service. From the very first call to the last service there were people at the altar. One hundred people came to the altar to put God first. The great majority of them were church members. but that is one of our greatest needs today. We expect to receive about 25 into the church.

I know of no evangelist in the country who works as hard, and who puts on as varied a program as Brother Johnson. His work with the children and young people was outstanding. The children's work was so fine that we turned the vacation Bible school, scheduled for that week, over to the Johnson program. The results were very gratifying. Many of these fine boys and girls were led to Christ the closing days of this program.

The congregations were large, a choir of 50 voices led in revival singing, and the church appreciated very much the musical ability of Brother Johnson. His playing and singing not only was a great attraction but was also a great inspiration.

Brother Johnson is a straight, earnest, gospel preacher, without any hobbies, and he preached fearlessly the straight gospel. Our church and community have been greatly blessed, for which we give God thanks.

Roy T. Houts.

THE GRACE OF GOD

By Robert M. Hardee

Text: "By grace are ye saved through faith."—Ephesians 2:8.

Often times we hear the word grace used by ministers or from Christian pulpits and we sometimes fail to ask ourselves just what is the meaning of God's grace and how we are saved by grace.

We must go back to the days of the Old Testament in the lives of the Jews and remember that in the days of Moses God was looked upon as being a God of justice and law. God was thought of as stern judge and the Jew in the book of Deuteronomy thought in terms of obedience to a God who made his will known only through laws. Religion in this stage of development was lived more according to obedience to the vital multitude of laws, both written and unwritten.

Now, when a law was broken what was a soul to do but to think in terms of mercy and forgiveness. The conception of God's grace begins to grow out of a conception of God's mercy to those who transgressed his will.

Grace means more than mercy; it goes farther, even back to the days of Abraham, when God promised Abraham that his seed would grow and multiply. A conception of loving kindness and of divine favor was born even with the promise of Abraham. The conception of grace grew until the writer of John said that "God so loved the world that he gave Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, and whosoever believed in him should not perish but have everlasting life." This shows us the universal love of God for all mankind, not for a select few nor for a chosen few, but it shows his love for all mankind. Grace is the demonstration of this love in Christ. "The word became flesh and dwelt among us." Christ in turn manifested to us a more beautiful demonstration of God's grace in his teachings, in his life, and in his death.

In the parable of the Prodigal Son God's grace is demonstrated when the Prodigal Son returns and the father receives the son back. This is a demonstration of grace for grace exceeds forgiveness and love. In this case we may think that love was undeserved, for the Prodigal Son had wasted his father's substance, he had disgraced his father's name, he had sinned, lived with harlots, and surely if justice had been measured he would not have been received back to his father's household; but this demonstrates to us that grace is undeserved love. It is easy to love those that love us, but it takes grace to love those who mistreat us and say all manner of evil against us.

We may remember the thief on the cross. Surely no one would say that he failed to receive justice, for he had been truly convicted of his sin and had been punished, but he cried out to Christ and it was the grace of God that saved this thief, the grace of God expressing itself in Christ; for Christ had already said, "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." We can think of grace as exceeding forgiveness and we can think of grace as being the source of love and mercy, for Jesus taught his disciples to love their enemies; he taught them to go the second mile, to turn the other cheek, to give the cloak also if the coat was demanded. Jesus not only taught God's grace but he demonstrated it in his own life. They brought the woman taken in adultery to him and he forgave her and loved her. He prayed for his enemies while he was hanging on the cross. Yes, we may think of grace as the high water mark of all Christian virtues.

Now our text says that we are saved by grace. Let us say that we are saved by the grace of God through our expression of faith in Christ. Let us say that the one great need today in the lives of all Christian people is that we have more of the grace of God in our own hearts.

His grace started in our hearts when we were converted. We were not converted because we deserved or because we had won our laurel, we are not saved by our works, for Paul says that we would boast if we were saved by our works. If we were saved by the things we do, then some could do more than others and some have more capabilities than others, but this is not the way we are saved; we are saved by the undeserved love of God for us or by his grace. Sin came through Adam and grace through Christ.

Then someone says, "Are we predestined to be saved or lost? If we are once saved shall we always be saved?" If we would have been saved or lost because of predestination, then it would not have been necessary for Christ to have come into the world, but we have the freedom to choose and we must exercise our choices and demonstrate our faith by the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper. We are saved because we accepted God's grace, and after we have accepted it we can sin and deliberately sin and continue to live in sin until we are lost.

We can grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord. We grow to like the things in life that we think about the most. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." The story of the great stone face may be partly fiction but it bears out the truth that if we continue to desire a likeness and if we act and live in the likeness of our desire we soon become the thing we most desire to be; so we can grow in the likeness of Christ by thinking his thoughts and living the kind of life he has shown us by the example he set before us. We can pray and live in the spirit of Christ day by day until we become like him and grow in his likeness.

In the great novel "Les Miserables" the old bishop who forgave Jean Valjean after he had stolen his silver and the officers brought him to the house where he had been so kindly treated by the good bishop, was surely a demonstration in fiction of one who had grown in grace until he had practiced it even to one who would steal from his own household.

Let us then have the grace of God in our hearts one for another as God has this marvelous grace in his heart for us; let us love those who mistreat us; let us forgive those who do not deserve forgiveness; let us grow in grace and in the knowledge of God; let us demonstrate to the world that God's grace has saved us and that we are anxious to help others accept the grace which has been offered for all.

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see."

A REQUEST OF ALL PASTORS

More than 700 Methodists students attend State College, Raleigh. Fairmont Methodist church is on the college campus. A full and attractive program is provided in co-operation with the Methodist Student Movement. Affiliate membership is offered to all students. This does not affect the membership back in the home church or involve any financial obligation here. It provides the students a church home with all the rights and privileges of actual membership. This request is made of all pastors and parents of Methodist students coming to State College this year. Talk with the students personally about the Methodist Student Movement and the interest in and provision for students at Fairmont church. Drop a card giving the names and previous church interests: singing in the choir, playing musical instruments, ushering, preparing and participating in Epworth League programs, etc.

Members of the church here will approach these students personally. Students will be put to work, which will keep them interested in the church and develop their talents for the future leadership of the church. Encouragement of the students and information to us will be a good investment of time.

Address Howard M. McLamb, Pastor Fairmont Methodist Church, Raleigh, N. C.

Lake Mead, the reservoir of the Colorado river, made by the building of the Hoover dam, is the largest man-made body of water in the world. It is now storing 26,000,000 acre-feet of water. It is 547 feet deep and 115 miles long. Its capacity is 32,359,247 acre-feet. The inflow is 82,400 cubic feet a second, equivalent to 37,000,000 gallons per minute.

INDUCTION OF PRESIDENT OF METHODIST CONFERENCE JULY 14, IN LEEDS, ENG.

The conference proceeded to vote on the nominations sent forward from last year's conference for the offices of president, vice president, and secretary, and it was quickly reported that all had been confirmed.

Dr. Bett declared the Rev. Walter H. Armstrong to be president, the Rt. Hon. Lord Rochester, C.M.G., to be vice president, and the Rev. Edwin Finch to be secretary of the conference of 1941.

The ex-president (Dr. Bett), having invested the new president with his robe of office, said: "Mr. President, I am happy, for more reasons than one, to have come to this very distinguished moment in your career. I have never been one to think too highly of ecclesiastical dignities for their own sake; but there is one thing about the office of president of the Methodist conference which makes it priceless. It only comes to the man who commands the admiration and affection and trust of his brethren, and it would be foolish in any man not to value such things as highly as I know you do. You have rendered very distinguished services to Methodism in many directions. Your gifts must be very diverse. You have been a missioner in a great industrial center; you have had charge of an important and historic pulpit in London; and you have presided over very different gatherings with great ability. You are, I understand, a very distinguished and able 'Stationer.' I am rather vague about such things, but I have always understood that to be an expert 'Stationer' a man must possess angelic patience and fiendish cunning. (Laughter). The former you have; I will say nothing of the latter. (Renewed laughter). There are other things. You have been a Christian advocate, a defender of the Faith against secularism, and you have done a good deal to promote friendship among the churches. We are glad to see you so well. (Hear, hear). We were distressed to hear of your illness, and rejoice to see you so full of health and vigor. May you have a very good year of office. May you see the establishment of a righteous peace between the nations, and may you see a renewal of religious faith among the Methodist people. I have now to hand you this historic and moving symbol of your office—the little Bible Wesley carried about in his apostolic journeys through the country."

The president (the Rev. W. H. Armstrong), acknowledging the ex-president's words, said: "Mr. ex-President —I would that my tongue could utter the thoughts that arise in me through your kind and gracious words. I appreciate them most highly and thank you most deeply. You have inducted me into the highest office in which a minister can be placed by his brethren. I am proud—and I am humble. I can only say that, helped by the prayers of the Methodist people, by the affection and good will of my brethren, and by the help that I shall receive from Him whom I first met consciously fifty years ago in a Methodist church, the God who has blessed me throughout my life, I shall endeavor to preserve this office in dignity and faithfulness and to discharge its responsibilities. I will ever remember that I am the servant of the church and the servant of Him whose I am. Now, sir, in the name of this conference I express to you its gratitude for the work you have done during the past year. You have been in labors abundant—possibly, in hungerings and thirstings. At all events you have faced a year of abnormal difficulties; but none of these difficulties seems to have moved you. The conference is deeply grateful to you for all you have done, and in its name I express to you its thankfulness." (Hear, hear).—The Methodist Recorder.

PROSPECTS FOR BEST YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF BREVARD COLLEGE

As we go to press the following message was received from President E. J. Coltrane in regard to the favorable outlook for Brevard College as the work of the new year approaches. Here is the message:

"Prospects are bright for best year in the history of Brevard College. New building projects and efforts to increase endowment resources are reassuring to young people and their parents. Citizens of Brevard are developing their campaign to raise $300,000 in order to maintian the college as a standard institution. We look to the future with renewed hope and courage. E. J. Coltrane."

This will be gratifying news to all friends of education in North Carolina and to all who appreciate the successful work that Brevard has done all through its history. This college has been unusually fortunate in the character of its students and in quality of service rendered by the men and women who taught these fine boys and girls.

The citizens of Brevard and of all that section are coming to appreciate Brevard College and we look forward with confidence to its future.

A GREAT COUNTRY CHURCH

One of the biggest country churches in North Carolina is Mt. Pleasant church, in Guilford county near Kimesville, and within one mile of the Alamance county line. There are 500 members, a spacious and attractive church building beautifully located in the midst of as fine farming section as there is in Guilford county. The parsonage is located in an attractive grove a few hundred yards from the church. Rev. R. P. Gibbs, the pastor, and his family are very happily situated and the leading members speak in high terms of their pastor. That is the way Summerfield people talked about him when at Summerfield before going to Mt. Pleasant. The Advocate has a good number of readers in this big congregation and expects to have more in the near future.

It is a delightful drive from Greensboro to Mt. Pleasant. A few miles out from Greensboro one passes Alamance Presbyterian church almost 200 years old and the second oldest Presbyterian church in Guilford, Buffalo church just out of Greensboro being the oldest. This location of Alamance church must have reminded these Scotchmen of their native land. In fact the drive across Guilford to Mt. Pleasant reminds one very forcibly of certain sections of Scotland, especially the Robert Burns country.

You will want to be in next week's report of the tax campaign. Get on the band wagon.

WAKE FOREST METHODIST CHURCH WILL BE DEDICATED NEXT SUNDAY

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach and dedicate the new Methodist church at Wake Forest Sunday, September 7.

The bishop holds the regular Sunday morning service, beginning at 11 o'clock, and immediately afterward he will conduct the dedication ceremony. Lunch will be



Bishop Clare Purcell

served in the church, and the memorial services in the afternoon will conclude the activities of the day.

A cordial invitation has been extended the public in general and to all former pastors and members to attend the services.

This will be a notable day for the Methodists in this immediate section.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE ITEMS

Louisburg College will open on the 8th of September and the prospects for the opening are the best. Faculty members are coming in from different colleges and universities and from vacations spent in some kind of intellectual work. They are all preparing for the opening program of the college. The first faculty meeting is on Friday morning of this week, and in the afternoon the social commiittee of the faculty is preparing for a faculty picnic.

Courses of Study

If students wish to prepare for the ministry, for law, for secondary work, or for any of the so-called learned professions, they find the general course in the college gives them the first two years' work preparatory for their university work in these subjects. For those students who are preparing for civil, mechanical, electrical, or chemical engineering, they find the first two years of their work given in the engineering course and this leads directly to the junior year in this same field in the colleges and universities of the state. Louiisburg College also offers the first two years of work to teachers who are preparing for primary and elementary teaching in the schools of North Carolina. Then the college also offers courses in the first two years' work for students preparing for dentistry, pharmancy and technicians.

Terminal Courses

Many students in this time of stress wish to prepare for some form of commercial work. To meet the needs of this class of pupils, Louisburg College offers strong commercial courses of one or two years, as the student may elect. These courses give thorough preparation for the work of the office, or for any commerical work young people are called to do. The home makers courses prepares the student for the management of a home and equips her for her duties and responsibilities; she learns all the arts of preparing foods, clothes making, accounting for the household, and for making life at home both successful and pleasant.

Also terminal courses are offered in agriculture and many students are finding that these courses are greatly to their advantage when they return to their homes for their farm work.

In both the subjects mentioned the college offers the first two years of home economics for those who are preparing to teach this subject, and in agriculture for those who wish to complete their degree of bachelor of science and who plan to make farm demonstrators, agricultural teachers, and the like.

There is scarcely a phase of life or of the work of life that Louisburg College does not touch. Today there is a call for workers in practically every field of endeavor and Louisburg College stands ready to help young people prepare for some field of work and gives the most thorough preparation possible. Not only does the college prepare the young man and young woman for making a living, but with all this the college does her utmost to inculcate in young people attending the deeper principles of spiritual and moral life. Education without the spiritual and moral element is generally a failure in the end.

WORTH WRITING HOME ABOUT

When a church of approximately one hundred resident members has from thirty to forty-seven people each week at prayer meeting during the hot summer months, that's something worth writing home about. Such has been the case with the Lindsey Street Methodist church of Riedsville this summer. And the pastor has had little to do with it, except to lend encouragement.

In early June our consecrated and enthusiastic chairman of the board of stewards, Charles J. Roberts, conceived the idea that one of the best ways of increasing the interest of the members of his board in securing funds for the church budget, and through them, arouse greater interest on the part of the membership in contributing, was to develop their spiritual lives more fully. So, upon his recommendation, the stewards agreed to sponsor the weekly prayer meetings for an indefinite period.

As has been the custom in this church for a number of years, these meetings have been held in the homes of the members, which has its value, particularly in reaching some folks who seldom, if ever, attend such a meeting. Most of the homes of the stewards have been visited with beneficial results. Requests for a meeting place have always been granted. Last week, at the home of Mrs. J. A. Gunn, a rural member, eight miles from home for most of the attendants, and ten miles from others, there were 35 present.

Nothing sensational or spectacular has been arranged or is announced. Sometimes special music is rendered by members of the young people's choir. The pastor has never been asked to lead (which, incidentally, may account for the good attendance). Men and women of the church have conducted these services, with an occasional outsider for variety.

It used to be said that the prayer meeting was the spiritual thermometer of the church. If that be so, ours is running high, and praise the Lord for it.

E. Lester Ballard.

LAKE LANDING TOWNSHIP REVIVAL

For 12 days Rev. J. W. Frank assisted in the township-wide revival meeting held in the Englehard high school August 4-15. Mr. Frank was a missionary to Japan and brought some helpful messages about his field of work as well as earnest gospel messages. Many heard him gladly and were benefitted by his messages.

Those attending the closing service voted to continue it another year if deemed wise. We do hope and pray that all have been drawn closer to our Lord and Saviour and to one another.

Rev. J. W. Frank is 70 years old and very active and want to serve his Lord. All who heard him were impressed with his earnestness. His messages were informing, inspiring and helpful.—Hyde County Messenger.

AN APPROACHING GOLDEN WEDDING

The friends of Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Litaker of Charlotte have received the following invitation to the celebration of their marriage half a century ago:

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Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Milton Litaker
desire your presence on the
Fiftieth Anniversary of their marriage
Tuesday, September the ninth
from seven until ten o'clock in the evening
230 Ridgewood Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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STUDY LEADERS' MEETINGS

From Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary of missionary education and service, we have the following announcement of dates and places for the study leaders' meetings to be held this month:

Monday, Sept. 22—First church, High Point, for Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem districts.

Tuesday, Sept. 23—Broad Street church, Statesville, for Statesville and Salisbury districts.

Wednesday, Sept. 24—First church, Morganton, for Marion and Elkin districts.

Thursday, Sept. 25—First church, Waynesville, for Asheville and Waynesville districts.

Friday, Sept. 26—First church, Charlotte, for Charlotte and Gastonia districts.

Each day the meetings will be held from 9:30 to 1 o'clock. Following officers compose the "team" in charge of these meetings: Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference vice president and chairman of spiritual life; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian social relations; Mrs. W. F. Redding, conference secretary of Wesleyan Guild; Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary of missionary education and service.

In addition to these officers Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York City, one of our new field secretaries to the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will be present and will add to the interest and value of the days' programs. It is desired that there be large numbers of representatives from each district in attendance upon these profitable meetings.

MISSIONARIES ENTERTAINED

On the eve of their departure for their new mission field as workers among the Japanese in the state of Arizona, Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart, native North Carolinians and former missionaries to Japan, entertained at their summer home at Lake Junaluska, Tuesday afternoon, their guests being a group of missionaries at the Lake from Oriental fields, whose terms of missionary service aggregate more than 200 years.

Bishop Arthur Moore, general superintendent of Methodist missions in the Orient for the past six years, and Mrs. Moore were honor guests. There were present from Japan Rev. and Mrs. W. K. Matthews of Tennessee, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Stott and Mrs. N. S. Ogburn of North Carolina, and Miss Catherine Stevens of Georgia. From Korea: Miss Appenzeller, the first American missionary child born in Korea, and former head of Ewha College of Seoul; Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Lewis and Miss Jean Lewis (recently licensed air pilot); Miss Mary Lewis and Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Anderson. From China: Miss Pyke, born in Peking and a graduate of Wellesley College. Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. Zirkle, San Antonio, Texas; Rev. and Mrs. Horace Williams of Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Dawson of Mt. Olive, N. C. Rev. N. S. Ogburn of Charlotte, speaking on behalf of the missionaries recently withdrawn from Japan and Korea, said: "We want, hope and pray to go back to enjoy the friendship of Christians, to work with them in bringing others to Christ, that we, in the United States, and they may learn anew how to be brothers in reality and to build all countries into sincere love of God and man, without thought of use of arms.

NEW PROGRAM MATERIAL FOR 1941-1942

With the coming of September the Woman's Societies of Christian Service are expected to take up the new program material, which has been made ready for the last four months of 1941 (September, October, November and December) and for the entire year of 1942. This material is ready for distribution and all societies are urged to secure it at once and begin its use in September as is planned.

Part I: "Proof Sheets of Power" contains not only the programs for the remaining four months of 1941, but also the worship services.

Part II: "For the Facing of This Hour" prepared for 1941 contains 12 programs and a number of suggested projects to be used with each topic.

Worship services for use during the calendar year of 1942 are correlated with the programs. A set of pictures illustrate some of the work described in the 1942 programs.

It is necessary that our organizations have this material which may be secured for $1, and each society is requested to order it at once so that the programs may be arranged and carried out in an interesting manner. Order these programs from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

QUARTERLY MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

With the coming of September we are to celebrate our first anniversary as a Woman's Society of Christian Service. I hope your record is a good one. As, perhaps you know, our fiscal year now is from January to January, which means that the officers elected last September will serve through December of this year.

I am rushing this letter to you with the hope that if you have not already ordered your new literature you will do so at once, and have it in time for your September meeting. The program material for the next 16 months has been published and will be mailed in two parts. This material costs $1.00 and can be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio. Please take this amount from your local treasury and order this material at once. You will find this material listed on page 32 of The Methodist Woman. I would advise you to order from the same address, for 25 cents, "The First Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service." This will give you valuable information. On page 179 you will find the new constitution for the local society. On page 180 the new by-law says, "There shall be an annual meeting for the receiving of annual reports and the election and installation of officers. It shall be held prior to the close of the fiscal year."

There are many new interesting features of our work that I hope you will get started in your society right away if possible. For instance, the student work, the young woman's and girls' work, the children's work and the Wesleyan Service Guild. You will find information in regard to each of these departments in The Methodist Woman.

May I say that if your society has a Wesleyan Service Guild but has never reported it to our conference secretary, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., Asheboro, please see that this is done right away. We are anxious to have our employed women in some missionary organization, whether it is a night circle, in the society or a Wesleyan Service Guild. And remember for this year only the membership of the W. S. Guild is to be included in the total membership of your society. Because so much of our work is new, we are to have the privilege of having with us at our September leadership study days Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York City, who will explain the new plans of our work; so when Mrs. J. W. Payne, our conference secretary of missionary education and service, sends notice of the time and place of the meeting to your society, please do not let anything interfere with your society having its full representation there. I consider this meeting the most important one we will have before the close of the year.

Another important item for the fall is the observance of the week of prayer. Please watch the announcement in The Methodist Woman as to when the envelopes and program material will be ready, then order in plenty of time for your meeting. It may be a little hard for some of us, who have been accustomed to having the literature sent to us, to have to order it and pay for it, but let's fall in line and do our work as it should be done. If you have a small society and feel you cannot carry out the entire program (for it is a big one) do not feel discouraged, but undertake what you feel your women can do. When you have held your September meeting, please see that all reports are sent to your district corresponding secretary promptly, and that every dollar of your pledge is paid up to date. Thank you. If I can be of service to you in any way, please let me know. Mrs. Charles C. Weaver.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary of missionary education and service, is changed from Waxhaw to Cherryville, to which place she has recently moved. Please make a note of this change in address.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WEEK OF PRAYER LITERATURE

The annual observance of the week of prayer will be held during the last week in October. Therefore the time has come when planing for this uplifting event should begin. Soon Mrs. R. H. Broome, confernece secretary of literature, will send to all societies program material and other literature for the week of prayer observance. However, it is well to remember that Mrs. Broome will not have the offering envelopes. These should be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. The projects to which the week of prayer offering is directed this year are: A pension fund for deaconesses; convalescent home for children at Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.; medical equipment for various foreign mission fields and Christian literature for foreign mission fields. Each of these needs is exceedingly urgent.

INT. RELATIONS-WORLD PEACE

When we think of the international situation we are apt to think of it as something from which we as individuals are far removed. But the world has been brought too close together by modern inventions for one part not to be affected by what goes on in another part. Does it not come to us with a shock when we stop to think that for eight years barbaric violence has been raging with increasing cruelty all over the world, driving millions into exile, sentencing whole populations to slavery at the point of a gun; murdering women nad children, crushing the truth we have labored for centuries to lift out of darkness. Isn't there a moral issue in such conditions that brings a challenge to the people of every Christian democracy? Each of us should confront world conditions with the realization that we are a vital part of the world in which we live, that the issues are moral and that we have a decision to make based upon the question, "Is it right or is it wrong?" In his book, "The Forgotten Moral Issue," Brooks Atkinson writes: "In the simplest moral term it was wrong for Japan to grab Manchukuo, to spread like a scourge through China; for Italy to ravage Ethiopia, to conspire with Germany against the legitimate government of Spain; for Germany to invade Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland and other countries ;for Russia to engulf the Baltic States, to crush the independence of the Finns—wrong because these things have struck at the spirit of man, which is the creative force of the world." We cannot fail to recognize the evil of such actions, nor the results that have followed and will continue to follow if such thieves and murderers are not curbed. We cannot escape our moral responsibility by turning our eyes away from the sufferings and terrors brought about by such acts. It is not enough for America to help with planes and guns, but every man, woman and child must fight the battles against wrong with renewed faith in God, and a determination to stand for what is right. It is not the great leaders, the great soldiers, the great writers alone who will win the battle. The people, the ordinary men and women have a contribution to make and they must not fail to do their part. —Mrs. J. A. Warren, chairman Conference Committee on International Relations and World Peace of the Department of C. S. R. and L. C. A.

STUDENT WORK

Mrs. H. Lee Thomas ,conference secretary student work, has carefully planned for some effective work in this department. Co-operation with Mrs. Thomas will greatly strengthen the work. In the first place Mrs. Thomas is urging that there shall be a secretary of student work in every W. S. C. S. assigned to the task of making an immediate census of the boys in camps and girls in defense industries in each community. White cards, 3x5 inches, may be secured from Literature Headpuarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. When properly filled in the cards should be mailed to Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage, N. C. Another opportunity for the secretary of student work in the local society is that of conferring with the pastor, the committee on Christian social relations of the W. S. C. S. or any other committee in the church or community working on the problems to set up a program for the boys and girls at your own door. Each secretary of student work should be a steady, calm counselor to each boy and girl who looks to the church first for spiritual guidance and then for social and recreational needs.

ENCOURAGING TRENDS IN BRAZIL

When the inquiry "What trends in Brazil encourage you?" was made to him recently at Lake Junaluska, Rev. Walter H. Moore, president of Granbery Institute, Brazil, told his hearers that Brazil's attitude toward other nations is increasingly friendly; that there is an increased activity of the Catholic Church in Brazil. The Catholic Church in that country is the prevailing church and now the Catholics are not attacking the evangelical Protestant Church so much, but rather are they seeking to render a service. It is encouraging to see the students in Brazil working in the Student Volunteer movement, which in developing the students of all evangelical churches. In the matter of church school literature, Dr. Moore said that there is a close co-operation among all evangelical churches in this matter, excepting upon the part of the Baptists, but that that denomination has very fine literature. Some other encouraging trends in Brazil, according to Dr. Moore are: the fact that the Methodist Church is growing there; that the schools of theology are filled with numbers of splendid young men preparing for the ministry; the activities of the Methodist women in Brazil are varied and effective; the Methodist schools of Brazil are overflowing and it is interesting to see the students in these schools in key positions in the country; encouraging that these people see and feel that the only solution for the problems of Brazil is the spiritual—Jesus Christ, and that there is an encouraging movement for preparation for teachers for secondary schools in Brazil. "The educational field in Brazil," said Dr. Moore, "is the greatest opportunity for evangelistic work."

FALL MISSION STUDY

The topic for the fall mission study classes this year is "Christians and World Order" and gives promise of being interesting, timely and having in it elements for the outgrowth of effective Christian social relations activities. Whether this promise will be fulfilled depends largely upon the careful and early planning for the classes. The text book is "A Christian Imperaitve," by Roswell Barnes, 60 cents; the leader's helps, 25 cents. Supplementary material consists of "What Kind of a World Do You Want," by Seabury, 25 cents; "The Seed and the Soil," by Baker, 60 cents; "Builders of a New World," Bartlett, 25 cents; "Christianity and Our World," Bennett, 50 cents; "Toward a World Christian Fellowship," Latourette, 50 cents; "Faith by Which the Church Lives," Georgia Harkness; "Through Tragedy to Triumph," Matthews, 60 cents. These books may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Durham district study leaders' meeting will be held at Carrboro on Tuesday, September 9, beginning at 10 a. m. (E.D.S.T.), according to announcement by Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary.

Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, announces that a similar meeting will be held for that district at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, on Wednesday, September 10, beginning at 9:45 a. m. (E.D.S.T.)

All presidents, secretaries of missionary education, Christian social relations and local church activities, children's work, spiritual life, young women and girls' work and many others are urged to attend these meetings, bringing problems and suggestions and each one is asked to bring a light lunch. Miss Robertson also announces that she will have for sale text books and supplementary material for the fall mission study and suggests that the women come prepared to purchase them. These books will also probably be for sale at the Raleigh district meeting.

Happiness consists in the active employment of the faculties.—Aristotle.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THE WATERMELON FEAST

Good watermelons have not been so plentiful in these parts this year. The season has been against them. But our family had some of the best ones yesterday that I have seen anywhere at any time. For the twenty-eighth successive year a small group of men composing the Senior Wesley Class in Centenary Methodist church, successor to the Rawley Bible Class of old Centenary church, gave our family the annual August watermelon slicing. These good fellows bring plenty of melons and seem to enjoy seeing our children enjoy them. They come without fanfare and without a great deal of heralding, but they come bringing their fruit with them.

AGAINST A DEAD-LINE

All last week we were working against a dead-line. Something had to be done by a given time every time one got at anything. Children were coming in, clothes had to be fitted, school furniture had to be moved, new workers had to be adjusted, the Chronicle had to be sent out, financial pressure had to be relieved and a large number of other things had to be done by a given time.

DID YOU DO?

We are very much interested in knowing what our friends did for our family yesterday in the way of contributing a fifth Sunday offering. We have the feeling that a large number of them did well for their foster children. We will be expecting the morning's mail to be well laden with love gifts from friends in our church schools. As a matter of fact, we do not have nearly enough money to pay our August bills.

A NEW MONTH

We have a new month. It is September. We have some new needs. They are similar to the old ones—financial. September is a great time to begin with the fall ingathering. Now that the fifth Sunday call has been met, it is exceedingly important that the ten per cent apportionment be met.

THE FAMILY INCREASES

Seventy-seven new children have come to live at the Children's Home this summer. Forty-three of them came from our High Point Children's Home and thirty-four of them came from within the bounds of the Western North Carolina conference, some of them far beyond the Blue Ridge. These children are here because they belong to be here. The buildings in which they live were given by altruistic Christian people who wanted to provide a home for orphan children. Part of their sustenance has been provided for by income from endowments given by the same type of Christian servants. We think it not too much to ask our living Methodist Christians to provide the rest of the sustentation fund. It is none too heavy for those who love to make a home for the homeless.

SCHOOL OPENS

Our teachers, nine choice people who will direct our elementary school here on the Home grounds under the direction of our city school board, met early this morning to arrange for the enrollment of the children about mid-morning. This has been done and tomorrow another regular session of the school year begins. The older youngsters will start to school at seven o'clock, daylight saving time, and others will be beginning the school day at different times to ten-fifteen. The beginning of school is not only staggered, but so is the ending. Miss Richardson, the principal, has worked out a school schedule that will enable our children to have a fine chance at learning from books and a good opportunity for practical work in maintaining our Home. Our method of raising children provides for intellectual endeavor and physical work so arranged that neither will interfere with the other.

The 150 members of our family who go to high school will not have as good an opportunity to help the Home as the younger members, since they must be away a good part of the day, but some of them will be permitted to enter school an hour later in the morning than the starting time and others will come home an hour earlier.

WORKING AT PLAY

Already the varsity football squad, fifty in number, have had their first week's workout at football. These boys start their work before and soon after daylight and keep at it until twelve-thirty. Dinner is served at one o'clock and then for two hours the boys rest before going back for two hours' hard work at learning how to play football. Their first game will be with Asheville high school on the night of September 19 in Bowman Gray stadium, Winston-Salem. Some seventy-five younger boys will start their football practice this week. The attending picture shows a group of eighty-five pounders who began their first football last year. Most of them will have advanced to the hundred pound squad this year.

DISPENSERS OF INFORMATION

By seven o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Woosley with six of our choice youngsters were on their way to meet groups of our friends and to give to them certain information dealing with our Children's Home family. Mrs. Woosley, Buren Blackwelder, Jane Kluttz, and Jim Reed went to First church, Charlotte, where, under the direction of E. R. Bucher, superintendent, and Robin Kirby, Children's Home director, they met with the adults at the church school session. Aubrey Dees, Wilba Stanfield and Robert Jones went to Trinity, Kannapolis, where, at the eleven o'clock hour under the direction of Rev. W. A. Kale, pastor, they presented information connected with the Children's Home program. The group came back very enthusiastic over their trip. They had met with cordial, liberal and sincere friends.

A VACATION ECHO

Vacations are over but our children still think about and talk about the good times they had enjoying them. Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Whitener of Gastonia write as follows relative to Charles and Billy Mullis, who have just returned from enjoying their hospitality: "We have been enjoying Charles and Billy so much. But all good things must come to an end, and we are sending them back to you. We regret to send Charles so skinned up, but we have found him to be a real boy with skinned legs being no rare occurrence. Billy has come through his two weeks unscathed except for a possible bit of 'spoiling.' If you find the boys kidnapped some time you might as well know where to start looking for them."



Most of last year's 85 pounders will be 100 pounders this year

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SCHOOL OPENS—Our school opened this week. The children seemed to be eager to get back into school after a long vacation. We are blessed with a corps of outstanding teachers. They are highly trained and take a personal interest in every child under their supervision. Our record last year was unusually good, and indications are that we are going to have a still better year this new school year.

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CAMPUS—During the past month much work has been done on the campus preparatory to sowing grass between the 15th and 30th of this month. Many say that our campus is beautiful, and it will be more lovely when we get a good stand of grass everywhere. Our hosts of friends are invited to visit us as often as they may find it convenient to do so. We are delighted to have visitors to see our children, cottages and campus.

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LIFE SAVING—Sixteen of our boys and girls took lessons in life saving during the last two weeks and all received certificates for completing the course. It was most commendable in Mr. Albert Stone, a representative from the Red Cross, to give these lessons gratis. Life saving is an art, and those who become experts are most fortunate. The Methodist Orphanage feels deeply grateful to Mr. Albert Stone for rendering this valuable service.

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GOOD SERMON—Since I had a day at home I availed myself of the privilege of attending services at Person Street church, in Raleigh, on the fourth Sunday in August. Brother D. M. Sharpe is pastor of the Person Street church. I do not recall when I have heard a better sermon, and I think everybody present derived great good from the service. Plans are made for the erection of a new church, and Brother Sharpe expects to break ground early in this month. He is doing a fine piece of constructive work in this promising fiedl.

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MRS. NELLIE B. RIVES—in the absence of Rev. W. A. Cade, the singing class of the Methodist Orphanage was the guest of St. Paul church, Goldsboro, on the fourth Sunday morning in August. Miss M. Westmoreland had charge of the opening service. We were at Fremont with Rev. C. W. Robbins for the night service. Mr. John Exum had charge of the service in the absence of the pastor. This being vacation time for many people, we felt that our congregations were quite flattering. Many came to hear the concert at both churches.

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FOOTBALL—On August 18 our boys began football practice late in the afternoon after the day's work. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our regular Orphanage school teachers, had a most successful season last year with our boys. The record last year was two scoreless ties and eight victories. The opposing teams scored 19 points, while our football squad scored a total of 166 points. We can hardly hope to enjoy such a successful season this year as several of our best players graduated in June. While this year's squad is rather small, they are going to give a good account of themselves. Problems of discipline are at a minimum when our boys and girls are engaged in competitive athletics.

THE MISUSE OF "REVEREND"

The use of "Reverend Jones" to designate a minister of that name, a widespread and seemingly ineradicable practice that is the subject of a protest in the New York Times, is indefensible on grammatical grounds and is besides marked by a certain uncouthness.

The chairman of a meeting will bring the gathering to order with the announcement that Reverend Jones will offer prayer. A newspaper may even tell its readers that Reverend Jones conducted religious services.

The correct usage in speaking of a clergyman is of course Reverend John Jones or Rev. Mr. Jones. Some precision writing, as in addressing a letter, abbreviation is permissible—Rev. John Jones or Rev. Mr. Jones. Some precisians like to preserve older forms by saying the Reverend So-and-So, just as some like to speak of the Congress (of the United States), instead of just Congress.

Most titles are proper nouns—Doctor, Colonel, Judge, Senator, Representative and the like. It is grammatically correct to say Doctor Jones or Senator Jones for the same reason that it is correct to say John Jones. But Reverend is not a noun. It is an adjective—a titular adjective, to give it specific description.

Another titular adjective is Honorable. If you have contracted the Rev. Jones habit and want to break it off, just remember that you wouldn't say Honorable Jones, unless perhaps you were deliberately imitating a fictional Japanese schoolboy.—The Arkansas Gazette.

The teacher had recited "The Landing of the Pilgrims." Then she requested each pupil to draw from his or her imagination a picture of Plymouth Rock. Most of them went to work at once, but one little fellow hesitated, and at length raised his hand. "Well, Willie, what is it?" asked the teacher. "Please, ma'am, do you want us to draw a hen or a rooster?"—Ex.

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Returns from Church School Rally Day received to August 27 are listed below. The total amount is $633.31 less than the total received from this source during last conference year; and is $937.88 less than the amount anticipated from this source this year. Any offerings on hand for this cause should be forwarded to Mr. E. A. Dunham at once. Churches that have not observed Church School Rally Day should plan to do so on either September 21 or October 5. Free programs are available.

Asheville District

Haywood Street	$ 19.94
Oakley	4.00
Black Mountain	5.00
Montmorenci	8.80
Snow Hill	3.70
Dana	.70
East Flat Rock	1.15
Hendersonville	20.00
Grace	1.45
Mills River	5.18
Tabernacle	4.00
Total	73.92

Charlotte District

Ansonville	3.00
Belmont Park	10.00
Calvary	8.06
Chadwick	5.00
Dilworth	57.50
Duncan Memorial	3.26
First, Charlotte	122.38
Myers Park	39.00
Spencer Memorial	8.07
Derita	3.25
Hickory Grove	5.00
Homestead	5.00
Indian Trail	2.00
Lilesville Charge	5.00
Matthews	5.47
Morven	4.50
New Hope (New Hope-Bethel)	2.68
Harrison	10.70
Wadesboro	10.00
Mineral Springs	2.63
Pleasant Grove	1.50
Total	314.00

Elkin District

Smith Grove	1.13
Bethel (Mocksville)	5.00
Chestnut Grove	2.65
Dulin	2.00
Union Chapel	2.50
Sparta	2.50
West Jefferson	3.00
Total	18.78

Gastonia District

Kadesh	6.29
Bessemer City	3.50
Concord	2.50
Asbury	1.40
Boger City	4.00
Dallas	7.00
Friendship (Fallston)	6.40
East End	4.00
Main Street, Gastonia	50.00
Maylo	7.00
McKendree	2.30
First, Lincolnton	15.00
Ebenezer (Lowell)	2.65
South Point	2.46
Polkville	5.00
Denver	3.71
Central, Shelby	25.00
Lafayette Street	5.00
West Shelby ..N	2.16
Sharon (Shelby Ct.)	5.00
Total	160.37

Greensboro District

Gibsonville	8.00
Centenary	5.00
Glenwood	20.00
Newlyn Street	5.00
Muir's Chapel	4.81
Madison	3.63
Mitchell's Grove	5.65
Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden)	4.25
Lindsey Street	5.50
Main Street, Redisville	12.98
Bethlehem (Reidsville Ct.)	2.75
Lowe's	5.27
Spray	10.00
Total	92.84

High Point District

Archdale	11.50
First, Asheboro	20.91
First, High Point	13.09
Welch Memorial	1.22
Wesley Memorial	51.50
Mt. Pleasant (Mr. Vernon)	2.00
Ramseur	11.83
St. Paul	4.10
Bethany (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
Bethel (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	3.00
Gray's Chapel	1.00
Shiloh(Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
Total	122.15

Marion District

Oak Grove (Bostic)	3.33
Salem (Bostic)	2.94
Glen Alpine	8.00
Bethlehem (Mill Spring)	3.15
First, Morganton	20.82
North Morganton	4.10
Oak Forest	2.40
Bethel (Morganton Ct.)	1.00
Bethlehem (Old Fort Ct.)	2.16
Pleasant Grove	2.50
Rutherford College	2.50
Ruthefordton	7.00
Spindale	7.08
Spruce Pine	12.78
Total	79.76

Salisbury District

Central, Albemarle	24.00
First Street, Albemarle	5.00
Tabernacle-Palestine Charge	4.00
Bethany (Albemarle Ct.)	8.23
Porter	1.25
Stony Hill	2.05
Union Chapel	1.34
First, China Grove	22.11
Ann Street	9.70
Epworth	10.00
Kerr Street	3.75
Bethel (Friendship)	2.75
Friendship	2.00
New Mt. Tabor (Friendship)	1.25
Bethlehem (Gold Hill)	3.00
Liberty (Gold Hill)	1.63
Bethpage	5.02
Jackson Park	2.85
Center Grove	2.31
St. Pauls	2.31
Pine Bluff	1.35
Mt. Olivet	14.00
Cold Springs	5.00
Norwood	10.00
Salem	6.50
First, Salisbury	8.70
Park Avenue	6.30
Love's Chapel	3.50
Love's Grove	3.50
Oakboro	3.00
South River	.75
Total	177.15

Statesville District

Bethlehem (Catawba)	2.85
Concord	2.45
Hopewell	2.50
Cool Spring	2.62
New Salem	4.00
Providence	1.35
Rose Chapel	1.50
Granite Falls	5.00
West View	5.00
Bethel, Hickory	5.00
Hiddenite	4.30
Pisgah	2.55
Rocky Springs	1.80
First, Lenoir	35.00
Central, Mooresville	9.35
Mount Zion	9.00
First, Newton	11.12
North Newton	5.00
Vanderburg	4.60
Boulevard	2.20
Race Street	14.58
Chapel Hill	1.48
Midway	1.75
Stony Point	5.68
Taylorsville	3.00
Troutman	6.35
Whitnel	12.00
Total	162.03

Waynesville District

Andrews	5.80
Bryson City	5.00
Central, Canton	35.50
Rockwood	6.32
Elizabeth Chapel	1.95
Maggie	1.06
Franklin	2.86
Bethel (Franklin Ct.)	2.63
Jonathan Charge	2.15
Junaluska	2.88
Union (Macon)	3.70
Long's Church (Pigeon Valley)	3.75
Meadow Grove (Pigeon Valley)	1.00
Piney Grove (Pigeon Valley)	1.50
Pigeon Valley	1.00
Sylva	7.50
Waynesville	10.00
Whittier	.65
Total	95.25

Winston-Salem District

New Hope (Doubs)	5.48
Mt. Tabor (Forsyth)	5.00
Pine Grove (Forsyth)	2.75
Erlanger Charge	5.00
Main St., Kernersville	4.00
Lewisville	3.24
Sharon	1.00
Shoals	2.00
Mt. Carmel (Reeds-Mt. Carmel)	6.80
Reeds	2.00
Pleasant Hill (Tomasville)	2.50
Palmyra	4.00
Center	7.35
Centenary, Winston-Salem	193.98
Central Terrace	16.50
Crews	2.00
Ogburn Memorial	2.27
Total	265.87
Grand total	1562.12

BETHANY METHODIST CHURCH: RANDOLPH-GRAY'S CHAPEL CHARGE

By Mrs. Shelton Lineberry

This class was organized in September, 1875, under a brush arbor at the home of Rene Julian, about one mile south of the place where the church now stands, by Rev. W. H. Peoples, then pastor of Randolph charge. There were 18 charter members. They were Solomon T. Redding and wife Louisa Allred Redding, Tobias C. Julian and wife Phoebe Jester Julian, Joshau Routh and wife Sallie Julian Routh, William H. Patterson, John R. Brown, Mrs. Mary Davenport Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth Love Julian, Mrs. Mary Patterson Julian, Isaac Julian, W. L. Julian, Rene Julian, Miss Caroline Julian, Miss Sarah Julian, Lindsay Julian, and Esrom R. Trogdon.

The first trustees were S. T. Redding, T .C. Julian, and Isaac Julian. The next year (1876) the present plot of land was given by Lindsay Julian and A. N. Routh. An arbor was erected, and Rev. Z. C. Lineberry preached the first gospel sermon under it the first Sunday in August 1876. Camp meetings were held here for some years. Some years passed before the church was completed. When Rev. H. W. Peoples was called to preach the dedicatory sermon this church was on the Randolph charge. The pastors were Rev. Mr. Hubbard, Rev. Mr. Gladson and Rev. W. W. Amick. The years these served is not known, but Rev. Henry Lewallen was pastor 1879, Dr. A. W. Lineberry 1880-81. At this time it was detached from Randolph charge and placed on the Cedar Falls charge.

The first grave was that of the infant son of I. A. and P. M. Coe, 1880. The pastors while on this charge were: Revs. J. H. Gilbreath 1882-83, C. A. Pickens 1884, D. A. Highfill 1885-86, T. F. McCulloch 1887, J. C. Deans 1888-89, and about half of 1890, when he was called to his heavenly home. The balance of the year Revs. W. C. Hammer and W. T. Lotten supplied the pulpit. Rev. G. F. Milloway 1891-92-83 (at this time it was detached from Cetached from Cedar Falls charge and placed on Randleman charge); W. F. Kennett 1804, E. A. Plyler 1895-96-97, P. C. Battle 1898-99 (at this time the membership was 110), J. F. Austin 1900, S. E. Lucas 1891-92-93 (present house was built 1903, completed in 1904), J. H. Bowman 1904-05, J. R. Hutton 1906, W. A. Bunch 1907-08 aod part of 1909, when he passed away and W. C. Hammer supplied the rest of the year (membership 98), T. H. Matthews 1910-11, J. B. O'Bryant 1912-18, J. A. Ledbetter 1919-20. In 1931 it was detached from Randleman charge and placed again on the Randolph charge. Number of graves in cemetery at this time was 206. Pastors, W. F. Ashburn 1921-22-23-24, A. O. Lindley 1925-26-27, D. I. Garner 1928-29-30, Edward Suits 1931-32-34-35, G. L. Reynolds 1936-37-38 (under his pastorate six nice Sunday school rooms were built). The present pastor is Rev. H. L. Isley; membership 181.

This information was given by Mrs. D. T. Gastor, Mrs. A. T. Allred, I. A. and John G. Julian, and the Mss. of the late W. M. Julian.

"O BEAUTIFUL BANNER"

Five boys marched up to the pole, carrying the folded flag between them. Carefully and slowly the leader opened it and, fastening it to the rope, pulled it strongly to the top. As the flag opened and fluttered in the smart breeze, the boys' fresh voices joined in the flag salute. A verse of "America" was sung, and then the youngest lad of all stepped out of the circle and read the beautiful lines written by Franklin K. Lane:

I am whatever you make me; nothing more.
I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what a people may become.
I am the Constitution and the Courts, statutes and the statute-makers, soldier and dreadnaught, drayman and street-sweep, cook, counselor, and clerk.
I am no more than what you believe me to be, and I am all that you believe I can be.
I am what you make me; nothing more.

Have all Americans as much reverence for the flag as these boys at camp had shown?

Just the day before, a walk down the aisles of the "5-and-10" revealed over twenty gadgets on which the flag had been placed. On everything from vanity cases to beer mugs, the Stars and stripes were displayed. Has a cheap, shouting patriotism which expresses itself mainly in gaudy car stickers, cigarette holders, and bathing suits a legitimate place in America today?

A nation needs a steadfast patriotism of doing, which shows as great a reverence for the flag as for one's mother, home, faith. The flag is a symbol of deepest feelings, love for one's country, and for the freedom for which she stands. Every home should possess a flag, and it should be treated with respect. The flippant, careless use of the flag ought not to be tolerated.

"I am what you make me; nothing more."—Christian Science Monitor.

BETTER PASS ON

You never can tell when a harmless looking hitchhiker is going to assault and rob the kind hearted motorist who picks him up. It is dangerous business to yield to the impulse to give the poor fellow a lift.

Most hitchhikers are harmless enough and it seems a shame to pass them by without giving heed to their thumbed appeal; but any time may be the fatal time. It was for State Senator Thomas O'Berry of Goldsboro the other night. Next thing he knew after picking up two youths who appeared to be harmless was a blow on the head, and he was left bound and gagged by the wayside, robbed of his pocket change and his automobile.

It is hard on unfortunate and deserving wayfarers, but the motorist who wants to reach home with his car and a whole hide would better pass them by.—The Robesonian.

A Milwaukee jeweler suggests that a badge be given a person when he pays his taxes in full. But after a person paid his taxes, what would he have left to pin a badge to?—Washington Post.

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1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
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4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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By Rollin H. Walker

Revelation: A Message to Persecuted Churches

Revelation 1 to 3

The book of Revelation may be called the theology of a concentration camp. John was confined on a wee little island in the Aegean because he had been too bold in proclaiming the supremacy of Christ. One notices that John assumes that every one knows who he is. He gives himself no title, and makes no claim to any official position.

There are few books that contain so many puzzling passages, but fewer still whose main point is so obviously clear. The book of Revelation was written to say over and over again that the real Caesar was not the cruel Roman emperor who desired to exterminate the disciples, but the Christ who was crucified and rose again from the dead. Jesus is Caesar! That is the main point of the book of Revelation. The arrogant and blasphemous emperor who reigns on the Tiber will soon have cause to exclaim, O Galilaean, thou hast conquered! It is as though a German pastor in a concentration camp shouldwrite a book whose main point was that the Jewish Christ was the real Fuhrer for the Germans and for the world.

The book is doubtless the result of a series of overwhelming mystical experiences whose intense character we, with our prosaic, matter-of-fact minds, can hardly understand. Yet the writer has his feet firm based on the facts relating to the condition of all the seven churches of Asia. When one remembers that there was no telephone or telegraph, no Christian paper, and no regular mail service to Patmos, he realizes what a voraciously eager mind for facts John must have had to know the life of all these seven churches so thoroughly that he dared write to them specific injunctions as coming from the very mouth of the ascended Christ.

The great seers always have an X-ray insight into present day facts. They know the things that are before they speak of the things that are to come. We might add that they know also the things that have been. John's mind, for instance, is saturated with Old Testament history and prophecy. The writer has in his possession a Greek Testament in which all quotations and reminiscences of the ancient Scriptures are printed in heavier type. A knowledge of Scripture constitutes the radio tubes by which a man gets a message from heaven. It also helps him to identify the interferences that are all the time tending to break in on the heavenly broadcast.

This message to the church of Ephesus, which is the part of our lesson that is printed in the quarterlies, stresses three things. (1) Its zealous activity. Before the church at Ephesus might truly be placed the sign "Men Working." They had not grown weary. (2) Furthermore the church was not guillible. They were immune to propaganda. Blessed immunity! False prophets were quickly identified by them, and exposed. They hated the works of the Nicolaitans, who were perhaps a group that turned Paul's doctrine of freedom from the law into immoral extremes. (3) But John was pained by the necessity of adding that they had left their first love.

This warning is a singularly searching word for all Christians who have behind them a long record of faithfulness and zeal. As men and women get older the weight of years compels them to slow down. It is their duty to step aside and put other men into places of prominence. And yet the question comes to them out of this Scripture, In connection with the necessary physical let down have I also less sacrificial zeal for the conversion of sinners? As I must work less, do I pray more? As it is my plain duty to talk less, do I make up for it by being a radiant listener?

Any lapse from a former devotion is always dangerous; but let every one take courage, says John, for he that holds out with joyful devotion shall eat of the tree of life which is in the midst of the paradise of God. As the physical life begins to lag and the outward man to perish, the inward man will be renewed day by day until at the end he leaps with youthful joy, and enters into the temple like the lame man of old, walking and leaping, and praising God.

"WHO DREAMS SHALL LIVE"

By Dana Burnet

Who dreams shall live! And if we do not dream
Then we shall build no Temple into Time.
Yon dust cloud, whirling slow, against the sun,
Was yesterday's Cathedral stirred to gold
By heedless footsteps of a passing world.
The faiths of stone and steel are failed of proof,
The King who made religion of a Sword
Passes, and is forgotten in a day.
The crown he wore rots at a lily's root,
The rose unfurls her banners o'er his dust.

The dreamer dies, but never dies fair dream,
Though Death shall call the whirlwind to his aid,
Enlist men's passions, trick their hearts with hate,
Still the fair Vision lives! Say nevermore
That dreams are fragile things. What else endures
Of all this broken world save only dreams.

Put not your trust in money, but put your money in trust.—Holmes.

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Children's Storyland



STRANGE ISLAND OF CATS

By Ewen K. Patterson

Recently guano seekers discovered in the Indian Ocean, some 200 miles northeast of Mauritius, a small, unnamed coral island teeming with cats countless hundreds of them of all shapes, sizes and colors. Believed to be descendants of a number of animals that reached the uninhabited island from a sailing ship wrecked on a nearby reef 80 years ago, the cats are now hostile to humans; most of them live in burrows, and they exist chiefly on fish, which they catch by diving, and turtles, that are attacked when they come ashore to lay their eggs.

This is not the only cat colony of the kind in the world; more remarkable is the Island of Fishing Cats, in the South Pacific, which is probably the strangest empire of cats on the globe. Situated near Tahiti, the island has an extraordinary history, which dates back nearly 100 years when two badly rat-infested sailing ships were wrecked on a reef just off the island.

Hundreds of rats swam to the island, where they soon established themselves and flourished. Ultimately they became such a serious pest that the natives living there finally fled from the place to settle elsewhere, leaving the island to the rats.

Thereafter the rats continued to multiply with even more than usual fecundity, for they were not troubled by any enemies, and it appeared as if the island would have to be left to the rodents for all time.

Then an adventurous Frenchman arrived at Tahiti, and when he heard that the authorities were prepared to present the island as a gift to anyone who could successfully rid the place of rats he decided to attack the rodents with cats! He collected nearly 500 cats of all kinds and released them on the island. So successful were they in dealing with the rodents that in less than three months the Frenchman was able to take up residence on the island, where he started a copra plantation and poultry farm.

But he did not stay there long. Although the rats were soon completely eradicated by the cats, the latter ultimately became just as serious a menace as the rodents were. They bred freely, and soon the island was swarming with thousands of cats.

When the rats were eaten out, of course, food for the cats became scarce and, naturally enough, they turned their attention to the Frenchman's poultry farm. It was impossible to keep the hungry creatures away, and when all his poultry had been stolen and devoured, the Frenchman decided to abandon the island and leave it to the cats.

That was over 50 years ago, and since then the cats have remained in possession of the island. No attempt has ever been made to deprive them of their kingdom; in fact, they are now so hostile to humans that the approach of a boat brings scores of them down to the water's edge, where they stand spitting and snarling defiance at would-be visitors.

Deprived of easy means of existence, the cats have evolved methods of their own for securing their food, which consists chiefly of fish, crabs and turtles. They have developed into good swimmers and divers, and almost any day scores of them can be seen, from passing boats, lying on ledges of rock at the water's edge, waiting for fish and crabs to appear. As soon as a cat sees a fish or crab, it dives into the water like a flash, seizes the victim in its jaws, and then swims ashore to devour the meal. During the turtle-breeding season, in the summer months, the cats also take a heavy toll of the female turtles as they come ashore to lay their eggs.

In striking contrast to this unique Island of Fishing Cats is another Pacific island where cats are considered so valuable as rat-killers that they are protected by law. This is Pitcairn Island, one of the laws of which provides that "if a cat is killed without being positively detected in killing fowls, however strong the suspicion may be, the person killing such a cat is obliged, as a penalty to destroy three hundred rats, whose tails must be submitted for inspection of the magistrates, by way of proof that the penalty has been paid."

As a result of this unique law, Pitcairn is a veritable paradise for cats; probably nowhere else in the world do the animals enjoy such freedom.—Religious Herald.

TEN LITTLE FINGERS THAT WERE ALWAYS SO CURIOUS

A little girl lives in our town,
And she was wondrous wise,
Because she puts her fingers ten
In other people's pies.

If mother slipped her Christmas gifts
Into a handy box,
Miss Lulu's fingers searched them out
In spite of keys and locks.

When sister left her watch and rings
Upon the dresser tray,
Small Lulu's fingers tried them on;
That always was her way.

She even handled people's clothes—
She loved to feel of silk;
She tried to see how thick the cream
Was on the mornin's milk.

Her fingers fluttered here and there;
She couldn't keep them still,
Until one day she looked at them
And bravely said, "I will!

My fingers I will keep at home;
They must not poke and pry;
I'll hold them fast—see if I don't—
When off they want to fly!"

And since that time we love her more,
Because we know she tries
To keep her little fingers out
Of other people's pies!

—F. L. N., in Story World.

MAN'S BEST FRIEND IN THE ARCTIC

By Sigmund Sameth, M.A.

Most of us, when we think of dogs in the Arctic, call to mind the Eskimo dog or Siberian husky which has served man by handling sledges for a thousand years. Actually there are many breeds of dog which serve the Eskimos and white men who dwell in the frozen North. Increased facilities of communication with the outside world have deprived the Arctic of much of its former isolation, and with the coming of spring and the breaking up of ice, the transport steamers headed for Arctic waters carry with them a high-spirited barking cargo of pets destined for northern ports.

"Friday," the English setter, owned by trader George Jerritt of Indian Harbor, Labrador, is a fair specimen of the dog of the North who is gradually replacing his more wolf-like relative, the husky. Mr. Jerritt was eighteen months getting Friday, for the steamer on which his crate was shipped failed to make the Labrador port of Indian Harbor before freeze-up time. But a year and a half's delay only made Friday a more precious package of canine liveliness when he arrived, a mature dog instead of the puppy expected. He had been cared for in the interval by a relative of Mr. Jerritt's in Newfoundland.—Our Dumb Animals.

Little Martha had gone to church, and on her return home her mother asked her how she liked the singing.

"I liked it very much, although the people all said it was bad," she replied.

"All the people said it was bad? What do you mean, dear?"

"Oh, it was so bad that when they were praying, I heard them say. 'Lord, have mercy upon us miserable singers.' "—Exchange.

Betty on a visit to her aunt, being offered some fragments left over from New Year's dinner, politely declined them. "Why, dear, don't you like turkey?" inquired her aunt.

"Only when it's new," said Betty.—Selected.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Eno, 7:30 4
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 11 7
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 3 7
Branson, 7:30 7
Long Memorial, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Calvary, 7:30 10
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

September

Ahoskie-Basnight Memorial, 11 7
North Gates, Savages, 3 7
Hertford, night 7
Murfreesboro, Winton, 11 14
Edenton, night 14
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 1:30 20
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 21
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 21
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 21
Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 7
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 3 7
Fayetteville, Hay St., 8 7
Hemp, Tabernacle, 11 14
Glendon, Fair Promise, 3 14
Raeford, 8 14
Laurinburg, 11 21
St. John, 3 21
Aberdeen, 8 21
Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Straits-Harkers Island, 11 7
Marshallburg, 7:30 7
Atlantic, 11 14
Beaufort, 7:30 14
Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Farmville, 11 7
Walstonburg, 3:30 7
Wilson, 8 7
Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Millbrook, Wake Forest, 11 7
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 7
Louisburg, 8 10
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 11 14
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 14
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 15
Selma, 8 17
Henderson, First Church, 11 21
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 3...21
Oxford, 8 21
Vance, Gillburg, 8 24
Benson, Benson, 11 28
Erwin, Erwin, 8 28

October

Louisburg Ct., Shiloh, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Bladen, Windsor, 11 7
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 3:30 7
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 8 7
Tabor City, Victory Conf., 11 10
Whiteville, 8 10
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Hot Springs, Antioch, night 4
French Broad Avenue, night 5
Ivy, 11 7
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 7
Haywood Street, night 8
E. Flat Rock, night 9
Tryon, night 10
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 12
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14
Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

September

Wesley Heights, 8 5
Peachland, Hopewell, 11 7
Prospect, Midway, 3 7
Morven, Morven, 8 7
Ansonville, Ansonville, 8 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 10
Dilworth, 8 12
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 11 14
Polkton, Poplar Hill, 3 14
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 14
Chadwick, 8 15
Spencer Memorial, 8 17
Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 567, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 7
Jefferson, night 7
Wilkesboro, 11 14
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 3 14
North Wilkesboro, night 14
Boone, night 17
Watauga, night 18
Creston, night 19
Green Valley, night 20
Warrensville, 11 21
Todd, Blackburn's, 3 21
Jonesville, night 21
Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 28

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 7
Lincolnton First Church, night 7
Gastonia, West End, night 10
Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 506 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

September

Reidsville Ct., 11 6
Haw River, 11 7
Stokesdale, 3 7
St. Paul, 8 7
West Market, Q.C., 7:30 8
Newlyn Street, 7:30 10
Guilford Ct., 7:30 13
Gibsonville, 11 14
Shady Grove, 3 14
Proximity, 7:30 14
Glenwood, 7:30 15
West Greensboro, 7:30 17
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

September

Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Archdale, 7 10
Farmer, 11, N.H. 14
Richland, 7, W.B. 14
Lebanon, 7 17
Greer's Chapel, 7 18
Coleridge, Concord, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7 21
First Church, H.P., 7 24
Linwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October

Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Cliffside, Avondale, 11 7
Broad River, Harris, 3 7
Forest City, 8 7
Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

September

First Street, Albemarle, 11 7
Albemarle Ct., 3 7
Mt. Olivet, 7:30 7
Midland, 7:30 8
S. China Grove, 11 14
Midway, 3 14
Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 14
East Spencer, 7:30 15
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 16
Kerr Street, 7:30 17
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21
Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Lenoir, First Church, 11 7
S. Lenoir, 3 7
Whitnel, 7:30 7
Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 5

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Rockwood, Arnon Plains, 11 7
Webster, Wesleyana, 3 7
Clyde, 8 8
Bethel, 8 9
Morning Star, 8 10
Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 14
Crabtree, Crabtree, 3 14
Junaluska, 8 14
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 16
Sylva, 8 17
Andrews, 8 18
Robbinsville, 8 19
Murphy Ct., Rogers, 11 21
Hayesville, Ogden, 4 21
Shooting Creek, Marshall's, 8 21
Waynesville, 8 24
Canton, 8 25
Franklin Ct., Iotla, 11 28
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 4 28
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 28

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 5
Franklin, 8 5
Webster, Webster, 11 12
Whittier, Whittier, 3 12
Bryson City, 8 12
Murphy, 8 15
Cullowhee, 11 19
Canton, First, 8 19

Final check-up meeting and picnic for the district at Sylva Wednesday, October 1. Bishop Purcell presiding.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

September

Thomasville First, West, End, 7:30 3
Welcome, Midway, 11 7
Oak Summit, 3 7
Thomasville Ct., P. Hill, 7:30 7
Central Terrace, 7:30 8
Burkhead, 7:30 10
Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Doubs, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 8
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 15
North Davidson, 7:30 16
Kernersville, 7:30 17

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, death has removed from our midst our friend and brother, Fred Hackney; and

Whereas, during all his life among us he showed forth fine qualities of Christian brotherhood in such degree that we have been inspired and cheered by his example of friendship and Christian living; and

Whereas, by the passing of Brother Hackney this class has sustained a severe and irreparable loss.

Now, therefore, be it resloved by the men's Bible class of the First Methodist church that we hereby express our appreciation of the life and character of our desparted brother, Fred Hackney; and be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother and a copy published in The Dispatch and the N. C. Christian Advocate.

S. W. Finch,
T. S. Eans,
Paul G. Stoner.

In Memoriam

SESSOMS—Mrs. Betty Burt Sessoms, 79, died Thursday in Norfolk General Hospital after a short illness. She was born in Surry county, Va., on January 7, 1862, the daughter of Emily Porter and John Burt, both prominent families of that state. At the age of 19 she married W. H. Sessoms of Bertie county. After living in Virginia for a few years they moved to Colerain and became affiliated with the Colerain Methodist church. Mrs. Sessoms was church organist and was always present at the services. She hoped to see the new building at Colerain completed, and had she lived a month longer her hopes would have been realized. Simple funeral services were conducted from the home by the pastor, Rev. John R. Poe. She was laid to rest in the Methodist cemetery. Her life was well lived and her passing is a great loss to our church. John R. Poe, Pastor.

HAMBRICK—On Sunday morning, June 15, 1941, Dr. W. R. Hambrick, one of Roxboro's best known and most beloved citizens, died. He was born October 20, 1858, in Leasburg, Caswell county, where he spent the most of his early years. In 1891 he came to Roxboro to live, founding Hambrick, Austin and Thomas, Roxboro's oldest drug firm. For nearly fifty years he was the leading druggist in this section of the state and was counted among Roxboro's most valuable citizens.

Dr. Hambrick married Miss Mary Hester in 1888. She preceded him in death several years ago. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. E. Bass, Lewisburg, W. Va., and two sons, Dr. R. T. Hambrick, Hickory, and Jack Hambrick of Roxboro. He was devoted to his family and his was a happy home.

Dr. Hambrick was one of the most faithful and loyal members of Long Memorial church. He served as steward for about 50 years, and was chairman of the board from 1913 to 1928, and was presented a loving cup by the board when he retired as an expression of appreciation for the fine services which he had rendered the church. He was superintendent of the church school for 25 years and knew every member of the school from the youngest to the oldest. For many years he was a delegate to the district and annual conferences. He loved his church and served it to the best of his ability. Another said of him: "Very few people know the good Dr. Hambrick has done, for he has always kept his left hand from knowing what his right hand did. Church, community, town and business have felt his influence." W. C. Martin.

STAMEY—Mary Frances Wyatt Stamey was born February 2, 1867, in Kentucky, daughter of the late Daniel Wyatt and Elizabeth Mayfield Wyatt. At the age of five her parents moved to Comanche county, Texas, and later to Sipe Springs, Texas.

In her youth she professed faith in Jesus Christ and joined the Methodist church, which she constantly loved and cherished. She considered it a privilege to share in the building of the kingdom of God in this world in her humble way.

On January 17, 1886, she was happily married to Henry Gilbreth Stamey, and they returned to North Carolina to live. Following his several years of preparation, they entered the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, where they enjoyed many years of service in the ministry together.

Since the death of her husband February 14, 1924, she has made her home with her children. The following children survive: C. T. Stamey, Polkville; Mrs. J. B. Melton, Glen Alpine; Mrs. S. A. Peeler, Belwood; Frank Stamey, Belwood; John J. Stamey, Plattsburg, N. Y.; Wyatt Stamey, Polkville; and 30 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. One sister, Mrs. D. M. Jacobs, Rising Star, Texas, survives, and one brother, I. G. Wyatt, Comanche, Texas. J. M. Morgan, Pastor.

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How Far Away Is Your Horizon?

THE critical situation of our world today is in need of men in all countries whose horizon extends way out into the future, way beyond the horizon of the people who apparently are not sufficiently interested in helping to correct the evils of the world—men whose horizons go beyond the hatred, bitterness and selfishness of the spirit created by war—men whose horizons carry them beyond all of the things of a temporary nature, who are willing to combine their efforts and give the best they have toward planning a road to permanent peace, after hostilities have ceased.

The horizon of peace must not be blurred by the close up horizon of the present world situation. All roads leading toward the horizon of war have always been paved with fear, greed, jealousy, superstition, personal ambition, hatred and lack of consideration of others. The road leading toward the horizon of peace must be paved with tolerance, fairness and justice to all, regardless of race, creed or color; justice to the minority countries and to the minorities within countries; it must make accessible the natural resources, food and clothing of the world to all nations, small and large, on the same fair basis.

After the war we must be as liberal in spending the necessary money to maintain peace by correcting the economic inequalities, as we are willing to spend money to prosecute the war.

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The keystone of the arch which we must pass through on the road leading to the horizon of peace must be the golden rule: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

The horizon of which I am speaking is one which the younger men and women of the world are seeking, because their vision causes them to realize the great equity that they have in the world, represented by all the years in front of them that the older people have behind them. They need the guidance and advice of all who can extend their horizons far enough to think and work for the realization of the ideal in which all human beings are entitled to participate.

The world needs a group of young and old who have the same far-sighted, uplifting horizon and who are willing to stand out in front, regardless of precedent, and say to the world these things can be done.

President Thos. J. Watson.

MEN OF METHODISM!

Show Yourselves to be Real Leaders

The North Carolina Christian Advocate has fallen into the hands of the tax-gatherers

Under a recent decision of the Supreme Court much property of orphanages, schools and churches formerly exempt from tax levies have been placed on the tax books. Along with these have gone the Advocate property.

$1,889.37 for taxes must be secured by Sept. 30, the end of our financial year

Not one cent of this amount was counted in our budget for the year. So this must be secured over and above former estimates.

The pastors with the support of loyal laymen by a united effort can secure the last dollar of this within 30 days. Let each pastor send from one to ten new subscriptions for the Advocate and the deed will be done. But this plan will fail unless each one will act—AND ACT AT ONCE!

We suggest that the pastors of the larger churches lay this matter before their official boards at the next meeting and the women present it to their societies of Christian Service. The time is short and the cause is urgent.

The money will be forthcoming and furthermore the churches and the homes will profit by the presence of the church paper.

We do not argue this case. We rely on the loyalty and the devotion of our Methodist pastors and people who have stood by the Advocate through all the years.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK WE WILL KEEP ALL INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN

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Dr. Frederick Simpich, an authority who writes interestingly of the civilizations of Nineveh and Babylon, says: "Baked clay tablets found at Babylon show how close its business relations were with Nineveh. Produce dealers even complained in one letter that a shipment of chickens arrived in bad condition. Not Chicago in 1941, but Nineveh 5,000 years ago."

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American editors and others eager to get us into a "shooting war" who refer ironically "to the crusade to save the tears of American mothers and the blood of American boys" from war ought to be ashamed of themselves. Not one of them will be called to enlist at a training camp, to say nothing of fighting on the field. To most of us mothers' tears and boys' blood are most dear.

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Some of the men who are "ready to fight if they need me" (to quote one of them) are dealing in hot air. None of them volunteer for service. They are eager for others' boys to die on the field while they blow soap bubbles. They are not able to say with Saint Paul, "I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus." The scars are the test of patriotism as well as of Christian heroism.

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A spontaneous movement among friends of the late H. G. McEntire to establish a suitable memorial to him for his heroic action during the recent fire at Greensboro College should make general appeal to all who would honor a man willing to risk his life in the discharge of duty. Few finer men and none more faithful to his tasks could be found than was this young and devoted employee of the college. Friends and admirers of H. G. McEntire should count it a high privilege to give impetus to securing a worthy memorial in some way related to the college in whose interests he lost his life.

Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia has been insisting upon a reduction of governmental expenditures for non-essentials. Why hundreds of millions spent for relief just to accommodate people who are incapable of holding worth while jobs. We rather like the pending tax bill which will put a tax on some WPA workers and other "relief" workers. It may give them a taste of paying into the treasury as well as being all the while recipients of federal funds. The more people Congress compels to pay tax, the more speedily will governmental extravagance become unpopular.

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Who can name the ten largest cities of the United States? W. M. Sherrill of Concord who finds census figures facinating to him gives them in their order: New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, St. Louis, Boston and Pittsburgh. The South cannot claim any of the big ten and no state can boast of more than one of these cities. The same student of statistics notes that there are nine cities in North Carolina with more than 25,000 inhabitants as follows: Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Durham, Greensboro, Asheville, Raleigh, High Point, Wilmington, Rocky Mount.

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Thirty years ago this September, Charles R. Brown began his notable career as dean of the Yale Divinity School. The enrollment of the school began almost at once to increase and the succeeding years became the golden age of the Yale Divinity School. Students from all parts of the country flocked to Yale and these boys went out from Yale to sing his praises. He was a great preacher and lecturer unaffected by his academic environment. Before going to Yale he had been for fifteen years pastor of the First Congregational church, Oakland, California, where he was known as "The Pulpit Prince of the Pacific Coast."

The Chief Business of the Churches

TODAY the quality of our religion is being put to the test. What is it going to do for the people and how hold them to the task for the uplift of this civilization which we call ours? As Whitman said, "Everything . . . . comes out of the people, every day people, the people as you find them and leave them; people, just people." What is our religion able to do for the people in this day of war?

Is our religion sufficient to deal with the rawness of barbarism and the graces of civilization? Are we able to save the essential elements that are at the basis of our laws and our liberties? Man will have some kind of a religion or else he will erect for himself a "synagogue of satan." We are now trying to save a Christian civilization. Are we able? Not unless we are Christian to the core. Thirty years ago Europe was nominally a Christian continent. It is no longer so. Its religion has not enough of Christ to save them from chaos. We in America will not have enough of that spirit and power that made this nation great unless we dare to hold fast to that God and the Christ whom our devoted fathers followed. The words of Gladstone should take hold of us at this time in a new way. He wrote: "I am convinced that the welfare of mankind does not now depend on the state and the world of politics; the real battle is being fought in the world of thought, where a deadly attack is made over a wide field upon the greatest treasure of mankind, the belief in God and the gospel of Christ."

Our devotion in the church grows cold and our self-confidence and pride in producing the material instruments of life and of warfare tends to rob us of the essential qualities of our religion. We need men in the pulpit and in the pew who put the Prince of Peace and the transforming power of the spirit of God in essentials far ahead of our billions of money and the instruments of war in the hands of men trained to kill and slaughter as they shut the gates of mercy on mankind.

Though business is booming at this time, we know it will not remain at its peak, then where will we be when the material and spiritual collapse is upon us? It is the chief business of the church in this time to make sure of the ability to stand when peace once more is ours. A genuine Christianity will save us in these days of peril so imminent, and it will also give us security in the decades that are to be. Are we going to hold fast to our American devotion to peace or are we going to yield to the clamor of men across the sea for us to enter this world conflict? The will of the people is known; what will our leaders do?

Moving to Definite Ends

SEPTEMBER is to test the fiber of North Carolina Methodism in its ability to meet a grave situation. Our Advcate campaign is the urgent case in point. Some leaders are moving in a definite way to get results.

Rev. A. J. Hobbs has called upon each of his pastors to meet this situation in the Durham district.

Rev. J. A. Russell has set September 7-14 as "Advocate week" in the New Bern district.

Rev. H. I. Glass holds a district meeting this week in Raleigh to press the Advocate campaign.

Rev. B. B. Slaughter urges each pastor in the Elizabeth City district thus:

> Let us give at least one day's time to the interest of the paper, secure every available subscriber, and send them in to the office by September 30, so this new obligation can be met. Let us put the name of every charge and pastor of the district in the campaign report column—and put old "Betsy" district at the top where it belongs!

Rev. A. S. Parker of the Wilmington district insists:

> Let's set the week of September 14-21 as "District Advocate Week," using the two Sundays to emphasize our Advocate and follow up with a real personal effort. Won't you find a few hours during this week and dedicate them especially to the Advocate and go out among your people and secure TEN NEW SUBSCRIBERS, or as many as possible? Get your lay leader and presidents of the woman's societies to aid in this work. Let's get busy and answer the Advocate's "S. O. S."

W. A. McGirt, district lay leader, follows Brother Parker with a similar plea.

The many pastors enlisted in this effort to care for our church paper gives every assurance of victory. It's success will disclose our ability to meet all other demands upon us as we near the end of the year. These are truly unusual days in the secular life of our nation and they are still more unusual for conquests of the church in the realm of the spirit. By our devotion and heroic spirit we are to teach the world the secret of American democracy all the way from the humble cabins of the wilderness and the early struggles on the frontiers. By our devotion to this crucial hour for our church paper we are to disclose the secret of the Methodist success ever since the days of Francis Asbury.

Sixteen Years of Rural Church Aid in North Carolina

THE rural church section of the Duke endowment since 1925 has aided 415 congregations in securing better church equipments. Every one of the hundred counties in North Carolina have received within their borders help to build new Methodist churches or to improve those already in existence. Within these years the value of country churches have increased approximately $3,000,000 and the Duke gifts to country churches had a good share in the marked progress of rural Methodism in the last decade and a half.

Before 1925 there were few brick or stone churches in North Carolina; now there are approximately 250. The familiar one-room frame church was in evidence everywhere, but no one thinks now of erecting a church with only one room. It is a safe guess that North Carolina leads the nation in the quality of its country churches.

Listen to what A .A. Wilkinson says about these North Carolina churches:

"The little brown church in the vale is doing right well these days, thank you. It has painted its walls, installed new carpets, and repaired the roof and steeple. Or it may have an entirely new building, with a long-needed Sunday school building in addition.

"Rural church people love their churches. The rural church section of the Duke endowment, which assists rural Methodist churches that want to help themselves knows this well. Last month the endowment donated more than $11,000 to eight country churches in the state to assist their congregations in making extensive improvements or help pay for new buildings. The month is typical."

America for Peace

THE nations of Europe live and move and have their being in the atmosphere of war. War is a normalcy of their life. Advantages are gained and national boundaries are changed during and following the conflict of arms. Every male citizen is expected to be a soldiers and their heroes belong to the battlefield. America, on the other hand, is primarily a land of peace. Our chief conquests from the first have been the conquests of peace. True, we fought to be free from England; later we had our great civil conflict in the sixties, but never have we waged war to gain new territory or to gain dominion over other lands. And our people are still eager for peace even though there are the determined efforts to pull us into this present conflict. Our labors through two centuries and our later efforts have been for the peace of the world and the uplift of humanity.

The avowed purpose of America in entering upon a policy of expansion following the Spanish-American War was that we might render a service to the people of Cuba and the Philippine Islands—not to take possession of their lands. This present desire of some for America to help police the world is contrary to the whole history and spirit of this Republic. This defense effort is loading us down with a debt to burden generations unborn. What would the burden be for us to get into this present war and then set ourselves to police the entire world in the name of democracy. The 80 per cent of our people opposed to our entering this war discloses the peace loving qualities of the mass of our people, notwithstanding the scheming of the war mongers.

We have learned much from the disappointments following our former efforts in a "war to end war." Not a nation across the water following that terrible conflict adopted peace as a principle of national life; instead they held fast to war as an instrument of government.

No Bridges in the Bible

BY a reference to Young's Concordance which claims to have every word of the Authorized Version arranged in alphabetical order we learn that the word bridge does not occur in the Bible. That is rather surprising. While Palestine had only one river and the people presumably forded that, as we hear quite a bit about the "fords of the Jordan," yet Paul who wrote about one-third of the New Testament traveled throughout a large part of the Roman empire where roads and bridges were the order of the day.

Paul showed a familiarity with the athletics of his day. He talked about soldiers. But he seems to have overlooked bridges. Will some specialist in the unusual things of the Bible explain why no inspired writer even referred to a bridge if such be in accord with the facts?

If you would find a good many faults, be on the lookout; but if you want to find them in unlimited quantities, be on the look-in—Proverb.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24

N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Bishop and Mrs. Paul B. Kern of Nashville, Tenn., have sold their cottage at Mt. Sequoyah and built a beautiful new summer home at Lake Junualuska which they are now enjoying.

Bishop and Mrs. Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, Ga., have bought the residence of the late Miss Mattie Kirkpatrick at Lake Junaluska and are having it remodeled. It will be ready for occupancy soon.

Rev. J. P. Hipps begins revival services at Carraway Memorial, Greensboro, Sunday, September 14. Mrs. C. L. Steidley will assist in these services. The meeting will continue ten days or two weeks.

"I am enclosing my check for renewal. I am 92 years old and have been taking the Advocate for around 60 years —have been a steward for 57 years."—W. S. Gardner, Macon, N. C. Has anybody a longer record than this?—Ed.

Bishop James Cannon, Jr., will speak in Main Street Methodist church, Reidsville, on Sunday, September 21, 7:30 p. m. His theme will be the Shepherd Bill 860. He is interested in the passage of this bill to drive vice and liquor out of the army camps.

Please announce our dedicatory service for the Rhynes Heights Methodist church at 3 p. m. the second Sunday in September. All former pastors are cordially invited to come for this service. Brother Church will preach at 11 a. m. Dinner will be served on the grounds. We are hoping for a great day.—J. W. Combs.

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, 10 a. m., Tuesday, September 23. The purpose of this meeting is the consideration of applications from missionary appropriations from the various charges. All district superintendents will please see that their applications are in by that time.—Herman F. Duncan, Sec.

Rev. R. G. Tuttle, pastor of Gibsonville, who at Duke was not only a track coach but also a track star, is always on the lookout to do some good deed. Last Monday he brought into this office $17 for the Advocate. I wish we had more athletic stars like Bob Tuttle in the two North Carolina conferences, because they know how to win and have a will to win.

Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the First Baptist church, Greensboro, says in a recent church bulletin: "It has been said that the Eighteenth Amendment put 177,000 saloons out of business, and that the Twenty-first Amendment brought 436,000 saloons into existence. Judge Lee B. Wyatt, a circuit court judge in Georgia, recently made this statement: 'It gives me a sickening feeling when I realize that there are more bar maids in the United States than there are college maids.' "

Rev. and Mrs. Basil R. Truscott and their three daughters have arrived in this country on regular furlough from Buenos Aires, Argentina, where they are engaged in missionary work in English and Spanish. Mr. Truscott is also superintendent of the Mercedes Orphanage in the Province of Buenos Aires. During the winter they will reside with their son, Lionel Truscott, who has an assistantship at Yale University in New Haven. Their address will be 154 Norton street. Mr. Truscott expects to study at Yale Divinity School.

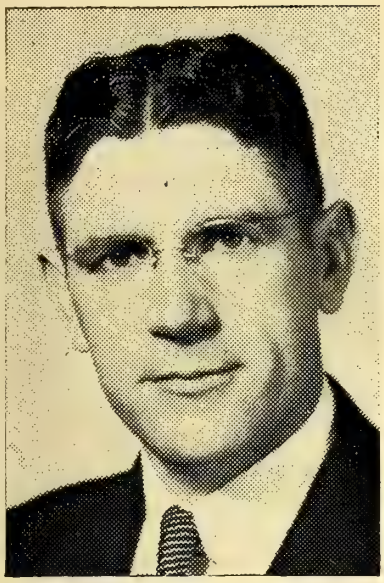
Word has been received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the death of Mrs. Roland W. Scott in Bombay, India, on August 12. Mrs. Scott, with her husband, who is pastor of the Taylor Memorial church in Bombay, had been in India since 1932, and had been in ill health since last spring. Her husband and two sons, David and Roland Gordon, survive and will remain in India. Mrs. Scott, the former Marie Geraldine Lacey, is also survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest W. Lacey of Fountain City, Indiana. She was a graduate of Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky.

Dr. J. T. Mangum of Selma, Alabama, but a member of the Western North Carolina conference, is a visitor in Greensboro this week, having arrived last Friday. He is visiting his sister, Mrs. H. M. Laughlin, and his nephew, Rev. R. M. Laughlin, pastor of the Bessemer Methodist church, who with his mother occupy the Bessemer parsonage. Brother Mangum is looking the best we have seen him since his retirement several years ago on account of heart trouble. He has every appearance of living to a long drawn out old age. He was a delightful visitor in the Advocate office last Monday morning. We are sure his Greensboro friends will welcome him on every hand. He was some years ago pastor of Park Place church.

Trinity Methodist church, Beatty's Road, Charlotte, will celebrate home coming day next Sunday, September 14. Rev. M .G. Ervin, a former pastor and now pastor of the Chadwick Methodist church, will preach at 11 a. m. Lunch will be served on the grounds. Rev. W. M. Coffin, another former pastor of over 50 years ago, will give the memorial address at 2:30 p. m. Special music will be rendered. Trinity dates back to 1815. It was organized near the present site in the home of a widow by Rev. William B. Barnett of the Sugar Creek circuit of the S .C. conference. It is the oldest Methodist church in Mecklenburg county. All former members, pastors and friends are cordially invited to be present.—J. E. Yountz.

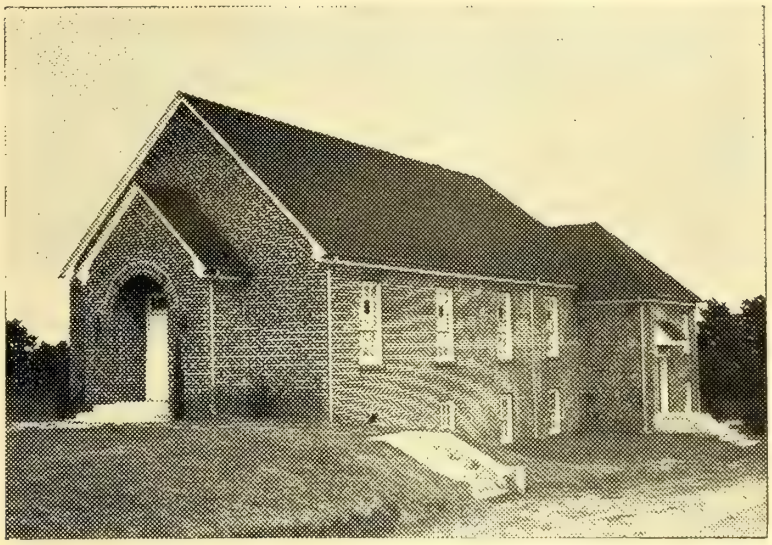
About forty years ago Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Shinn came to Norwood to live. Until a few years ago Mr. Shinn was connected with the Norwood Manufacturing Company. Now after forty years of gracious living in this community he and his beloved family are going to leave us. It is with deep regret that we give up Mr. and Mrs. Shinn, their daughter Annette, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Shinn and their little sons. They have labored during these years with faithfulness and diligence in the Norwood Methodist church, and their influence in the community has been constructive and uplifting. As they leave us and go to Concord we pray God's blessing upon them and wish for them during the coming years success and much happiness.—Cecil G. Hefner.

Moriah Methodist Church, Rev. John Cagle, pastor.—Vacations are over and schools are reopening this week to begin another year of work; but our Sunday school and church record has been very good considering some of this summer's extreme heat. On Friday night, August 29, we closed our revival at Moriah. Rev. Gilbert Miller was pulpit help. He brought inspiring messages every night, and his prayer was that the revival might not close that night but the people may continue the revival through the coming year by their services to God. Seven members were received into the church. We had a splendid Bible school at Moriah this summer under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. John Cagle, and Mr. Tyte, a student at Duke University. There was an average of 68 children daily. The following week Rev. Mr. Cagle and Mr. Tyte held a training course for the young people of the church.—Mrs. J. W. Sharpe.



Rev. M. M. Walters, Pastor

Wake Forest Methodist Church Dedicated Last Sunday



Brother J. D. A. Autry, pastor of Kinnakeet, in remitting for three new subscribers to the Advocate, adds this note: "The work on the Kinnakeet charge is progressing nicely along all phases of the work, and the pastor and his wife are enjoying the fellowship of these fine people here in the 'Outer Banks.'"

Dr. William A. Lambeth of Asheville was elected superintendent of the Junaluska Assembly for another year. Due to his splendid leadership the assembly has not only met all of its obligations during the year but has made substantial payments on a debt caused by necessary repairs on the dam. Dr. Lambeth has given himself without reservation and without compensation in this service.

Dr. Frank S. Hickman of Duke University is preaching in Love's Methodist church, Walkertown, this week through the Sunday morning service of September 14. These services constitute a part of the sesqui-centennial celebration in Love's church, and are proving to be a fitting climax of the year's program. Large congregations, including many ministers and visitors from surrounding towns, are attending to hear the splendid sermons of this powerful preacher.

We believe you will wish to anounce to your congregation: "The Churches Make News," a weekly presentation of the news of the church at home and abroad will be heard again this season each Sunday (beginning this Sunday) over radio station WPTF, Raleigh, from 3 to 3:15 p. m. By popular demand Rev. Allyn P. Robinson will again be the commentator. This regular program is one of the services of the North Carolina Council of Churches. Your comments are invited. Remember, Sunday 3 p. m., WPTF, Raleigh.

The new Henrietta Methodist church was formally opened Sunday September 7. This church replaces the old Henrietta church which was razed by fire last February. Rev. Malcolm Reese, pastor, directed the day's program. Vernon H. Wall, general church school superintendent directed the opening of the church school at 10 o'clock. Mr. Reese delivered the sermon at 11 o'clock. The church is located on the north side of U. S. highway No. 221-A within the town of Henrietta. The Henrietta Mills Company transferred by deed the new lot for the old location on Henrietta street. The building is surrounded by stately oaks and pines. The structure is brick veneer, English design, and has stained glass memorial windows. An educational building connects with the auditorium. It was erected at a cost of $10,000. W. L. Cooper of Caroleen was the architect and E. D. Searcy of Forest City was the builder. It has seven class rooms. The auditorium seats 250 people.

Be sure to note our first report of new subscribers for securing "tax money." Next week will be the second report in this campiagn.

CHURCH AT WAKE FOREST DEDICATED BY BISHOP PURCELL LAST SUNDAY

Sunday, September 7, 1941, was a high day for the Methadists at Wake Forest. Bishop Clare Purcell added his presence and blessing to the consummation of the building enterprise of the new church.

For four years the congregation had worked faithfully and gave liberally of their time and limited means to make possible this day. Rev. M. M. Walters, the pastor, and his committee had made careful preparation for this day of dedication. The bishop was at his best and greatly pleased the waiting crowd. District Superintendent H. I. Glass and Editor M. T. Plyler and Dr. J. M. Ormond, along with the pastor, had part in the services of dedication.

Following the delightful luncheon served in the basement of the church, the window dedication service took place under the direction of the pastor.

The dedication of windows were to Rev. H. A. Chester, The Building Committee, The Hattie Horner Missionary Society, by Rev. M. M. Walters.

The reading of memoirs by Mrs. Laurie Wall, Mrs. Lucy Hartsell, and Wallace Shearon.

The dedication of windows to Mrs. Connie Shearon, Mrs. Nonie Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ethan Cameron Allen, by Rev. M. M. Walters.

The memorial address was by Rev. S. J. Starnes.

This was a most impressive service and well done by all who had a part in it. Rev. S. J. Starnes, one of their former pastors, received a royal welcome.

The historic background of loyal Methodists is clearly and informingly presented in the brief history of the church by Mrs. Lucy Hartsfield. (This is forced to go over until next week).

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF THOMASVILLE PLEDGES $66,000 FOR NEW CHURCH

Thirty-eight members of Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, have pledged $66,000 for a new church. This formally launched the campaign to raise $100,000, the cost of the new church. It is planned not to build the church at present but to wait a more opportune time. However, the committee will raise the amount through cash and pledges. During the week of September 21-29 the committee will canvass every member of the church and get pledges for the construction.

The building and advisory committee is composed of T. Austin Finch, chairman, Austin Elliott, E. S. Harrison, R. B. Carpenter, M. L. Bales, Fred Gray, J. Walter Lambeth, Charles Lambeth, James E. Lambeth, George Finch, J. F. Garner, Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, Dr. R. K. Farrington and Dr. C. H. Phillips.



Great Day at Rhodhiss Methodist Church on Sunday, September 14

Home coming day, cornerstone laying and dedication day will be the program for the second Sunday of September at the Rhodhiss Methodist church.

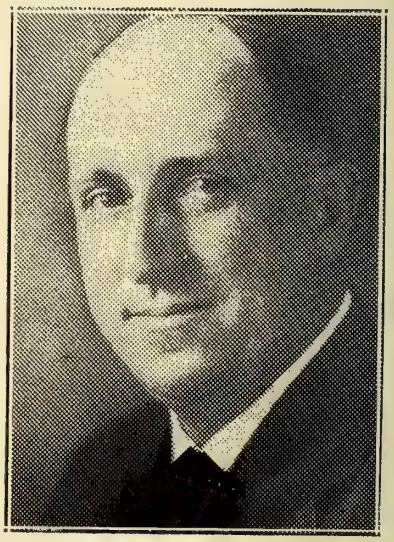
Home coming message will be delivered at the 11 o'clock hour by the pastor. Lunch will be served at 1 on'clock. The cornerstone laying will be at 2:30 by the district superintendent, Rev. J. S. Hiatt. The dedication sermon will be delivered at 3 o'clock by Bishop Clare Purcell. Presentation of the deed and remarks will be made by R. C. Moore of Charlotte or Clarkson Jones of Rhodhiss.

The members of Rhodhiss and surrounding places are eagerly looking forward to this great event. A hearty welcome is extended to all former pastors, members and friends.

Mr. R. C. Moore and Clarkson Jones of the Rhodhiss mill officials, and the Duke Endowment played an important part in making this coming event a joyous occasion for the membership.

The church is located on a hill overlooking the waters of the Catawba river and the mill village. The structure is of wood, colonial design and has opal windows, which were donated by the members. The auditorium will seat 500 people, an educational department of eight rooms, and a complete heating system. This is the second church building for the Rhodhiss Methodists. The first church building was erected by Rev. G. W. Fink in 1914.

The following pastors have served this church: G. W. Fink, John H. Green, D. F. Carver, B. F. Fincher, J. W. Bennett, D. G. Smith, J. L. Rayle, I. L. Roberts, C. E. Murray, H. M. Wellman, G. E. White and the present pastor, J. Max Brandon.



Rev. J. S. Hiatt, Dist, Supt.



Rev. J. M. Brandon, Pastor

DR. L. B. ABERNETHY AT BELMONT

Park Street church, Belmont, observed the twentieth anniversary of that church last Sunday. Dr. L. B. Abernethy was the speaker at 11 a. m. Rev. J. C. Groce, pastor West End, Gastonia, spoke at 2 p. m.

Since its organization 20 years ago, with a charter membership of 25, the church has grown rapidly. It now has a membership of 575, with 20 stewards, a full-time pastor for the past eight years, and is self-supporting. Its budget last year amounted to $4,000, and the property valuation, including the church, the parsonage and the temporary educational building, amounts to $15,000. The property covers more than a half block frontage, all of which is free from debt except a small amount yet due on the recently purchased lot, which the congregation expects to pay off by the end of this year.

PROGRAM OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Monday, October 20

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

7:30 p.m. Conference called to order by Bishop Clare Purcell. Organization. Meeting Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, Winston-Salem.

Tuesday, October 21

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion, administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the District Superintendents.

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service. Address by W. A. Lambeth.

12:45 p.m. Luncheon: Bishop Purcell and the retired ministers.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Temperance. Address: Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, ex-Governor of North Carolina.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Address: Dr. R. L. Flowers, President Duke Universtiy.

Wednesday, October 22

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business session.

11:45 a.m. Duke Foundation.

12:45 p.m. Laymen's Luncheon. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor Christian Advocate, Chicago.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Conference Brotherhood. Address: Paul N. Garber, Dean Duke Divinity School.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith.

Thursday, October 23

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business session.

12:45 p.m. Rural Church Group Luncheon.

3:00 p.m. Conference Love Feast. E. K. McLarty, Sr., presiding.

7:30 p.m. Ordination Service. Sermon: Dr. H. C. Smith, pastor Duke Memorial Church, Durham.

Friday, October 24

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business Session. Appointments, with adjournment at will.

Note: Dr. R. L. Flowers, president of Duke University, will be the speaker at the Duke dinner at 5:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Chas. P. Bowles, who is in charge of this dinner, will announce the place where it is to be served and other items of public interest.

VITAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE MATTERS

On September 5 the annual conference report blanks were mailed to the pastors of the Western North Carolina. If within a reasonable time you have not received your supply, please advise the conference secretary.

Conference journals for 1941 will be sent to the charges on the basis of the number sold for 1940. The only way this fact can be known is from the record of the conference treasurer. The contract for the printing of the journal must be made soon. Pastors or charges that have not sent check for the journals should do so at once. Send the check to E. O. Cole, Treas., 1225 Plaza, Charlotte, N. C.

E. H. Nease.

BREVARD COLLEGE

My attention has been called to the special effort being proposed for Brevard College. This institution has a very noble history. The purposes and aims for which it was created are high. There is a distinct need in our territory for the type of college which was in the vision of the founders of this institution. More than four hundred students have crowded into its halls during the past year.

Our Methodist people in the Western North Carolina conference can make a distinct contribution by placing Brevard College upon a firm foundation and giving it the equipment which it needs. I should be greatly pleased to see this institution released to its larger usefulness in the life of our state.

Clare Purcell.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE HAS FINE OPENING

The executive committee of the Greensboro College board of trustees, and a number of other members of the board, met in the president's office Monday of this week.

A committee to consider the question of reconstruction of the physical plant was appointed. Members of this special committee are J. G. Hanes, Winston-Salem; W. Y. Preyer, New York and Greensboro; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville, and Dr. Gobbel.

The executive committee authorized the president in the interim to secure such temporary help as necessary in carrying on the affairs of the college and to make careful search for a successor to Mr. McEntire.

The college formally opened Monday night with a meeting of faculty and staff. Orientation program for new students began Tuesday morning with psychological tests and English placement tests, followed in the afternoon by music aptitude tests for students interested in music. Registration of old students began Tuesday morning. New students were registered and classified Wednesday. Thursday morning at 8 o'clock recitations began.

RAMSEUR-FRANKLINVILLE

The annual home coming services will be held at Franklinville on Sunday, September 21, with the sermon at 11 o'clock by Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College. Dinner will be served on the grounds and there will be a short service in the afternoon.

Rev. L. F. Tuttle of Thomasville completely captured Ramseur in revival services August 24-September 3. The meeting was productive of great good, especially among the church people.

Dr. Van Dusen's book, Methodism's World Mission, will be reviewed in the Ramseur church on the two evenings, September 16 and 19. Those reviewing a chapter on the evening of the 16th will be, in the order of the chapters, the pastor of the church, Mrs. Eugene Lamb of Cedar Falls and Rev. Paul Hardin of Asheboro. Those reviewing a chapter each on the 19th will be Rev. Eugene Lamb of Cedar Falls, Mrs. Lucy Davidson of Franklinville and Prof. R. C. White of Ramseur. Women's societies within reach as well as individuals, both men and women, are invited.

J. E. Pritchard.

GOLDEN CROSS ENROLLMENT

This is to call attention of all our pastors and district superintendents to the urgency of the Golden Cross appeal. We have in the state of North Carolina two great hospitals through which most of this work is carried on —Duke and Hugh Chatham Memorial. I note that several districts will have 100 per cent co-operation. Is it too much to expect that every charge of the two conferences may make some offering to this great human need?

Clare Purcell.

Off to Australia, 1941

High Points of a Memorable Visit

By LYNN HAROLD HOUGH

The approach to Australia from the United States is dramatic enough. Los Angeles Harbor (or the Golden Gate) sees the traveler set forth, and after little less than the time one of our great liners would require for the trip from New York to Southampton, he finds himself in the exotic beauty of Honolulu. Another voyage—now sharply south—with the Southern Cross in the night sky and the Equator crossed, and he is in Pago-Pago, the lovely hill-rimmed harbor of American Samoa. Off again and on over the sea, and he comes to port in Suva of the Fiji Islands. The islanders with their heavy heads of hair, their bare feet, and their costumes, just right for the tropics, tell him clearly enough that the South Pacific, of which he has read all his life, at last has come within reach of his eyes. If he is a Methodist, he is fascinated by the vast number of fellow Methodists he finds among the natives. Again the ship moves through the southern seas, and the traveler finds himself in the harbor of Auckland, New Zealand. If friends take him to the top of Mount Eden, he looks down upon the harbor and the city with a breath-taking sense of the beauty of it all. More days and nights across the Tasman Sea, and the long voyage is at an end in the magnificent harbor of Sydney with its great bridge and all about the homes of the million people who have made the town a southern metropolis.

At Sydney I met men who were to become an intimate part of my life during my weeks in Australia, and as we traveled north to Brisbane in Queensland, saw more of the able men who are the leaders of Australian Methodism. In the Camberra Hotel at Brisbane there were more of them, and soon their faces began to be familiar and their characteristics to come within the reach of one's mind. Prof. A. E. Albiston, the retiring president-general, has a patrician face, and a meticulous and urbane English when he speaks. You might think he was an Oxford don. J. W. Burton, the general secretary of the Overseas Mission, is highly trained and much traveled. You soon understand that the world is in his mind and in his heart. The conference presidents —Lock of New South Wales, Lewis of Victoria and Tasmania, Nicholson of South Australia, Rycroft of Queensland, and Hay of Western Australia—represent varieties in temperament and experience and in gifts. Now you sense virile originality, now fascinating missionary experience, now clear and compelling gifts of speech, and now administrative energy. You have an impression of strong personalities knowing their own minds, devoted to God and understanding their fellows and working at a pace of which only stalwart men are capable. The new president-general, H. M. Wheller, whose remarkable work at Brisbane in the very church where the General Conference convenes is on everyone's lips, gives a deep tone of worship to the conference as he presides, and moves about as one who apprehends widelying spiritual horizons. Dr. Irving Benson is a princely preacher who has made his pulpit at Melbourne a throne. He has his great library at his finger tips, and maintains the closest contacts with the profound of practical life. My particular host was H. G. Secomb, the convener of the committee that administers the Fred J. Cato Lectureship. His friendly understanding, and his constantly careful and completely adequate supervision of a schedule that involved the visiting lecturer in thirty addresses in four states, gave one a sense of those administrative gifts which it is clear he reveals in all his work.

The Methodist Church in Australia has 1,194 ministers, 180 missionaries, and 10,398 local preachers. It has 3725 Sunday schools with 179,959 scholars. The church has 190,-949 members, with 12,484 probationers and 96,624 junior members.

The General Conference was characterized by deep spirituality, alert intelligence, and frank discussion. Laymen took their place with vigor and energy, and if space allowed, I might make a list of laymen powerful in public life as well as in the life of the church.

The Cato Lecture is made possible by the generosity of a highly honored layman, Fred. J. Cato, to whom many great causes are indebted. The lecture is given every third year at the General Conference, and the lecturer always comes from outside Australia. The previous lecturers have been Dr. W. R. Maltby and Dr. J. A. Findlay, well known British leaders. The Cato Lecture is published in book form. My own theme was "Adventures in Understanding." The book that has been published in Australia bears the chapter heads: "You cannot understand nature without man," "You cannot understand man without God," "You cannot understand Christ without the cross," "You cannot understand the cross without the throne of judgment," "You cannot understand Christianity without seeing man, controlling nature and worshipping and obeying the God who comes to him in Jesus Christ as love on the cross and judgment on the throne."

My speaking engagements carried me to the capital cities of four states. I traveled by air over two thousand miles on the comfortable airways one finds in Australia. In Melbourne and also in Adelaide there was a civic reception given by the lord mayor. It was a pleasure to meet personally Rt. Hon. Robert Gordon Menzies, K. C., the Prime Minister, whose powerful personality made itself felt at once. The great congregations in the Australian churches were a constant inspiration. And the cordiality of the people everywhere was something always to be remembered.

One soon became accustomed to new and fascinating forms of flora and fauna. I am the proud posesssor of a snapshot in which I am holding an affectionate little koala (a live Teddy-bear), and another in which I am holding that stout-beaked bird whose sarcastic laugh is famous all over Australia.

In proportion to the whole population of Australia—something like eight million people—too many live in the cities. Australia's great problem is filling up the land. Manufacturing is developing by leaps and bounds. In a bustling and energetic Australian city, one feels anything rather than a sense of lonely distance from throbbing life. The people made a great record in the last war, and they are making a great record in this.

At Canberra, the national capital, I was the house guest of Sir George Knowles, the solicitor general of Australia, who has been in the thick of important matters in the Commonwealth for many a year. His ripe, rich mind made a contribution to my understanding of the great dominion for which I am most grateful. I saw something of the life of the beautiful city. It was planned by an American, and the general design is not without a suggestion of Washington, D. C. At Canberra, as in each of the cities I visited, there were hours of conversation with masterful men whose talk was a delight. At Adelaide I was the guest of Samuel Forsyth, whose leadership in a great mission is an important element in the religious life of the city. In Adelaide the memory of Dr. Henry Howard, who spent his last years in Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church in New York, is a thing to conjure with. I spoke twice in his church, as also in the commanding church of Dr. Irving Benson in Melbourne. In Melbourne, too, I was the guest of Mrs. Cato, who gathered a group one was glad to meet, for a luncheon that stands out among my Australian experiences. Mrs. Cato, who has survived her husband, maintains a keen interest in life in spite of her advancing years. She has a particularly quick and resilient mind. As one traveled about, Dr. Frederick W. Norwood, who went from Australia to the City Temple in London, was a subject of proud reference, and one met

friends of Harry Holmes of the World Alliance for International Friendship through the churches in every city.

At the end of the month, weary but very happy, I spent my last days in Australia at the home of P. N. Slade of Sydney, who took time from his heavy responsibilities to be a personal guide as well as a gracious host.

In all the cities that I visited, I sensed the feeling of apprehension of danger coming to Australia from the north. Everywhere the eager friendship of Australia for the United States of America was evident. Soldiers and airmen were all about. In the homes one visited, one looked upon photographs of attractive lads off for military service. The loyalty of Australia to the English Empire and the cause of civilized freedom is a thing that leaps from men's eyes and is deep in their speech. They feel the strain of the great war. But they have no room for fear. They have room only for courage and hope.

When the ship pulled out of Sidney harbor for the long trip home, I felt as if I had left something of myself in Australia. And when at last the ship entered Los Angeles harbor, I seemed to hold a book of memory, which, to one man at least, was priceless.—Zions Herald.

REV. B. A. YORKE OF CHARLOTTE, N. C., CELEBRATES 83RD BIRTHDAY

Rev. Mr. Yorke, whose father was the late Rev. Brantley Yorke, D.D., has been an active minister for 63 years, and a member of the Methodist conference for 57 years. When the opportunity presents itself the elderly preacher is still capable of delivering a sermon.

Up to the present, Mr. Yorke has spoken from the pulpit to congregations approximately 3,000 times. In the course of his years of service, he has seen 3,500 persons converted, has personally received 2,000 into the church.

Mr. Yorke lived on a farm during his early years, beginning to perform chores at the age of seven. He hasn't stopped working since.

Mr. Yorke has remained young in spirit despite his advanced age, and he retains an active interest in the affairs of young persons. His motto, it is said, is "Trust in the Lord and do good, so shall thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."

Three of the children, including Mrs. Reinhardt, are living. The other two daughters are Mrs. M. M. Rudisill of Lincolnton and Mrs. L. B. Farris of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He also has nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Rev. B. A. Yorke

SOME FIGURES FROM ANNUAL MEETING OF METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE

An appropriation of $200,000 to aid the retired ministers' funds of the several Methodist annual conferences was voted by the denomination's Board of Publication in its annual meeting in New York September 3.

Business increased during the year of united Methodism's operation in the publishing field by four per cent over last year of the separate life of the former publishing concerns. The figure reported for the year's gross business by Publishing Agents Benjamin A. Whitemore of Nashville and Fred. D. Stone of Chicago was $5,524,429. During the year a million and a half books were printed and bound and 130 million periodicals issued. In the three publishing plants now in use, Nashville, Cincinnati, and Chicago, and in the thirteen depositories responsible for distribution, more than 1,100 people are employed.

Administering the corporations which together comprise The Methodist House is the Board of Publication consisting of 52 ministers and laymen, representing the six jurisdictions of American Methodism. The combined enterprises under their control lays claim to being the oldest publisher in this country, having been established in 1789, and to being the largest religious publishing house in the world.

N. C. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES MEET AT HILLSBORO

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Council of Churches will be held in Hillsboro on Tuesday, September 16, according to a recent anouncement from the council's executive secretary, Rev. Ernest J. Arnold.

Prior to the annual business session, the representatives of 13 denominations will be the guests of the Hillsboro Ministerial Association at a fellowship luncheon, at which time the Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick, D.D., of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of North Carolina will be the principal speaker.

Immediately following the fellowship luncheon, the Council members will assemble in the historic St. Matthews Episcopal church for the annual business session. Presiding over this meeting will be the president of the Council, Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor of the Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem. An extra full docket has been announced. A number of new Council activities will be considered and two new denominations will be received into the membership of the Council.

The following are scheduled to represent the Methodist denomination at this meeting:

Dr. J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, Greensboro.
Dr. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount.
Rev. G. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.
Mr. J. B. Ivey, Charlotte.
Rev. C. H. King, Salisbury.
Dr. P. E. Lindley, High Point.
Dr. J. M. Ormond, Durham.
Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham.
Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte.
Dr. W. A. Stanbury, Winston-Salem.
Dr. C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem.
Rev. J. J. Wood, Elk Park.
Rev. J. Clyde Aumen, Thomasville.
Mr. B. V. Hedrick, Salisbury.

HIGH HONORS FOR DR. ETHEL ABERNETHY OF QUEENS COLLEGE

Dr. Ethel Mary Abernethy, professor of phychology at Queens College, Charlotte, has been elected to first rank membership in the American Psychological Association as a result of her notable research into the processes of child development and learning, Professor Fred McKinney of the University of Missouri, a member of the A. P. A., has announced.

The honor, which was said to be unusual for teachers of psychology outside of university research centers, was conferred on Dr. Abernethy at the closing session of the society's annual meeting in Chicago.

Membership in the association is granted only to those who have contributed significantly to the development of the science of psychology through research beyond their work for a Ph.D. dissertation. Dr. Abernethy was recommended by Dr. Charles H. Judd, former University of Chicago dean, and Dr. J. F. Dashiell, University of North Carolina psychology professor, who was formerly president of A. P. A.

While a member of the University staff, Dr. Abernethy aided in a number of studies, now well known, of the mental and physical growth of school children. Since she has been connected with Queens College, she has conducted investigations of learning, retention and personality in the college laboratory.

Dr. Abernethy is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin. Dr. Abernethy is a graduate of Duke University and received her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago.

REVIVALS AT BETHEL-BOGER CHARGE

Revivals were conducted at both churches on this charge by the pastor, beginning the last week in July at Boger, and the second Sunday in August at Bethel. These special services were well attended and very helpful to the congregations. At Boger there were a number of rededications and some professions of faith in Christ, with three additions to our church rolls. At Bethel the first Sunday was observed as home coming day with hundreds in attendance, many coming from adjoining states and some as far away as Texas. It was a pleasure to have with us Rev. W. B. Thompson of Sage Garden, a former pastor, who preached at 11 o'clock, and Rev. A. L. Aycock of North Wilkesboro, who preached at 8 o'clock. Hon. Jake Newell of Charlotte delivered the home coming address at 3 p. m. There were a number of reconsecrations and several professions. At the last service there were ten conversions. At the last service there were ten conversions. Truly God has visited his people and our churches have been greatly revived.

A vacation Bible school was conducted at Bethel in May. There was an average attendance of 49 pupils and 46 diplomas were granted.

The Bethel church furnace is being overhauled and a large hot air blower is being installed at a cost of $400. This needed improvement will insure a comfortable auditorium during the winter months. All departments of our church work is functioning with increased interest, and we expect to close the year's work on the charge with all claims fully paid and with the churches well organized for a larger program the coming year. Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

THANKS FOR HELPERS

Very belated I wish to give public acknowledgement of my appreciation for the services of the brethren who preached for me while I was sick and recuperating. They were Dr. M. T. Plyler, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Rev. W. R. Dixon, Rev. Walter B. Thompson, Jr., and two students from Duke selected by Dr. Walter Patten and Prof. F. S. Aldridge, who were unable to be present themselves.

I am glad to be able to report that my health has greatly improved following the thyroid operation, and that I am getting real joy out of my work. I believe that the gospel message has seemed sweeter to me lately and the privilege of being a Methodist minister greater than ever before. Among our recent undertakings have been our daily vacation church school at Franklinton and our revival at Wesley Chapel. In the revival at Wesley I was ably assisted by Rev. C. D. Barclift. At this little church we had the unusual pleasure of having attendance equal to double the membership of the church. S. E. Mercer.

MINISTERS AND FAMILIES OF GASTONIA DISTRICT PICNIC AT RANKIN LAKE

On Friday afternoon, September 5, the ministers and families of the Gastonia district met at Rankin Lake for their annual picnic. Most of their families were present. We regret that those who were absent due to sickness in the family could not be with us to enjoy the fun and fellowship.

After recreation the ministers and their wives gathered in separate groups for short business sessions. The ministers' wives voted to send cards expressing sympathy to the families absent due to lilness. It was also decided to defer election of new officers for the next year until the first regular meeting after conference.

By a stroke of real generalship Brother Jones marshalled his hosts on the hill and away from the long table filled with food in the valley. There plans were made for the closing of the conference year. With the possible exception of pastors'salaries, complete reports for the year are expected at the district annual conference to be held at Cherryville September 30, with Bishop Purcell presiding.

You ministers and ministers' wives who were absent missed a great event. At the close of the business session Mrs. Rozzelle caused them to stand still, checked falling hair and arrested age by taking group pictures of the ministers and their wives. May we also say to the visiting district superintendents who had planned to attend our picnic but failed to get over, you missed something. A preacher might not get so much to eat at the parsonage when his wife is merely cooking for him, but when Mrs. Preacher cooks for company—well, we had such a lunch—ask our district lay leader, Brother F. C. Todd, or Mrs. Todd.

Mrs. Excelle Rozzelle, Pres.
Mrs. F. H. Shinn, Rec. Sec.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MINISTERS' WIVES' ASSOCIATION MEET

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district held a luncheon meeting at the S. & W. Cafeteria on Monday, September 8. Plans were made for a supper meeting to beheld on October 1 at Central Methodist church, at which time the ministers will be guests of the association.

An inspirational program was given. Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, wife of the superintendent of the Waynesville district, gave the devotional and Mrs. E. P. Billups, wife of the pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, read several poem. Mrs. Ralph Taylor and Mrs. J. S. Williams were in charge of the program. Games were played and a prize was won by Mrs. J. A. Marr.

Mrs. Hoyt M. Dobbs of Jackson, Mississippi, wife of Bishop Dobbs, was a guest. The president of the association, Mrs. George Schreyer of Tryon, presided.

SAVE A LIFE A DAY IN CHINA

By Edith G. Trover

Three cents a day will save a life in China,
One stick of gum a full-sized meal will pay,
One all-day sucker gives a man his dinner,
One ice cream feeds four children for a day.

One movie ticket means two weeks of living,
One cigarette is one meal gone in smoke,
One ginger ale could go to feed a dozen,
Three days of life in China cost a "coke."

Only a dollar! It's a month to live in!
Only a dime! For three days' life to pay!
Only a penny! Yet it serves a dinner!
And we've a guest—a Chinese guest—today!

—Watchman-Examiner.

Dedication of Educational Building and Sanctuary at Granite Falls Sunday



Educational Building



Bishop Clare Purcell

Bishop Clare Purcell of the Charlotte Area of the Methodist Church will dedicate the educational building and the sanctuary of the First Methodist church, Granite Falls, Sunday, September 14, at 11 o'clock. He will be assisted by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, Statesville district superintendent, Rev. Mark Q. Tuttle and Rev. E. P. Billups, who were pastors during the construction, and Rev. Reid Wall, the present pastor.

During the church school hour, 9:50 a. m., Mr. Tuttle and Mr. Billups will speak on "The Building Days."

The Sanctuary

The sanctuary of First Methodist church, Granite Falls, was remodeled during the pastorate of Rev. E. P. Billups. A place of unusual beauty, in the English chapel style, it is the center of the worship life of the congregation. The board of trustees of the church, Mr. H. V. Russell, chairman, will present the sanctuary to Bishop Purcell for dedication.

Educational Building

The educational building of the First Methodist church, Granite Falls, was built during the pastorate of Rev. Mark Q. Tuttle. This modern building contains class rooms, worship and assembly rooms, a nursery, a fully equipped kitchen and a banquet-social room. This addition to the former equipment gives the church a total of 17 rooms for use by the well organized church school and the other church organizations. The educational building will be presented to Bishop Purcell for dedication by the board of education, of which Mr. D. C. Hickman is chairman.

Brother Reid Wall is closing his second year in this pastorate. Few charges are better equipped for work.



Rev. Reid Wall
Pastor



Sanctuary of First Methodist Church, Granite Falls, N. C.

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WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL

October 27-31 is the date of the week of prayer and self-denial for the Woman's Societies of Christian Service and the specials are: Foreign, Christian Literature and Medical Equipment Around the World; Home, Increase Fund for Retired Deaconesses and Erection of Convalescent Home for Colored Children in Jacksonville, Fla.

The material for the observance of that week will be ready by September 15, and the following will be available: (1) A booklet of program material suitable for three services containing material for a talk on the need of medical equipment around the world ;material for a talk on the need for a convalescent home for negro children in Jacksonville, Fla.; a worship service on ministering to the physical needs, appropriate for use with the materials for the talks suggested above; material for a talk on the need for increasing the retirement fund for deaconesses, and an appropriate worship service to accompany the talk; material for a talk on the need for Christian literature in foreign lands, and a worship service on the printed word. Price 10 cents each postpaid. (2) A booklet containing worship materials suitable for use in an all-day (or part day) retreat to be held during the week of prayer observance. Price 25 cents for 25 copies; 40 cents for 50 copies and 65 cents for 100 copies. (3) A colored poster to be used in the vestibule of the churches announcing the observance of the week of prayer and self-denial; price 5 cents each, add 3 cents for mailing. (4) Gift envelopes for the week of prayer offering; price 20 cents for 100. One copy of each of the above materials will be sent free to each local society by conference officers; additional copies are available at the named minimum prices. Orders for literature may be placed now. Send to Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Haywood Street Methodist church of Asheville celebrated the first anniversary of its charter day meeting under the reorganization due to union of Methodism on Friday evening with a splendid attendance of the women of the church. Miss Lucretia Cassidy, president of the society, presided and Rev. Wilbur G. McFarland, pastor, led the opening worship.

A pageant of missionary work was given and proved most interesting. Two women of Methodism were represented by Mrs. Alberta Wall and Mrs. George Bryant; the board of missions by Mrs. J. H. Sullivan; the board of church extension by Mrs. C. D. Stowe; the board of education, Mrs. Margaret Craven. Fields in which the women of Methodism have mission work were represented by Misses Grace Robinson, Marguerite Weaver, Joyce Nelson, Gussie Whitworth, Alice McHarge, Helen Hughey, Mary Jean Glass, Bess Swicegood, Edna Hawkins, Betty Wall and Frances Rhinehardt. The musical program for the evening was in charge of Miss Nancy Reidel. On behalf of the society, Mrs. Marion Haynes presented a scholarship to Miss Carrie Williams, who will enter the junior class of Greensboro College this week, where she will major in religious education. Miss Williams was graduated from Sue Bennett Junior College at London, Ky., last June, where she had studied for two years.

REPRESENTATIVE AT CAMP

Miss Lucy Strider of East Flat Rock, N. C., one of our W. N. C. conference girls at Sue Bennett College at London, Ky., during the past year, was chosen representative of the college to attend Camp Kavanaugh, a Methodist camp near Crestwood, Ky., 13 miles east of Louisville, where she had a most delightul stay with a friend from Sue Bennett as her companion. These girls were chosen because of the work they did "last year in Christian organizations and in view of the work in that direction they are to continue to do this year." Lucy is back at Sue Bennett for another year and is enjoying her stay to the fullest. We congratulate her on being a representative at the camp of the institution which has meant so much to a number of girls from our conference.

ZONE MEETINGS ON ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

The first zone meetings on the Asheville district for the Woman's Society of Christian Service were held during the past week on Tuesday, September 2, at Leicester, and on Thursday, September 4, at Hendersonville. Both of these meetings were well attended, with 11 of the 12 societies in zone four having representatives at Leicester, and equally as good percentage of zone one at Hendersonville. The meeting at Leicester was presided over by Mrs. Vernon Hall, zone chairman, with Mrs. R. S. Morris as secretary, and opened with the beautiful hymn written by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, so appropriate to such an occasion, "God of Grace and God of Glory," followed by prayer by Mrs. W. R. Harris. The pastors and wives of pastors were introduced and welcomed by Mrs. Hall. The opening worship service was led by Mrs. R. H. Taylor who used as her theme, Christian Home Training, making a most impressive talk in which she stressed especially the duty of parents to their children and designated the "sub-zero of moral and Christian training in the homes as the greatest problem of today. Following her talk, the district officers of the several departments were presented and gave reports from their departments, viz: Mrs. J.S. Williams, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. W. R. Harris, secretary literature and publications; Miss Jane Sullivan, secretary W. S. Guild; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. A. Hawkins; secretary student work, Mrs. George Schreyer; and secretary spiritual life, Mrs. F. A. Walton. Each of these reports showed that growth and development were evident. A beautiful vocal solo, "The Lord Is My Light and Salvation," was sung by Mrs. Herman Stevens and added to the enjoyment of the program. Miss Amy Hackney, district corresponding secretary, spoke on the activities of the district and displayed some of the new material to be used in the advancement of the work, such as the program material for the closing months of 1941 and for 1942; the record books for corresponding and other secretaries, explaining in connection therewith the duties of each of the officers under the new set-up of our woman's work. The closing worship service was led by Mrs. F. A. Walton, who had for her subject: "Stewardship of Time, Based on Love," and her talk was most impressive and inspiring. She closed the day's program with a fervent prayer. The next meeting will be held at Weaverville. New district officers elected during the day were assistant zone leader, Mrs. R. H. Taylor; secretary, Mrs. J. M. Smith, and treasurer, Mrs. Max Brandon, Jr. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting by the ladies of the Leicester church, and a pleasant hour was spent.

Hendersonville Meeting—Zone 1

Miss Bessie Jordan, zone chairman, was the presiding officer of zone No. 1, with Mrs. W. E. Strider serving as secretary. This meeting opened with quiet music at the piano, followed by that great hymn of worship, "Come Thou Almighty King," followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert. A committee with Mrs. J. C. Sales as chairman was appointed for the nomination of three zone officers, and those chosen were: Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Strider; assistant leader, Mrs. B. W. Loomis; treasurer, Mrs. Roy Ashworth. The dictrict department officers were introduced and gave their reports similar to those given at Leicester. Mrs. W. M. Garren, secretary of missionary education and service, who was not present at Leicester, gave a splendid report of her department and exhibited a poster with the words "Read, Study, Think and Educate," each being necessary in the promotion of interest and enthusiasm in the missionary work, and urged the reading of worth while books and the diligent study of our missionary literature.

It was regretted that Mrs. Walton, spiritual life leader, and Mrs. R. H. Taylor, secretary of children's work, could not be present. Mrs. Walton's report was given by Miss Hackney. In connection with her report on student work Mrs. Schreyer read the brief report of the committee at the annual meeting and urged the election in each society of a secretary of student work. She also spoke of the Scarritt Associate memberships, stressing the duty of societies to assist in the work at Scarritt by taking these memberships.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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FIFTEEN NEW SOCIETIES

Since the organization of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in September, 1940, New Bern district has gained 15 new societies, announces Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary. These societies and their presidents are: Roe, Mrs. Hugh Lupton; Williston, Mrs. Laura Piner; Sea Level, Mrs. Mabel Willis; Grifton, Mrs. R. C. McCotter; Hickory Grove, Mrs. James Sutton; Shady Grove, Mrs. T. G. Johnson; Bayboro, Mrs. W. H. Pickles; Sharon, Mrs. B. C. Langston; Campbell's Creek, Mrs. M. A. Paul, Sr.; Camp Glen, Fannie Moran; Brownings, Mrs. F .L. Sutton; Zion, Mrs. E. R. Martin; Webbs, Mrs. Archie Davis; Woodington, Mrs. W. B. Becton; Woodland, Mrs. R. A. Oats. This is a most encouraging report from New Bern district and we are happy to recognize these new societies and to send our sincere good wishes for the success of each of them.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

It is important that we note the change of address of Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, from 307 E. Vine St. to 201 S. William St., Goldsboro, N. C.

DELINQUENT CHILDREN HELPED

Probably in the rural sections we have fewer facilities in the care of our delinquent children than we have in well organized city districts. One conference leader said that she used leaflets from the State Welfare Department such as "Aid for Dependent Children," "Old Age Assistance." Another said that she put forth considerable effort in getting her women interested in the juvenile court. After every local resources has been used, including the women's missionary efforts, it is often essential to send delinquent boys and girls to institutions, but a more worthy work to build character could not be undertaken than that which could be given to aid the juvenile court in placing delinquent girls and boys under the age of 16 years. In North Carolina we have four corrective state institutions. These could not be called reformatories because they are really training schools. Eastern Carolina Training and Industrial School for Boys was established by the 1923 legislature. It received its first inmates in 1926. They have a very good plan and have now purchased 675 acres of land. They receive boys up to the age of 16 from juvenile court and up to 18 years of age from higher court. Jackson Training School has been dealing with socially unadjusted children of the state since 1907. It is an interesting scene to see 500 boys coming and going in the varied activities of the school. Jackson Training School now has a cottage to take care of Indian boys from Robeson county. Yet, there were only five Indians there in October, 1940. Samarcand was established in 1918 for delinquent white girls between the ages of 10 and 16 by court commitment or by voluntary request. Girls have been admitted there as young as five years of age in time past and now under unusual conditions they may be admitted before ten years of age if the state department consents. There are nine courses of instruction offered in the vocational school at Samarcand—character education, physical education, cooking, kitchen supervision, charm, home making, laundry, sewing, canning. To receive a vocational certificate one must complete at least five of these courses. Morrison Training School for colored boys at Hoffman was established in 1921 and opened in 1925. No boys are received there over 16 years of age. The academic school consists of seven grades and the course of study follows very closely the standard public school curriculum set out by the State Department of Public Instruction. The boys develop a very wholesome attitude towards an interest in the religious life of the community in which they will ultimately live from their training and experience. . . Notwithstanding all of these worthy facilities in our state institutions, if our local committees would put forth greater effort to take care of these neglected ones, our training schools would not be crowded. Nine times out of ten in a certain county in North Carolina delinquent girls or boys come from a broken home in which there is considerable strife, and almost invariably homes which take no interest in church or church school activities. Never have we had a delinquent brought before our juvenile court whose mother was a member of a missionary society. Editor's note: The foregoing item was written by Mrs. Harvey Boney, conference chairman of the committee on local church and community co-operation of the department of Christian social relations and local church activities. It is both timley and interesting and deserves our attention. A pamphlet on Local Church and Community Co-operation may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio. The price is 10 cents.

THE VICTORY OF FAITH

Speaking to a vast congregation of Sunday morning church worshippers at Lake Junaluska on July 27, Dr. R. T. Henry ,missionary to China, chose as his subject "The Victory of Faith" and expounded some pertinent truths concerning Christianity in China today and the responsibility of the Christian church in America toward the Chinese. Said he: "The Chinese are even more determined to win the war today than when it began more than four years ago. During this present conflict the Chinese and the missionaries have come to grips with more experiences of Christ; the reality of Christ has become more real. The people of China, many of them the common pepole, are living very close to God in these days. If there is one thing that has come out of the war in China, it has been the breaking down of denominational lines—all united to help Chinese. The church has become a rock in a weary land for countless thousands. They are looking upon the church as a place of helpfulness. Not only has it brought spiritual resources, but it has, in many instances, filled rice bowls. The church has led many to accept Christ. Our Christian folk in China have been standing in a breech and have been rebuilding the breech. Whether it is the Generalissimo in his palace or the coolie in his hovel, the cause of Christ in China challenges us today." Dr. Henry has been in China for 21 years and is sailing soon to that country, having been called into service again to be in charge of Chinese relief fund in China.

SIGNS OF HOPE

In one of the interesting forums during the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska, Dr. R. T. Henry asked a number of missionaries to answer the question, "What, to you, are signs of hope in these foreign lands?" Speaking of China, Miss Leila Tuttle said: "The most hopeful thing in China is the quality of leadership. Doctors and nurses feel the importance of their Christian side of their work." Mrs. Edmun Rice said: "One of the finest signs of hope in China is that society in China expects Christians to be different. The new Christians have a freshness about their Christianity—a freshness they get directly from going to Christ, and they in turn inspire the missionaries who work with them. The Chinese Christians take their Christianity seriously." Mrs. R. T. Henry stated: "One hope in China comes from the reports of the work that is being carried on so magnificently by the people in the local churches in China. A conviction that the church is alive and vital. They are more conscious of the significance of what they mean to the community, to the responsibilities and the strength that comes from the divine source.

NEW BERN DISTRICT TO MEET

Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, announces that her district study leaders' training day will be held at Centenary church, New Bern, on Thursday, September 18, beginning at 10 a. m. All society presidents, study secretaries, spiritual life leaders, Christian social relations secretaries, secretaries of children's work and secretaries of young women and girls' work, and all others who can do so are urged to be present.

A nobleman accosted a lame schoolmaster and asked him his name. "I am R. T.," was the answer, "and the master of this parish." "Why, how so?" "I am the master of the children of the parish, the children are masters of the mothers, the mothers are the rulers of the fathers, and, consequently I am the master of the whole parish." — From the "Percy Anecdotes."

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

FOLKS ARE FOLKS

Dr. George R. Stuart, bless his memory, used to tell about having been appointed to a certain city congregation where he found much sophistication but little church attendance. He stated that he followed a pastor who was noted for much solidity and much analytical sermonizing. He decided he would be different, that he would find out what his people were interested in and start from there. So in his visits, on inquiring what his people were reading in the newspapers, he learned that their most usual reply was "Personals, locals and catastrophes." He then related that he decided to have locals, personals and catastrophes in his pulpit, that his sermons would deal with matters of human, every day interests and their relationship to eternal values. Needless to say that is was not long until his congregations completely filled the staid old down town church.

The Children's Home's experiences are filled with personals, locals and catastrophes. We have no empty pews.

PERSONAL

After 570 consecutive work days this scribe took a day off yesterday. He was sick and therefore privileged to lie in bed, and, while nursing a slight ailment, could look out the window at the color in the leaves on the nearby poplar while the bell rang for Sunday school, the bus clattered for going to church and the children chirped as they came and went about the campus. He did not have to get up to answer the door bell nor mingle with the dozens of people who usually come on the Sabbath day with matters of concern. It really was fine to be sick.

LOCAL

Vance, William, Bobby, Leelan and J. W., frying-size youngsters, built them a lean-to up in the woods and, after work hours, would go to their make-believe shanty to talk about the experiences of their summer travels, those connected with vacation trips. As they talked the desire to travel more loomed large in their thinking. They decided they would travel some more. But when the time came only Vance and William shoved off. After school one afternoon last week barefooted and in their work clothes they departed footback. After ten miles of sojourneying and the coming of nightfall was about them they entreated a well-meaning man to take them to Greasy Corner, where they said they would be enabled to find their home in nearby Cooleemee. On arrival at Cooleemee a deputy sheriff found them and turned them over to the high sheriff in Mocksville, who, well along in the night, called to know what we would have done with two young wayworn travelers. The jailer, being a good Methodist man, agreed to keep them overnight and well into next day when the Children's Home man could find time to go after them. He went, and, after exchange of greetings and explanations, started to leave with his boys when some slight delay was caused by the jailer's little girl coming forth with a five dollar bill which she said her mother wanted to contribute to the Children's Home and that the contribution should be credited to Bethlehem. Vance and William, while falling in with a good sheriff and his wife, have decided that they have had enough summer travel.

CATASTROPHE

We have three 100-ton silos up at our dairy barns. Filling them is a matter of no small concern to our farm gang. Cutting the tall corn, hauling it to the shredder and packing it in the silo must be done right. One boy left his long bladed hack knife on the wagon and it went into the shredder with the corn. Severe cracking sounds indicated that the high priced blades were being broken and that particles of the knives may have gone into the silo, if so, to cause untold damage to some cows. The whole operation had to be stopped and the shredded corn carefully searched lest a bigger catastrophe happen. The boy who left his knife at the wrong place is not in favor of another catastrophe.

OFF TO SCHOOL

These notes are being hurriedly dictated in order to get seven of our girls off to Pfeiffer College on schedule time. These girls will consume more than space. They command a lot of our love and regard. Five of our promising boys have enrolled at High Point College. Dorothy Griffith has started her senior year at Appalachian State Teachers College, where she is president of her class. Reid Suggs enters the University of North Carolina. He is a member of the varsity basket ball squad. David Hodgson is beginning his last year at Lenoir Rhyne where he has done well. Martha Bradfield enters the junior year at the University of Alabama, where she helps herself along as assistant in the library. Cynthia Mendenhall is beginning her junior year at Woman's College in Greensboro, where she will continue her good record. Julia Conrad has entered training for a nurse at the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, and Barbara Jones at the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.

RINGING THE BELL

The ten per cent apportionment bell ringing business is picking up some. Our friends are coming down the home stretch and the bell is ringing for their winning. Kindly note those who have done something to ring about and join us in grateful thanks:

El Bethel, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Hudson and Colliers, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

Chadwick, Charlotte, Rev M. G. Ervin.

Trinity, Kannapolis, Rev. W. A. Kale.

Archdale, Rev. G. E. White.

First church, Charlotte, Dr. G. Ray Jordan.

Badin, Badin-New London, Rev. E. C. Widenhouse.

Wesley Chapel, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. A. J. Cox.

East Spencer-Yadkin, Rev. F. L. Setzer.

East End, Gastonia, Rev. E. W. Needham.

Hot Springs circuit, Rev. Z. V. Arthur.

BOYS DO GROW

The accompanying picture is that of last year's 100-pound football team. This year most of these boys will be ineligible for the 100-pound squad because of having grown beyond it. Some few of the boys are trying to reduce their weight so as to stay with the squad. We may have to act as ref-

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Most of our last year's hundred pound champions have grown to another squad

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

EXHIBIT—Ten months of the conference year have come and gone. The Orphanage has received 40.57 per cent of the apportionment during this conference year. I am giving below the per cent that has been paid by each of the seven districts:

Durham district 43%
Elizabeth City district 31%
Fayetteville district 45%
New Bern district 41%
Raleigh district 40%
Rocky Mount district 45%
Wilmington district 40%

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The fifth Sunday was a delightful day for the singing class. We held the 11 o'clock service in Rose Hill with Rev. C. T. Rogers as pastor. In the afternoon we had the privilege of hearing an excellent address by Dr. B .G. Childs from Duke University. The evening service was in Warsaw with Rev. C. T. Thrift as pastor. We had, at both churches, very good congregations for summer work. We hope ,since vacations are about over, our congregations will be lar-larger."

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A BRIGHTER DAY—I have a feeling that our pastors, Sunday school superintendents and church officials throughout the conference are beginning to realize as never before the needs of the Mehodist Orphanage. Our friends have been kindly disposed, and many of them have been generous toward the Orphanage, but they have not realized fully how seriously we have been handicapped because of inadequate support. Since the attention of our people is being focused more and more on the needs and opportunities of the Methodist Orphanage, I believe that a brighter day has dawned for the cause that lies so close to the heart of Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Our people are fully informed of the fact that the Methodist Orphanage is conducted as economically and business like as any institution in the state. Furthermore, our people realize that they can make no investment which pays larger dividends than what they do for the children of the Methodist Orphanage. I want to express my sincere appreciation to the ministry and laity of our conference for their loyalty and devotion to the Methodist Orphanage which has more than justified the money that has been invested in this Christ-like work.

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FULL DAY—The fifth Sunday in August was a busy day for me. I left home early in the morning and returned at midnight. I preached twice and made ten calls during the day. For a long time I have been wanting to visit Kenansville, the county seat of Duplin county; and I was pleased to accept the invitation of Brother C. E. Quinn to preach at the 11 o'clock hour that day. Brother Quinn had given a great deal of publicity to my visit and a good congregation was present. It was my happy privilege to enjoy the gracious hospitality of Brother and Sister Quinn for dinner. Brother Quinn is an outstanding Methodist layman, and was a member of the last legislature. Brother Lineberger, the pastor, was preaching elsewhere on the charge, so I did not have the pleasure of fellowship with him. At the evening hour I was at Smith's church, on the Mt. Olive circuit, and I was happy to greet such a large congregation at that service. Brother Joyce, the pastor, was away from the charge that day, so I did not have the pleasure of seeing him. Smith's church is one of the most beautiful country churches in the conference. It was dedicated in the early summer. They also have a lovely brick church at Kenansville. At each place they gave me a substantial contribution as a special for the Orphanage. I feel that the day was very profitably spent for the Methodist Orphanage.

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Beretha Woods' letter:

It has been a joy for me to live for 11 years in what I term a "real home." I came to the Orphanage when I was very young, and the home has had a very important part in the development of character. I owe thanks to the many people who have made this home possible and I shall never forget their kindness.

Mr. Barnes, my dad, I want to thank for being so good to me and for giving me so much helpful advice. Mr. Barnes has been a true dad and pal to us all as though we were his very own children. His kindness has never failed and I wlil always love, honor and respect him as my father.

Then to the North Carolina conference I could no better express myself than say "above life we love true friends. Throughout these years they have remained loyal friends and taken deep interest in the support of our home.

Last, I would like to thank Mr. J. O. Sanderson, for without an education there is little one can gain in life. He has helped greatly in raising the standards of the school, making it possible for each of us to receive a better education.

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CHURCH SCHOOL LITERATURE

One of the most important matters with which a local church school is concerned at the present time is that of ordering its new church school literature for the new quarter beginning October 1. For the past months our Editorial Division has been hard at work on the task of providing a series of publications for the new church which would serve in place of the three sets of publications that had been used in three uniting branches of the church. This work is now completed and with the beginning of the new church school year in October Methodist churches throughout the United States will be using the same literature. Illustrated descriptions of the new publications have been sent to pastors and other leaders ,and it is possible that our people are acquainted with the new material. For the benefit of those who may not have had access to the descriptive statements, however, we are giving on this page a brief outline of the new publications, indicating what former materials each new periodical replaces and also what materials are entirely new to our conference.

New Publications for Officers, Teachers and Parents

Child Guidance in Christian Living is a 64-page monthly published for use by officers, teachers and other workers in the children's division of the church school. It succeeds the Elementary Teacher formerly used by leaders in the children's division. Teachers' helps, enrichment material for use in teaching, articles explaining the curriculum and program of the children's division, and statements describing emerging plans for children's work will be issued in this periodical. The price is 25 cents a quarter.

The Church School is a 64-page monthly for use by the general superintendents, teachers, and other workers in the youth division and the adult division of the church school. This is the successor to the Church School Magazine. Teachers of intermediates, seniors, and young people will find their teaching plans in this publication. Counselers of intermediates and workers with seniors and young people will find suggestions about the program of the division. Teachers of adults using either elective courses or Uniform Lessons will find helps for their work. The Church School will also provide suggestions concerning workers' councils, worship programs, and other materials necessary to general superintendents and workers with young people and adults. The price is 25 cents a quarter.

The Christian Home is a 48-page monthly religious perodical devoted to the needs of parents. It carries worship helps for use by parents and their older children, study material for use in parents' classes, and other helps for parents of both younger and older children. The price is 22½ cents a quarter.

For Pupils in the Children's Division

Beginners' Lesson Pictures is a packet of thirteen cards published quarterly containing Group Graded Lessons for beginners. This succeeds Stories for the Little Child formerly used by our beginners. The price is 12 cents a set a quarter.

Bible Picture Cards is a set of 13 cards published quarterly containing lesson materials for primary children. This material succeeds Olivet Picture Cards formerly used by a few churches. The price is 4 cents a set a quarter.

Pictures and Stories is a 4-page illustrated weekly story paper for children of primary age. This succeeds Boys and Girls. It will contain fiction, pictures, poems, and suggested activities for boys and girls 6, 7 and 8 years of age. It is designed to create a taste for good reading during the very first experiences which children have with the printed page. The price is ten cents a quarter.

Junior Quarterly is a 40-page quarterly containing Group Graded Lessons for junior-age boys and girls. It succeeds Junior Lessons formerly used by our juniors. The price is 6 cents a quarter.

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For Pupils in Young People's Division

Lessons for Intermediates is a 48-page quarterly containing Group Graded Lesson materials for use by pupils 12, 13 and 14 years of age. This succeeds The Methodist Intermediate Quarterly. The price is 6 cents a quarter.

Epworth League Meeting for Intermediates continues the publication of the same name. It is a 4-page folder prepared for use by persons 12, 13 and 14 years of age in their evening meetings. The price is 15 cents for a set of 13 4-page folders issued quarterly.

Boys Today and Girls Today are the story papers for boys and girls, respectively, 12, 13 and 14 years of age. These two publications succeed Cargo. Each is an 8-page weekly illustrated story paper. In fiction, poetry, illustrations and other features Boys Today and Girls Today rank as definitely superior among story papers for intermediates. The price of each is 14 cents a quarter.

Studies for Youth is a 48-page quarterly containing Group Graded Lesson materials prepared for use by pupils 15, 16 and 17 years of age. This publication had no corresponding material in our former literature except that some of this age group may have used the Senior Quarterly. The price of Studies for Youth is 13 cents a quarter.

The Abingdon Quarterly is a 48-page quarterly containing adaptations of the Intermediate Uniform Lessons prepared for use by persons 15 to 23 years of age. The price is 6 cents a quarter.

Classmate is a 16-page weekly illustrated story paper for seniors, young people and adults. This weekly portrays in stories, pictures, poems, illustrations, and articles the attitudes, characteristics, and convictions which make life warmly Christian and translates them into real people at work in today's world. The work of the church is pictured in narrative form by writers who have achieved distinction in the realm of fiction. Poets with Christian convictions share their sentiments with the readers of this publication. Equally meaningful are interpretations of Christian living related to the present world situation which appear regularly in this publication. The price is 20 cents a quarter.

Highroad is a 64-page monthly youth journal of religion prepared especially for use by persons 15 to 23 years of age who are actively associated with the religious life of the local church. It succeeds the Epworth Highroad as the youth journal. Through its pages the wide range of religious interest in both personal and social spheres is interpreted in terms that are real and meaningful to youth. Young people and their adult helpers who are responsible for programs for evening meetings will find material in this publication. Group Graded Lessons for use by persons 15 to 23 years of age are provided in the Highroad. It will also carry elective courses for us by groups of older youth or by classes which have some special interest related to the teachings of Christianity. No religious journal for youth ranks higher in importance and practical effectiveness than this publication. The price is 25 cents a quarter.

Workshop for Youth Leaders is a 32-page monthly for young people who are leaders of youth and also for adult workers in the youth division. The Youth Department of the Board of Education will provide helps each month dealing with the administration and organization of youth work in the local church. It should be thought of as a handbook, or manual, and not for general reading or study. This is an entirely new publicatoin and is indispensable to commission chairmen, counselors, presidents, and other officers in the youth division of the church school. The price is 15 cents a quarter.

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Human history is evidence that souls and civilizations are fashioned and fortified or enervated and emasculated by the quality of their faith.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Eternal God, the Source of Help

Revelation 7:9-17

Commentators have not sufficiently stressed the unique literary art of the Apocalypse. Perhaps they have felt that to speak of a book that professed to record a voice from heaven as containing elements of conscious art was irreverent. But inspiration does not repress our faculties, but rather stimulates them to the highest activity. And certainly it inspires that art of word painting.

The Revelation is a great moving picture. If well read it holds the attention of a child, and at the same time interests the adult mind; and to hold a child and challenge a man is no small literary achievement. But the Apocaplyse is not merely a moving picture; it is a drama. A great angel with a mighty voice asks, Who is worthy to open the book that is in the hand of him that sitteth on the throne, and to look therein? And John wept much because no one was found worthy to open the book. But an elder said to him, Weep not; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah hath prevailed to open the book; and John looked up, and behold, the Lion was a Lamb as it had been slain. This is drama and art.

Before the seventh seal is opened the expectation is so intense and awestruck that there is silence in heaven for the space of half an hour. And later on, a mighty angel is seen flying through the heavens, saying, Woe, woe, woe, for them that dwell on the earth, by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels who are yet to sound. How intensely dramatic!

We can scarcely appreciate the Revelation of John because in our sheltered and free land it is hard for us to imagine the situation of the Christians at that time. They looked up and saw the heel of the mighty Roman empire lifted above them to stamp out their very existence. A European city, however, that has just heard the siren announcing the coming of a fleet of bombing airplanes, might understand how wonderful it was that in his circumstances John could hear the heavenly chorus, and see the mighty angels of divine power commissioned to judge their enemies. Men call the book of Revelation impractical, but nothing could be more practical to men sorely tempted to give up their faith, and worship the beast, than these visions of glory and judgment. The power of Rome was so great and world embracing! To bow to it was a temptation to Jesus himself in the wilderness, for he knew that if he compromised with the empire he might indeed with his supreme genius have all the kingdoms of the world ,and the glory thereof (Matthew 4).

We criticise the book of Revelation for its fierce threatenings of judgment, but we must keep in mind the fact that the very existence of Christianity depended on the certainty in the minds of the church that the powers of evil were to be punished, and that apostasy would have terrible consequences.

John was the first man who had a short wave radio. On his lonely little island of exile he could tune in on the heavenly chorus, and it was so loud and wonderful and sweet that he wanted all the Christians to hear it. And not only did he have a radio by which he could hear, but television with him was an accomplished fact, and he could see the majesties and glories of the upper world.

He beholds around the throne a vast multitude that no man could number, arrayed in white robes, singing with sweet and joyous exultation the praises of the Lamb. And his angelic conductor said, Who are these? And John said, My Lord, thou knowest. And the angel said, These are they that have come out of the great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. How absurd! to wash one's robes in blood and make them white! But all who have had a fierce struggle with sin know that triumph only comes through faith in Him who is not only sympathetic but who, as it were, continually bleeds for us in our struggles, and cleanses us through his suffering. This paradox of being washed in the blood of the Lamb reveals the very heart of Christian experience.

FAITH THE TRANSFORMER

"Faith" is not merely a term of the pious. It is a principle of life in its broadest relations. Jesus never spoke more truly than when he enunciated the law of works according to one's faith, declaring, "According to your faith be it unto you." History is full of examples of the inexorable working of this law. It shows us Caesars putting faith in the right of might, only to be themselves overthrown by the retroactice force of that faith. It shows us Luthers, Pasteurs, and Frances Willards with faith in the redeeming forces of life, winning thereby for themselves the abiding veneration of humanity. Faith may be blind. It is then truly misplaced. Faith of the finest sort is reasoning, intelligent faith that believes it will happen according to consecrated adventure. That faith is blind only in the sense of being unyielding.—Southern Christian Advocate.

New times demand new measures and new men;
The world advances and in time outgrows
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OLD JERRY

Patches of deep blue were sown thick among the rain-gray clouds of that autumn sky, and the country was bright with fall flowers as we started for the Barrens.

Once we passed a tiny cape running into the Rancocas that was fairly aflame with wild flowers. Then there were yellow asters, like newly minted gold coins; blazing star, with its tall wands covered with lilac blosoms, while everywhere were the butter-yellow blossoms of the fern-leaved false foxglove.

The woods were a vast tapestry spread out on either side of us, stained and dyed deep with the colors of fall.

The black oaks were dragon's blood, the scrub oaks a perch-red, filmed with gold, while the trifurcated (three-pointed) leaves of the Spanish oaks showed russet - yellow overlaid with green.

Some of the swamp maples were masses of sunshine-yellow, others a deep crimson, and the star-leaves of the sweet gums were royal purple. Of them all, only the cat briar, with its triangular, rubbery leaves and stem like green barbed wire, achieved pure scarlet, while the leaves of another despised shrub, the pokeberry, under the frost fire, flamed into a carmine-purple above and a Tyrian rose beneath.

We lunched at my cabin hidden among the stained leaves of scrub oak, post oak, aspen, black gum, sweet gum, and gray birch. Then we started for the Plains, that strange bit of country where all the trees are dwarfed.

On our way we stopped at Upper Dam and beside a lonely pond admired two immense holly trees, the "greenwood tree of old England, the largest that I have ever seen in this country. On the dam we came upon a deep trench where some heavy body had dragged itself across the sand. There was a tall mark and the tracks of wide, flat paws set at obtuse angles to the body, and I recognized the rare trail of the otter, the first that I have ever seen in the Barrens.

Father on we came to a wide bog crossed by a dyke. There a dark brown bird, streaked with buff. dropped into the march and, thrusting his yellow bill straight up into the air, stood motionless, looking like a stake in the long grass. We recognized it as the American bittern.

I remember finding a nest of one in Wolf Island Marsh in northern New Jersey. There, too, I saw one "boom," a rarer sight than the drumming of a ruffed grouse or the vespers of a woodcock. Hunching his long neck far down betweeen his shoulders, he suddenly thrust it up. As each section straightened there sounded across the marsh a thudding note, which seemed to come from underground. Suddenly he stopped "booming" and, hunching his neck stepped stealthily like a little, old bent man into the sedges and disappeared.

As we made our way out to the center of the marsh, four snow-white birds flopped overhead, and we recognized them as American egrets, those lovely Southern herons which find their way north every summer. Then a black duck flew by, and three killdeers gave their wild, lonely call from mid-sky over the bog.

At last we reached George Cranmer's house, one hundred and fifty years old. George is a little younger than his house, but not much, a fine old scout who was born on the Plains and knows more about them than any man living.

On his barn was nailed the body of a great hawk which a friend of his had run down with a car, while it was feeding upon a rabbit in the middle of a sand road. It was so dark that at first we thought it a specimen of the rough legged hawk, a rare Western species, but the legs were not feathered down to the toes, and we finally identified it as an immature red-tailed hawk.

George took us to meet Uncle Lee St. Clair, who lives by himself half a mile up the road. Ten years ago Lee came to the Plains to die, but has never had a sick day since, and is now 82 years old and highly resolved to live to be a hundred or die in the attempt. Not long ago some one offered him a substantial sum for his land. Lee refused it scornfully.

"Twenty years from now," he said, "I'll get ten times that much for it."

"Deer," said George, in answer to a question, "there's more deer, that is, this year than any years in the Plains. One on 'em, that is, keeps prankin' 'round my place. T'other night, that is, he et up most o' my parsley bed. In winter time, that is, he girdles my peach trees, an' he got a head o' horns like a moose. He's been 'round here for ten years, that is. The boys call him Old Jerry, an' there's been more loads of buckshot wasted on him than would kill ten ordinary deer. Some folks, they do say he ain't a reg'lar deer, but a hant, that is, an' that he must be shot with a silver bullet, but one ain't got any silver nowadays, that is."—Samuel Scoville, in S. S. Times.

REWARD

By Clyde Edwin Tuck

Life's true reward is in the things we give,
Not in the things we get, the Master taught;
If we in his redeeming love would live
Unselfish deeds of kindness must be wrought.

Let us be channels for his living word
Each day in this distracted, needy world,
Receptive to his voice, like those who heard
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Like them, the cleansing flames of Pentecost
We too many feel descending to illume
Our contrite hearts if we, when tempest tossed,
In faith, wait for him in love's upper room.

In paths of service we must humbly tread,
Our minds of fear and pride and hate divest,
And wholly trust him who to all once said,
"Come unto me and I will give you rest."

A MUSHROOM TENT

Nature takes eight years to make the first apple; and yet a mushrom, with upright stalk and broad top, though an overnight creation, is no less a miracle. I have seen the shell-pink, and cream-colored, and there have been delicate molds of snow.

One day before dawn a spider used a tall, silver-gray one for a center pole, and spun a net fabric round about. A firefly that had somehow gotten in the tent shed light in flashes, while close by dew quivered in a dimple of earth and made a tiny swimming pool. Somewhere a cricket gave short, sharp chirrups, or cheer-ups.

But when the sun crept in the mushroom tent, the firefly departed with his lamp, and the spider began building a new on the rose trellis.

The sun's flame first crumbled, and then melted, the mushroom which the damp shadows had impulsively carved.

At noon ,on the spot where the mushroom had been, a grasshopper grazed on early autumn leaves.—Laura Dickson, in Southern Christian Advocate.

"What is the opposite of sorrow?" asked the teacher.

"Joy," answered the lad.

"And the opposite of misery?" pursued the teacher.

"Happiness," said the pupil.

"And what is the opposite of woe?" was the next question.

"Giddap!" was the quick response. —Selected.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 14
Mebane, First Church, 3 14
Front Street, 7:30 14
Lakewood, 7:30 15
Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

September

Murfreesboro, Winton, 11 14
Edenton, night 14
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 1:30 20
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 21
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 21
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 21
Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Hemp, Tabernacle, 11 14
Clendon, Fair Promise, 3 14
Raeford, 8 14
Laurinburg, 11 21
St. John, 3 21
Aberdeen, 8 21
Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Atlantic, 11 14
Beaufort, 7:30 14
Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 11 14
Lunn, Divine Street, 8 14
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 15
Selma, 8 17
Henderson, First Church, 11 21
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 3...21
Oxford, 8 21
Vance, Gillburg, 8 24
Benson, Benson, 11 28
Erwin, Erwin, 8 28

October

Louisburg Ct., Shiloh, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Rosemary, 11 14
Halifax, Pierce's, 3:30 14
Roanoke Rapids, 8 14
Spring Ch.-Garysburg, Pleasant Hill, 8 17
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m.....14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 14
Burgaw, Rocky Mount, 8 14
Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 11
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night 13
Candler, Snow Hill, 11 13
Rosman, 11 14
Etowah, 3 14
Mills River, night 14
Hillside-Merriman, night 15
Oakley, night 16
West Asheville, night 17
Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

September

Dilworth, 8 12
Bethel-Boger, Boger, 11 14
Polkton, Poplar Hill, 3 14
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 14
Chadwick, 8 15
Spencer Memorial, 8 17
Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Wilkesboro, 11 14
Moravian Falls, Beulah, 3 14
North Wilkesboro, night 14
Boone, night 17
Watauga, night 18
Creston, night 19
Green Valley, night 20
Warrensville, 11 21
Todd, Blackburn's, 3 21
Jonesville, night 21
Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 28

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Vale, Zion, 11 14
South Fork, Ebenezer, 2:30 14
Boger City, night 14
Lowell, night 15
Stanley, night 17
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

September

Guilford Ct., 7:30 13
Gibsonville, 11 14
Shady Grove, 3 14
Proximity, 7:30 14
Glenwood, 7:30 15
West Greensboro, 7:30 17
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

September

Farmer, 11, N.H. 14
Richland, 7, W.B. 14
Lebanon, 7 17
Greer's Chapel, 7 18
Coleridge, Concord, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7 21
First Church, H.P., 7 24
Linwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October

Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornelt, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Marion, First, 11 14
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 14
Morganton, First, 8 14
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

September

S. China Grove, 11 14
Midway, 3 14
Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 14
East Spencer, 7:30 15
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 16
Kerr Street, 7:30 17
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21

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Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Granite Falls, 11 14
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 14
Hudson, 7:30 14
Maiden, 7:30 17
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30 3
Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

September

Green Street, 7:30 11
Lewisville-Concord, 11 14
Hanes-Clemmons, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Ardmore, 7:30 16
Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 17
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Doubs, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 8
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 15
North Davidson, 7:30 16
Kernersville, 7:30 17

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Fines Creek, Spring Creek, 11 14
Crabtree, Crabtree, 3 14
Junaluska, 8 14
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 16
Sylva, 8 17
Andrews, 8 18
Robbinsville, 8 19
Murphy Ct., Rogers, 11 21
Hayesville, Ogden, 4 21
Shooting Creek, Marshall's, 8 21
Waynesville, 8 24
Canton, 8 25
Franklin Ct., Iotla, 11 28
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 4 28
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 28

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 5
Franklin, 8 5
Webster, Webster, 11 12
Whittier, Whittier, 3 12
Bryson City, 8 12
Murphy, 8 15
Cullowhee, 11 19
Canton, First, 8 19

Final check-up meeting and picnic for the district at Sylva Wednesday, October 1. Bishop Purcell presiding.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME
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eree on this matter. The next football team is the 125 pounders. Then comes the varsity reserves. The last and largest team we have is the varsity. Well over 100 boys are out for football.

HAMILTON AND COMPANY

Rev. J. R. Hamilton and Supt. Bill Hartsell brought their Love's Chapel church school to picnic with us last Saturday. They came in two nice new buses, transportation being furnished by J. D. Love, a public spirited citizen of the Stanfield neighborhood. We were glad to have Hamilton and company with us.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, death has removed from our friend and brother, Frank Raker; and

Whereas, during all his life among us he showed forth fine qualities of Christian brotherhood in such degree that we have been inspired and cheered by his example of friendship and Christian living; and

Whereas, by the passing of Brother Raker this class has sustained a severe and irreparable loss.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the men's Bible class of the First Methodist church that we hereby express our appreciation of the life and character of our departed brother, Frank Raker ;and be it further resolved:

That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother, a copy published in The Dispatch and N. C. Christian Advocate.

S. W. Finch,
T. S. Evans,
Paul G. Stoner.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Elma Stevens' parsonage circle of the Goldsboro circuit charge, feel very keenly the sad loss of our beloved friend and coworker, Mrs. Carrie Casey Harrell, who was a loyal and faithful member of Daniel's Chapel church of this charge. She was alert in all its activities and very much interested in the parsonage, as it is a home for her pastor whom she loved.

She was a friend to the needy and was neighborly and unselfish. She was gentle and sympathetic as only those who themselves have sorrowed and and joyed much are able to enter into and share the sorrow and joys of others. It seems as though we could hear her say as the song says:

"Others, Lord, others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others,
That I may live like thee."

With these resolutions we wish to pay tribute to her memory.

Resolved further, that our heartfelt sympathy be extended to her family and we pray God's richest blessings may rest upon them. That these resotions be recorded in the minutes of our circle and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. J. C. Barden,
Mrs. R. E. Cox,
Mrs. P. M. Thompson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of Oak Grove Woman's Society of Christian Service, desire to record the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. W. T. Blanton, who went home to be with Jesus on July 22, 1941. She was a faithful member of Oak Grove church. Her interest in and devotion to the various activities of the church was sincere and unfailing. Her genial presence was a help in any meeting or undertaking of the church or society. We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and the sweet smile she had for everyone. Her passing has left a vacancy which cannot be filled and has caused deep sorrow to the members of the society. We sorrow, not as those who have no hope, for we know that our loss is her eternal gain. May we all profit by the example of her beautiful Christian character and her devotion to the church she loved and served so faithfully. Therefore be it resolved:

That we bow in humble submission to the will of God, and say, not our will but thine be done.

Be it further resolved, that we extend to her children our heartfelt sympathy, and that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, a copy to be sent to the family and to the N .C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. J. P. Randall, Pres.

MITCHELL—On July 3, 1941, as the day came to its close, the gentle spirit of our beloved friend, Mrs. Z. B. Mitchell, left us for a glorious welcome home. Two days later, at the Methodist church of which she was a faithful member ,the family and a large circle of friends paid tribute by their presence to the woman they loved and esteemed. Amid a wealth of lovely flowers, typical of the fragrance and beauty of her Christian life, the funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. H. L. Davis, and the beloved rector, Rev. Francis Joyner. Her body rests on Sunset Hill and her sweet spirit awaits the home coming of those she loves.

Linda Norman Mitchell was born in Brinkleyville, N. C., May 31, 1865. Her parents were Swain S. Norman and Ellen Hunter Norman. Of the 12 children of this home only one sister, Mrs. W. S. Owen of Lexington, N. C., is living. Linda Norman spent her girlhood in the village of her birth, and there she married Z. B. Mitchell. This devoted companion of 51 years preceded her home eight years ago. Their four children and six grandchildren survive her. Her children are: Mr. Meade Mitchell, Weldon; Mrs. Wilton Browning, Littleton; Mrs. William Boyce, Warrenton; Mr. Norman Mitchell, Littleton. Her grandchildren are: Blanche Mitchell, Meade Mitchell, Jr., Mary Ferebee Mitchell, Wilton B. Browning, Jr., William Boyce, Jr., and Estelle Boyce. Her step-children, who were as devoted to her as if she had been their own mother, are Mr. R. E. Mitchell of Louisburg and Capt. H. W. Mitchell of Brinkleyville. They, with their four children and four grandchildren, share the "sadness of farewell" so deeply felt by the other members of her devoted family.

While crushed by their bereavement her loved ones are grateful for the memory of her beautiful life. Her going brings them all closer to Jesus, whom she loved and served most unobtrusively yet faithfully, and to whom she still points as the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Mrs. Mitchell was earnest in her prayer life, patient in her suffering, loyal in her friendships, gracious in her home. She was a loving daughter, a devoted wife, a faithful friend, but it was as a mother that she displayed her greatest gift. Her children can truthfully pay this tender tribute to her memory:

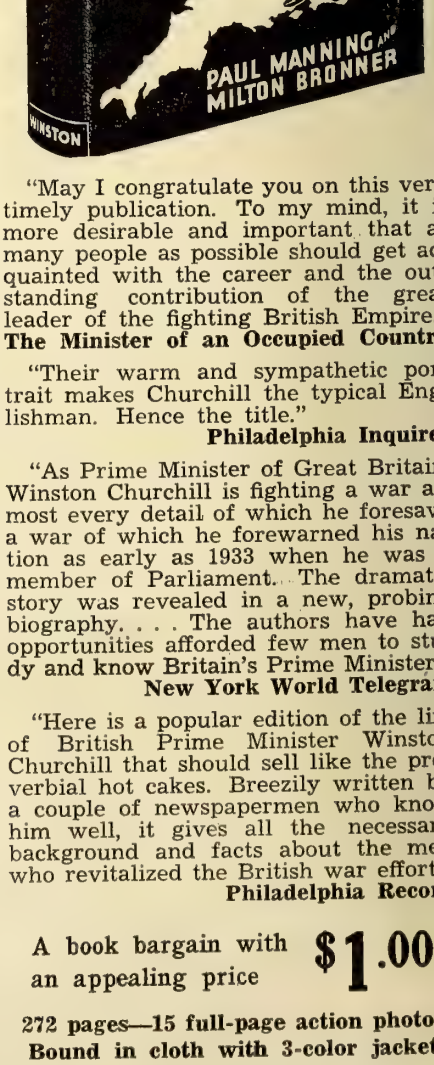
"You painted no madonnas on chapel walls in Rome;
But with a touch diviner you lived one in your home.
You wrote no lovely poems that critics counted art;
But with a nobler vision, you lived them in your heart.
You carved no shapeless marble to some high-souled design,
But with a finer sculpture you shaped this soul of mine.
You built no great cathedrals that centuries applaud,
But with a grace exquisite, your life cathedraled God.
Had I the gift of Raphael or Michelangelo,
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GIFTS TO AMERICA

AMERICA is a land of but one people, gathered from many countries. Some came for love of money and some for love of freedom. Whatever the lure that brought us, each has his gift. Irish lad and Scot, Englishman and Dutch, Italian, Greek and French, Spaniard, Slav, Teuton, Norse, Negro—all have come bearing gifts and have laid them on the altar of America.

All brought their music. . . . All brought music and their instruments for the making of music, those many children of the harp and lute.

All brought their poetry, winged tales of man's many passions, ballads of heroes and tunes of the sea, lilting scraps caught from sky and filed, or mighty dramas that tell of primal struggles of the profoundest meaning. All brought poetry.

All brought art, fancies of the mind, woven in wood and wool, silk, stone or metal—rugs and baskets, gates of fine design and modeled gardens, houses and walls, pillars, roofs, windows, statues and paintings—all brought their art and hand craft.

Then, too, each brought some homely thing, some touch of the familiar home field or forest, kitchen or dress—a favorite tree or fruit, an accustomed flower, a style in crockery or in costume—each brought some homelike, familiar thing.

> And all brought hands with which to work.
> And all brought minds that could conceive.
> And all brought hearts filled with home—stout hearts
> To drive live minds, live minds to direct willing hands.

These were the gifts they brought.

Hatred of old-time neighbors, national prejudices and ambitions, traditional fears, set standards of living, graceless intolerance, class rights and the demand of class—these were barred at the gates.

At the altar of America we have sworn ourselves to a simple loyalty. We have bound ourselves to sacrifice and struggle, to plan and to work for this one land. We have given that we may gain, we have surrendered that we may have victory.

—Honorable Franklin K. Lane.

Ten Crucial Days for North Carolina Methodists!

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This money must be secured by the many—not the few. Only the Methodist preachers can get this call before the Methodist churches of the state. They have access to the people and they must act quickly.

In some districts this is "Advocate Week." Let the next ten days be "Advocate Day" in every church

As wisely suggested by Rev. B. B. Slaughter and Rev. A. S. Parker, "give at least one day to the paper." Such an effort on the part of each preacher would save the day and give Methodism a new sense of victory.

Dr. W. K. Green, Lay Leader of the N. C. Conference, gives a ringing call in this issue of the Advocate to the Laymen to help

Give the people a chance and they will "respond splendidly." Gloriously fine has been the renewals of our subscribers. For the next two Sundays let our S.O.S. call for new subscribers be heard in every church.

Act At Once—The Next Ten Days Are Crucial!

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Men Who Dare to Do Big Things for the Advocate

Rev. S. J. Starnes of the Durham circuit sends $40; Rev. F. B. Peele of the Person circuit, $25; Rev. H. H. Rhinehardt of Lincolnton circuit, $18; Rev. J. D. A. Autry of Kinnakeet, on the sand banks overlooking the Atlantic, $8; Rev. J. D. Williams of Welch Memorial, $12; Rev. J. S. Gibbs, Park Avenue, Salisbury, $11; Rev. M. O. Stephenson, Morehead City circuit, $6; Rev. R. C. Stubbins, Calvary, Greensboro, $15; Rev. A. R. Surratt, Windsor, $15. Brother Surratt adds: "The canvass is expected to continue and other subscriptions sent in. The folks here are responding splendidly."

Rev. Graham S. Eubanks of Aurora circuit sends check for $46.

Men and brethren, think of the church paper going into 22 additional homes of these five churches of the Aurora charge. Then, too, think of $46 for our urgent campaign. We congratulate this energetic young minister in his sixth year in the conference. His words are significant: "I sincerely hope that you will be successful in the present campaign."

The above names gathered from every section of the state indicate what can be done. These are not regarded as unusually promising fields. The pastors simply made appeal to their people and they were made to rejoice. We fully expect the pastors of both conferences to join so whole heartedly during the next ten days as to make this campaign a glorious success.

Please lay to heart the words of Brother A. R. Surratt: "The folks here are responding splendidly." The folks around Windsor are a good average in North Carolina. Thousands in the state will do as they are doing if men will present the paper as does the pastor of Windsor.

For the next two Sundays the S. O. S. call for the Advocate should be heard in every church—followed by a few hours of serious work to get new subscribers to the church paper. Yes, work will tell in getting new subscribers as in all else. Try it once more.

BISHOP EDWIN A. PENICK HEADS THE NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The Council held its annual meeting in Hillsboro Tuesday of this week. Much business was crowded into the work of the day. Rev. Ernest J. Arnold had made such careful provision for the exercises of the day that it proved a delight.

The more than seventy gathered about the tables at lunch in Hillsboro enjoyed the fine fellowship and delightful luncheon served by the ladies of the churches of Hillsboro. No one could have spoken more appropriately than did Bishop Penick. The historic setting and the spirit of the churches manifest ministered well to the work of the day. Old Hillsboro rose to the occasion.

New officers elected to serve with Bishop Penick include Dr. John R. Cunningham, president of Davidson College, first vice president; Dr. J. H. Lighthouse of Burlington, second vice president, and the following members of the executive board: Dr. Elbert Russell of Duke University, Dr. W. A. Stanbury of Winston-Salem, the retiring president, and David Foust of Salisbury.

Other members of the board are Bishop Kenneth Pfohl of Winston-Salem, George H. Rhodes of Albemarle, C. C. Ware of Wilson, Stanley C. Harrell of Durham and J. Shelton Smith of Durham.

Rev. Ernest J. Arnold is to be congratulated on the work he is doing. His energy, good cheer and wisdom in the work commends him to all.

METHODIST CITY SOCIETY OF WILMINGTON ORGANIZED THIS WEEK

District Superintendent A. S. Parker sent a call to 150 leading Methodists of Wilmington to consider dealing with their local situation. This led to appointment of an executive committee, with power to act, composed of Rev. A. S. Parker, D.S.; all the Methodist pastors of Wilmington; W. B. McGirt, district lay leader; chairmen of official boards and presidents of Societies of Christian Service. This committee is to name officers of the permanent organization.

Dr. J. M. Ormond, president of the conference board of missions, spoke on Why Such a Society? Rev. F. S. Love, conference secretary, also addressed the group. So far as we know this is the first Methodist City Society to be organized in the state.

The Educational Process Continues

JUST now on little feet and on larger ones pleted his earthly sojourn early Sun- again to school. This is the renewed effort in the long educational process. It has its first and best beginning in the home with father and mother as the greatest and most effective welfare workers in the world. No other agency in the land equals the family home. Even for those who are deprived of parents and are taken into orphanages the effort is to make these institutions as home-like as possible.

In our American life and fundamental to our American democracy is the home. The American way is for the children to live in their own homes under the care of their own parents. Here the educational process begins, to be continued in grammar school, high school and college from which youth passes out into the great world university of our every day life. The unfortunate masses do not have the privileges of many of the schools and agencies that continue the process following that begun in the family. These outside agencies often obscure the essential place of the home but they have in no sense supplanted it. They are really and truly supplementary. One of the perils of this day is the tendency of parents to shift their responsibility to the school and the church. These, however, simply strive to carry on the educational process begun in the home.

This glorious autumn time the process is renewed in class room, on athletic field and in the many extra curricula activities of school and college, but back of these many agencies stand the home to continue the tender concern and the material resources which devoted parents furnish the children in their many stages on the upward climb. Some of these boys and girls have been wonderfully blessed from the day of their birth, others have known only poverty of devoted care and material resources. Yet out of their poverty and in spite of neglect they are making the most of the educational agencies into which they have entered..

The glory of American democracy has been the opportunity for the ill-favored in youth to rise to the heights in many lines of life. One of our present perils are the agencies that tend to destroy individual initiative and to foster indolence as they wait for the government "hand out." One of the values claimed for the present military training is to harden those who have "become too soft." This argument breaks down when we remember that only the strongest and best are selected for the camps. The indolent and the mass of inefficients are left behind as the "cast off" in the building of the nation. These belong to the vast multitudes that have been neglected and sinned against in their youth. Right here most of these governmental efforts to build a civilization break down. God and the wisest of men began to build in the family. Jesus made sacred the marriage bond because here resides the purity and the perpetuity of the family. Right here begins the educational process to continue through the years.

Parker Holmes, a Pastor of Rare Accomplishments

THE Reverend Parker Holmes, who com- completed his earthly sojourn early Sunday morning, September 7, at his home in Forest City, N. C., was a man of unusual gifts and eminently successful as an itinerant Methodist preacher. He served fifteen pastoral charges in the Western North Carolina conference, eight of these for the full term of four years. When he moved before the quadrennium ended it was from choice and not because the people desired a change.

He was a great church builder. It became one of his personal pleasures to build a church where the people thought it could not be done and where no other pastor would dare to undertake the task. By the overwhelming influence of his personality and his unfailing humor and good nature he could induce a congregation to do whatever he chose. He could laugh money out of a skinflint and make a miser pull out his hoarded coins to help build a new Methodist church. Whenever Parker Holmes built a church it was a hilarious job for all who had a part therein.

This rare personality became a tradition wherever he lived. For years after he left Trinity College the succeeding generations of students heard of the inimitable Parker Holmes. One of the stories was of a loud mouthed boy who walked into his room saying that he had been insulted by a fellow student and that he intended to shoot him. Holmes at once agreed that it was the thing to do and proposed that the duel would take place the following morning at sunrise, and that he would arrange all details, the place, the seconds and the spectators. It was not many hours after that when the would-be killer of a fellow stu-

dent came to Holmes and begged that the whole affair be dropped. This was a typical story which showed his mastery of human nature—a gift that made him eminently successful wherever he served as a good minister of Jesus Christ.

Brother Holmes never had to seek his appointments, the people sought him. The only trouble that he gave a bishop or presiding elder was to allay the clamor of the people who desired him as their pastor. We shall hardly see his like again.

"Plenty of Religion"

AN old sergeant who had been with the army a long time said: "An outfit is only as clean as the towns they can get to. If things are wide open, we have trouble. If the people will make the shady politicians clean things up, chase out the women and the liquor, we do all right. Soldiers are pretty much like everybody else—they don't go to the devil if you give 'em plenty of religion."

Ah! there's the rub! Real religion is in jeopardy in America at this hour. Liquor and war, the enemy of every people, threaten the nation and the church of God. The coalition of liquor, gambling and prostitution in almost every community adjoining the camps is a disgrace, and triple evils which are available to the soldiers. The resulting rapid decadence of morals is a threat that only a mind persistently blind will fail to recognize. Official Washington and most local communities are doing little to improve the situation. What has become of the Sheppard bill? What are the local forces doing to clean up existing evils across our broad land?

Furthermore, we are now walking on the brink of war. With Washington evading control of liquor and other evils as the nation is rapidly plunging into war, how can we expect the nation to escape the moral and spiritual collapse that threatens. Trying days are ahead for the church in its efforts to keep vital and strong the spiritual forces so essential to the church of God.

The billions for defense in this aggressive warfare, burdening the citizenship in this exhaustive effort, threaten to leave the church floundering in the midst of material and moral collapse. Is our religion going to be sufficiently vital and strong to give the masses plenty of religion to save them in the midst of desolation and despair?

"It Is Not True"

SOME editor in an estimate of Rudyard Kipling and his writings has said:

"It is not true that
The dawn comes up like thunder outer China, 'crost the Bay;

It is not true that
There is neither East nor West, Border, nor Breed, nor Birth,
When two strong men stand face to face, though they came from the ends of the earth.

It is not true that
The liner, she's a lady,
And the Man o' War's her mate.

It is not true that
Morning waits at the end of the world
And the world is at our feet.
Least of all does it seem to be true that
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice—
An humble and a contrite heart."

These are not true if we regard them as matter of fact statements of things as they actually exist in this present day world. But as eternal ideals for God's world as we know it they are emphatically true. If not true in the world that is, they are eternally true in the world that ought to be. To this there is a universal response of the human spirit, hence Rudyard Kipling ranks as one of the great poets of the English tongue.

Dedication of Churches

THE wholesale dedication of Methodist churches in North Carolina began four years ago when Bishop W. W. Peele, then presiding elder of the Greensboro district, had three churches dedicated in one day. That was a new record for the Old North State and has not since that day been surpassed but several times has been equaled.

Of these last four years the present year has led all the rest in number of churches dedicated and the end is not yet, even if only one month remains of the present conference year. Because the grand climax will be reached the day before annual conference assembles in Winston-Salem when Centenary Methodist church, seat of the conference, will be dedicated. This is the costliest Methodist church in the state and one of the great churches of American Methodism, and this will be an appropriate conclusion of a year that has been memorable for the dedication of churches in North Carolina.

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24
N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Read and read again the statement on page 2 of this week's paper. It is of first concern to all Methodists of the state.

Rev. E. O. Cole sent his report as treasurer of the W. N. C. conference. This was crowded out last week and had to go over until this week.

Home coming at Shady Grove church at Advance will be held Sunnday, September 21. Rev. L. B. Abernethy will preach at 11 o'clock. All former pastors, presiding elders and friends are invited to come.

The Greensboro district check-up meeting will be at West Market October 6, 7:30. Our bishop expects to be present and each pastor will please bring one layman from each church and also the superintendents of the church schools.—L. B. Hayes.

J. Kempton Jones, newly elected president of the National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, will speak on a national hook-up program over the National Broadcasting Company Red network on Saturday, September 20, at 12:30 E.D.S.T. The program will be identified as the "Call to Youth."

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at Mt. Pleasant church, 12 miles southeast of Greensboro, Sunday, October 21, at 11 o'clock (E.S.T.) Rev. Rollins Gibbs is the alert pastor of this great country church. It was a former Methodist Protestant church and this will be the first visit of a Methodist bishop to that congregation.

After being out of my pulpit for three Sundays due to a broken shoulder received in an automobile wreck it was good to preach again yesterday. While off duty I enjoyed reading again Effective Preaching by Oxnam and The Originality of the Christian Message by Mackintosh. Two very stimulating old books.—Sam Maxwell.

Calvary Methodist church, High Point, will have a home coming on the fourth Sunday in this month. A hearty invitation is hereby extended to all former members and pastors to be with us. Likewise any former district superintendents who can come. Between the morning and afternoon programs dinner will be served on the grounds.—O. L. Brown, Pastor.

The annual home coming will be held at Advance Methodist church Sunday, September 21. There will be an all day program with service beginning at 10 a. m. (E.S.T.) Rev. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin will preach the 11 o'clock sermon and the afternoon program will be composed of visiting singers and short talks. All former pastors and members and friends are invited to come and enjoy the day with us. —P. L. Smith, Pastor.

Successful revivals have been held on this charge at Bethany, Shiloh and Bethel, resulting in 43 conversions and 20 additions to the churches. Revs. C. H. Hill, T. G. Williams and C. G. Isley assisted the pastor in these meetings and rendered very efficient service. Two vacation Bible schools and three training schools have also been held during the year. Substantial cash poundings were given the pastor at the close of the Bethany and Shiloh meetings and Bethel pounded with a large variety of articles needed in the home. The final revival on this charge will start at Gray's Chapel on the fourth Sunday in this month. Preparatory prayer meetings are being held each week at this church. Bethany church has paid all claims in full. Part of the other churches are almost out.—H. L. Isley, Pastor.

The ministers of the Raleigh district met Tuesday, September 9, at the Edenton Street church for their regular quarterly meeting. The program committee, John C. Glenn, J. J. Boone and J. T. Greene, had arranged a most practical session. Timely talks were given by various ministers of the district and these were followed by helpful and interesting discussions.—H. L. Rogers, Reporter.

Dr. S. K. Spahr, a retired Methodist minister now ninety years of age, drives his car about Greensboro every day and is more vigorous than most men at seventy. This eminent Methodist preacher, a leader in the Methodist Protestant Church before church union and now a loyal and devoted member of united Methodism is full of good works. As evidence thereof he has sent the Advocate $5.00 to be used on the tax debt that we are now raising.

Dr. Charles F. Myers completed twenty-five years of his pastorate at the First Presbyterian church of Greensboro last Sunday. The congregation appropriately recognized the event. Dr. Myers was born in Lexington, Va., educated at Washington and Lee and Princeton. He held two pastorates before coming to Greensboro, one at Williamston, W. Va., and the other at Charleston, W. Va. The church at Greensboro has made wonderful progress during the present pastorate. The membership is now slightly above 3,000.

Greensboro College students have completed election of dormitory officers to represent them on the student council during the first semester. Presidents of the dormitories who will meet formally with the council each Monday night are Misses Frances Wolfe, Cliffside, Hudson Hall; Mary Spence Thompson, Kinston, Main building; Louise Peele, Roxboro, 109 Odell Place; Sarah Bell Thompson, 107 Odell Place; Hilda Thompson, Hallsboro, 116 College Place; Doris Fowlkes, Danville, Va., 120 College Place; and Mary Baldwin, Ellerbe, Fitzgerald Hall.

Mr. E. O. Watson, head of the department of history at Greensboro College, spoke on currant affairs at the college noon assembly hour, Odell Memorial auditorium, Tuesday, September 16. Reviewing President Roosevelt's radio speech of last Thursday night by reading the high lights of that speech, Mr. Watson closed his discussion by emphasizing the imperativeness of the American people choosing for their slogan, "Give us liberty or let us have death. It is better to die standing on our feet than to live forever on our knees."



Dr. Albert C. Outler, Bible Conference Leader, Long Memorial, Roxboro, Sept. 21-24

The week of September 7-14 was a rich experience in the life of our church. Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., of Concord preached each night in a series of special revival services here in our China Grove church. He preached such inspiring and significantly helpful sermons. The spiritual life of our fellowship has been notably strengthened; we have been brought nearer to God. For years this church will be benefitted by these services.—Wilson O. Weldon.

Ministers of the Methodist churches in the Salisbury district with their families had a picnic supper last Thursday evening in the basement of the First Methodist church of Salisbury. After supper the women present held a separate meeting and the ministers enjoyed a period of fellowship. Mrs. Earl Edwards and Miss Mary McLarty directed the children present in a series of games and entertainment. Mrs. C. C. Herbert of Concord was in charge of arrangements. This is an annual affair.—A. C. Waggoner, Reporter.

There will be an all day get-together meeting at Bethel Methodist church, Battleground Avenue, September 21. A Sunday school day program at the regular Sunday school opening, followed by an address at the 11 o'clock service. Mr. Charles Phillips is to speak on "The Phases of Citizenship." There will be an old fashioned picnic at 12:30 in the church grove. All friends of the church and people of the community are cordially invited and urged to be present. The afternoon will be devoted to group singing. The Hobbs choir have been secured to give a chorus. There will also be quartette numbers on program. Come, bring your friends and enjoy a day of social fellowship.—Mrs. D. Ross Archer, Secretary Church School.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACES A FULL YEAR

Rush week at Greensboro College reached its climax when the Emerson literary society, led by Mary Jon Thomas, Jonesboro, counted 75 new members while the Irving society, with Frances Winstead, Roxboro, president, enrolled 73 new members.

Throughout the week each society entertained the new students at "feasts," picnics, hot dog stands, and parties, both formal and informal.

Orientation began for the freshmen with psychological, English placement, and musical aptitude tests. Registration and classification, which began Tuesday with registration of old students, was completed Wednesday. Although no enrollment figures are available, college officials indicated that the number of students is as large as that of last year when the college had a capacity enrollment.

Lectures for freshmen during the week included "Planning Your College Course," Miss Mary Owen, freshman advisor and instructor in English; "How to Study," Dr. Elizabeth B. Young, head of the department of education; "The Honor System," Elliott O. Watson, professor of history; "The College Girl and Her Religion," Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion; "History of the College," Miss Nannie Lee Smith, Greensboro, honorary president for life of the alumnae association; and "Citizenship on the College Campus," Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students. Miss Annette Shinn, librarian, will meet with freshmen to give instruction in the use of the library at a time later to be arranged.

First chapel service of the year featured a welcoming address by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, last Thursday with a musical program presented by Mark Hoffman, director of the school of music; Walter Vassar, professor of voice; and Miss Mildred Town, professor of organ.

Two new members who joined the Greensboro College faculty when recitations began last Thursday are Dr. Emilie Maxwell, college physician, and Miss Edith A. Langley, instructor in the department of home economics.

Dr. Maxwell of Merion, Pa., succeeding Dr. Miriam Bell, will serve as college physician and instructor in hygiene, bacteriology, and genetics. She received the A.B. degree from Bucknell, the M.D. degree from Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, and served general internship at Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. Dr. Maxwell has had four years private practice at Narberth, Pa, during which time she was also clinical instructor at Woman's College of Pennsylvania.

Miss Langley, A.B. Galloway Woman's College, Searcy, Ark., M.A. Teachers' College, Columbia University, has done additional work at Iowa State College. She taught at Arkansas State Teachers' College as associate professor of home economics for a number of years. Miss Langley, who will be instructor in textiles, clothing, and home management, succeeds Miss Frances Coleman, and will assist Miss Grace Hinchliff, head of the department, who is in charge of subjects related to the study of foods.

MISS THELMA ALBRIGHT DEAN OF STUDENTS AT QUEENS COLLEGE

Miss Thelma Albright, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Albright of Stokesdale, assumed her duties the past week as dean of students at Queens College, Charlotte. Miss Albright is a graduate of Greensboro College and has her mas-



ter's degree from Duke University, Durham. Miss Albright has taught in the public schools of North Carolina and in 1937 and 1938 taught at Queens. For the past two years she has been instructor in the English department of Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AT ROXBORO

The second large scale Bible conference ever held in the North Carolina conference will begin at Roxboro Sunday, September 21, at 8:00, with Dr. C. Outler of Duke University as leader.

The following charges with their pastors will co-operate: Brooksdale, D. A. Petty; Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams; Leasburg, F. A. Lupton; Milton, F. M. Patterson; Mt. Tirzah, E. L. Hill; Person, F. B. Peele; Long Memorial, W. C. Martin; Roxboro circuit, T. M. Vick, Jr.; Yanceyville, J. V. Early.

The following pastors will open the service each night: Sunday night, September 21, W. C. Martin; Monday night, September 22, D. A. Petty; Tuesday night, September 23, F. B. Peele; Wednesday night, September 24, F. M. Patterson.

It is hoped that large numbers from these charges will come to Long Memorial church, Roxboro, each evening for this Bible conference. It will be held four evenings, Sunday night, September 21, through Wednesday night, September 24. Come and learn how the Bible has affected and is now affecting the life of the world. You will be a better Christian after you attend a Bible conference.

T. B. Hough, Director Adult Work.

DELIGHTFUL HOME COMING AT MOUNT PLEASANT CHARGE

On Sunday, August 31, the Mt. Pleasant Methodist congregation and its many friends met in one of the finest services of the year. What is believed to be the first home coming service ever held in the history of the church was well attended and a most inspiring message was brought by Rev. J. S. Gibbs, a former pastor and beloved friend of the the entire Mt. Pleasant charge.

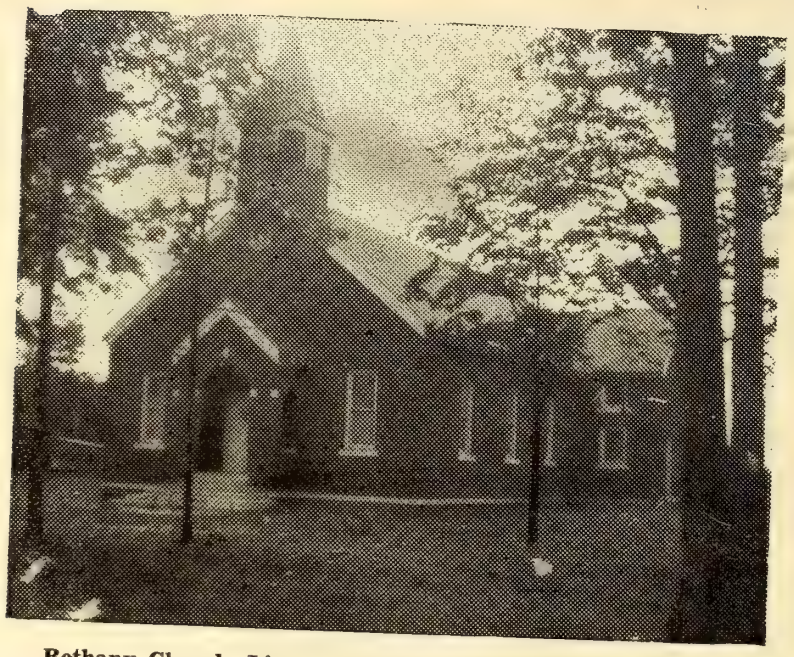
Immediately following a very sumptuous picnic dinner the congregation again assembled to hear Brother H. L. Powell, who is also a former pastor. "The Powells," as the people of Mt. Pleasant very happily refer to the family, were present, which helped to make the occasion a still warmer and happier one.

Preceding the service by Brother Powell, Mrs. C. C. Herbert of Forest Hill Methodist church, Concord, very beautifully sang two selections.

This home coming service alone seems to have meant a great deal to the congregation.

The pastor, Brother H. L. Creech, Jr., has done a great piece of work on the charge, and it was due to him that the congregation assembled for this very fine heart-warming service.

Bishop Purcell Will Dedicate Bethany Church and Cotton Grove Educational Annex Sunday, Sept. 28



Bethany Church, Linwood Charge, Rev. O. E. Croy, Pastor



Bethany church, located in Davidson county nine miles southeast of Lexington, will be dedicated Sunday, September 28, at 11 o'clock. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach and dedicate the church.

Rev. Lee Roy Spencer was the energetic pastor who worked with these faithful people as they builded their house of worship. The membership continued in the fellowship of the Methodist Episcopal Church until unification when in October, 1939, it was added on the first anniversary of the new building to the Linwood circuit in the High Point district. At this time Dr. O. E. Croy was appointed to the Linwood charge. Under his untiring leadership and with the splendid co-operation of the membership and Duke endowment, and the general and conference boards of church extension, the debt has been paid and the dedication arranged for September 28.

In the year 1905 success attended the efforts to build and a small house was erected about two miles north of the former site. An organization was perfected and the church became a living reality. It kept up its activity and continued to add members all the time. Finally, the old building was outgrown, and as it began to need repair the members decided to build themselves a more adequate and better building. The result of this decision now stands about half way between the two former sites in the form of a beautiful and commodious brick veneer church building of which the members are justly proud.

Cotton Grove

The educational annex of Cotton Grove church will be dedicated at 10 o'clock September 28 by Bishop Clare Purcell.

Cotton Grove church was organized July 19, 1907, following a tent meeting held by Rev. J. W. Clegg, on the site of the present church building, with a charter membership of twenty members.

A Sunday school was organized and met in a nearby one-room school house. Preaching services were held in the school building.

A movement was immediately begun, led by John L. Miller and Dr. J. A. Myers to erect a church building. The small membership and friends were canvassed and a total of $1023.96 was secured in pledges of cash, lumber and labor. A splendid one-room church building was soon erected, cleared of all indebtedness and was dedicated by Dr. J. C. Rowe at that time presiding elder of the Salisbury district.

Down through the years the following pastors have served this church which was added to the Linwood charge: J. W. Clegg, A. R. Surratt, J. W. Elliott, J. W. Ingle, D. C. Ballard, W. R. Jenkins, J. W. Campbell, G. W. Fink, J. C. Keever, M. A. Osborne, R. F. Huneycutt and present pastor, Dr. O. E. Croy.

In 1939 the membership decided to try to provide better church school facilities. A building committee was appointed as follows: Clarence Sink, chairman, G. A. Trantham, C. T. Trantham, G. F. Johnson, Foy Trantham, D. E. Sink and Leroy Miller. Subscriptions in the amount of about one thousand dollars were secured from the membership and friends. Application was made to the Duke Foundation for a modest donation. Construction was started on a six-room, two-story addition and remodeling the front of the old building. This was soon completed, the rooms have been nicely furnished, the church carpeted, and shrubbery set around the church. The entire outlay of approximately $1800 has been paid in full without help from the Duke fund.



Cotton Grove Methodist Church

TO ALL CHARGE LAY LEADERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Christian Advocate must secure $1889.37 for taxes by September 30, the end of its financial year. This tax upon Advocate property was not anticipated when the budget of the Advocate was made for the year. Hence the amount of the tax must be secured over and above former estimates.

The promotion of the circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is an important objective of the conference board of lay activties. The Advocate is an essential factor in maintaining and developing the spiritual life of our people and, as conference lay leader, I appeal to you to co-operate with your pastors in presenting this matter to your official boards and in securing sufficient new subscriptions to pay the above taxes. **This extremity is your opportunity.** Is it too much to ask that you earnestly endeavor to secure, within the remaining ten days, a subscription from every member of the official board who is not now a subscriber I am depending upon your loyal co-operation in thus promoting one of the primary objectives of our program of lay activities.

W. K. Greene, Conf. Lay Leader.

McENTIRE MEMORIAL

Immediately following the tragic death of Mr. H. C. McEntire, business manager of Greensboro College, several friends suggested that a movement should be launched to create a suitable memorial to bear perpetual testimony to the gallant sacrifice which he made. This movement should and will receive the hearty support of all friends of Greensboro College.

A worthy memorial would be an adequate library building. However, the administration of Greensboro College will determine the type of memorial to be created. This movement is entirely spontaneous and will receive generous response from the people of large and small means. A letter to President L. L. Gobbel, Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina, will bring any interested person further information.

Clare Purcell, Bishop,
Charlotte Area.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

For lack of space the report of Golden Cross receipts from the charges of the W. N. C. conference could not be published in the Advocate this week. The report will be in the Advocate next week. This will include any amounts reaching me by Monday morning. Do not expect to get in report checks reaching me later than Monday morning. R. M. Courtney, Treas.

STUDENT RECOGNITION SUNDAY, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

On Sunday, September 6, First Methodist church in Charlotte honored its students who are going to college.

A fellowship hour including a delightful supper served by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and an informal program of singing and reading was enjoyed at 6:30 p. m. in the dining room of the church.

The evening worship service of the church was under the leadership of college students.

Mr. Charles Henderson was leader for the service with Mr. Eugene Craft, church organist ,in charge of music.

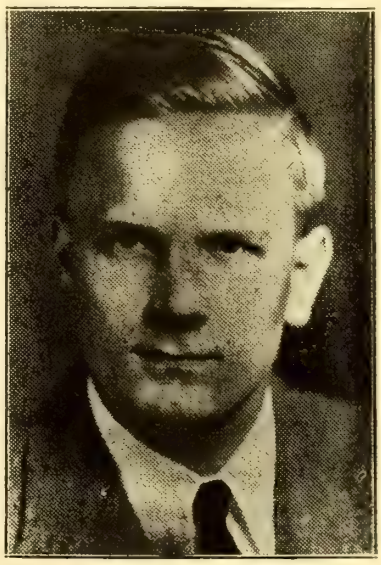
Both the fellowship hour and the worship service was well attended by students, who expressed appreciation to their church for this interest shown in them, and surely the church is glad to number in its membership keen minded Christian students, and was deeply grateful for the splendid contribution made by them to the worship service.

Helen C. Gage.

KEMPTON JONES ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

By Courtney Ross, Associate Pastor, First Methodist Church, Salisbury

First Methodist church of Salisbury is deeply grateful for the recent honor which came to one of its members, Kempton Jones. Kempton, who is a rising junior at Duke University, has long been associated with the organizations of his local church and the Salisbury district. This summer at Lake Junaluska he was re-elected president of the Conference Young People's Assembly. At the Southeastern



Kempton Jones

Jurisdiction conference Kempton was elected president of that body for the coming year. As a delegate from his conference and jurisdiction, he attended the National Methodist Youth Fellowship conference at Baldwin, Kansas, for its first meeting. At this conference the chosen leaders representing two million Methodist young people met to organize the National Methodist Youth Fellowship. When these young leaders of Methodism selected their officers for the coming year, they elected Kempton their president by acclamation.

The National Methodist Youth Fellowship is one of the most important adventures that our church has yet initiated. It gives the young people an opportunity to make a contribution to the thinking and life of our new Methodist church. For the first time in our history all the young people of Methodism have an organization of their own which will serve as their voice in the years to come. This youth organization is planning a convocation for 2000 Methodist youth leaders to be held in 1942, while a mass convocation of some 10,000 Methodist youth is being planned for 1943. For a long time we have needed in this country an organizatoin manned by the young people themselves which will express the high ideals and noble aspirations which we know the young people possess in their hearts. The new Methodist Church has created such an organization in giving birth to the National Methodist Youth Fellowship.

This new organization has already received national recognition from both religious and secular sources. In the issue of next week's Christian Advocate, the official weekly of our new church, there will be an article by Kempton as president of the National Methodist Youth Fellowship. On September 20 between 12 and 1 o'clock the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company is presenting Kempton for a talk on one of its regular religious programs. In the October number of The World Outlook, our missionary organ, there will appear another article by Kempton. A real responsibility has been placed upon Kempton Jones in heading up this great organization of Methodist youth. Ahead of him lie many problems, sacrifices in time, and much work. But those of us at First church who know him well, have every confidence in his ability to pilot our youth organization on its maiden voyage. Last Sunday as he spoke to us at the evening hour at First church, he earnestly requested our prayers for his success in his new position. We feel that Kempton also desires the prayers of his own Western North Carolina conference for God's help in this great undertaking.

REV. HARLEY A. CHESTER

Paper prepared and read by Rev. M. M. Walters on dedication Sunday in behalf of Rev. Harley A. Chester, former pastor of Wake Forest Methodist church.

There was no Methodist church in Wake Forest when Bishop Paul B. Kern sent Rev. Harley A. Chester to the Millbrook circuit November 23, 1936.

The lot had been purchased, but there was a debt of $140 against it and only $28 in the bank.

When Brother Chester learned that the majority of the members of Rolesville Methodist church were in favor of building a new church at Wake Forest, he gave this project his loyal support.

Few preachers have ever worked more diligently and few preachers have encountered more difficulties.

Most of the dificulties were of a financial nature, because the membership was small and consisted largely of people of very small incomes.

This, however, did not cause Brother Chester to abandon the church idea. It served as a stimulus.

He gave many hours of hard manual labor to this church, which would have cost the church $1200 if he had been paid $5 per day for his work.

He also made great financial sacrifices for this church. He gave one-tenth of the salary to the building fund. He also estimated that he drove his automobile 18,000 miles in behalf of this house of prayer.

The first sermon was preached by Brother Chester on Sunday morning, September 5, 1937, less than ten months after he had supervised the breaking of the ground for the new church.

The interior of the church was not completed, but it meant that the Methodists of Wake Forest would no longer have to go all the way to Rolesville in order to worship in a Methodist church.

When Rev. Mr. Chester left the circuit he had reduced the debt to about two thousand dollars.

The membership of the church had grown during his ministry from 67 to 94.

History of Wake Forest Methodist Church

The history of Wake Forest Methodist church dates back well over a hundred years. While the present building is new and modern, the church has a heritage enriched by the life service of many saints whose spirits still form a great cloud of witnesses to the present day.

The church was organized in 1829 when Andrew Hartsfield, who was a minister of the gospel of the Methodist Society, called a meeting and received subscriptions for the building of what was called Hartsfield Meeting House, himself making a contribution twice as much as any other subscription. Present at this meeting was his son, Wesley Hartsfield, who though a lad, also made a generous contribution. The building was erected soon after near Forestville, N. C., a short distance from highway No. 1.

About 1850 Hartsfield Meeting House and Antioch, a church near Mitchell's Mill, of which Andrew Hartsfield was also pastor, merged and erected a new building on a new site situated midway between the two congregations.

Wesley Hartsfield, the son of Andrew, who was then a prosperous physician, gave the timber and furnished the slaves for the building of what was then to be known as Rolesville Methodist church. The site having been donated by Mr. John Fleming. This same Dr. Wesley Hartsfield was superintendent of the first Sunday school, a position which he held throughout his life.

Services were held in this building until 1837, when the membership decided to move the church back near the original site on the outskirts of Wake Forest.

When it was decided to move the church to its present site, the heirs of Mr. Fleming, who had maintained a loyalty and devotion to the old church and had contributed to its support, though their membership was elsewhere, waived their claim to the land, and let the money derived from the sale go into the present building.

By the first Sunday in September, 1937, the church was completed and services held in the present building.

There has been a fine spirit of unity and co-operation among the entire membership; but special mention should be made of the generous contributions both spiritual and material of the people of Wake Forest. Mention should be made also that from the date of its birth to the present day the Hartsfields and their descendants have been contributing members. All three churches having been built by the support and encouragement of this family. For many years, the idea of moving the church to a site near Wake Forest, which had become a more central location for the membership of the church, had been discussed. In the year 1936 the matter came before the quarterly conference and was about to be dismissed with no formal action taken, when Mrs. J. A. Hartsfield suggested that the conference not only vote to build the church, but at that meeting made plans to raise money for the purchase of the site. Definite action was taken and the Wake Forest Methodist church was born.

Rev. H. A. Chester of Benson was the pastor at that time, and for the last three years Rev. M. M. Walters of Knightdale, N. C., has served as pastor of the Wake Forest Methodist church.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS WEEK TO BE OBSERVED BY CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

The Charlotte District League of Stewards has announced that the week beginning September 21 will be observed as Stewardship Emphasis Week. All churches in the district will participate, and six great mass meetings will be held to which all the ministers and all the lay forces within the district are invited.



Dr. James W. Workman

The first three meetings will be held at First Methodist church in Charlotte. The first meeting will be held Sunday evening, September 21, at which time all Methodist churches in Mecklenburg county will join in a great mass meeting. Similar meetings will be held at the same place on Monday evening and Tuesday evening. All meetings will start at 8 p. m.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings great mass meetings will be held at Central church, Monroe, and all Methodist churches in Union and Anson counties will participate.

Dr. James W. Workman, stewardship secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities, Chicago, will be the principal speaker at all six meetings. Dr. Workman is a native of Arkansas. He attended the public schools of his native state, received his B.A. degree from Henderson-Brown College, and spent four years at Yale University, where he received the degrees of A.B., B.A., and M.A.

Dr. Workman frequently lectures and counsels in student conferences of the Y.M.C.A.-Y.W.C.A., summer conference speaker at Blue Ridge, and in state and region church youth groups, religious emphasis week programs, and special student group week-end conferences. He is in wide demand as a platform speaker, especially so before youth and lay groups.

Dr. Grover T. Bond is district superintendent of the Charlotte district, and will take a prominent part in the meetings which approach. Guy O. Bagwell of Charlotte is district lay leader and president of the Charlotte District League of Stewards.

NORWEGIAN OPINION OF GERMANS

Inhabitants of a Norwegian fishing village—so a current war story goes—witnessed the forced landing of an airplane offshore. A fisherman set out to rescue the pilots but soon returned without them. "They were Germans," he explained.

"But weren't they alive?" someone in the crowd asked.

"Well, one of them said he was, but you know how these Nazis lie."—Reader's Digest.

NEW EDUCATIONAL BUILDING OF DILWORTH, CHARLOTTE

Under the leadership of Dr. Howard P. Powell, pastor, and Dr. L. Dale Arthur, general superintendent of the church school, the handsome new J. A. Jones educational building, constituting an investment, inclusive of equipment as well as the structure itself, of more than $100,000, was formally opened at Dilworth Methodist church at 10 o'clock Sunday, September 7.

Dr. Powell was in charge of the service, which was in the main church auditorium, with 661 persons present, or 125 more than the previous high mark in church school attendance.

Talks were made by four former general superintendents of the church school, Capt. W. T. Rowland, J. R. Faulkner, James F. Clark, and J. Lester Wolfe. Captain Rowland, first general superintendent, and Mr. Faulkner were the only persons present who were connected with original organization of the church school.

Rev. C. M. Short of Charlotte, a former pastor, spoke briefly. Rev. Carl H. King of Salisbury, executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the Western North Carolina conference, extended greetings from the board.

J. A. Jones, who, with his son, Edwin L. Jones, gave the money which supplemented the nucleus of $33,600 received as Dilworth church's part of the proceeds of the sale of the old Trinity church property, presented the keys to the educational building to Dr. Arthur, who then led the assemblage into the modern stone and brick structure, designed by Marvin W. Helms, Charlotte architect.

DR. PARKER HOLMES PASSES TO HIS ETERNAL REWARD

Rev. Dr. Parker Holmes, an honored retired minister of the Western North Carolina conference, passed to his eternal reward at his home in Forest City about one o'clock on Sunday morning, September 7, after a lingering illness. He was a beloved minister for 45 years in active work in 15 several pastorates, but served full four years in eight charges and closed his active ministry after six successful years at Central Terrace, Winston-Salem in 1934, when he retired and settled then in Forest City among his former parishioners whom he loved.

Dr. Holmes was a popular pastor and was dearly loved by the people in every field of his activity, irrespective of denominational lines.

The funeral service was conducted in our Forest City church on Monday, September 8, by the pastor, Rev. Harold Groce, assisted by the district superintendent, Rev. J. C. Cornett, Rev. C. H. Peace, Rev. W. L. Sherrill and Rev. W. A. Ayers of the local Baptist church.

He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Alice Virginia Dwiggins; three daughters, Mrs. G. C. McDaniel of Forest City, Dr. Frances Holmes McCausland of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. E. H. Douglass, Jr., of Newburgh, N. Y.; three sons, Edison Holmes of Sanford, Robert Holmes of New York, and Dr. George Holmes of Winston-Salem.

The many friends of Dr. Holmes will be distressed to know of his passing, but the end was peaceful and triumphant.

An extended sketch of the life of Dr. Holmes is being prepared by Rev. W. L. Sherrill and will appear in an early issue of the Advocate.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE AGAIN SERVES YOUTH

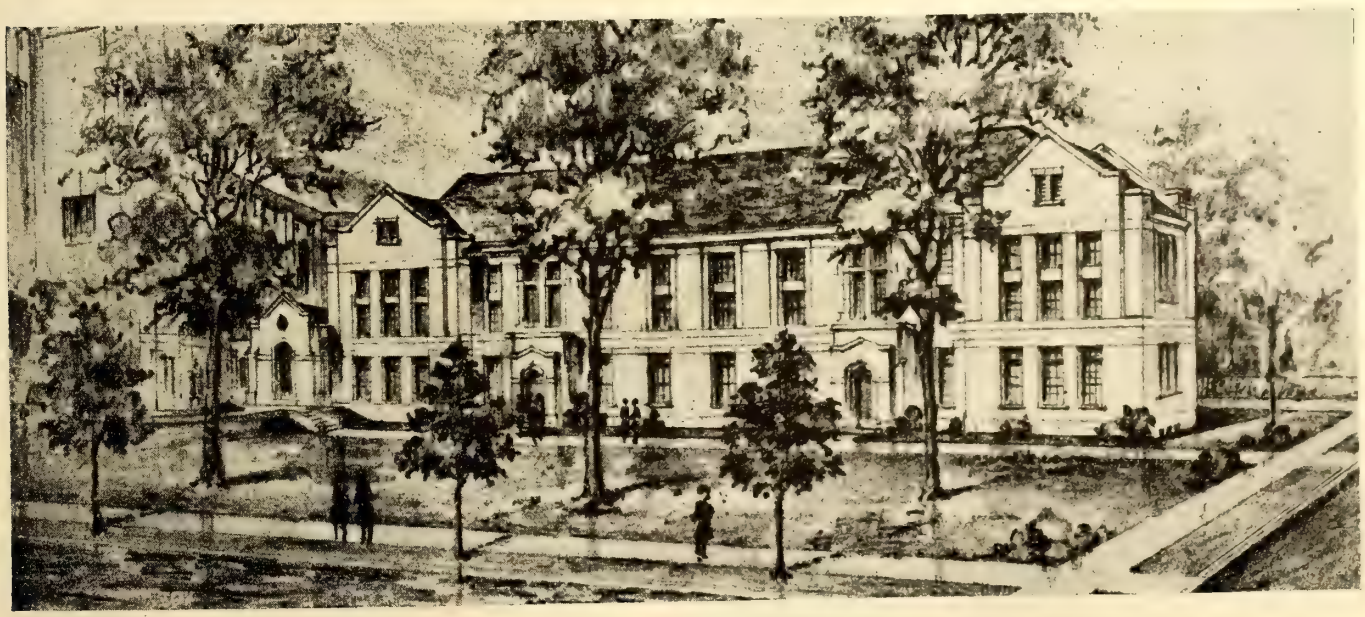
Louisburg College, continuing a tradition of over a hundred and fifty years, has again opened its doors upon a new scholastic year.

The orientation program and the formal college opening have been varied, interesting, and worth while. Events have included the relaxation or formality of social hours and the challenge or inspiration of chapel hours. The religious emphasis at Louisburg is felt to be distinctive and at the same time sane and wholesome.

At the formal college opening on September 11, ministers and prominent men of the town spoke words of welcome; and President Patten gave a message setting forth potentialities in youth that a college education can help to realize. At the Friday morning chapel hour President Patten again appealed to the students in an earnest call worthily to invest their powers. He characterized the present as a period that is realizing the harvest of heroic efforts on the part of past generations of Americans and likewise a time that asks youth for its best today.

One noted aspect of this year's beginning has been the increased number of girls together with an unprecedented enrollment of them in the commercial department. Crowded conditions in the girls' dormitories have occasioned a hastened effort to complete the fourth floor of the main building, destroyed by fire fourteen years ago. The number of boys, though lessened by present world conditions, is by no means disheartening, and the apparent type in general appears gratifying indeed.

Evidently a good year lies ahead for Louisburg College, with broadened opportunity and an increased number of students to avail themselves of privileges for development.



New Educational Building of Dilworth Church, Charlotte

Financial Report Western North Carolina Conference to September 1, 1941

Below is a statement of totals paid for general and conference benevolences (World Service) and General Administrative Fund. Treasurers and pastors will please report discrepancies at once. There will hardly be time for alterations at conference. In writing give definite facts or copy of your record for the year.

The grand total for general and conference benevolences is $83,398.78, fourth Sunday offerings $20,332.42, regular payments $63,398.78. This is an increase of $7,824.80 over last year this date. To this should be added amounts received for general administration $1,010.82, episcopal fund $7,779.72, and conference claimants $30,021.16, making the increase $46,636.50. To this might be added payments for journals and waste of journals saved thereby.

Asheville District

Charges	G.&C.B.	G.A.F.
Acton	$ 157.00	$ 8.00
Asheville: Asb' Mem.	104.39	
Biltmore	78.53	
Central	1291.44	
French Broad Ave.	10.00	
Haywood St.	546.11	
Hillside-Mer'mon Av.	163.01	22.62
Oakley	58.65	4.00
West Asheville		
Bernardsville	6.00	
Black Mountain	100.40	
Brevard	132.00	
Candler	131.20	
E. Flat Rock	80.76	
Emma	57.60	
Etowah	25.00	
Fairview	54.90	4.00
Fletcher	114.91	10.00
Hendersonville	149.98	
Hot Springs	82.36	
Ivy	32.82	
Leicester-Bell	9.50	
Leicester-Grace	52.92	
Marshall	16.04	
Mills River	56.97	
Pisgah	10.00	
Rosman	11.48	3.00
Saluda	4.74	
Sandy	40.00	
Swannanoa	152.66	
Tryon	80.63	4.50
Weaverville	266.22	
Totals	4078.12	56.12

Charlotte District

Ansonville	60.00	
Bethel-Boger	70.88	2.01
Big Spring	100.00	
Charlotte: Belmont Pk.	480.75	
Brevard St.	187.00	
Calvary	276.04	
Central Ave.	97.02	
Chadwick	65.00	
Dilworth	1682.57	28.00
Duncan Mem.	7.42	
First	3569.31	
Hawthorne Lane	1395.00	12.50
Myers Park	702.15	25.00
Spencer Mem.	106.32	
Wesley Heights	135.00	4.00
Derita	36.00	5.00
Hickory Grove	286.09	
Homestead-Pleas. G.	278.22	13.00
Huntersville	71.51	
Indian Trail-Stallings	36.20	
Lilesville	81.70	
Marshville	6.25	
Matthews	117.19	
Monroe: Central	241.65	11.05
North Monroe	50.00	
Morven	45.53	
Pineville	187.25	
Prospect	73.30	
Thrift-Moores	174.28	4.50
Trinity	75.00	
Unionville	41.00	
Wadesboro	809.55	9.50
Waxhaw	70.54	
Weddington	36.12	
Zoar	10.00	
Totals	11661.84	114.57

Elkin District

Advance	59.80	
Ararat	18.81	
Bryant Mem.	20.00	
Boone	170.76	
Cooleemee	150.00	
Creston	14.50	2.50
Davie	28.85	
Dobson	49.12	
East Bend	7.00	
Elkin	630.56	
Farmington	75.70	
Green Valley	27.00	
Helton	1.00	
Jefferson	65.00	
Jonesville	27.00	
Laurel Springs	12.00	
Millers Creek	97.50	2.00
Mocksville	217.88	
Mocksville Ct.	43.32	2.00
Moravian Falls	36.68	
N. Wilkesboro	575.00	
Sparta	2.13	
St. Paul	37.62	
Todd	17.58	
Warrensville	40.40	
West Jefferson	100.00	
Wilkesboro	85.31	2.00
Yadkinville	125.00	3.75
Totals	2735.52	12.25

Gastonia District

Belmont: Main St.	177.86	
Park St.	218.37	
Belwood	197.99	
Bessemer City	30.78	
Boger City	226.98	
Cleveland	104.77	
Cherryville	186.00	
Cherryville Ct.	35.70	
Cramerton	281.64	
Crouse	61.96	
Dallas	165.87	
Fallston	115.86	
Gastonia: Bradley Mem.	761.49	
East End	93.06	
Main St.	2537.50	
Maylo-Smyre	207.96	
Trinity	75.00	
West End	184.00	
Kings Mountain:		
Central	134.00	
Grace	142.55	
Lincolnton	698.94	
Lincoln-Bess Chapel	63.90	
Lincoln Ct.	59.58	
Lowell	260.88	
Lowesville	30.84	
Mt. Holly	496.00	
Polkville	208.98	
Rock Springs	78.57	
Shelby: Central	1249.77	
Lafayette St.	266.94	
Shelby Ct.	57.35	
South Fork	77.52	
Stanley	70.71	
Vale	34.29	
Total	9593.61	

Greensboro District

Brown Summit	3.50	
Danbury	7.00	
Draper	78.04	
Wayside	22.98	
Flat Rock	33.00	
Gibsonville	250.50	
Greensboro: Bessemer	168.50	
Bethel-Battle Ground	98.01	
Calvary	62.50	
Carraway Mem.	208.02	
Centenary	680.75	
College Place	172.58	
Glenwood	146.50	
Grace	110.50	
Newlyn-Lee's Chapel	92.00	1.00
Proximity	300.00	
St. Paul	25.00	
West End	142.56	
West Greensboro	153.25	
West Market	2757.51	
Guilford	107.54	
Haw River	139.16	
Jamestown-Oakdale	107.37	5.42
Leaksville	46.46	
Mitchell's Grove	42.29	
Moriah-Midway	85.50	
Mount Pleasant	100.00	
Mt. Pleasant Ct.	207.14	
Oak Ridge	48.00	
Pleasant Garden	86.84	
Reidsville: Lindsay St.	51.90	
Main Street	789.92	19.56
Reidsville Ct.	172.64	
Ruffin	35.65	
Spray	177.39	
Stokesdale	27.47	
Stoneville-Mayodan	14.81	
Summerfield	95.50	
Burnette's-Liberty Gr.	7.29	
Totals	7855.57	25.98

High Point District

Archdale	94.00	9.00
Asheboro: First	747.99	25.00
Central	441.04	
Asheboro Ct.	78.54	1.00
Coleridge	90.00	3.50
Denton: First	20.00	
Central	110.34	8.00
Farmer	84.45	
Greer's Chapel	17.21	
High Point: Calvary	150.00	
First	374.15	
Highland	56.25	
Lebanon	109.80	
Oak View	78.00	
Main Street	281.82	
Rankin Memorial	40.61	10.33
Ward Street	42.00	
Welch Mem.	198.16	7.50
Wesley Mem.	5500.00	35.00
Liberty, First	48.12	
Liberty Ct.	45.85	
Linwood	125.00	
Mt. Vernon	14.86	
Pleasant Grove	205.00	5.00
Ramseur-Franklinville	301.81	9.00
Randleman-Union	239.50	15.00
Randleman Ct.	101.70	10.00
Randolph-Gray's Chp.	173.50	8.00
Richland	79.34	7.00
Seagrove-Love Joy	83.33	3.12
Shiloh	191.86	7.00
South Davidson	53.00	
Trinity	47.51	
West Randolph	37.00	
Whynot	42.00	
Totals	10,303.74	163.45

Marion District

Avery	13.40	
Bakersville	46.00	2.00
Bostic	65.71	
Broad River	20.89	
Cliffside-Avondale	240.00	12.00
Connelly Springs	330.02	12.00
Forest City	236.00	
Gilkey	1.00	
Glen Alpine	68.00	
Marion: Cross Mill	135.00	7.00
First	49.49	
Marion Mills	121.50	3.50
Marion Ct.	24.00	
McDowell	41.44	10.00
Micaville-Tipton Hill	20.00	2.00
Mill Spring	50.00	3.00
Morganton: First	1033.59	22.00
North Forest	120.00	5.25
Morganton Ct.	115.00	
Old Fort	62.00	
Pleasant Grove	176.58	10.00
Rutherfordton	233.43	
Rutherford College	129.42	1.00
Spindale	7.04	
Spruce Pine	35.16	10.00
Sunshine	11.55	
Table Rock	32.00	
Totals	3418.22	99.75

Salisbury District

Albemarle: Central	1548.19	38.00
First Street	290.19	
Main Street	100.02	
Tabernacle	161.00	
Albemarle Ct.	120.00	
Badin-New London	214.50	
China Grove	272.55	
Concord: Ann St.	220.78	9.00
Central	676.63	9.50
Epworth	270.00	4.00
Forest Hill	1071.57	21.00
Harmony	75.00	
Kerr Street	121.47	
Roberta	115.50	4.00
Rocky Ridge	194.29	5.00
Westford	31.28	
Friendship	133.80	3.00
Gold Hill	74.66	
Granite Quarry	94.81	
Kannapolis: Bethpage	65.75	
Jackson Park	126.31	
Midway	184.00	6.00
Mt. Mitchell	91.63	
N. Kannapolis	126.00	
Trinity	210.18	35.00
Landis	125.16	
Midland	116.59	
Mt. Olivet	405.13	
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Spgs.	465.00	
Norwood	219.07	
Norwood Ct.	73.64	4.40
Pfeiffer	96.56	
Salem	150.00	
Salisbury: Coburn Mem.	76.69	
First	1348.24	
Main St.-Rowan	34.93	2.00
Park Ave.	118.75	
Spencer: Central	398.52	
Stanfield	100.00	4.00
Woodleaf	47.46	
Totals	10,365.85	144.90

Statesville District

Ball's Creek	137.64	
Catawba	370.09	15.00
Cool Spring	133.50	
Davidson-Fairview	100.00	3.00
Elmwood	12.76	
Grace-Rhodhiss	52.50	6.00
Granite Falls	235.00	8.00
Harmony	8.00	
Hickory: Bethel	112.21	7.50
First	1022.00	14.50
Highlands	58.17	
West View	61.70	10.13
Hiddenite	35.00	2.75
Hudson	128.75	
Lenoir: First	493.93	
Lenoir Ct.	88.34	
Maiden	123.22	
Mooresville: Broad St.	46.24	11.25
Central	576.62	15.00
Jones Mem.	16.26	
Mooresville Ct.	125.45	6.75
Mount Zion	264.19	
Newton	52.09	
North Newton	120.00	9.00
Olin	10.79	
Shepherds	144.76	3.75
Statesville: Boulevard	120.00	
Broad St.	1136.03	15.00
Race St.	450.09	
Statesville Ct.	25.00	2.00
Stony Point	61.96	4.70
Taylorsville	57.00	
Troutman	69.32	2.00
Union Grove-Zion	66.32	2.43
Whitnel	55.00	9.00
Totals	6569.93	147.76

Waynesville District

Andrews	90.30	10.70
Bethel	36.43	
Bryson City	74.41	
Canton: Central	586.18	
First	9.00	
Rockwood	103.00	4.33
Clyde	40.81	
Cullowhee	51.00	
Crabtree	39.09	3.61
Dellwood	49.96	
Fines Creek	23.36	
Franklin	106.98	
Franklin Ct.	23.14	
Hayesville	73.79	
Highland	52.35	
Jonathan	50.36	
Junaluska	59.15	
Macon	30.30	
Morning Star	55.00	3.60
Murphy	78.62	
Murphy Ct.	8.77	
Pigeon Valley	39.76	
Robbinsville	47.64	
Shooting Creek	14.90	
Sylva	160.88	
Waynesville	83.41	
Webster	34.34	
Whittier	77.05	.30
Totals	2099.98	22.54

Winston-Salem District

Davidson	173.10	5.00
Doubs	1.75	
Forsyth	378.04	
Forsyth-Maple Spgs.	118.80	
Hanes-Clemmons	54.00	
Kernersville-S. Winston	51.03	
Lewisville	75.16	
Lexington: Erlanger	111.32	5.00
First	1500.00	
Trinity-Mt. Carmel	66.00	7.00
Mt. Airy: Central	1370.24	
Rockford St.	92.70	
Mt. Airy Ct.	2.95	
North Davidson	205.41	
Pilot Mountain	41.45	
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion	45.29	
Reeds-Mt. Carmel	55.25	
Rural Hall	164.02	
Thomasville:		
Community	262.50	12.00
First-West End	69.50	
Main Street	1350.00	20.00
Trinity-Bethel	56.00	4.00
Thomasville Ct.	165.52	
Walkertown: Love's	461.76	10.00
Morris Chapel	88.15	2.00
Walnut Cove	26.59	
Welcome	294.95	
West Forsyth	73.50	10.00
W.-Sa.: Ardmore	390.00	5.00
Burkhead	597.00	18.75
Centenary	5974.37	110.00
Central Terrace	116.25	6.75
First	182.78	
Green St.	67.00	
Hiatt-Sedge Garden	69.00	
Oak Summit-Shiloh	92.00	2.00
Ogburn Mem.	123.67	6.00
Winston-Salem Ct.	81.72	
Totals	15,048.82	223.50

E. O. Cole, Treas.
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WHAT IS MAN?

Man's estimate of man is revealed by the epithets applied to him. He may be one or more of fifty things, as follows:

We call a man a beast when he appears to lay aside ordinary intelligence.

A brute when he seems to divorce himself from all moral qualities.

Beef when his avoirdupois is more prominent than his mental faculties.

Pork when he tries to get everything for himself to the detriment of others.

A skunk when guilty of shameful and malicious treatment of others.

A snake (in the grass) when lying in wait to do harm.

A rattlesnake when quick to injure without cause.

A viper when taking an unfair and mortal advantage.

A mule when showing particular stubbornness.

A jackass when cating as though entirely devoid of common sense.

A horse when especially strong in body.

An elephant or a whale when exceptionally large in body.

—Religious Telescope.

NEWS ITEMS FROM MT. PLEASANT CIRCUIT

The Mount Pleasant circuit, Greensboro district, has had a varied and full summer program. One of the great differences between the city and rural churches is that city churches slack up on their work during the summer months, whereas the summer time is the busiest season of the whole year for the country church. Revivals, daily vacation church schools, training classes, and such constitute the diet of the Mt. Pleasant circuit members. Still an additional summer feature has been home coming and memorial day. The recent visit of the Greensboro District League of Stewards enriched our summer experience too.

At Pleasant Union, the smaller of the two churches on this circuit, Rev. R. G. Tuttle assisted the pastor in the revival services. At Mt. Pleasant Rev. E. Lester Ballard led the singing and the pastor did the preaching. Brothers Tuttle and Ballard both were entirely satisfactory and did excellent work.

This pastor considers the daily vacation church school one of the most effective agencies of all the church program. Forty-seven children received certificates at Pleasant Union and 80 at Mt. Pleasant. Out of these two schools and the revivals combined came 11 new converts and church members at Pleasant Union and 20 at Mt. Pleasant. High tribute is due the teachers who worked so faithfully during the two weeks in each respective church. Those helping the pastor in these projects were: Mrs. Roy Bowman, Mrs. R. W. Utley, Mrs. Blanche Bowman, and Misses Myrtle Sheppard, Mildred Campbell, Metewea Coble, Julia Mae Curtis, Edith Sheppard, Frances Stafford, Ola Stafford, Edith Causey, and Elaine Causey, Mrs. W. A. Stafford, Mrs. H. L. Bowman, Mrs. R. C. Coley, Mrs. B. M. Ferguson, and Rev. Howard Wilkinson of Duke University.

In addition to helping with the daily vacation church school, Brother Wilkinson taught a class on "Music in the Small Church." His teaching was highly acceptable and a large number received credit on the course. He was a member of the Youth Caravan for most of the summer and closed his summer's work on the Duke Foundation by helping a week at Mt. Pleasant.

In every phase of the work the Mt. Pleasant circuit people have been cooperative, alert, and progressive. This was one of the former Methodist Protestant circuits, but this former Southern Methodist pastor would hardly know he is not working with a former Southern group if he just did not know it anyway. If all of the former churches of all three branches of Methodism adjust themselves as readily as have these good people, the merger can be considered a complete success.

That Bishop Purcell is to preach at Mount Pleasant Sunday, September 21, is a significant occasion in that he will be the first Methodist bishop (or bishop of any description) ever to visit this church. We are glad he is coming for the 11 o'clock (E.S.T.) service and extend an invitation to our surrounding neighbors to worship with us that day and hear him preach.

Rollin Gibbs.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

A PRAYER

"O God, and Father of us all,
Lift from our world its dark'ning pain.
Forgive our madness, sin and strife,
Turn our goals from death to life.
Create in us a zeal for right,
Help us share our candle's light;
Impel our hearts to seek thy way,
Guide us to peace, O God, we pray."

A MORNING PRAYER

"Lord, we would this day lay in thine hands all that we have and are, that our bodies and souls may become fair temples of thy indwelling. We desire with a great desire, O our God, that our wills may be utterly possessed by thy will, that our eyes may look out on this world as thine eyes look, that our being may be filled by thy being, that through our feeble hearts may beat a pulse of thy eternal love, and in our narrow souls may dwell a spark of thine eternal joy."—From Worship Service of "Proof Sheets of Power."

UNIFIED PROGRAM FOR MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF YOUTH

A copy of letter which has been issued by Mrs. Eugene A. Lamb, conference secretary of young women's and girls' work, has been received and we wish to quote a part of this letter, as we do not have space to present it in its entirety:

"Beginnings are important! and the success of this new unified plan will depend in large measure upon the young women and girls in their attitudes toward it; their initiative and their co-operation with the others engaged in the work." Mrs. Lamb urges the securing of the helps that have been made available for the programs of the youth division; the thorough study of every phase of the unified plan; subscriptions to the missionary publications helpful to this department, and gives as a slogan for all secretaries in this department—local, district and conference: "Be alert and co-operative." She says: "Let us take as a basis for our youth program Luke 2:52, 'And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature and in favor with God and man,' and may it guide our youth into a four-fold development of life—physically, mentally, socially and spiritually—a development which will make them better fitted for life." She calls attention to the coming of Miss Ruth Wheaton, one of the field workers to our W. N. C conference from September 22-26, at the study leaders' group meetings to be held at First church, High Piont, September 22; Broad Street church, Statesville, the 23rd; First church, Morganton, the 24th; First church, Waynesville, the 25th, and First church, Charlotte, the 26th; and asks that delegates from the department of young women and girls' work be sent to these meetings.

MISS TROY STILL IN CHINA

Greetings have come from Miss Nina Troy, who is still in China, where she has carried on a most efficient work over the years. She is now at Tien Tsaung Welfare School in Soochow, China. The following letter under date of April 29, 1941, accompanied her greetings:

Dear Friends of the Junior Red Cross:

Your gifts of nuts and things to use, and toys, reached our little group of refugee children today. How I wish that you could have been with me as we took up each gift and showed them to the 60 shining-eyed youngsters, sitting in prim rows before us. The Chinese version of "Oh!" and "Ah!" expressed their joy, surprise, interest, wonder and appreciation.

I cannot mention each gift, but as each was in turn held up for them to see, eyes and hands and voices told a story of their starved lives and of what your thought and love and interest and gifts are putting into those lives. As we teach, clothe, bathe and love these children of China our hearts reach out in thanks and appreciation to those who are making this work possible. The Methodist Church that pays the salaries of the two teachers who give of themselves so generously; the national Christian relief organization that gives the nourishing food so sadly needed; the other groups of friends, who with their gifts large and small are helping us to carry on. One gift buys wool for the children to knit and make caps, mittens, stockings and sweaters; another buys goods for warm winter shoes, which the children are taught to make themselves. Because of the unselfish love taught in one of our primary schools, the children sent the money to make possible the 60 baths a week for the 60 children who have no such luxury and necessity at home. Another gift gives one little boy his "very first new trousers," he told the teacher, with shining face, as well as warm clothes for all those who were not prepared for our cold weather. And so with your love and interest, your prayers and gifts, we carry on in Christ's name, your work and our work and his work, and again we would tell you of our deep appreciation.

Nina W. Troy.

INTERESTING ZONE MEETING

Oakley church of Asheville was the place of meeting of zone 2 of the Asheville district on Tuesday, September 9, with 40 or more representatives of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the zone in attendance. The meeting was presided over by Miss Amy Hackney, district corresponding secretary, and opened with hymn 228, "O for a Closer Walk with God," which was followed by a series of sentence prayers and the reading of a most appropriate poem by Miss Hackney. The worship service was in charge of Mrs. J. J. Stevenson, district vice president, who read Goodspeed's Translation of Romans 12 as her Scripture message.

A negro spiritual, "Walk with Me," which was written by William Rhodes of Greensboro and dedicated to the leading actor in "Green Pastures," was impressively sung by Mrs. Nelson Miles. Mrs. J. H. Rea was named as secretary for the day and the announcement of the appointment of Mrs. Clarence Bishop of Asheville as zone leader was made by Miss Hackney.

A committee consisting of Mrs. W. R. Harris, Mrs. J. J. Stevenson and Mrs. L. C.Jumper was appointed to nominate three zone officers, not yet chosen, and the following were elected: Assistant zone leader, Mrs. M. F. Moores of Black Mountain; recording secretary, Mrs. J. H. Rea of Biltmore; treasurer, Mrs. R. B. Fuller of Oakley. Seven of the nine departmental secretaries of the district were present and were presented and gave reports of their departments as follows: Mrs. J. S. Williams, secretary C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities; Mrs. S. M. Garren, secretary missionary education and service; Miss Jane Sullivan, Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. George Schreyer, student work; Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, supplies; Mrs. W. R. Harris, literature and publications; Mrs. F. A. Walton, spiritual life.

These reports showed interest on the part of the leaders and several incidents of successful achievement in the work of some of the departments were related and were heard with deep interest. Miss Hackney called attention to the literature available for the different departments and urged its use by the societies. Mrs. M. B. Tilson was heard in a beautiful vocal solo, "An Evening Prayer," which was enjoyed by all who heard it. The day's program was concluded with the worship service by Mrs. F. A. Walton, district spiritual life leader, who used as her theme "Stewardship, Based on Love," and who gave a most inspiring and impressive talk. She announced the retreat for the Asheville district to be held at West Asheville Methodist Methodist church, October 7.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Walton. At the close of the meeting luncheon was served by the ladies of Oakley church and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

NEW ORGANIZATION

A Woman's Society of Christian Service has been recently organized on the Elkin district at Center church on the Davie circuit, with Mrs. W. M. Sanford, president. Address, Route 1, Mocksville, N. C. Names of other officers have not been reported. This society was organized by the pastor of the church, Rev. G. W. Fink. We are glad to welcome this group of workers into our conference family and wish for them abundant success.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

THE MIND OF A CHRISTIAN

Not enough people are asking "What shall I do to be saved?" We need to follow that question with "What can I do to help others?" We have brought God down from the throne and made an indulgent parent of him; we have lifted man up to something high and we have minimized sin by giving pretty names to ugly things. . . . A missionary came home on furlough. At the end of six months he requested permission of his bishop to return to his field of service. When he was asked why he wished to return he replied: "I can't sleep for thinking of those people." Most of us can't think of those people for sleeping.—Bishop Arthur Moore.

CHANGES OF ADDRESSES

In the event that some of the readers of the N. C. conference woman's page failed to note that change of address of Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, which was published last week, another reminder is given that she has moved to 201 S. William Street, Goldsboro. Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person circuit, Durham district, has moved from Rt. 1, Woodsdale, to Roxboro. It is of particular importance that we remember those changes.

ANOTHER REMINDER—TO STUDY

Many women in all the conferences, particularly in the Southeastern jurisdiction, have or soon will be attending a district study leaders' training day in their respective districts. Many who are unable to attend the meetings will also be interested in the study classes this fall. Never has there been a more need for study of world conditions and and the part that Christianity shall play in bringing order out of chaos, and never has there been a more challenging an more timely topic than that prepared for the fall study classes for women of Methodism. For the topic "Christianity and World Order" Roswell Barnes has written the book, "A Christian Imperative"; price 60 cents. Some suggested supplementary material includes Leaders' Helps, 25 cents; What Kind of a World Do You Want, Ruth Seabury, 25 cents; The Seed and the Soil, Baker, 60 cents; Builders of a New World, Bartlett, 25 cents; Christianity and Our World, Bennett, 50 cents; Toward a World Christian Fellowship, Latourette, 50 cents; Faith by Which the Church Lives, Georgia Harkness; Through Tragedy to Triumph, Matthews, 60 cents. No society should fail to order the text, Leaders' Helps and as many of the supplementary books as can be afforded and plan for as effective and interesting class as is humanly possible to have. And after study—what? Activities toward helping to build a new Christian world order should be the aim and goal of each class.

MRS. THOMAS WRITES

Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, conference secretary of student work, sends an announcement of interest to all, but of particular interest to presidents and secretaries of student work. Mrs. Thomas writes: "It is most important that the names of students leaving your churches for the various colleges be sent in at once. If you do not have the proper 3x5 blue cards, you may send the names of students and schools being attended to me. Use a postal card or send them in a letter. I will see that the names are classified and sent in promptly. Please do not neglect this most important work."—Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage, N. C.

WILMINGTON DIST. STUDY DAY

A particularly gratifying attendance was noted at Wallace Methodist church on September 3, when Mrs. J. O. Carr, president, and other members of her society were hostess to the Wilmington district on the occasion of the annual district study leaders' training day. Mrs. N. P. Edens, district secretary, presided. Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education, and her assistants gave a very instructive program on the fall mission study. Assisting Mrs. Boone were Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers; Mrs. Dwight L. Fouts, Jonesboro; Miss Sarah Massey, Cary; and Mrs. J. F. Herbert, Wilmington. Following the luncheon hour group meetings on missionary education, Christian social relations and local church activities, young women and girls' work were held with Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Edens leading. Among the visitors present were Rev. A. S. Parker, Wilmington, district superintendent, and Mrs. Parker, who are loyal and enthusiastic supporters of the woman's work in that district.

SIGNS OF HOPE

Last week we published some brief informative and soul stirring statements from some of the missionaries at the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska concerning various signs of hope in the mission fields of China. In Japan there is equal cause for encouragement. Said Miss Ruth Fields: "The church is taking the responsibility of training Bible women to carry on the work. The light that has been lighted in Japan will not go out." Rev. W. K. Matthews stated: "The most encouraging fact in the situation in Japan is the way the Christians have met the situation. The end is not yet and we do not know what is in store but we can depend upon the Japanese Christians. They are true Christians and they will bring Christianity through in this dark hour." Mrs. W. K. Matthews: "When it was learned that the subsidy from America had been cut off one of the Bible women said, Let's raise the money.' One of the men said it could not be done. The Bible women asked permission to raise the money. Her request was granted and the money was raised." Rev. J. D. Stott: "I see hope in the youth of Japan. One youth, after reading the story of a Bible character said, 'I want to be another Stephen.' The hope of Japan is in the youth who will lead their parents to Christ. Kagawa is training many young people to go out into the rural sections and witness for Christ." Mrs. J. D. Stott: "When the word came that the subsidy from America would be cut off the Japanese Christians said, 'Let's raise the money to carry on the work of the kindergartens.' That was done. The boys and girls trained in the kindergarten will be future leaders of Japan."

MRS. WILSON SENDS GREETINGS

Recently it was the joy and privilege of Mrs. L. C. Larkin and your editor to visit Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson at her home in Chapel Hill. Mrs. Wilson, who for many years was conference superintendent of children's work, beloved by countless numbers, a powerful influence for good and whose influence is still felt, has been ill for some time. She wishes to be remembered to her friends throughout the N. C. conference. Her numerous friends and acquaintances will be remembering her in thoughts and prayers.

SYMPATHY TO MRS. HILLMAN

Many are interested but saddened to learn of the untimely death of Mr. H. G. McEntire, treasurer and business manager of Greensboro College, who met his death in a fire while assisting firemen fighting a blaze at the college. Mr. McEntire was the brother-in-law of Mrs. E. L. Hillman, our former conference president and now president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. Our sincere and heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hillman and the immediate family of Dr. McEntire.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT TO MEET

Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, announces that a great day for the women of her district is being planned when they shall meet on September 26 at Carthage, beginning at 10 a. m. Every president, secretary of missionary education, C. S. R., spiritual life, children's work, young women and girls' work, student work and all others are urged to attend. Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas and others will lead interest groups in the various departments of work in separate sessions. Lunch will be served at 25 cents per plate and each society is asked to notify Mrs. C. G. Spence, Carthage, the approximate naumber who expect to attend.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

IN GOOD COMPANY

Our good and loyal friends are encouraged to remember as they put forth earnest efforts to raise their Children's Home quotas before conference that they are in some mighty good company in the doing of their good work. Other Christian bodies are also raising funds for their orphans. Our Baptist friends in their fall associations are discussing ways and means of doing big things this fall for their orphans. The North Carolina Presbyterian Synod, meeting this month at Barium Springs, will have as one of its chief objectives the making of ample provision for the financial needs of the Presbyterian Orphan's Home. And so on, throughout the list of denominational groups, as well as fraternal groups, systematic efforts will be put forth in doing the fair, the equitable and the Christian thing for those who have a right to look to Christian people for a chance. Let no Methodist group fall out of the good company.

THE ONE TALENT

We never get discouraged with any of our less talented children so long as they can do any one thing well. We believe there is a distinct service to be rendered by the one talented individual. In like manner we believe there is a distinct service to be rendered by that group of Methodists whose Children's Home quota is small, provided of course that the quota is raised. Our Saviour would probably have said to the one talented man "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," if he had raised another talent. It was his attitude, his alibis and excuses that ruined him.

THE SEPTEMBER RECORD

The Home Chronicle, appearing at the close of this month, will list the total ten per cent apportionment payments thus far made this conference year to the Children's Home. This will be the official list. There will be no guess work connected with it. No mistakes as to aggregate funds have yet been reported for the August exhibit. Let's make the September record show a decided improvement on the August record.

BOARD TO MEET

Our board of trustees is scheduled to hold its annual meeting at the Children's Home Thursday morning, September 25. This will be an important meeting. A general review of all the affairs, financial, social and spiritual, of the Children's Home family will be made. All officers of the board, including a successor to the late Dr. T. F. Marr, president of the board, will be selected. The board usually does its business in a morning meeting and is ready to disperse after the noonday lunch.

SILVER TONED SOUND

The old ten per cent apportionment bell is ringing again. Its tones are sweet. They sound of silver. They give some assurance of enabling us to meet the rising cost of children's sustenance. We do like to hear the celebrating tones of the coming of silvery money. Join us in grateful thanks to those who have this week pulled the cord for giving forth some tones of financial assurance.

Friendship, Mount Pleasant - Cold Springs circuit, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

New London, Badin-New London, Rev. E. C. Widenhouse.

Skyland, Fletcher circuit, Rev. N. G. Bethea.

Brevard Street, Charlotte, Rev. D. V. Howell.

Central, Concord, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Sr.

Mt. Tabor, Forsyth circuit Rev. C. W. Kirby.

Edneyville and Fruitland, East Flat Rock circuit, Rev. C. M. Smith.

Dilworth, Charlotte, Rev. H. P. Powell.

Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, Rev. P. W. Tucker.

Bethel, Hickory, Rev. E. H. Lowman.

Gold Hill, Gold Hill circuit, Rev. L. S. Furr.

Mt. Tabor, Granite Quarry circuit, Rev. C. G. Isley.

First church, Franklin, Rev. J. L. Stokes, II.

E PLURIBUS UNUM

The picture this week is that of a group of boys in the Anna Hanes cottage. To be sure, it was taken last year and some of the boys have moved to another cottage. But other boys have come to take their places. We have seven cottages filled wtih boys, not counting the baby cottage, which has fifteen boys in it. We have many boys. They are fine boys. They are real boys. We also have many girls, just as fine and just as real. In fact, we have many children, about 450 of them. What a family!

BEAN STRINGING PARTIES

We have been looking for the rain and had some disposition to feel disheartened because enough of it did not come. We wanted our fall bean crop, as well as other late summer crops, to feel the benefit of necessary moisture. But in spite of the limited amount of rain our boys will have gathered 60 bushels of beans by noon today and this afternoon we will have bean stringing parties about over the campus. Tomorrow will bring the canning processes. With the usual amount of rain we would have had twice as many beans, but we are thankful for those we have. The boys and girls will do their best in saving what has been produced.

SHY ON POTATOES

We haven't done so well with our Irish potato crop. It has been too dry. On an expectation of 1500 bushels from the spring crop we realized 280 bushels. We then placed a rather heavy planting of harvest potatoes. The dry fall will cut them severely short. This has not been a good truck year.

FROM ONE TO FIVE

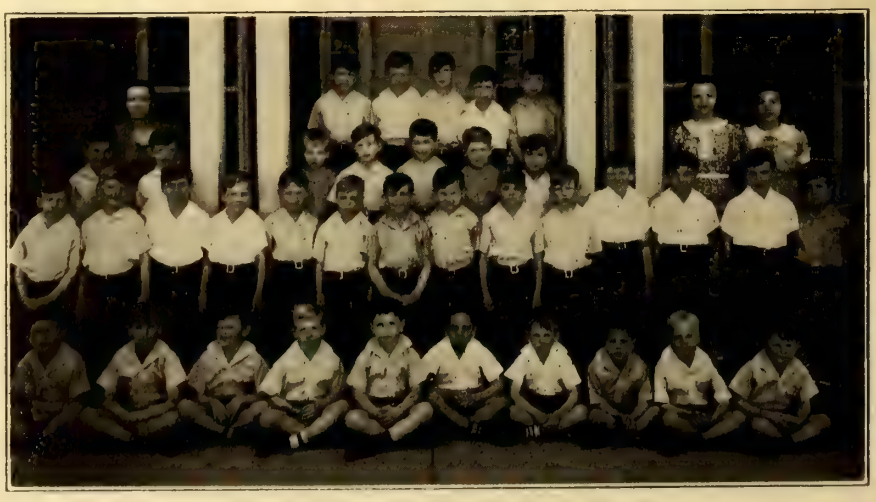
In the midst of the shortness of our crops we have some increases elsewhere. Note what L. D. Coltrane of Concord says, and join us in grateful thanks: "Mrs. Coltrane and I have been sending you a check each year for $40 to provide the clothing of one child. If you can use the money, we would like to increase the amount this year to care for five children, and to that end I am enclosing check for $200." A real shower of blessing!

A SACRED TRUST

The following messages warm our hearts. They challenge our finest impulses:

"The enclosed check for $20 is sent in memory of my beloved husband, Henry A. Ogle, who was buried two years ago today. May it be used where it will best serve the Lord and the Children's Home."—Mrs. Louise G. Ogle, Asheville.

"I am enclosing $10.45 from Olivet covering a fifth Sunday collection. Olivet has a small membership. I don't believe a single member of the church owns a car."—Rev. William E. Andrews, Whittier circuit.



One of our interesting groups, the Anna Hanes Cottage family

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class was at Spring Valley church, on the Vance charge, September 7, with Rev. A. M. Smith. Quite a number of people were out for the all day service, and lunch was served on the lawn. The class held the morning service. The evening service was at First church, Henderson, where Rev. B. C. Reavis is pastor. It is always a pleasure to worship with this congregation. Both churches gave us a cordial welcome."

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DEFENSE AREA—Our national government has located within the bounds of North Carolina conference at least four different projects and camps. Multiplied millions of dollars are invested in these defence camps and projects. Tens of millions of dollars have been spent for this purpose. As a result of these large investments millions of dollars are circulating freely in many sections of our conference. I feel confident that our pastors and churches will find it much easier to collect their benevolences this year than heretofore.

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TOBACCO BELT—Practically all the tobacco markets within the bounds of the North Carolina conference are now in full swing, and our farmer friends are receiving high prices from the sale of their tobacco. Since the Orphanage is operating on borrowed funds it is a most opportune time for our pastors and friends to remember the Methodist Orphanage. I want to request our hard working pastors and official boards not to wait until conference to pay the balance of their Orphanage apportionment. I believe that such a course commends itself to our many friends.

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ACTIVITIES—Our boys have been working long and hard for the past few weeks filling our two large silos, which hold two hundred and seventy tons of ensilage. We have also been saving a large amount of hay for our cattle and horses. In recent weeks we have hauled hundreds of tons of coal and placed it in bins of the different cottages for our winter supply. If there are those who think our boys and girls haven't anything to do they are badly mistaken. All the work connected with the Orphanage is done by our boys and girls under supervision. I pity children who grow up in idleness, because they are missing a very important part of their training.

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RALEIGH DISTRICT—On Tuesday of last week the preachers of the Raleigh district held their last quarterly conference for the year at Edenton Street Methodist church. Dr. John C. Glenn was in charge of the meeting, and arranged one of the best programs I have ever heard. The preachers who were asigned topics to discuss evidently made thorough preparation and handled their subjects in a fine way. At the conclusion of the meeting Brother H. I. Glass, district superintendent, made a strong presentation of the needs of the Raleigh district. Dr. John C. Glenn is closing his third year as pastor of Edenton Street church. Under his progressive leadership the church has grown by leaps and bounds. He is preaching to large and enthusiastic congregations every Sunday in the year. Often during the fall and winter numbers of people have to be turned away from the service because of the large crowds that wait on his ministry.

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Mary Ward's letter:

The time has come when I must leave my home, the Methodist Orphanage which has sheltered me for the past eight years. Before I go it is my desire to express my appreciation to all who have made it possible for me to face the future with such excellent training, both physically and morally.

I am humbly grateful for the nice clothes that I have received each year from the Camden League members of Camden.

My gratitude is beyond measure to Dr. E. C. Judd, who has made it possible for me to face the future with a well body and a healthy attitude toward life. I am exceedingly grateful to the doctors who have helped me also.

To Mr. Barnes, my dad, my pal, and my helper, I wish to say "thank you" for your guidance and your kind advice. To Mr. J. O. Sanderson, our principal, and the Methodist Orphanage faculty and also the Methodist conference, I express my sincere appreciation for all you have done to help me through my years here.

I feel that I have been taught and trained well. It is my desire to live in such a way that none of you will say that your efforts were in vain.

EDITORS

Most any man can be an editor. All the editor has to do is to sit at a desk six days a week, four weeks to a month, and 12 months a year and edit such stuff as this:

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DILWORTH EDUCATION BUILDING

We rejoice with the people of Dilworth church over the occupancy of their new building on September 7. With Dr. H. P. Powell in charge of the service, those persons who had served as superintendents of the Dilworth Sunday school were presented. This fine new building is the gift of Mr. J. A. Jones and his son, Edwin L. Jones. As a closing feature of the program Brother Jones gave the keys to the building to Dr. L. Dale Arthur, the present superintendent of the church school. Dr. Arthur directed the seven hundred persons in attendance to their class rooms. It was an historic day and a great occasion for Dilworth.

Pleasant Grove

Sunday, September 7, was home coming day at Pleasant Grove church, where Brother C. F. Womble is pastor of the Homestead-Pleasant Grove charge. The people love their pastor, follow his leadership, and are making plans for a new church building. It was the pleasure and privilege of the executive secretary as former pastor to preach to a large and appreciative audience at the 11 o'clock service. After dinner on the grounds and a memorial service in the afternoon, Bro. J. W. Fitzgerald began a series of evangelistic services Sunday night. It was a real joy to be associated with these fine people at Homestead-Pleasant Grove again.

September Training Schools

Our training school program moves along continuously throughout the year. Between now and conference schools will be held in Hickory, Morganton, Mt. Airy, Boone, Spruce Pine, Winston-Salem, Race Street, Midway, Tabernacle, and Yadkin College church. Approximately one hundred such schools have been held during the year, ministering to the thousands of faithful men and women who are carrying the teaching work of our churches.

Epworth Training Conferences

The training conference is a specialized type of training for young people and their adult leaders. Conferences are scheduled in Greensboro and in Charlotte where Mrs. Laura Willard and Miss Mary Margaret Johnson are the efficient district directors of youth work.

Sunny Acres, September 26-28—Conference Council of Methodist Youth Fellowship

For the three days indicated above conference officers, district directors, and presidents of sub-district groups will meet to discuss youth work during the fall and winter months. Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, and Mrs. Eugene Lamb will be present to assist in the interpretation of plans for the missionary education of youth. Other important matters will be discussed during the council meeting.

J. Kempton Jones, National President

Kempton Jones of Salisbury has had the distinction of being elected to the office of the presidency of three youth groups during the summer. Kempton was elected president of his conference group in July, president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction early in August, and national president at Baldwin, Kansas, the last of August. We extend our hearty congratulations to Kempton and are happy to work with him in the conference.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Church School Rally Day has not rallied. During last conference year this special day was not promoted among former Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal churches in the conference. Out of 830 church schools last year 260 observed the day with a program and a total offering of $2195.43. During the present conference year this special observance has been promoted among the 1138 churches of the former groups. To date 194 schools have responded with a total of $1799.46. With 408 more schools to look to this year, both the number of churches responding and the total offering have decreased. The only way to change this picture is for the other 944 church school that have done nothing about this matter to have a program and take an offering for the cause of Christian education. Free programs are available from the Salisbury office. The offering should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville, N. C. Since our last report in the Advocate contributions have been received from Trinity, Charlotte, $6.35, and Mt. Mitchell, $3.50.

World Service

September 28 is World Service Sunday in the church school. Contributions to this cause have practically doubled this year, but the possibilities are by no means exhausted here. To date Mr. Cole has received $20,064.62. The September contributions should amount to from three to five thousand dollars.

Official Charge Directories

As has been the practice for several years, Official Charge Directory blanks for use at the fourth quarterly conference should be filled out for the local church records, one for the district superintendent, and the other for the Board of Education in Salisbury. To date this information has been received from the following charges:

Asheville district: Asbury Memorial, Haywood Street, Fairview, Hot Springs.

Charlotte district: Morven, Waxhaw.

Elkin district: Laurel Springs, Moravian Falls, Sparta

Gastonia district: Park Street, Lincoln circuit.

Greensboro district: Centenary, Flat Rock, College Place, Haw River, Tabernacle-Julian.

Marion district: Glen Alpine, Cross Mills, McDowell, Pleasant Grove, Rutherford College, Table Rock, Valdese, Sunshine.

Salisbury district: First Street, Norwood.

Statesville district: Olin, Stony Point.

Winston-Salem district: Oak Summit-Shiloh.

Annual Conference Report on the Church School

At a series of check-up meetings to be held by Bishop Purcell and the district superintendents the last days of September and early in October, the final report on church school statistics for the conference minutes are to be made. The blanks on which these reports are to be made have been mailed out by Brother E. H. Nease, conference secretary. Additional copies may be secured from him.

New Church School Literature

New literature for the Methodist Church is now available. Careful attention should be given to all orders placed in September. If assistance is desired, please write to any member of our conference staff or direct to the Methodist Publishing House, Fifth and Grace Streets, Richmond, Va., which is the house which serves our area.

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

The following churches have reported vacation schools since the last report was made here. Watch for others later.

Asheville district—

Bethesda, Mrs. H. C. Miller.
West Asheville, Mrs. John E. Jones.
Dana and Upward, I. R. Miller.
Sharon, W. F. Beadle.
Tweed's Chapel, W. F. Beadle.
Oak Hill, B. A. Galloway.
Asbury Memorial, R. H. Taylor.

Charlotte district—

Myers Park, Mrs. H. R. Birdwell.
First, Wadesboro, Mrs. L. G. Aikinson.
Bethel, T. G. Highfill.
Long Pine, T. G. Highfill.
New Hope, T. G. Highfill.
Thrift, K. W. Bedenbaugh.

Elkin district—

West Jefferson, Mary E. Wood.
Arbor Grove, W. H. Tyte.
Bethel, W. C. Sides, Jr.
Chestnut Grove, W. C. Sides, Jr.
Union Chapel, W. C. Sides, Jr.
Hopewell, Clark Benson.
Charity, W. H. Tyte.

Gastonia district—

First, Cherryville, D. M. Nifong.
Smyre, Miss Nettie Joy.
First, Bessemer City, A. W. Wellons.
Concord, A. W. Wellons.
Lafayette Street, R. C. Goforth.
West Shelby, R. C. Goforth.

Greensboro district—

Mt. Pleasant, P. L. Shore.
Bethlehem, Mrs. J. O. Hines.
Madison, Otho J. Jones.
High Point district—
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Polkton, J. L. Trollinger	½

Elkin District

Elkin, S. J. Brawley	1

Gastonia District

Lincoln Ct., D. H. Rhinehart	9
Fallston, G. W. Clay	2½
Lowell, E. E. Snow	½

Greensboro District

Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	7½
Glenwood, R. M. Hardee	4
Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams	3
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1½
College Place, R. M. Courtney	1
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Newlyn-Lee's Chapel, A.L.Latham	½
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Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	½

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Denton, Geo. L. Curry	2½
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge	2
Ramseur-Franklinville, J. E. Pritchard	1
Shiloh, T. G. Madison	½

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Rutherfordton, Mrs. M. G. Goforth	1
Elk Park, J. J. Wood	1
McDowell, G. L. Wilkinson	½
Sunshine, C. B. Way	½

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Woodleaf, G. W. Williams	3½
Central, Albemarle, Mrs. Z. V. Moss	1

Statesville District

Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate	1

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HE AGREED

It is not very long since Mr. Stannington, a Methodist minister and a bachelor, was making a journey on the top deck of an omnibus when two ladies of his congregation boarded the vehicle and seated themselves behind him. Now, thought one of them, was an opportunity for further teasing him about his single state, and she at once began, in a rather louder tone than usual, to talk to her companion about the difficulties of the times, and especially that of making both ends meet, with income tax at its present level.

"I know we've got to pay for the war," she said, and then, developing her attack, she added: "But I do think Sir Kingsley Wood ought to have tried to raise money by other means before he raised the income tax. Why, for instance, didn't he put a tax on bachelors? Actually, my husband tells me, even when all the allowances to a married man with children are taken into consideration, a bachelor has more money left when he has paid his tax than a married man with the same income. It isn't fair. They ought to be heavily taxed. I've nothing to say against a man remaining a bachelor, if he can't get a woman to marry him, but I do say that, in fairness all round, bachelordom should be heavily taxed."

Her words, as she had hoped, had not been unheard by Mr. Stannington, who had recignized the voice of one of his chief plaguers, but he refrained from turning round until her assertion that bachelordom should be taxed, when, with a broad smile on his face, he looked round and said: "I entirely agre with you, Mrs. Henderson. It should be heavily taxed—like all other luxuries." The day was his.—Methodist Recorder (London).

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By Rollin H. Walker

Overcoming the Adversary

Revelation 21:1 to 15:4

What is John talking about when he gives us the picture of the beast and his doings? It is likely that he has in mind the chief power of evil in his own day, the authority centered in the emperor; and that the second beast is all those servants of the emperor who by their plausible arguments and their cruel persecution tempted the Christians to worship Caesar. But the identification of the persons of the drama in the Revelation is a rather elusive task, because John was perhaps purposely vague to avoid the clutches of the Roman Gestapo. It is a far more rewarding search to ask, Of what kind of power is the beast a symbol? To what does it correspond in our own day?

Some one in the Bible class will be sure to ask, Is not Hitler the beast? If the questioner means, Did John have Hitler in mind? of course not, because he expressly tells us he is talking about the things which must shortly come to pass (Revelation 1:1; 21:1-12). But if the questioner means, Is Hitler and the Nazi organization a type of evil similar to that which the Revelator had in mind? we must certainly say, Yes. Judging from his shrewdness and his power we must admit that Hitler has seven heads and ten horns.

But our Chinese friends have an equal right to say that the Japanese militarists are the beast. (Mind, I did not say the Japanese people). These miliatarists certainly stand for precisely the thing that the beast represents in the book of Revelation. And the subtle, demoniacal power of a Stalin is also the beast. And we do not have to go abroad to find the beast. There are organizations at home that ruthlessly suppress freedom and penalize loyalty to the principles of Christ. Their pious pretensions and loyal slogans do not make them any less the beast.

And note that the mark of the beast must be on the forehead as well as on the right hand. It seeks to control the thinking as well as the acting of men. And how specious and convincing is the propaganda of the beast! In time men render it the most willing worship. What utter sincerity there is in the Japanese dream of consolidating the whole Orient under an efficient government in order to protect it from the vandalism of the western world! But how diabolical its methods. We can always detect the watermark of the beast in the perfumed stationery on which he writes his fair-seeming idealism, by his covert assumption that the end justifies the means.

We are not required to use the language of the book of Revelation in framing our conception of evil. But woe be unto us if we do not share the Revelator's sense of the mysterious and subtle power of sin in the world. That has been the trouble with the democracies. Their easy-going optimism has made them stupidly unaware of the terrific forces that were against them. That was our trouble before the repeal of prohibition. That is our trouble today. We are frightened to death at the thought of Hitler, but strangely oblivious of the dangers threatening democracy right here at home.

When we discarded the old conception of a devil with a tail and a pitchfork we did not abolish the maifest fact that the opposition to good is so cunning that it is as though a subtle and wicked intelligence were opposing us. A similar thing has happened in medicine. Science has taught us to discard the idea that disease is demon possession, but alas, in its place it informs us that billions of little devils in the form of microbes are assembled like the forces of Armageddon to attack us, and hence we must formulate a new method of defense to resist this even more formidable foe.

But it is not enough to be awake to the power of evil. We should also be jubilantly conscious of the fact that a great chain is prepared for the dragon, and a cosmic incinerator is ready for the beast and the false prophet.

John tells us that the sound that is loudest in the universe is not the demoniacal shriek of the powers of evil as they rush to the attack on all goodness, but the mighty chorus of the redeemed who sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and of the Lamb, and who give praise to him that hath made the sea and the dry land, and whose eternal and blessed purposes are sure to prevail.

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TESSIE THE TURTLE

By Mary C. Odell

Tessie had lived a good many years. Though she looked like a very dull and stupid turtle with her slow ways, she really was quite wise. She knew there were ants and grubs in the rotted logs in the woods, and how to dig them out. She knew that certain flies and mosquitoes buzzed about the little swampy place near the spring which gave her cold water to drink and soft mud into which she might burrow.

Tessie also knew where there was a certain mossy log where she could sleep in the afternoon sun. She knew how to sense danger by listening to the footsteps of men or animals as they sounded on the ground. When she heard them she would crawl under a leaf or stone, or pull her legs, head and tail inside her shell while she lay so still that she would not be noticed.

Probably Tessie was the great-great-great-great-grandmother of some of the turtles living in that section, and many a young turtle had learned from her some of the wise things she knew.

Life had been long and happy for Tessie there in the woods and swamps, but something told her that she was growing old. It seemed a longer distance from one place to another and Tessie often grew so tired that she fell asleep right out in the open places where it was dangerous for her to be. It was no longer fun to snap for flies and mosquitoes. It was hard work. Just the other day, while crawling in the swamp, Tessie had rolled over on her back and spent an hour or more before she succeeded in getting on her feet again.

So Tessie decided that it was time she was being taken care of in her old age. She had a plan in her mind about which she had been thinking for many days.

Very often on Saturday afternoons a little boy and his grandfather came to the woodsy place to walk and talk. Often they stopped to rest on one of Tessie's favorite logs. From the way they talked Tessie could tell that they were happy, kindly folks. Once, just to make sure, Tessie had paraded herself past their feet, and though they watched her and talked about her they did not poke her with sticks or annoy her in any way.

The next time that the boy and his grandfather came to the woods Tessie was waiting beside the mossy log. Slowly she crawled from underneath a leaf, and made her way around the log where she sat blinking her eyes at them.

"Look, grandfather," the boy exclaimed, "there's that turtle again. She is a friendly one, isn't she?"

Tessie crawled up on the grandfather's shoe. There she sat as though she meant to stay.

"Well," laughed grandfather. "What is it you want, old lady?"

Tessie pulled in her head, her tail, and her legs and settled herself down.

"She seems to like us, grandfather," the boy announced.

"I have been seeing this same turtle for years, John," he replied. "There's that curious white mark on her shell. I remember noticing that when I was a young man. She must be pretty old by this time. No doubt she is finding it not so easy to get along in this world as it used to be."

"Couldn't we take her home and care for her?" John asked.

"We could," his grandfather agreed, "providing we keep her supplied with the right kind of food."

So that was how it happened that Tessie the turtle went to live with John and was fed the best bugs and flies that he could find. There she had a special pen with a mossy log, a mud bath and plenty of leaves. Often John would take her out of her pen and find the kind of flowers she liked to eat. Once she traveled in a box to school, where the children watched her and drew pictures of her. Another time she won first prize as the most unusual animal in a pet-show.

But Tessie was contented and happy, living the rest of her lazy days. She had many things to remember and no more work to do. Tessie the turtle was wise.—Religious Herald.

A TRIBUTE TO "MAJOR"

By Evelyn Johnston

You're a perfect little doggie
With your coat so snowy white;
You comfort and sustain me,
Making life forever bright.
You are wise and understanding
In the little things you do;
Dog-gone, there never was a pup
Just quite as cute as you.
You come from Bonnie Scotland
Where the purple heather grows—
The little Scottish "Shelty"
Such as everybody knows.
So may your days be happy,
Contented and supreme,
With loving hearts around you
And life a happy dream.

—Our Dumb Animals.

WITHOUT SUBSTITUTE

By L. E. Eubanks

In a small room of a factory building in Hoboken a woman is employed at very unusual work, the gathering of spider web. Her spiders are procured from the pig-sties at Secaucus, N. J., and only a certain kind will do. They are kept in boxes until needed. Instantly when liberated the insect makes for a window, leaving a long trail of silvery gossamer. It is the woman's job to wind this carefully on little reels; she winds to within twelve or fifteen inches of the spider, then awaits its next sprint.

The reels, each containing 25 feet of gossamer, are packed into specially made containers, to be shipped by order. As far as I know, the spider silk is used commercially only for precision instruments, probably because there is so little of it available that experiments to adapt it to wider use are not worth while.

It is a wonder of nature, with a tensile strength one and a half times greater than a piece of steel of the same dimensions. For a few super-delicate instruments, the strands have even been split for fineness. I understand that the British government now has a man for this highly delicate work of spider-thread splitting.

Many efforts have been made to find satisfactory substitutes for gossamer. Hair, silk, wire, and other substances have failed. For the cross hairs in optical and precision instruments like telescopes, bomb sights, range finders, etc., there is no equal of spider web—stronger than steel or platinum wire of like diameter, and sufficiently elastic to hold itself tight and straight.

The threads now used in England are taken from the gray-backed spiders that live on dahlias. When the spider has been captured for His Majesty's service it is kept in close confinement for two days without food, so that impurities may be eliminated from the silk. Then the hungry spider is allowed to spin for fifteen minutes and the thread is wound on frames.

Think twice before you go into the business of spider-thread selling. It must not be very atteractive, for during fifty years the employers of the "spider lady," above referred to, have been unable to procure her an assistant. Further, not just any spider will do; the gossamer of the small gray insect is too brittle, and that of the black yellow-splashed variety has proved disappointing in several respects.

While commercial uses of spider-thread, as I have said, are very few, R. C. Andrews tells us that in parts of New Guinea the natives use a dip net made of a large spider web to catch small fish. A piece of cane is bent into an oval shape and twisted around and around among large spider webs until three or four layers are stretched across the frame. Although flat when made, it is so elastic that under pressure it becomes bag-shaped. One advantage of this net for fishing is that when in the water it is absolutely invisible.—Our Dumb Animals.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Alamance, Bethel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 21
Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11 19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

September

Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 1:30 20
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 21
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 21
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Providence, night 21
Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Laurinburg, 11 21
St. John, 3 21
Aberdeen, 8 21
Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Morehead City, First Church, 11 21
Newport, Harlow, 3 21
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 21
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Henderson, First Church, 11 21
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Road, 3 21
Oxford, 8 21
Vance, Gillburg, 8 24
Benson, Benson, 11 28
Erwin, Erwin, 8 28

October

Louisburg Ct., Shiloh, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 15
Franklington, Franklinton, 7:30 16
Creedmoro, Creedmoor, 11 19
Stem, Stem, 7:30 19
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 20
Clayton, Clayton, 7:30 22
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 26
Garner, Garner, 7:30 26
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 29
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November

Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Henderson, First Church, 11 9
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 20
Middleburg, Shocco, 11 21
Littleton Ct., Weaver's, 3:30 21
Littleton, Calvary, 8 21
Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Garland, Garland, 11 21
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 21
Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11 13
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Brevard, night 18
Black Mountain, night 19
Leicester-Bell, Bell Ch., 11 21
Sandy, 3 21
Leicester-Grace, Grace, night 21
Fletcher, Skyland, night 22
Hendersonville, night 23
Marshall, Marshall, night 24
Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

September

Pineville, Harrison, 8 19
Hickory Grove, 11 21
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Belmont Park, 8 21
Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Watauga, night 18
Creston, night 19
Green Valley, night 20
Warrensville, 11 21
Todd, Blackburn's, 3 21
Jonesville, night 21
Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 28

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12

East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Gastonia, Myrtle Chapel, 9:30 21
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 21
Kings Mountain, Central, night 21
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October
Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 506 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

September
Jamestown, 11 21
Leaksville, Draper and Spray, at Spray, 3 21
Reidsville, Lindsey Street, 7:30 21
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 24
Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October
Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7 5
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Tayler, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

September
Greer's Chapel, 7 18
Coleridge, Concord, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7 21
First Church, H.P., 7 24
Linwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October
Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Burnsville, 11 21
Bald Creek, Deyton's Bend, 3 21
Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October
Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

September
Epworth, 7:30 18
Trinity, Kannapolis, 11 21
Salem, 3 21
Tabernacle, 7:30 21
Ann Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October
Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Taylorsville, 11 21
Hiddenite, 7:30 21
Cool Springs, 7:30 22
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 7:30 23
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October
Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30.... 3
Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

September
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 21
Davidson, Arcadia, 3 21
Erlanger, 7:30 21
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30 24
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October
Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Doubs, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 8
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 15
North Davidson, 7:30 16
Kernersville, 7:30 17

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Andrews, 8 18
Robbinsville, 8 19
Murphy Ct., Rogers, 11 21
Hayesville, Ogden, 4 21
Shooting Creek, Marshall's, 8 21
Waynesville, 8 24
Canton, 8 25
Franklin Ct., Iotla, 11 28
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 4 28
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 28

October
Macon Ct., Union, 11 5
Franklin, 8 5
Webster, Webster, 11 12
Whittier, Whittier, 3 12
Bryson City, 8 12
Murphy, 8 15
Cullowhee, 11 19
Canton, First, 8 19

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Moneera Moore Bible class desire to record the passing of one of our most beloved members, Mrs. J. T. Wood, who died August 3, 1941, following a lingering illness of several years, but was critically ill only a few days. She was a great sufferer, but through it all bore it with patience and courage. Our class members who were privileged to visit her from time to time were always inspired by her beautiful Christian spirit. Therefore be it resolved:

That while we bow in humble submission to divine power, we realize a vacancy which will be hard to fill.

That as we grieve we shall endeavor to "carry on" and will strive to follow her teachings and example.

That her leaving has made heaven nearer "as journeying friends bring distant countries near."

That a copy of these resolutions shall be sent to the family and a copy recorded in our Sunday school records, the local paper and N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. B. Lassiter,
Mrs. J. P. Wheeler,
Mrs. W .J. Moore.

SHULL—John Wesley Shull was born in Lincoln county April 25, 1876. Quietly and without warning he departed this life Monday, August 25, 1941.

Mr. Shull joined the church in boyhood, having been a member of the Glen Alpine Methodist church for more that 40 years, and for most of that time a member of the official board. He was loyal in attendance and faithful to all his duties within the church, having attended churches services and quarterly conference the day before his death.

His closest neighbors say of him, "A better neighbor could not have been." So, truly he has been an offectionate father, a good neighbor, an upright citizen, and a trustworthy friend of man. He met his successes untarnished and his failures and rebuffs with grace and fortitude. He was one of whom it might have been said:

"One who never turned his back but
marched forward,
Never doubted clouds would break,
Never dreamed, though right were
worsted, wrong would triumph,
Held we fail to rise, are baffled to
fight better,
Sleep to wake."

R. L. Young, Pastor.



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By Frederick Hall

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A Song For the Home Land

By MARGARET E. SANGSTER

A song for the home land, its valleys and hills,
Its lakes lying blue, and its silvery rills;
A song for its fields and their harvests of gold,
A song for its mines with their wealth all untold;
The home land, the dear land of the free,
O beautiful Mother, our hearts cling to thee!

A song for the church with its call unto prayer,
For the comfort and healing and joy we have there;
A song for the school, with the flag on its roof,
For the lessons it teaches for manhood in proof;
A song for true brotherhood, sturdy and free,
A home land, dear home land, a chorus for thee!

A song for our Sabbath that dawns with its peace,
From greed and from bondage a day of release;
A song for our Bible, wide open and fair
For our Sunday schools dear, and the bands gathered there;
For the men and the women whose service is free,
O home land, fair home land, a chorus to thee!

And, oh, may our home land be cleansed from all stain,
And pure as the fathers endowed to remain;
Its banner of stars be flung out to the breeze,
Its fearless ships sail on the path of the seas;
God bless it, the dear land, the home of the free,
O beautiful Mother, our hearts cling to thee!

The Last Week for Our Advocate Canvass

$1,889.37 for taxes must be secured by Sept. 30, the end of our financial year

Every pastor and church will want to help win the victory—not one should be left out!

THE CAMPAIGN GOES GLORIOUSLY

The fine way in which our subscribers have sent renewals is most refreshing. They have come to the rescue of their church paper in its time of need. Our gratitude knows no bounds.

Many other Methodists would do as well as these if they knew the need. But they do not see the paper and no one has told them of our campaign.

THOSE WHO GOT BUSY SECURED RESULTS

F. B. Peele, Person circuit, has pushed his remittances to $34.

H. Fred Surratt of Windsor sends a second remittance which makes for him $32.

J. C. Madison, First church, High Point, forwards $17.

John Cline, Branson, Durham, sends $12.

W. C. Martin, Roxboro, forwards $17.

T. R. Wolfe, Cliffside-Avondale, helps along with $16.

O. I. Hinson, Halifax, makes good his assertion that things are moving in Halifax by sending $13.

A. P. Brantley of Sanford, who always gets into every campaign, remits $10.

O. E. Croy, Linwood, forwards $17.

C. E. Ridge, Pleasant Grove, remits $10.

A. D. Shelton, St. Paul, Greensboro, hands in $7.

H. C. Smith, Memorial, Durham, starts his report with $15.

Others just as worthy of mention must go over until next week when we have our final report for the month.

Act At Once—The Next Seven Days Are Crucial!

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These autumn days are truly glorious. Do not mar their beauty and youth giving qualities by complaining about dry weather. A storm from the Carribean would not satisfy.

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The great college game, football, is with us again. It has become a primary source of recreation these autumnal days for both young and old, and likewise for those burdened with the cares of middle life. We hope it will be a great season for all lovers of the game. And we trust that the colleges will have a care to see that no drunks are allowed to annoy well behaved people who desire to enjoy the game.

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Is it any wonder that our highways have become shambles, leaving wreck and ruin all about us? From September 13 through September 19, 342 drivers in this state lost their license for drunken driving. The grand total in North Carolina has now reached 37,311. Is there no way to save good citizens from such peril? Yet, in the face of all this drinking liquor is made a matter of jest and the selling of liquor legitimate profit. We certainly have fallen very low in this glorified democracy of ours.

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The people who expect of a creed the exactness of a scientific formula insist that we have outgrown the Apostle's Creed and other historic creeds of the Christian church. Possibly so. But one should keep in mind that creeds deal with religion, and religion, like art, eludes preciseness of definitions. It deals with the eternal as art has to do with the world of beauty which defies definition. These creeds, as one has said, "are not merely affirmations of intellectual conclusions, but expressions of a supreme dedication." To change a creed with each change of doctrine would be as absurd as to change the "Stars and Stripes" with the change of every theory of government." The Union Jack has come down through the centuries, but every true Briton remains loyal to the ancient colors. So with creeds.

Look up and not down, in and not out, forward and not backward. These injunctions are relative and not absolute. These do not imply that one should constantly look upward and inward and forward to the utter neglect of the downward, outward and forward look. Each according to its importance should receive its portion in due season. That is to say, give the stars of heaven more attention than the things under one's feet, and the world within than the world without.

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It appears that the National Selective Service headquarters has suggested deferment for a semester at least of students who are now enrolled in college and who are doing all right in their classes. This is a thing that will be approved by sensible people everywhere who have the interest of boys and young men at heart. This is a sign that the government is beginning to learn. It will also be commended by football coaches. The results already are appearing. Carolina will be able to retain the services of Frank O'Hara, who promises to be a valuable player the present season.

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War and liquor are the two deadly enemies of the human race. Wherever they touch blight and death follow. Just now both of these are in the saddle in America. The moral sag and the spiritual blight is all about us. Hence the more urgent the need for all elements of the church of God to be heroic and strong. Every church should keep the things of the spirit in the forefront in every town and countryside. Most of these modern movements of loud acclaim will certainly pass away but the church will endure. Ultimately even the present forms of government will go, but the church of God will through the thousands of years remain the same. Even these present day democracies for which we readily die have no assurance for the centuries ahead other than those able to find their security in the mighty fortress of our God.

A Vigorous Methodism Needed

THE chief business of Methodism has been to bring men to God—to enable men to know God as a living and loving Presence. This means that sense of spiritual reality which rebukes dead formalities and moral corruption. Such exeriences quicken the conscience and awaken fresh aspirations in the soul. Then follows a new sense of assurance and a fresh desire for holiness at heart and life. For a certainty no age ever stood in greater need of this experience than our own.

Reciting litanies, reading homilies, engaging in formal acts of worship count for little in the uplift and renewal of men in a time such as this. Life is ripped up by the roots; death and desolation are in every land. God in us and God with us as a living reality brought victory for the early Methodists. They were so sure of God that they won men on the highways and in the by-ways of life. Yea, they won men on every road as they persuaded men to live and walk and talk with Jesus. They set the multitudes to singing, "How happy are they whom their Saviour obey!" The Aldersgate experience made possible the Wesleyan revival and a similar experience will bring the needed revival among a people who have lost their way to God and are deep in the mire of sin.

We are at present as in the past in the business of making all things new. This can be done only by men and women who are new creatures in Christ Jesus. The work done in the fields and the forests, in the cabins and the log meeting houses of pioneer days has been the glory of early Methodism in America. Were we to preach and to pray, to plead and to sing as did they, something unusual would happen in our churches and in our homes as we told of One mighty to save. A new rapture in song and a thrilling story of religious experience in the pulpit would fill empty pews and set the crowds to singing "'Tis the old time religion, and it's good enough for me."

God as a presence, God as a power, God as a fellowship will enable the church to meet such a dull, desperate situation as that which the religious forces face this hour. Religion as a pink tea affair counts for nothing in a day of immorality, ungodliness and human slaughter.

Our costly and loudly heralded national defense will prove to be but the mud wall defense of a civilization unless we know God as did our fathers, and can sing from the heart: "A mighty fortress is our God."

Whispers of the Spirit

STANLEY JONES sets a good example for one to go apart with God in reaching his conclusions. For in the closet one is much more liable to hear the whispering of the Spirit than in the confusion and hub-bub of the noisy street. We do well to take this into account in all our worship. People want to hear the whisperings of the gentle spirit of God rather than the clamor of the human voice recounting the noise and tumult of this topsy turvy age with its desolation and death.

The weary and worn, confused and perplexed by the upheavals of the world about them are eager to leave all this behind. They come to church to hear the voice of God in the effort to find rest of body and repose of spirit.

Let the church have a care to keep entirely out of this war and its issues so as to be free from the noise and tumult of the world. The spiritual foundations of the church are of far more value than are the conquests to be made by military might. For God is still guiding—he is still on his throne.

Chinese Christians an Inspiration

REPORTS from the churches of China tell of the eager determination of the Chinese Christians to carry on notwithstanding the death and desolation that has come to them during the Japanese invasion. Much of China is now under the dominance of the invader and many of the people have moved inland to begin life anew. So China is now divided in two sections. But the Christians have not given up in either section of vast old China. They are determined to carry on.

The Methodist Church at the recent conferences in China planned an advance even though the resources and the membership of the churches are greatly reduced. These Christians manifest much the same spirit of the early Christians in the days of persecution in the Roman Empire. They should be both a rebuke and an inspiration to the churches in America. We are complacent and self-satisfied instead of manifesting a spirit of heroism and eager determination to do better than ever before. China is acquainted with the blood of martyrs, which has ever been an inspiring element for conquest in a victorious church.

The Thorn Bush on a Prairie of the Middle East

ONE day, as Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, he led the flock to the western side of the prairie, and reached the sacred hill of Horeb. The angel of the Eternal appeared to him in a flame of fire rising out of a thorn bush. When he looked, there was the thorn bush ablaze with fire, yet not consumed! "I will step aside," said Moses, "and see this marvel, why the thorn bush is not yet burnt up." When the Eternal saw that he stepped aside to look at it, God called to him out of the thorn bush, saying, "Moses, Moses!" He answered, "Here I am!"

It appears to us that the story of the "burning bush" has been made even more vivid by this Moffatt translation than it is in the King James version. It may have been a thorn bush ablaze with blossoms, or in flaming colors of autumn, or the bare outstretched arms of some desert shrub, but God made it the means of a revelation that Moses could not forget and that the world has held in everlasting remembrance.

Elizabeth Barrett Browning's immortal utterance in "Aurora Leigh" becomes the matchless interpretation of this incident that belonged to a distant day when she writes:

"Earth's crammed with heaven,
And every common bush afire with God;
But only he who sees takes off his shoes."

"Then in the terms of a writer of recent date, a wayside tree may become a manifestation of God, or a simple flower, or evening star in an opal sky, or the lapping of the waves on the shore, or the silence of the hills, or the smile on the face of a child, or a strain of familiar music. So that with a sudden catch at the heart I say, Lo! God is here!"

"New Gateways to Creative Living"

THE above is the title of a volume by Dr. Hornell Hart of Duke University. "The main thesis of the author is that the universe is creative and that man may take advantage of the energies therein, becoming himself a creative builder."

The table of contents points to what the reader may expect in this attractive volume. These chapter headings are as follows:

1. Creative Living in a Destructive World.
2. Science and the Inner Gateway.
3. This Creative Universe.
4. Our Gateway to Creativity.
5. A Basic Analysis of Our Problem.
6. Gateways to Inner Harmony.
7. Inner Self-Healing.
8. Eneregy and Happiness.
9. Approaching the Gateway to Social Harmony.
10. Entering the Gateway to Social Harmony.
11. Old Gateways to Cosmic Power.
12. New Gateways to Cosmic Power.

Dr. Hart before coming into his present position as professor of sociology at Duke University has served as executive secretary of the Iowa child welfare society, professor of social economy in Bryn Mawr College and professor of social ethics in Hartford Theological Seminary.

Among Dr. Hart's previous books are: Personality and the Family, Living Religion, Newspapers and the News, The Science of Social Relations, The Technique of Social Progress, and Chart for Happiness.

Nobody Knows the Trouble They See in Kansas

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE, the famous editor of the Emporia Gazette, a paper of 8,000 subscribers but the best known paper on the American continent, tells how these troubles came about, which was largely the result of a cool, wet summer in Kansas.

Here is Mr. White's story:

This has been a most wonderful summer. In and around Lyon county we have had more rain in the first eight months of the year than we have had in the average years of 12 months. The temperature has not exceeded 102 in this town. The average temperature since the 25th of May has ranged around in the low nineties, and the air has been as dry as a powder horn excepting early this week when it was humid at 94 and people began yelling bloody murder right after breakfast.

But here is the dark side of this lovely summer: First of all, people have been made poor from hiring their lawns mowed. The money that the doctor and the probate judge used to get in a death-dealing hot summer, this year has gone to the man with the lawn mower, and the man who does odd jobs. The song of the lawn mower is heard in the land and it costs money—more money than grand opera—to hear the old boy sing.

And another thing. The ground is soaked down just this side of China, sopping, soggy, sloppy wet. The town farmers are scared to death for fear if this thing keeps up the ground will be too wet to plow until after freezing. And at that, it might happen.

And still another thing. This frightful federal tax bill is pretty nearly going to saw your leg off up around your necktie. It will take all the joy out of a lovely summer. So pull down your face, massage your tear ducts and give way to your woe. This has been a terrible summer and it is going to get worse!

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24
N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Read and read again the statement on page 2 of this week's paper. It is of first concern to all Methodists of the state.

Dr. Charles A. Kirkpatrick has returned to College Park, Md., where he teaches marketing in the University of Maryland.

The Charlotte district check-up meeting will be held at First church, Charlotte, Monday, September 29, 7:30 p. m. —G. T. Bond.

Please state in the Advocate that after October 1 my Charlotte address will be 2100 Roswell Avenue. My office address will remain First Methodist Church.—Clare Purcell.

Dr. Embree H. Blackard was the guest speaker at the opening vesper service of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va., last Sunday afternoon at five o'clock.

The first Sunday in October is home coming at Old Fort Methodist church. All former ministers, district superintendents and friends are invited to be present. All day service. Dinner served at the church.—Robt. M. Varner, Pastor.

The young people of Burlington circuit now have a subdistrict Youth Fellowship organization. J. C. Watkins, Jr., president, Earl Daniels, vice prseident, and Margaret Shaw, secretary. Next meeting at Shiloh church.—M. C. Ellerbe.

The Pine Hall and Forest Hill churches on the Danbury charges will be dedicated next Sunday. Rev. L. B. Hayes has secured the aid of Dr. J. M. Ormond and the hours are, Pine Hall 11, followed by quarterly conference, and Forest Hill at 3. All former pastors invited.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Margaret Elizabeth Warner of Washington, D. C., daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ariel Nathaniel Warner, missionaries in India for 30 years, to Dr. Henry Aldis, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Steadman Aldis, missionaries in Bombay.

The Forsyth county Christian workers' training school, sponsored by the Methodist churches of Forsyth county and the Board of Education of Western North Carolina conference, will meet in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, September 28 to October 3. Carl H. King is the dean.

The place of youth in modern society, services of the church among rural people, health, amusement programs, and farm improvement were subjects considered at the first state-wide conference of Negro ministers held in Arkansas recently. Over 58 counties were represented and leaders of all denominations co-operated.

The minister of the Friendship charge, Albemarle, has published in his little church paper the individual pictures of about 350 of the parishioners of his four points, Friendship, Bethel, Mt. Tabor and Oak Grove. These have appeared in a total of 43 numbers issued during his pastorate. This is interesting and has been given publicity in some of the national papers of this country.

The Commission on Public Information of The Methodist Church (Methodist Information) offers to interested pastors and laymen the use of books from its library on church publicity, church advertising and allied subjects. They may be drawn for a three-week period and will be sent by mail upon request. If you are interested send a post card to Methodist Information, Dr. Ralph Stoody, Director, 150 Fifth Ave., New York City, for a list of books available.

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, has started the repairing of its educational facilities. Asphalt tile floors are being laid in both buildings. The old church school building is being remodeled according to plans prepared by H. M. King of the Church Extension Department at Louisville, Ky. Approximately $11,000 has been raised in cash and pledges.

When "Irritable Ickes" or "Honest Harry," or whatever you want to call the Secretary of the Interior, gets back from his vacation, he is going to find his gasoline shortage playhouse in right much of a jumble. Fact is it has just been totally demolished, and he had worked ever so hard in getting it all nice and tidy and fit to enjoy as something with which he could frighten the American people into an acute fever of jitters.—Charlotte Observer.

It is said that the Codex Sinaiticus is the oldest Bible manuscript in the world. It was purchased by the British government in 1934, at the staggering price of about $500,000. It is now stored away in a little box which is buried deep in the country many miles away from London. It will be the hope of all scholars that its hiding place may never be found by the bombers who are destroying so many valuable historical objects.—Watchman-Examiner.

Judge Charles A. Hines of Greensboro, a prominent and influential member of West Market Street church who is active in all good deeds and withal for years has been a reader of the Advocate, shows his interest in his church paper by voluntarily contributing to the present campaign, the money to be used to send the Adovcate to people who desire to have the paper but are not able to pay for it. Such friends are of untold value and we greatly appreciate their loyalty and support.

Bishop W. Y. Chen of Chungking, West China, while on his first official visit to West China after attending the meeting of the field committee of West China at Tzechung, narrowly escaped death in an accident about the middle of July, when the postal truck in which he was riding overturned. Bishop Chen was pinned under the car, but bundles which he was carrying saved him from being crushed to death. Although slightly injured, he was able to carry on his work as usual after a few days of rest and made only slight mention of the accident in his report.

We are having a good year on the Pamlico charge. Last fall we transferred from the Western North Carolina conference and the coast was very strange to us. We had to learn many things and are still learning. We love the people and the sea breeze, but so far we have not learned to love the mosquitoes. We have held some very good revivals on the charge. Three good D. V. B. schools and organized; one fine young people's organization. Church attendance and finances show an increase. So all in all I feel that we are coming to the close of a good year with a fine group of people.—H. H. Cash, Pastor.

The Harmony circuit, Statesville district, had a full program this summer. Daily vacation Bible schools were held at Clarksbury, New Union, Mt. Bethel and Harmony; revivals in all five churches. Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Martin and the ladies of the three societies of Christian Service entertained at a silver tea at the parsonage September 7, both afternoon and evening. A large number of people called to see the new parsonage, just finished; a nice six-room parsonage with hard wood floors throughout. The Harmony Woman's Society of Christian Service put in inlaid linoleum in kitchen and bath room. The parsonage is equipped with modern conveniences, including Venetian blinds, electric pump and bath room equipment.—Mrs. Ralph V. Moore.

"The Reverend and Mrs. William Albert Cade request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Alma Louise, to the Reverend William Jay Erwin on Tuesday, the fourteenth of October, at five o'clock in the afternoon, Saint Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro, North Carolina."

The preaching of Rev. John W. Moore in our revival has been the high light of this year's work at Norwood. With great spiritual power Brother Moore opened the scriptures for us. Not only has our church been moved and greatly blessed, but the other churches also share in the blessings of this revival.—Cecil G. Hefner.

The Young Adult Fellowship of the Durham district will hold a retreat on beautiful Duke campus Sunday, September 28, 4 o'clock E.D.S.T.. Go to gate seven on the road from the university through the forest toward the highway toward Hillsboro, turn in gate seven and go to the picnic grounds. Bring a picnic lunch. The district officers and other interested young adults are expected to attend. We want a few young adults from each charge in the district. The program follows: Purpose of Young Adult Fellowship, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw; Details of the Organization, Rev. T. B. Hough; "What Can We Do?" Answered by the officers. Picnic lunch, recreation hour, fellowship hour. Devotion by Miss Elizabeth Myers.—T. B. Hough, District Director.

AN APPRECIATION FOR THE BROTHERHOOD

I want to thank the members of the Brotherhood of the Western North Carolina conference, both ministers and laymen, for the wonderful service the Brotherhood has rendered, especially to me upon the death of my husband, Rev. J. C. Umberger. The twelve hundred dollars benefit enabled me and my children to take care of the rest of the hospital bill and other obligations which would have deprived us of our home. Had it not been for the Brotherhood money, my children and I would have been in straitened circumstances. This tweleve hundred dollars from the Brotherhood was one of the greatest benefits that ever came to us.

God bless every preacher and layman of the Brotherhood. Mrs. J. C. Umberger.

MISS BURGESS WEDS JOHN W. RATLEDGE

In a simple but impressive ceremony September 26, at 8 o'clock Miss Isabel Marguerite Burgess became the bride of John Wesley Ratledge at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. B. W. Barlowe, 302 Lindsay street, High Point. Rev. A. Burgess of Winston-Salem, Methodist minister and father of the bride, officiated, using the ring ceremony of the church.

The vows were spoken before an improvised altar of white gladioli, tuberoses and greenery in the living room. Mrs. G. H. Fulcher of Columbia, S. C., sister of the bride, played a program of nuptial music prior to the speaking of the vows and during the ceremony.

The bride wore a suit of dusty pink with black accessories. Her corsage was of gardenias. She is the youngest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. Burgess of Winston-Salem. The groom is the son of Mrs. E. E. Wilson of High Point, Route 4, and the late Mr. Ratledge. He is now a sergeant in the U. S. Army air corps and is stationed at Ft. Bragg.

Following a short bridal trip the couple will be at home with the bride's sister at 302 Lindsay Street.

BISHOP PURCELL'S CHECK-UP MEETING OCTOBER 6

The check-up meeting appointed by Bishop Purcell for the High Point district will be held in the First Methodist church, High Point, Monday, October 6, at 2 p. m. Pastors will make full reports on tables one and two, and table three, as far as possible. All stewards, lay leaders, church school superintendents and trustees are expected to be present, and just as many other people as can possibly attend. This will be a splendid inspirational occasion. Bishop Purcell will address the meeting.

Fourth quarterly conference reports are most gratifying. The district is expected to make a splendid report to the annual conference. S. W. Taylor.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS ITEMS

The executive committee of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association met Saturday morning, September 19, in the student council room, Main building, at 10:30 o'clock, followed in the afternoon by a meeting composed of representatives of the local chapters of the association in the alumnae drawing room.

Presiding at the executive meeting was Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, president of the general association. Mrs. E. L. Sides, Greensboro, presented the devotional service, followed by the business meeting. Plans were discussed for home coming day, alumnae day, the reorganization of the G. C. Daughters Club, and the beginning of an alumnae magazine.

Members of the executive committee present were: Mrs. Prosser, Mrs. Sides; Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Morehead City; Mrs. L. E. Blanchard, Raleigh; Miss Juanita Master, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Osler Woltz, Mount Airy; Mrs. E. G. Cothran, Raleigh; Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Spray; Mrs. O. D. Nelson, Miss Nannie Lee Smith and Miss Mary Brock of Greensboro, and Dr. Luther Gobbel, president of the college, who expressed his appreciation to the alumnae for their services to the college.

At the afternoon meeting of the alumnae council Mrs. L. E. Blanchard, chairman, presided. The meeting opened with greetings from the college by President Gobbel, who also discussed the Living Endowment plan recently adopted by the board of trustees of the college. Leading open forums were: Mrs. Zeb Barnhardt, Winston-Salem, discussing "Will a chapter with a project be more active and alive than a chapter without one?" Mrs. Karl Bishopric, "Will the payment of dues to the Alumnae Association make me a more interested alumna of Greensboro College?" Mrs. E. G. Cothran, "Why should a local chapter welcome every opportunity for giving publicity to the college?"

A word to local chapters from alumnae president, Mrs Prosser, closed the afternoon meeting.

Plays Started for October

Since most of the former Greensboro College Players are back on the campus, and new talent seems plentiful, casting for fall plays has begun and an unusually interesting season is expected. Three plays will be offered of the drama program. The first production is slated for October and will be "Ladies in Retirement," by Edward Percy and Reginald Denham. The second play will be "The Late Christopher Bean," by Sidney Howard, and is scheduled to appear late in November. The third three-act production, "Moor Born" by Dan Totherch, will not be given until the spring semester.

Acting Dean of Instruction

President Gobbel has announced the appointment of Dr. Paul M. Ginnings, professor of chemistry, as temporary acting dean of instruction at the college. While continuing his classes at the college Dr. Ginnings, as dean of instruction, will adminster the plan recently adopted by the faculty for frequent checking on the scholastic progress of students. This appointment is a part of a temporary reorganization due to the heavy burden placed upon President Gobbel by the recent death of H. G. McIntire, treasurer and business manager.

DEDICATION OF PINE HALL AND OF FORREST CHAPEL

Pine Hall and Forrest Chapel churches on Danbury charge will be dedicated Sunday, September 28, by Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent of Greensboro district, and Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University. Pine Hall will be dedicated at 11 a. m. and Forrest Chapel at 3 p. m. (E.S.T.) A large crowd is expected. Dinner will be served at Pine Hall church. All former pastors and members of the church and elsewhere are invited to be present. J. L. Love, Pastor.

ENTERTAINMENT OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE, WINSTON-SALEM, OCTOBER 20.24

To the Members and Delegates:

Perhaps a few suggestions as to your arrival, entertainment, etc., may not be out of place.

First of all, the people of Winston-Salem, and in particular the members and families of Centenary and other Methodist churches, look forward with keen pleasure to having you in our midst, and to doing whatever we can for your comfort.

In keeping with rather well established custom, we are assuming that those living within a radius of 30 miles or so will wish to return home at night. Therefore we shall not undertake to make provision for you to have rooms here, unless requested to do so. If request is made, we shall be happy to comply.

A good many will have special friends here who have invited or will invite them. You will confer a favor upon the entertainment committee if you will drop us a card telling us about this.

Ministers' wives, except those who are lay delegates and those who may be specially invited, will not be expected as over night guests.

It will be taken for granted that ministers and delegates will arrive Monday afternoon, and rooms will be ready.

When you arrive at the church, kindly go at once to the registration desk, which will be on the ground floor immediately under the sanctuary. The book display will be in the Memorial auditorium near by. Rooms for all boards and committees will be provided in the educational building, and will be plainly marked.

Again let me assure all of you that we shall welcome you most heartily, and shall expect that your stay among us will be enjoyable for yourselves and a source of uplift and inspiration to us. W. A. Stanbury.

IMPORTANT DISTRICT MEETINGS

Check-up meetings in the districts of Western North Carolina conference will be held September 29-October 7, as follows:

Charlotte District—Monday, September 29, 7:30 p. m., at First church, Charlotte.

Gastonia District—Tuesday, September 30, 9:30 a. m., at Cherryville.

Waynesville District—Wednesday, October 1, 10 a. m., at Waynesville.

Asheville District—Wednesday, October 1. 7:30 p. m., at Central church, Asheville.

Marion District—Thursday, October 2, 3 p. m., at First church, Marion.

Statesville District—Thursday, October 2, 7:30 p. m., at Broad Street, Statesville.

Elkin District—Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., at Elkin.

Winston-Salem District—Friday, October 3, 7:30 p. m., at Centenary church, Winston-Salem.

High Point District—Monday, October 6, 2 p. m., at First church, High Point.

Greensboro District—Monday, October 6, 7:30 p. m., West Market Street, Greensboro.

Salisbury District—Tuesday, October 7, 7:30 p. m., First church, Salisbury.

All pastors, stewards and other interested people are urged to attend these district meetings. The pastors will file Tables I and II of the statistical reports for the annual conference. Chairmen of official boards will report on all financial items, including Support of the Ministry, World Service, General Administration, Children's Home and Golden Cross.

An interesting program has been arranged by the district superintendents. Our pastors will give 100 per cent support to these meetings. Clare Purcell.

EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS UPON COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

Home coming day at College Place church next Sunday. Former members and friends of the congregation are cordially invited. The entire present membership is urged to attend the 11 o'clock service.

Early in the new year College Place church, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney, and the leadership of the finance committee, L. F. Linker, chairman, and E. R. Zane, treasurer of a "special improvement fund," inaugurated a campaign to raise funds for extensive improvements to the church plant. In a short time more than $4000 was subscribed, most of which was paid within four months.

Following the close of the campaign for funds the board of stewards, of which H .C. Ferrell is chairman, began the consideration of bids for the different contemplated improvements. The bids accepted amounted to a little more than $7000, which was $1000 less than first estimated cost. The work will be completed this week; has been successfully carried on under the direction of the church property committee, G. W. Dobbins, chairman. The improvements include the following: Roof repaired at a cost of $452, installation of a modern steam heating plant with stoker ($5095), the redecoration of the auditorium with artistic improvements on the organ, and floors sanded. The aisles of the church have been carpeted at a cost of something over $500. This work was sponsored by the Hunt Wesley Bible class. In addition to these major improvements Sunday school rooms, church parlor, offices, pastor's study—in fact the whole building has been painted inside and out at a cost of slightly more than $1500, thus making the entire church plant more comfortable, serviceable and attractive as a place of worship.

MISS JULIA REBECCA LAMBETH

Miss Julia Rebecca Lambeth, 76, daughter of the late Mr. Benjamin P. Lambeth and Mrs. Elizabeth Bynum Lambeth, and a native of Bynum, Chatham county, passed away at about 7 a. m. last Thursday at St. Leo's hospital here, where she had been a patient for two years.

After completing work in the junoir class of 1882, at Greensboro College, Miss Lambeth taught for eight years in the public schools of Winston-Salem. Following her work of teaching at Winston-Salem, she returned to Bynum where she taught in the local school about eight years, and where she resided until coming to Greensboro to enter the hospital.

Before removing her church membership to West Market Street Methodist church in Greensboro she had been a member of Mt. Pleasant Methodist church near Bynum from girlhood.

Surviving are a brother, Alfred T. Lambeth of Sanford, a sister, Mrs. Wilson B. Atwater of Greensboro, a niece, Mrs. Margaret Atwater Vaughn, and a nephew, John L. Atwater, both of Greensboro.

Funeral service was held last Saturday at 5 a. m. at Hanes Chapel, Greensboro, conducted by Rev. W. Kenneth Goodson, assistant pastor of West Market Street Methodist church, and Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery.

METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SEPTEMBER 28

Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate the First Methodist church of Denton Sunday night, September 28. This church was built and paid for during the pastorate of Rev. W. M. Rathburn. Brother Rathburn will be present and have a part in the service of dedication. Wade Johnson.

GARBER INSTALLED DEAN OF DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL

"There must be a union of religion and education in the coming task of making this world a better place in which to live," Dean Paul Neff Garber declared Monday morning at the installation service which formally placed him into the office of the dean of the Duke University Divinity School. The service was the feature of the 16th formal opening of the school.

Dr. Robert L. Flowers, president of Duke, speaking at the exercises pointed out that Union Institute, the forerunner of Trinity and Duke, was founded by Quakers and Methodist in Randolph county.

"From the beginning there was a close relationship between the educational and religious forces in the support of the institution. This union of religion and education has always characterized the program of the educational institution now known as Duke University," said the Duke president. "The motto of Trinity College, which appears on the seal of Duke University is 'Eruditio et Religio.'"

Both President Flowers and Dean Garber paid high tribute to the leadership of the divinity school's dean emeritus Dean Elbert Russell, who presided over the morning's exercises. Dean Russell headed the school for 13 years and will continue to serve it as a member of the faculty.

Rev. A. J. Hobbs, superintendent of the Durham district of the Methodist Church, opened the morning's exercises with invocation, and music was rendered by Mrs. J. Foster Barnes. Dean Russell read greetings from other divinity schools, schools and colleges which have sent students to Duke, bishops and other leaders of the Methodist Church and leaders of other denominations, the North Carolina Council of Churches, and from members of the university faculty, alumni, and students.

A hymn, with words especially written for the occasion by Dr. K. W. Clark of the school's faculty, to the music of Sibelius, was sung. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop James Cannon II.

In his address President Flowers cited the contributions made at Trinity for training ministers prior to the organization of the divinity school in 1926. In 1895 the Avera School of Biblical Literature, an undergraduate department, was organized at Trinity, being the first distinct department of instruction in Biblical subjects introduced into the curriculum of a Southern college, he said.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM OLD FORT

For some time now you have not heard from Old Fort. We are still holding the Fort! In fact, we are making advances. Mrs. Varner and I have wonderfully enjoyed our year's work here. The people have in many ways expressed their appreciation. Only yesterday the Dorcas Bible class gave a beautiful linen shower for the parsonage. Mrs. Varner was greatly relieved when she discovered that the shower was for the parsonage, and not a going-away shower for her.

We have been able to participate in many interesting things here at Old Fort. Among them was the privilege of working with Brother Ward and his good people in two revival meetings on the Old Fort circuit. We also enjoyed attending the many home comings and decoration days that the people of this section have. Perhaps the most interesting was the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the cemetery at the Bethlehem church on the Old Fort circuit. Bethlehem is located four miles south of Old Fort on the Sugar Hill road.

On August 23, 1941, the 100th anniversary of Bethlehem cemetery was commemorated. An interesting legend is told of the beginning of the cemetery. A hundred years ago the whole secetion was a beautiful forest. A road ran along the top of the mountain. One day a group of young people were walking along the road, when suddenly one young lady, Miss Sallie Souther, paused, broke a twig from a tree and threw the twig down beside the road, saying to her companions, "In three weeks I'll be buried right here." In three weeks Sallie Souther died, and in keeping with her request she was buried where the twig was still lying. She was twenty-one years old, being born March 14, 1820, and died August 25, 1841. Sallie's grave is marked with an ordinary gray stone, upon which is chisled the name, dates of birth and death. There are now 458 graves in the cemetery.

Sallie's brother, Noah Souther, owned the land where she was buried. He then gave a tract of land for a public cemetery. He later gave the lots upon which today stands the Bethlehem Methodist and Baptist churches. Memorial services are held here each year on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. Brother Ward, the pastor, and the people of the Bethlehem community invite you to be with them next August.

For this story we are indebted to Mrs. Rena Noblitt.
Robert M. Varner.

MOLLER PIPE ORGAN DONATED TO MAIN STREET CHURCH, HIGH POINT

Mr. Mack D. Gordy completes the building program of Main Street Methodist church, High Point, by giving a handsome new Moller organ to this beautiful church. Rev. N. C. Williams, the pastor, writes as follows:

In the mellow glow of the evening time of life there lives in the city of High Point, North Carolina, a quiet, unassuming man, whose beneficent life has extended over the span of four-score and three years. His work has been, throughout the years, without the sound of trumpet or without seeking publicity. In fact, he shrinks at any sort of publicity, and were it not for the message this noble deed has for the community this article would not be written. This man is Mr. Mack D. Gordy. Last Wednesday morning he purchased a Moller pipe organ, to be presented by and in the names of Miss Grace Elizabeth Plummer, a granddaughter, and Miss Laura Ada Bumgarner, a neighbor, to Main Street Methodist church. The organ will be installed in the church some time in December. This gracious gift brings to a fitting climax the buliding program which has been in progress at Main Street for the past two years. The pastor and congregation would like to express their appreciation to Mr. Gordy for this handsome gift, but the words choke in our throats and we can't say it. But we do pray that his sun may set slowly and in great peace, and when its rim touches the horizon, may it turn to a "Golden Gate" through which he may pass in peace into Paradise, and worship at the feet of Jesus in a land where spring never takes a vacation and the flowers never cease to bloom.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT AT GRANITE FALLS

The spiritual life retreat was held at Granite Falls church Friday, September 12, at 10 a. m., presided over by Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr, spiritual life leader, and Mrs. W. E. DeJarnette as secretary. The meeting opened with "Worship the King," after which we had a quiet meditation period. Mr. Moser introduced the speaker, Dr. G. T. Rowe, who brought us an inspiring message on the renewing of our faith. At this time Miss Rachel Parkwood brought a message in song. Mrs. T. V. Goode gave a report on spiritual life. She told of the wonderful opportunity we had of working together in our spiritual life groups. Mrs. A. D. Abernethy spoke on the value and ways of praying. Mr. Hiatt dismissed us for lunch served by the ladies of the church, and a pleasant hour was spent. Then we assembled in a room for sentence prayer.

Our meeting for the afternoon opened with a hymn, after which Rev. Reid Wall presented "Spiritual Life in the Home." This was most impressive and inspiring. Following this was an old time Methodist love feast conducted by Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, assisted by other ministers. A consecration service concluded the program for the day.

A LOUISBURG COLLEGE CHAPEL HOUR

At the chapel hour on September 18 Dr. L. F. Kent, rector of the Episcopal church of Louisburg, held the interest of faculty and students of Louisburg College in a discussion of true wisdom contrasted with mere knowledge or information. In his engaging style the speaker told the story of three persons of his acquaintance who in his opinion were examples of wisdom.

The story of the last of these, an Eskimo, whom Dr. Kent had known in Alaska, graphically suggested the powerful spiritual resources at the command of those who possess the highest wisdom. The silence maintained by the audience during the talk testified to the skill of the speaker as well as to the impressiveness of a story well told.

Complete Report on Golden Cross Receipts

September 14, 1941

Asheville District

Acton, J. L. Reynolds	$ 14.00
Asheville Central, W. A. Lambeth	90.43
Haywood Street, W. G. McFarland	107.37
Hillside Street, H. S. Williams	42.00
West Asheville, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.	32.00
Black Mountain, M. F. Moores	15.00
Candler, Byron Shankle	24.73
East Flat Rock, C. M. Smith	14.00
Fletcher, H. E. Bolick	20.07
Hot Springs, Z. V. Arthur	11.00
Ivy, E. H. Spencer	9.96
Rosman, J. R. Bowman	6.00
Tryon, G. M. Screyer	10.00
Total	396.56

Charlotte District

Bethel-Bogers, E. M. Graham	5.00
Charlotte, Calvary, S. M. Needham	20.00
Chadwick, M. G. Ervin	15.00
Dilworth, H. P. Powell	60.65
Duncan Memorial, G. R. Allison	13.00
First, G. Ray Jordan	394.78
Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease	110.00
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	140.59
Spencer Memorial, G. E. Murray	20.27
Derita, E. O. Cole	3.00
Hickory Grove, J. N. Barber	10.00
Homestead, C. F. Womble	35.00
Indian Trail, J. R. Warren	11.05
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius	7.00
Marshville, R. C. Kirk	6.30
Matthews, G. G. Adams	21.00
Monroe Central, G. R. Combs	33.50
Morven, P. T. Dixon	6.00
Peachland, J. E. Hipp	5.00
Pineville, J. L. Rayle	14.00
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	10.00
Wadesboro, C. P. Bowles	75.00
Waxhaw, Douglas Corriher	8.75
Total	1024.89

Elkin District

Advance, P. L. Smith	9.00
Bryant Memorial, T. W. Bryant	5.50
Cooleemee, F. J. Stough	30.85
Creston, J. R. Short	2.00
Davie, G. W. Fink	36.00
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	510.17
East Bend, Y .A. Hovis	10.50
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	36.00
Green Valley, W. C. Eastridge	4.55
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	37.35
Laurel Springs, S. Y. Ferree	12.00
Miller's Creek, J. L. A. Bumgarner	10.00
Mocksville, E. M. Avett	30.00
Mocksville Circuit, W. C. Sides, Jr.	12.55
Sparta, L. F. Strader	21.36
Saint Paul, S. J. Brawley	3.27
Todd, L. C. Stevens	22.00
Trap Hill, R. M. Dillinger	2.20
Watauga, M. A. Osborne	2.00
West Jefferson, H. H. Wood	20.00
Wilkesboro, J. C. Stokes	23.56
Total	840.86

Gastonia District

Belmont, Main Street, P. W. Townsend	55.50
Park Street, E. H. Brendall	44.25
Belwood, J. M. Morgan	31.00
Bessemer City, H. M. Robinson	26.00
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	30.00
Cherryville, D. M. Nifong	27.45
Cleveland, F. R. Love	7.00
Cramerton, L. P. Barnett	5.00
Crouse, W. F. Eaker	9.30
Dallas, J. Y. Wilkerson	13.60
Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, P. W. Tucker	13.35
East End, E. W. Needham	12.25
Main Street, C. E. Rozzelle	265.00
Maylo-Smyre, J. N. Wise	17.18
Trinity, F. H. Shinn	11.50
West End, J. C. Grose	30.00
Kings Mountain, Grace, S. W. Johnson	12.02
Lincoln-Bess Chapel, J. W. Combs	21.00
Lincoln Circuit, D. H. Rhinehardt	20.25
Lincolnton, L. D. Thompson	21.32
Lowell, E. E. Snow	28.64
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	12.00
Polkville, T. H. Swofford	21.29
Rock Springs, A. W. Lynch	24.45
Shelby, Central, G. B. Clemmer	50.00
Lafayette Street, R. C. Goforth	18.50
Shelby Circuit, R. M. Hauss	17.00
South Ford, R. Y. McClamrock	27.25
Stanley, A. L. Rayle	17.00
Vale, E. P. Greene	17.00
Total	906.10

Greensboro District

Draper, P. R. Rayle	30.00
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	15.00
Greensboro, Bessemer, R. N. Laughlin	10.00
Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler	5.00
Carraway Memorial, J. P. Hipps	15.00
College Place, R. M. Courtney	58.13
Glenwood, R. M. Hardee	17.50
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick	75.00
Midway (to be supplied)	7.00
Newlyn-Lee's Chapel, A. L. Latham	25.00
Proximity, G. W. Vick	15.00
West End, R. M. Andrews	20.45
West Greensboro, G. A. Stamper	34.35
Guilford, J. B. Trogdon	21.00
Jamestown, C. M. McKinney	14.18
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, R .P. Gibbs	8.30
Reidsville, Main Street, J. H. Armbrust	10.00
Total	380.91

High Point District

Asheboro, First, Paul Hardin, Jr.	109.04
Asheboro Circuit, E. A. Lamb	9.18
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	7.00
High Point, Calavry, C. L. Brown	12.55
First, J. G. Madison	20.00
Highland, L. G. Smith	8.00
Lebanon, O. L. Easter	5.00
South Main Street, N. C. Williams	18.82
Ward Street, J. E. McSwain	26.00
Wesley Memorial, E. H. Blackard	100.00
Liberty, First, G. R. Brown	13.50
Liberty Circuit, D. A. Bailey	5.68
Linwood, O. E. Croy	37.00
Ramseur-Franklinville, J. E. Pritchard	22.00
Randleman-Union, J. L. Roberts	32.83
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, H. L. Isley	14.00
Richland, C. L. Grant	10.00
Seagrove, J. H. Trollinger	2.00
Shiloh, T. H. Madison	16.00
Why-Not, C. H. Hill	10.00
Farmer, J. O. Ervin	3.00
Total	481.19

Marion District

Bakersville, R. C. Nimon	11.00
Glen Alpine, R. L. Young	18.65
Marion-Cross Mills, L. R. Barber	8.00
McDowell, G. L. Wilkinson	10.20
Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards	6.00
Morganton First, Fletcher Nelson	70.00
North Forest, G. F. Hood	5.00
Old Fort Circuit, R. E. Ward	10.00
Rutherford College, J. R. Duncan	35.40
Total	174.25

Salisbury District

Albemarle, Tabernacle, S. B. Biggers	17.50
Albemarle Circuit, E. A. Bingham	15.45
Badin-New London, E. C. Widenhouse	12.55
Concord, Central, E. K. McLarty	43.00
Kerr Street, R. B. Shumaker	13.30
Rocky Ridge, E. B. Edwards	8.62
Friendship, E. A. Cook	2.00
Gold Hill, L. S. Furr	19.00
Kannapolis-Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	7.67
Jackson Park, J. J. Holmes	8.00
Landis, C. W. Avett	9.00
Norwood, C. G. Heffner	20.00
Salisbury, Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	20.80
Main Street, Rowan, C. B. Ross	10.00
Total	206.80

Statesville District

Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	38.14
Catawba, W. O. Grigg	50.00
Cool Springs, J. O. Banks	21.00

Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate	4.00
Elmwood, G. D. Poole	5.81
Grace-Rhodhiss, J. Max Brandon	12.00
Granite Falls ,Reid Wall	30.00
Harmony, R. V. Martin	10.00
Hickory, Bethel, E. H. Lowman	20.00
First, W. A. Rollins	250.00
Highlands, J. P. Hornbuckle	6.25
Westview, H. C. Freeman	12.42
Hiddenite, Elzie Myers	21.00
Hudson, R. E. Hunt	29.05
Lenoir, First, C. H. Moser	10.00
Lenoir Circuit, W .L. Harkey	35.81
Maiden, J. Y. Winkler	15.00
Mooresville, Broad Street, U. R. Masters	6.25
Central, J. W. Moore	152.00
Jones Memorial, T. A. Plyler, Jr.	8.00
Mooresville Circuit, Hubert Powell	7.70
Mount Zion, W. S. Smith	55.00
Newton, M. Q. Tuttle	75.00
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	10.00
Olin, P. F. Snider	6.50
Shepherds, A. G. Lackey	16.00
Statesville, Boulevard, H. C. Byrum	6.00
Broad Street, H. G. Allen	25.00
Race Street, F. H. Price	43.75
Statesville Circuit, G. F. Houck	5.50
Stony Point, H. O. Huss	20.00
Taylorsville, O. L. Robinson	10.00
Troutman, J. C. Reichard	4.70
Union Grove-Zion, J. O. Cox	7.00
Whitnel, D. A. Oakley	35.00
Total	1063.88

Waynesville District

Andrews, G. N. Dulin	15.75
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	10.00
Franklin, J. L. Stokes, II	14.00
Hayesville, A. G. Clemmer, Jr.	1.00
Junaluska, C. D. Brown	14.00
Sylva, A. P. Ratledge	12.00
Waynesville, J. G. Huggin, Jr.	25.00
Total	91.75

Winston-Salem District

Davidson, W. R. Jenkins	16.31
Forsyth-Maple Springs, R. A. Hunter	6.52
Hanes-Clemmons, R. A. Taylor	9.00
Kernersville, W. A. Barber	6.29
Lewisville, G. C. Graham	29.36
Lexington First, John Hoyle, Jr.	18.75
Trinity-Mount Carmel, L. E. Mabry	4.00
Mt. Airy, Central, W. J. Miller	245.00
Rockford Street, C. E. Williams	26.00
North Davidson, O. B. Williams	4.00
Shady Grove Church, E. K. Clodfelter	4.40
Rural Hall, J. L. Sharpe	8.25
Thomasville, West End, J. T. Bowman	4.80
Trinity-Bethel, W. M. Rathburn	10.00
Thomasville Circuit, Van B. Harrison	28.00
Walkertown, Love's, E. K. McLarty, Jr.	62.50
Morris Chapel, C. J. Winslow	21.25
Walnut Cove, W. R. Harris	6.71
Winston-Salem, Ardmore, J. H. Brendall, Jr.	17.75
Burkhead, W. M. Smith	40.00
Centenary, W. A. Stanbury	685.85
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles	37.00
Grace, R. L. Forbis	20.00
Greene Street, R. S. Truesdale	15.00
Hiatt-Sedge Garden, W. B. Thompson	10.40
Oak Summit-Shiloh, C. D. White	14.30
Winston-Salem Circuit, W. J. Plint	8.00
Total	1359.44

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Asheville District

Asheville: Asbury Memorial, R. H. Taylor	10.50
Hillside, H. S. Williams	10.50
Fairview, W. F. Beadle	5.00

Charlotte District

Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr.	5.25
Charlotte: Brevard Street, D. V. Howell	20.00
Wesley Heights, W. B. Davis	16.00
North Monroe, E. D. Ballard	3.97
Peachland, J. E. Hipp	2.50
Prospect, R. F. Huneycutt	24.16

Elkin District

Moravian Falls, J. N. Green	3.50
North Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	35.00

Gastonia District

Gastonia: Main Street, C. E. Rozzelle	10.00

Greensboro District

Danbury, J. L. Love	12.00
Madison, O. J. Jones	14.00
Mount Pleasant, P. L. Shore	7.00
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	42.00
Stokesdale,W. T. Albright	17.00
Saint Pauls, A. D. Shelton	8.55

High Point District

Denton: Central, J. L. Curry	11.50

Marion District

Bostic, W. L. Scott	10.00
Cliffside-Avondale, T. R. Wolff	10.00
Connelly Springs, J. N. Randall	31.27

Salisbury District

Albemarle: Main Street, T. B. Honeycutt	4.00
China Grove, W. O. Weldon	13.00
Salisbury: Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	27.42

Statesville District

Lenoir: First, C. H. Moser	190.00
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	5.00
Statesville Ct., G. F. Houck	30.45

Waynesville District

Bryson City, H. E. Jones	20.50
Canton: Central, W. R. Kelly	21.00
Clyde, E. C. Price	11.00
Jonathan, R. O. Brown	4.66
Webster, J. C. Gentry	6.57

Winston-Salem District

Doubs, A. C. Kennedy	12.75
Forsyth-Maple Springs, R. A. Hunter	2.00
Pilot Mountain, C. C. Washam	6.75
Rural Hall, I. L. Sharpe	4.50
Winston-Salem: Ogburn Memorial, R. E. Hinshaw	5.65

R. M. Courtney, Treas.

A GREAT CHRISTIAN'S CREED

In the years 1939-40 Rev. W. C. Dutton was the pastor of Midway Methodist church, Kannapolis. In those two years he led in building a large new church there in a fast growing industrial community, and in the meantime received 400 members into the church, most of them by profession of faith. He overworked and thus suffered nervous exhaustion and has been given a year's leave from active duty to recuperate. These facts are given as an introduction to a little tract that he circulated under the name "My Creed" as follows:

"Do not keep the alabaster boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until your friends are dead. Fill their lives with sweetness. Speak approving, cheering words while their ears can hear them; the kind things you mean to say when they are gone, say before they go; the flowers you mean to send for their coffins send to sweeten and to brighten their homes before they leave them. If my friends have alabaster boxes laid away, full of fragrant perfumes of sympathy and affection, which they expect to break over my dead body, I would rather they would bring them out in my weary and truobled hours and open them, that I may be refreshed and cheered by them when I need just that. I would have a plain coffin, without a flower, and a funeral without a eulogy, rather than a life without sweetness, love and sympathy. We can anoint our friends beforehand for their burial, as Mary did our Lord. Post mortem kindness does not cheer the troubled spirit. Flowers on the coffin cast no fragrance backward over life's weary way."

G. C. Graham.

IMMORTALITY OF HOPE

Cease, every joy to glimmer on my mind;
But leave, oh leave the light of Hope behind!
What though my winged hours of bliss have been,
Like angels' visits, few and far between;
Her musing mood shall every pang appease,
And charm, when pleasures lose the power to please.
Yes, let each rapture, dear to nature, flee;
Close not the light of Fortune's stormy sea—
Mirth, Music, Friendship, Love's propitious smile,
Chase every care, and charm a little while;
Ecstatic throbs the fluttering heart employ,
And all her strings are harmonized to joy.
Eternal hope! When yonder spheres sublime
Pealed their first notes to sound the March of Time,
Thy joyous youth began—but not to fade—
When all the sister planets have decayed;
When wrapped in fire, the realms of ether glow,
And heaven's last thunder shakes the world below,
Thou, undismayed, shall o'er the ruins smile,
And light thy torch at Nature's funeral pile.

—Thomas Campbell.

AFTER READING AN OLD BOOK

(For Preachers, Mostly)

I have just finished reading a book, not every line of it, but most of it. It is an old book, first published in 1881, and very likely now out of print. A young woman, whose father was a minister, gave it to me the other day, saying that she had nowhere to keep it, and that she thought I might like to have it. I have had some good and, to tell the truth, some warmly heart-searching times with it these hot summer days.

Years ago I read or heard somewhere that the greatest book on preaching was Prof. Austin Phelps' "The Theory of Preaching." Negligently and procrastinatingly, I omitted to get it and read it, as I know now, to my great loss. I hope that my habits of mind are not so rigidly formed as to prevent me from getting some profit from it, even yet! And the people who have to listen to me would hope so even more earnestly, if they were familiar with some of the exhortations given in Professor Phelps' lectures!

This old book is a bit tedious sometimes, as many books written half a century ago are, especially to the modern reader. (But are old books the only tedious ones —or old sermons, either?) Occasionally this book falls into some of the errors it condemns, such as repetition, over-statement, lack of pertinency, etc. Sometimes the author's views are quite out of harmony with more modern ideas, such, for example, as his extremely conservative and highly Calvinistic theology, or his approving quotation of the remark of one of his contemporaries that woman's suffrage is "The Reform That Defeats Itself"!

One does not have to take this famous teacher's ideas without "grains of salt" or without readaptation. But I believe there is no preacher, however, practiced or skillful, unless he has already made a study of this book, who would not profit by reading it. Some chapters may have been rendered obsolete by later developments; but the great fundamentals of preaching, of sermon construction, and of staying by the majestic themes and texts, are and never will be out of date.

After all, the masters of the art and science of preaching have something to say to the newest divinity-graduate, as well as to those of the "older school," who have not grown too old to learn. And I should say that Professor Phelps, familiar, as he was, with the great preaching of his day and before (as well as with no little of the lesser preaching) was certainly one of those masters.

W. A. Stanbury.

NEWS NOTES FROM CLIFFSIDE AND AVONDALE

Please find enclosed check for $16 and apply as per memorandum enclosed. Our pastor made a statement and appeal in an announcement recently and am glad to see indication of response of interest in the Advocate.

Our churches, Cliffside and Avondale, will have a creditable report for the year, which is not unusual, and which we take some pride in maintaining consistently.

At the fourth session of the quarterly conference recently the pastor reported 45 members added during the year, and all financial claims paid promptly as due. The trustees reported a debt of a few hundred dollars paid off at Avondale and nearly three thousand dollars spent in grading and building a parking ground around the church at Cliffside.

And finally, we are amazed, Mr. Editor, at news of this tax assessment and at the amount of it. We are ready to join everybody in a demand that the next legislature repeal and apologize. Miss Una Edwards.

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

"He talked beneath the moon, he slept beneath the sun,
He lived in the land of Going-To-Do, and died with nothing done."

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Religion in Action

With God go over the sea; without him not over the threshold.

Let us fail in trying to do something rather than sit still and do nothing.

The message for the hour is for the body of the church to come up to the firing line.

God will not look on you for medals, degrees and diplomas, but for scars.

It is the mission of the church to give the whole gospel to the whole world.

The life purpose of Jesus was to get men to say "Our Father"—and believe it.

We must live as the Saviour did; his sorrows he divided with the Father—his life with the world.

When John Quincy Adams was 80 years old, he met on a Boston street an old friend who shook his trembling hand and said, "Good morning, and how is John Quincy Adams today?" "Thank you," was the reply, "John Quincy Adams himself is well, sir, quite well, but the house in which he lives at present is becoming dilapidated; it is tottering upon its foundation; time and the seasons have nearly destroyed it. Its roof is pretty well worn out; its walls are much shattered and it trembles at every wind. The old tenement is becoming almost uninhabitable and I think John Quincy Adams will have to move out of it soon; but he himself is quite well, sir, quite well." Shortly thereafter he heard a call and in responding he said: "This is the last of earth; I am content."

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I know not what the long years hold
Of winter days and summer clime;
But this I know: when life grows old,
It shall be light—at evening time.

I can not tell what boon awaits
To greet me, with the falling night;
But this I know: beyond the gates,
At evening time it shall be light.

—Thomas Curtis Clark.

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When You Come to Church

Do you cultivate an eye to detect the stranger? He is always there. He does not always have the nerve to hunt you up and introduce himself. You must not blame him for being backward. It is your privilege and duty to make at least one stranger doubly glad that he has found his way to the house of God. If each of us would do this much, what a reputation our church would soon have for friendliness. Let us be brave enough to neglect each other, whom we meet so often, while we cultivate the acquaintance of the one whom we have never met. Let us study the art of making the stranger feel at home with us.

THE YOUTH CARAVAN HAS COME TO KERNERSVILLE

The members of the caravan have left but the influence, the training, and the inspiration of Caravan week will remain to bless this community. Main Street, Cherry Street and Pine Grove churches participated in the activities. In addition to the regular class and forum activities a beautiful worship service was conducted each evening, to which the public was invited. These worship services varied in their settings and content, and proved to be the high light of the week. Especially is this true of the consecration service on the last night of the Caravan, this service being the climax of the activities. The church was beautifully decorated and a camera flashed just as the first table was assembled for the Lord's Supper; thus we hope to preserve a vivid picture of this lovely scene.



Seated: Miss Jane Miller, Miss Mary Elizabeth Cox, Helen Strickland. Standing: Mr. Howard Wilkinson, Mrs. John F. Kirk, Mr. Ross Francisco.

On Sunday members of the caravan visited the church schools of the three churches, and Mr. Ross Francisco preached at Pine Grove church, while Mr. Howard Wilkinson was preaching at Main Street church at 11. On Sunday evening a great union service was held at Main Street church at 8. On Monday afternoon late a picnic supper was served on the lawn of Cherry Street church, after which a beautiful and most impressive worship service was held in the church by candle light. On Tuesday morning at 6 (new time) the group had a hike and cook-out, after which a worship service was conducted in the open. The group enjoyed an outing at Reynolds Park on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Cox, the adult counselor, had the situation well in hand at all times, and proved to be a most acceptable and capable leader, as did the members of her group, who were: Miss Jane Miller of Tennessee, Miss Helen Strickland of Texas, Mr. Howard Wilkinson of Texas, and Mr. Ross Francisco of West Virginia. Miss Cox is from Greensboro. Ths class work was of a high order, and the recreation periods were of course popular. The forum work was noteworthy. In fact it was a delightful week and each member of the caravan is endeared to the people of this community.

Our young people went on record last Sunday as desiring Caravan week next year, and we hope Kernersville will be on the list.

STATE TO BE INVADED BY NORTHERN TROOPS

North Carolina will be invaded by more than 50,000 troops from the North starting October 1, when the entire VI Army Corps, with headquarters at Providence, R. I., enters the state via four different routes on its way to the First Army maneuver area.

The routes by which the four different bodies of VI Army Corps troops will enter North Carolina and the towns through which they will pass on their way to the maneuver are: U. S. 1 through Weldon, Enfield, Rocky Mount, Wilson, Selma, Smithfield, Benson, Dunn, Raeford, and Aberdeen; U. S. 15 through Oxford, Creedmoor, Durham, Chapel Hill, Pittsboro, Sanford, Carthage, and Pinehurst; U. S. 501 to Roxboro, Prospect Hill, Haw River, Burlington, Liberty, Asheboro, and Biscoe; and U. S. 29 through Reidsville, Greensboro, Sedgefield, High Point, Thomasville, and Troy.

Advanced detachments of these organizations departed from their home stations September 16, and proceeded via the same route to the manuever area. This huge movement by truck convoy is only one of the many which will enter the state from the North prior to the start of First Army maneuvers on October 6.

DR. J. W. McGEHEE DIES IN REIDSVILLE

Dr. J. W. McGehee, president of the Bank of Reidsville and one of the city's leading physicians, died late Tuesday night, September 23, as the result of a heart attack while answering a call to the hospital. He was 61 years of age.

Dr. McGehee was born in Rockingham county near Madison and located in Reidsville in 1904. He was medical examiner for the local draft board during the first World War and held the same position in Rockingham board No. 1 during the present emergency.

He was connected with the Bank of Reidsville for many years and was named its president several years ago. He was active in politics and in 1936 was a delegate to the Democratic national convention. He also was chairman of the board of stewards of Main Street Methodist church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Pleasants, Lynchburg, Va., and Miss Elizabeth McGehee, Washington; one son, John McGehee, a student at Washington and Lee University ;and a sister, of Roanoke, Va.

Funeral service was held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at Main Street Methodist church, with burial in Greenview cemetery.

Dr. McGehee was a popular and esteemed citizen of Reidsville and had friends wherever he was known. His sudden taking off will be learned with sorrow by those privileged to know him.

PROFESSOR H. E. MYERS ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

"Congratulations on your excellent work that continues to give us the best Advocate in the entire church." Such is the greetings of Professor Myers from Boston, where he, Mrs. Myers and daughter, Martha Rose, are spending their time during the first semester.

This devoted worker, eager seeker after knowledge, and loyal friend adds these interesting paragraphs about Boston:

The several universities and colleges hereabouts are opening last week and this week. I have attended some of the formal openings, and hope to be present at others this week. Freshman registration is above the normal figure in most of the institutions; as you have noticed, no doubt, some of the institutions have a very decided drop in the number enrolled in the upper colleges classes and in the professional schools.

From the pulpits of Trinity, King's Chapel, and Old South during the last three Sundays came sermons with varied reflections of attitude toward the present world situation. This note is not the place to make a report of preaching in Greater Boston, and so I'll not do more than indicate that my impression is that the pulpits named have with some resevations voiced support of the present national policy. Only in King's Chapel did I hear the senior minister; the other two pulpits were filled by the assistant minister. I shall go back to hear the senior minister at a later date.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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STUDY LEADERS' MEETING

The study leaders' meetings for our Western North Carolina conference are being held this week and we are sure will prove to be most interesting and profitable gatherings. The "team" in charge of these meetings is composed of four of the conference officers: Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. C. N. Clark, secretary spiritual life groups; Mrs. W. F. Redding, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, and Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A. These meetings have been held at First church, High Point, on Monday, for the Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem districts; Tuesday at Broad Street church, Statesville, for Statesville and Salisbury districts; Wednesday, First church, Morganton, for Marion and Elkin districts; today (Thursday) at Waynesville Methodist church, for Asheville and Waynesville districts, and tomorrow (Friday) at First church, Charlotte, for Charlotte and Gastonia districts

The programs for these meetings have been made more interesting and impressive through the presence of Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York City, one of the new field secretaries of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

PASSING OF MRS. J. W. WOLFE

The death of Mrs. J. W. Wolfe of Asheville on Thursday, September 11, removed from Central church one of its most loyal and devoted members, one who served faithfully and gave unstintingly of her time and talents to extend her Master's kingdom, and was willing to "spend and be spent" in his service. Mrs. Wolfe had been ill for a year, and bore her affliction with Christian fortitude and courage. She was most active in the women's organizations of the church and in the church school, having for several years served as president of the W. M. Society, as leader of the children's work and as a teacher of young girls in the church school. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Dr. W. A. Lambeth, and her body laid to rest in Riverside cemetery.

TOWER CHIMES

Miss Jean Hendrix of Charlotte, editor of the "Church of the Week" page in the Charlotte Observer each Sunday, has a most interesting article in the issue of September 14, under the heading "Tower Chimes." Miss Hendrix tells us that "at the request of the spiritual life group of First church, of which Mrs. B. M. Bracken is chairman, every day at noon the beautiful tubular chimes of First Methodist church are played for ten minutes as a call to prayer in these troublous times. Familiar and well loved hymns of the church are played inviting all Christians to lift grateful hearts in deeper consecration and peace in a war torn world."

"Discouraged hearts receive hope—grateful hearts pledge stronger allegiance and all remembering suffering throughout the world as the strains of 'Sweet Hour of Prayer,' 'Just as I Am Without One Plea' and 'Abide with Me' and other dear old hymns are heard." Miss Hendrix says that "the spiritual life group felt that at a time like this, when people are inclined to forget their own spiritual life, the old custom of ringing the chimes would be an excellent reminder." These chimes were presented to First church several years ago by Mr. Frank O. Sherrill in honor of his father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Sherrill.

ZONE MEETING WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

We are indebted to Mrs. K. M. Yokeley for the following interesting account of the meeting of zone one of the Winston-Salem district, which was held a few days ago, an account of which was given in the Winston-Salem Journal:

"Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, was the speaker at the meeting of zone one of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service, held at New Hope church and held the attention of the audience of interested women as she told of her work in Africa—the mission field she has been serving for several years—and of the opportunities for service in that field.

Mrs. C. C. Ausband presided and Mrs. K. M. Yokeley served as secretary. Mrs. Walter Johnson led the worship service and prayer was offered by the pastor of the New Hope church, Rev. A. C. Kennedy. Mrs. Allen Horn presented the spiritual life work, outlining a course for the year. Mrs. Horn, Mrs. Ira Baity and Mrs. Sprinkle were appointed a committee to investigate the project of having the Bible taught in the public schools of the county.

'Quarterly Work' was discussed by Mrs. A. C. Payne of Rural Hall; 'Young Women and Girls' Work' by Mrs. B. L. Watkins of Green Street church; 'Wesleyan Service Guild,' Mrs. M. S. Ross of Central Terrace; 'Supply Work,' Mrs. Roy Darnell, Oak Summit church; 'The Bible, World Outlook, The Methodist Woman, and the Christian Advocate' by Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Walkertown; 'Status of Women," Mrs. R. A. Hunter.

Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district corresponding secretary, outlined work of the organizations and announced the date of week of prayer October 27-30, 1941, urging observance and attendance upon the meeting by the societies in the district.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, announced the study leaders' meeting to be held in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, September 22, for the High Point, Greensboro and Winston-Sale mdistricts, and urged the attainment of the efficiency aim by the societies of the district, which goal may be matched by attaining eight points of excellence instead of 16. Mrs. T. B. Holcomb of Ardmore church discussed missionary education. Mrs. Clyde Perryman of the New Hope church, invited the members to a social hour on the lawn where refreshments were served.

CLOSING MEETING OF ASHEVILLE DISTRICT ZONES

The last meeting of the zones for the Asheville district was held on Tuesday, September 16, by zone No. 3 at the West Asheville Methodist church, with Mrs. W. G. McFarland, zone chairman, presiding. The meeting opened with hymn 364, "More Love to Thee," and was followed by the devotional by Mrs. McFarland, who used as her theme, "Investing Our Heritage," giving as a scriptural basis the story of the Talents, with appropriate comments. Prayer was offered by Rev. George Schreyer of Tryon, and was followed by a beautiful vocal solo, "Somebody Knows," by Mrs. B. H. Cole of Montmorenci church. The following district departmental officers were present and gave reports of their work: Mrs. J. S. Williams, C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. George Schreyer, student work; Miss Jane Sullivan, Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, supplies; Mrs. W. R. Harris, literature and publications. Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., a member of the standing committee of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, on Status of Women, was introduced and welcomed the visiting delegation to West Asheville church. Miss Amy Hackney, district corresponding secretary, explained a number of the department leaflets and the record book for "Cor. Secretary and Other Secretaries" and also brought to the attention of the delegation the "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," recently issued by the conference historian of the former W. M. Society, W. N. C. Conference. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., pastor of the church, gave the noontide devotional using as his subject "Christian Hope Against the Background of Peril," in which he gave several interpretations of the development of the human race, closing with the religious interpretation of soul training and kingdom building—a most impressive talk.

This talk was preceded by a most appropriate selection by Mrs. B. H. Cole, who sang with earnestness and expression "God's Tomorrow."

Three zone leaders were elected, viz: Assistant zone leader, Mrs. B. H. Cole; recording secretary, Mrs. A. E. Dunn, and treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Sullivan.

An offering of $2.73 was secured and will be used for subscriptions to The Methodist Woman. The delegation was invited to the dining room, where Mrs. F. A. Walton, district spiritual life leader, gave thanks and made a most appealing talk on her department, also requesting that spiritual life scrap books be made to be sent at Christmas to the "shut-ins" in the homes and hospitals. Dainty refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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REPORTING: WHEN AND WHERE

Already some officers in the local societies have mailed their third quarter's reports; others will be in the mails in time to reach the proper conference officer by October 1, but, alas, many will either not send a report or will send one too late to be counted. It is impossible to stress too much the importance of reporting and reporting on time. Conference officers to whom reports should be sent are: Treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, 201 S. William Street, Goldsboro; missions and Bible study, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers; children's work, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City; student work, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage; publications, Miss Mary Gardner, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh; supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon; Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. R. C. Gary, 155 Clark Street, Henderson. Corresponding secretaries of local societies send reports to the district secretaries of the respective districts: Durham, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Fayetteville, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Sanford; New Bern, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Raleigh, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Rt. 1, Henderson; Rocky Mount, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Wilmington, Mrs. N. P. Edens, Tabor City. All correspondence concerning literature should be directed to Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden. It is not too much to work toward a 100 per cent goal in reporting. Let's do it!

WORLD FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

A few years ago the Presbyterian Church inaugurated the custom of designating the first Sunday in October as a time for the simultaneous observance of the Lord's Supper by the churches of that denomination all over the world. This plan is motivated by the thought of a world-wide Christian fellowship and was a proclamation of unity in Christ Jesus. So appealing is this idea that the Federal Council of Churches in America has undertaken, through its Commission on Evangelism, to recommend this observance to all churches. The Methodist Commission on Evangelism is promoting the plan within our own denomination and thus, this year more than ever before, Christians of many lands will be taking the emblems of Christ's sacrificial death; thinking in terms of brotherly love, sympathy and action and thanking God for the tie that is slowly bringing together in unity all things in Christ. The Methodist committee for overseas relief therefore is asking that on October 5 special prayer be made in the services of all our churches—prayer for the needy, the homeless, the hungry, the despairing brothers and sisters across the sea. It is hoped that all Methodist women will co-operate with their pastor in the observance of this day.

EFFICIENCY AIMS

Less than four months remain in which to reach the eight efficiency aims set for this year. Now is an excellent time to check on these items outlined in the list, considering those aims which your society has and has not attained, and each society should strive for attainment of ALL the items, namely, at least ten monthly meetings. using program material provided by the Woman's Division of Christian Service: Net increase of membership; a spiritual life committee functioning; committee promoting study and activity each quarter in some area of C. S. R. and L. C. A.; three study courses, selected from approved courses; net subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook; observance of week of prayer, as planned by the W. D. C. S.; increase in offerings sent conference treasurer. These aims are designed for the more effective promotion of work and not for any glory which any society might feel in obtaining them. Are they not simple enough and worthy enough that each society should set itself to the task of meeting each of the items in a notable way?

SIGNS OF HOPE IN KOREA

Concluding a series of statements concerning some signs of hope in our various mission fields and made by some of our missionaries who attended the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska this summer, some of these statements having been published on the N. C. conference woman's page for the past two weeks, we come to that oppressed but courageous country of Korea about which Miss Ida Hankins of the N. C. conference said: "The hope of the future in Korea is the Christian way of life as leaven permeating Korean society. Such a way of life has been set forth for many years in our churches, Christian schools, social evangelistic centers, hospitals and in Christian literature. There are many Korean Christians who have a mind through which Christ thinks; hearts through which Christ loves; voices through which Christ speaks and hands through which Christ helps. The challenge is for us to pray for the Koreans as we have never prayed before and to be ready to give them the help they need as soon as it is wise for them to receive it. We must be ready with our money and with our help as missionaries when the first call comes. Personally, I want to be on the first boat that takes our missionaries back." Miss Bessie Oliver stated: "The Korean church is a Bible centered church. The Koreans know that Christianity is worth living for and worth dying for. The opportunities have been great in Korea in the past—they will be greater tomorrow." Rev. A. G. Anderson: "The Koreans are measuring up to the responsibilities that are theirs in carrying on the work of Christ." Mrs. Anderson: "The Koreans are a giving church and a praying church."

DURHAM DISTRICT STUDY DAY

Despite the extremely high temperature of the day a large representation of women of the Durham district met on September 9 at Carrboro Methodist church to hear Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education, and her assistants discuss the necessity for mission study, outline the text book "A Christian Imperative," which is to be used with the fall topic "Christianity and World Order"; discuss objectives and hoped for outcomes for the fall mission study classes and other phases of the course. Mrs. Boone was assisted in the discussions by Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro; Miss Sarah Massey, Cary, and Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers. A skit depicting the diagnosis of the world's ills was enacted by Mrs. Cutchin, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham; Miss Mary Freeman; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh; Mrs. D. L. Fouts and Miss Massey. Mrs. Mary Freeman led the opening devotional, using the theme, "The Brotherhood of Man," and Mrs. A. M. Gates led the closing prayer immediately before the luncheon hour. Following the fellowship luncheon the women met in various interest groups. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, led the group composed of presidents; Mrs. Boone, missionary education secretaries; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. S. led as group particularly interested in that department of work; Mrs. A. M. Gates, spiritual life; Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, young women and girls' work; Miss Mary Gardner, children's work.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district secretary, announces three district study leaders' meetings: September 30 at Sunbury, 10 a. m.; October 1 at Wanchese, 9:30 a. m.; October 2 at Hatteras, 10:30 a. m. All presidents, secretaries of spiritual life, C. S. R. and L. C. A., missionary education, children's work, young women and girls' work, and all others interested are urged to attend one of these meetings. Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, announces a district meeting on October 1 at Harrell's store, beginning at 9:45 a. m. Mrs. W. Chadwick, conference president, and some other conference officers will be present and an interesting and helpful program is being planned. Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Warren zone leader, Rocky Mount district, is announcing a meeting of that zone on Saturday, October 4, at Warrenton Methodist church, beginning at 10 a. m. Miss Leila Tuttle, missionary to China, will be guest speaker.

Nothing goes on so easily as that which one has succeeded in.—Author unknown.

The most prolific source of true success is energy without despondency.—Ramayana.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

A CONVERSATION

"We are having a hard time getting out this year. It does not look like we are going to be able to raise our World Service apportionment. I am calling to know if we can't transfer some of our fifth Sunday offerings to the ten per cent apportionment account to the Children's Home so that we can report our church out in full." Such is what a good friend said yesterday. The reply was that the leaders of the congregation in question could do as they preferred about their payments to the Children's Home but that we had decided to stop scratching up our books and unbalancing our accounts for conference reporting appearance value. It so happens that the pastor of the particular congregation from which the layman called is insisting on the Children's Home's taking four additional children.

COMBINED ACCOUNTING

A recommendation will be made to the approaching meeting of our board of trustees that a combined quota be offered each pastoral charge in the Western North Carolina conference, one which will include credit for all payments from that charge, specials, church school, fifth Sundays and congregational giving. Recommendation will further be made that quotas be offered charges in line with their ability to pay. If the trustees think well of such an apportionment, it will be presented, through proper channels, to the annual conference for approval or rejection. In this day of merging the Children's Home may want to merge its paying opportunities into one line of unification.

FIRST THINGS FIRST

Brethren and sisters, we have had all we could say grace over in raising our family this summer. We have placed 45 of our children elsewhere and brought in 73 from somewhere. This going and coming, with those whose demands continued, has given us all we could do about. We have not had time to fill appointments for the brethren who were away on vacation nor have we had time to gather up our children and run about over the country attending home comings. Our family has come first. We feel sure that our friends understand and approve our efforts at giving some of God's children the consideration they ought to have.

TAXING THE STUFF

The appeal of the Advocate for some heroic efforts at increased payments because of unexpected tax assessment is appreciated and clearly understood by the Children's Home management. We sincerely hope that our friends will come to the aid of the Advocate, whose function it is to continually aid all our causes. The Children's Home has a piece of property, necessitated by foreclosure, which brings an annual income of $1800. The tax to be paid on this property for this year amounts to about $1500. This property is listed for taxation at more than twice as much as the sale price we are offered. Through no way were we able to reduce the valuation, not even through the employment of an outstanding local legal firm.

ITS BOYS NOW

The picture this week is that of the Norfleet cottage group of boys. We have eight groups of boys here. This is one of them. The football season brings the boys to the foreground. But we have some girls, many of whom do not stay in the background. The Norfleet family lives in one of our best kept buildings and never appears in public poorly clad. Mrs. Ella Bradfield is the home mother and Mrs. Rona Hartley is the dietitian.

WHEN LOVE SHINES IN

Just read what Rev. Charles P. Bowles of First church, Wadesboro, says and remind yourself that his congregation is in the area and influence of the the announcement of the recent large Martin bequest: "Some of us were not at all satisfied with our last fifth Sunday offering. We had a small crowd and a small offering—about $40, I believe. We only lacked about $75 of raising $400 for fifth Sundays this year. Since that time Miss Essie Collier, who is always going about doing good, has raised the necessary amount to bring the yearly fifth Sunday offering to $400. I am therefore enclosing a check for $35.64. Accept it with our love and continued interest."

Wadesboro has paid $300 on the ten per cent apportionment and $400 on fifth Sunday, $700.

THANKS, BROTHER, THANKS

Rev. O. E. Croy, pastor of the Linwood charge, writes: "If the old bell is still in good shape you might ring us up for ten per cent in full for Bethany and Tyro. This makes three of my churches bell ringers. The other two will ring out by tomorrow."

PULLING THE CORD

The apportionment bell continues to ring. Somebody is pulling the cord. The tones please us mightily, in fact we are just plain tickled. Join us in grateful thanks for the following bell ringers:

Millers Creek, Millers Creek circuit, Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner.

Asbury Memorial, Asheville, Rev. R. H. Taylor.

Chestnut Grove and Zion, Mocksville circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

Oak Forest, Morganton, Rev. G. F. Hood.

Lake Toxaway and Selica, Rosman circuit, Rev. J. R. Bowman.

Richland circuit, Rev. C. L. Grant.

Marion Mills, Rev. H. M. Wellman.

North Newton, Rev. C. A. Morrison.

Lebanon, High Point, Rev. O. L. Easter.

Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, Rev. A. C. Waggoner.

Central. Monroe, Rev. G. R. Combs.

Oakboro, Stanfield circuit, Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

McDowell circuit, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.

New Zion, Why Not circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Bethany and Tyro, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

Alexander's Chapel and Clark's Chapel, Weaverville circuit, Rev. J. Max Brandon, Jr.



Some boys, sir, some boys. Love 'em

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina .....

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WORDS OF SYMPATHY — The following message of sympathy was received from the children of the Free Will Baptist Orphanage at Middlesex, N. C.: "Deepest and sincere sympathy to you in your great loss."

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Rives writes as follows: "Rev. B. D. Critcher and the Methodist congregation of Enfield were hosts to the singing class from the Methodist Orphanage Sunday. Our sacred concert was given at the 11 o'clock hour. The evening service we held in Halifax, with Rev. O. I. Hinson and his congregation. At both churches we were cordially received by splendid congregations.

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SICKNESS—For the past 21 years Miss Eula Hester, now Mrs. D. H. Crumpton, has been one of our most faithful and efficient teachers. She has been confined to her bed for several days, and we are hoping that she will soon recover and be back in her school room. The Orphanage has never had a more devoted teacher than Mrs. Crumpton. Mrs. Fred Smith, wife of one of our teachers, is supplying in Mrs. Crumpton's class room in her absence.

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COTTON BELT—Cotton is bringing the highest price since the first World War. I have a feeling that our cotton farmers are going to share their profit with our children in the Methodist Orphanage. Since our need is so imperative, may I express the hope that our churches will make an immediate response to help us meet our operating expenses and to pay off the ten thousand dollar indebtedness which was incurred in order that we might pay our current bills.

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DINING HALL—During the past several months we have been endeavoring to raise money with which to purchase battleship linoleum to cover the floor of our large dining hall. Many individuals and societies of Christian service have co-operated with Mrs. Gurney P. Hood and the Orphanage by sending us a collection of coupons from Octagon products. It is confidently believed with the coming of fall that friends and societies of Christian service will renew their efforts to bring our coupon campaign to a successful conclusion. United effort will help us to go "over the top" during the next two or three months. This is a matter of great concern to our home. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood is chairman of our campaign, and heartily endorses the plan to secure battleship linoleum for our dining room.

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DEATH ANGEL—On Saturday, September 13, Charles McLauchlin, one of our best boys, answered the "one clear call." Charles came to the Methodist Orhanage on May 25, 1938, and was fourteen years of age last July. For nearly a year Charles has spent a great deal of time in our infirmary and in Rex hospital, due to rheumatic fever. He came very near slipping away from us last year when he was so critically ill. For some time his heart has been seriously involved, and all that loving kindness and medical skill could do failed to relieve him. On Monday, September 15, a short service was held in our chapel and he was laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery, where the Orphanage has a plat. His passing brought genuine sorrow into the hearts of both workers and children. We shall sadly miss Charles, but we know that he is at rest.

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Dorothy Floyd's letter:

At the end of my high school days and my stay in the Methodist Orphanage, I feel that it would not be complete without my taking the opportunity to thank the many friends who have made this home possible for me.

First, may I express my gratitude to Mr. Barnes, who has not only been the superintendent of our home but also a real pal and dad to everyone of us. He is always willing to help us when we are worried and distressed. Mr. Barnes, I now thank you sincerely for the part you have taken in making this home such a happy one for me. May I follow your teachings throughout my life.

To the Calvary Methodist church missionary society in Durham, I wish to express my sincere appreciatoin for the many things that you have done for me. My home could not have been complete without your loving kindness and help. I do appreciate all that you have done, and shall remember your kindness always.

To each member of the Eastern North Carolina conference who has taken a part in helping and supporting my home, I wish to express my deepest love and appreciation. It is you who have, in a large measure, made our home what it is. It is a great honor to mave lived here, and I consider myself fortunate to have had the opportunity of such good training.

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NEW LITERATURE FOR ADULT DIVISION

In our last Advocate page a description of the new literature for use in the Adult Division had to be omitted for lack of space. We are presenting here some materials that are available in our Adult Division.

ADULT STUDENT is a 96-page monthly publication for use by adult classes in the church school. It carries treatments of the International Uniform Lessons, elective courses dealing with questions of great moment, fellowship services for young adults, and other material. The Adult Division of the Board of Education makes use of this publication each month in giving information and practical suggestions concerning the rapidly developing program of Christian education for adults of the Methodist Church. The price is 20 cents a quarter.

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FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE OFFERING REPORT

We are publishing herewith the report of fourth Sunday offerings for World Service for the third quarter of the conference year. The reports thus far indicate quite an increase in fourth Sunday offerings for this year as compared with offerings for a corresponding period last year. We believe that more and more of our churches will take advantage of this fourth Sunday opportunity for missionary cultivation and church-wide giving to all the causes of the church.

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Front Street	42.75
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Leasburg	8.20
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Milton, Connally	2.25
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Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills	2.00
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Saxapahaw	4.20
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Swepsonville	72.25
Yanceyville-Bethel	9.35
Prospect	13.58
Total	549.49

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Hebron	2.45
Trinity	7.68
Chowan-Anderson	4.61
Center Hill	1.45
Columbia-Cedar Grove	3.30
Wesley's Chapel	3.69
Wesley Memorial	10.97
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Currituck, Ebenezer	5.87
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Moyock: Pilmoor Memorial	5.65
Moyock	9.14
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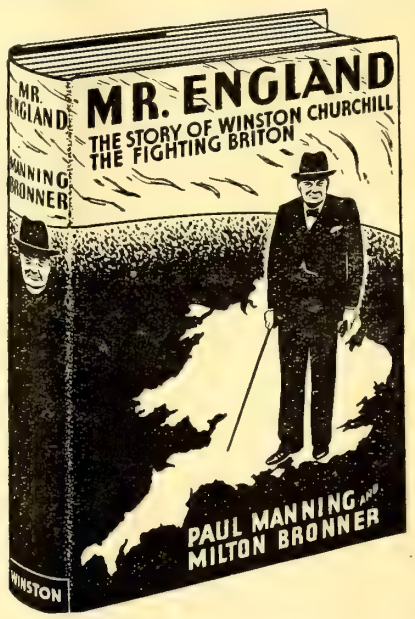
So soft its petals and deeply hued,
Surely it is the garden queen!
What a fairy-like picture its beauty lends
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By Rollin H. Walker

The Fulfillment of History: The New Jerusalem

Revelation 21:22

The vision of the great white throne and him that sat upon it, before whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and the immediately following gracious proclamation, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with me, and he shall dwell with them, exhibits a paradox that we often find in Scripture. Our God is a consuming fire, but we are made in his image and formed for intimate communion with him.

The Revelation proclaims with terrible emphasis that this is a moral universe and we cannot trifle with God or with the moral law; and yet at the same time it proclaims that through the blood of the Lamb all may be redeemed and glorified.

John exhausts human language to describe the glory of the New Jerusalem. He does this in contrast to the glory of Rome whose swift coming destruction he has just foreseen and described. The city is of immense size, fifteen hundred miles long and fifteen hundred miles wide. John must have been a great admirer of gems, for he makes the foundation of the city to consist of precious stones, and names more of them than could ordinarily be identified by any one but a jeweler.

In my Father's house, said Jesus, are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you (John 14:2). Jesus here suggests that, unless we have word to the contrary, we have a right to conceive of heaven as the consummation of the normal longings that God has planted within us. The barefooted Negro slaves rightly sang, In heaven "All God's chillun got shoes." John in his concentration camp was doubtless undernourished, and he dreamed of heaven as a place where they hunger no more; and in that very small, rocky island they perhaps had to drink fetid water preserved in the cavities of the rocks, and heaven to him is a place where the Lamb will lead them to living fountains of water. And as a prisoner he would be compelled to wear soiled clothing, and heaven was a place where they walk with Christ in white. Every overworked soul has a right to conceive of heaven as a time of infinite rest, and the shut-ins to dream of it as a time of glorious activity where the lame man shall leap as an hart.

Professor Ernest Scott insists that these chapters are not to be taken as a description of the final state of the blessed, but of a glorified earth. Perhaps John does not make a clear distintinction between heaven and the New Jerusalem in his own mind.

The supreme blessedness of the better world John describes in the words, They shall see his face and his name shall be in their foreheads (Psalm 17: 15). This is in harmony with Paul's words, We all with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory (2 Corinthians 3:17-18).

How little we know about the future world, and yet how much! John in his epistle combines the true agnosticism and the true certainty. "Now we are the sons of God." He is certain of that. "But it doth not yet appear what we shall be." Here he is an agnostic. But of one other thing he is certain: "We know that when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is (1 John 3:16).

In the world some miserable souls simply exist; others live; a few reign. But in that better world, says John, every one will reign (Revelation 3:21). Submission to God will not mean repression, but masterdom and glory.

John hears a voice, Behold I come quickly, and my reward is with me to give to every one according to his work. He did not come as quickly to destroy Rome and rout all the forces of evil as John hoped, but he always does come quickly to the individual, for comparatively speaking, it is but a moment before each one of us will receive the summons that calls him into the presence of him who is infinite love and infinite pity for all repentant souls, but whose eyes are as a flame of fire for those who seek to hide away their sins by lying duplicities.

We can test our state of grace by asking ourselves this question, Do I echo in my inmost soul John's passionate prayer, Even so, come, Lord Jesus?

STAY A METHODIST!

I hope I haven't told you the tale Lloyd told me about his little boy some years ago. Lloyd was a Baptist minister in the town where I then lived, and I have just found my note of what he told me one day after a ministers' fraternal.

"The other Sunday," he said, "my little boy Hugh saw five of our young people baptized. He had never been present at such a ceremony before, and was much interested, asking me many questions as we walked home together. 'Dadums,' he said as we passed your church, 'if I was to go to this chapel next Sunday would I see people getting baptized?' 'No, sonnie,' I said, 'that is a Methodist church, and they don't baptize people like we do.'

The next morning he had a little baptismal service on his own with a bucket of water. First he immersed our dog, who bore it very well, as he does everything that Hugh likes to do to him. Then he attended to the kitten, who seemed surprised and pained, but no more. The old cat, however, wasn't having any, and struggled and clawed him and at last got away. After a long chase he caught her again, but the sight of water roused her to worse fury than before, and she spat at him and scratched him badly. Then he threw her away. 'Go away, you nasty, bad-tempered old thing,' he said vehemently, 'and stay a Methodist!' "—Methodist Recorder.

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Children's Storyland



RAMEY AND THE HONEYSUCKLE VINE

By Etta W. Schlichter

Ramey had to sit still all day on account of his stone bruise. His mother brought him a paper and pencil so he could write down any interesting things he saw to show to Miss Alden, his teacher.

The first thing he wrote down was about a song-sparrow that sang "Sweet—sweet—very merry cheer."

While he was looking for something else that was interesting, his mother went out and gathered a spray of honeysuckle and brought it in.

"What does the honeysuckle spray look like?" she asked.

"Why," said Ramey surprised, "just like it always does."

"Yes," said mother, "but suppose I couldn't see it. How would you tell me it looks so that I should know?"

Ramey thought a bit, and then said, "It has ten leaves. Two of them sit together on the stem."

"In pairs," said mother.

"Yes. And then there's a bare space on the stem and then two more—I mean, another pair. And it's that way all the way up. And the top pair is the littlest. Oh, yes, and between the pair of leaves there's a weenty-teenty pair of leaves, and between these little leaves are the flowers."

"And what about the flowers?" asked mother.

"The top ones are white," said Ramey, "and there are two yellow ones."

"The yellow ones are fading," said mother. "They are old and will soon drop off. What else do you see?"

"The flowers look like cups stretched out very long," said Ramey, "and they have a feather edge. And they smell very sweet."

"That's a good description," said mother. "Now look at the vine and see what else you see."

Ramey was puzzled. "Nothing but the vine all covered with flowers," said he, "and a whole lot of bees buzzing round."

"Why do you suppose the bees are there?" asked mother.

"I know," said Ramey, getting excited. "They're gathering nectar. Miss Alden told us. But where is the nectar?"

"In the long cups," explained mother. "The bee has a proboscis."

"Why," laughed Ramey, "just like an elephant!"

"Yes," said mother, with a smile, "but not so big or it wouldn't go down into the cup to draw out the nectar."

"Is the nectar what the bee lives on?" asked Ramey.

"It carries the nectar to the hive to make it into honey."

"I saw a lot of beehives," said Ramey.

Mother went to the cupboard and brought out a covered dish. In it was a pound of honey in the honeycomb.

"What does that look like?" she asked.

"A whole lot of weenty-teenty pigeon-holes in a desk," said Ramey.

"Yes. The bee makes the pigeon-holes of wax. Then the pigeon-holes are filled with honey. Sometimes the bee-keepers put man-made pigeon-holes into the hives for the bees to use. These are made of paraffin, but this one the bees made themselves. After the honey is out of the wax, the wax is useful for several things."

"I know," said Ramey. "To put on irons to make them smooth. And what's that piece in your work-basket for?"

"Sometimes we wax thread to make it strong and to keep it from knotting."

"I wish I could see the bees make the honey. Did you ever see inside of a hive?" asked Ramey.

"No," said mother, "but bees live, as we say, in colonies. In each hive will be three kinds of bees. One bee is the queen and she has a longer body than the others, so you can easily tell her, and she is the ruler of the hive. If she were gone, the bees would not stay. Then there are the workers, the female bees that make the honey. And then there are the male bees, called the drones. After a while, when the workers find that the drones do not help, they get rid of them. Only the busy workers are allowed to stay in the hive."

"Is that why you say sometimes you're busy as a bee?" asked Ramey.

"Yes," said mother. "The bee is very useful, too. It has supplied people with delicious honey for hundreds and hundreds of years. Should you like a spoonful now? I know you'll be glad to learn these little lines about the bee, too:

" 'How doth the little busy bee
Improve each shining hour,
And gather honey all the day
From every opening flower!' "

THE RUNAWAYS

Said Peter once to Sister Prue,
"I have a splendid notion:
Let's runaway, both me and you,
And cross the land and ocean!
We'll steal out by the garden gate,
Provided they don't lock it.
I've eighteen pence, at any rate,
And biscuits in my pocket."
Alas, for all these plans so fine!
At half-past eight they started;
But they were back by half-past nine,
Most weary and down-hearted.
For Prue fell down and hurt her head,
And Peter tore his stocking.
"We'd better go by day," they said;
"These roads at night are shocking!"

—Selected.

INTERESTING EYES

Mothers frequently tell their children, "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach," when they foresee that the young persons are taking more than they can eat. In the case of the single-celled amoeba the eyes are as big as the stomach, for it is just about all stomach, and all sensitive to light. On the other hand, the jellyfish has only a rudimentary response to light in what has been termed an "eye-spot."

The eyes of an octopus are much like a person, and so is the normal fish eyes in its mechanical perfection. In forms of life lower than the turtle the eyes lack color.

The eyes of a starfish are on its arms, those of a snail on the ends of its horns. The wasp and the bee have three eyes, in a triangle, on top of the head. The eagle's eyes are pear shaped.

Snakes have a glassy stare because their eyes are covered by a transparent cap that cannot be moved, though the eyeball within the "window" is movable. One of the eyes most sensitive to motion is the rabbit.

In addition to the triangle of eyes, bees and wasps have two compound eyes on the side of the head. A spider has eight eyes and a caterpillar six, set near its jaws.

The bird's eyes are most marvelously adapted to changeable conditions; birds see at long range or short distances equally well, and no creature has quicker sight. The eyes of fish, too, are so made that they can see through either water or air. I have heard it said that a fish is blind when taken from its natural element, but that is a mistake. The retina of the fish eye is saucer-shaped; that of animal and bird like a cup.—Lester Banks, in Our Dumb Animals.

A parson was visiting a home and before leaving called for the family Bible to read a chapter of Scripture. Bobby's father said, "Bobby, go and get the Bible—you know, the big book that we all read so much."

Bobby soon returned carrying a large mail order catalogue.—Ex.

A freshman in high school was regaling her family with the French for potato, bread, milk, and about everything else in sight.

Marjorie, eight years old, listened and asked her big sister, "You have algebra, too, don't you, Joan?"

"Oh, yes, Marjorie, we have algebra."

"Well, what's algebra for mashed turnips?"—Boston Post.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Chapel Hill, 7:30 25
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 11 28
Leasburg, Bethel, 3 28
West Durham, 7:30 29

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

September

Aulander, Colerain, 11 28
Gatesville, Zion, 3 28

October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 1 1
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Red Springs, 11 28
Rowland, Centenary, 3 28
Caledonia, Central, 7 28

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Pamlico, Alliance, 11 28
Oriental, Pamlico, 3 28

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Benson, Benson, 11 28
Erwin, Erwin, 8 28

October

Louisburg Ct., Shiloh, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 15
Franklington, Franklinton, 7:30 16
Creedmoro, Creedmoor, 11 19
Stem, Stem, 7:30 19
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 20
Clayton, Clayton, 7:30 22
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 26
Garner, Garner, 7:30 26
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 29
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November

Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizaebth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Henderson, First Church, 11 9
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Spring Hope, 11 28
Sandy Cross, White Oak, 3:30 28
Nashville, 8 28

October

Whitakers, 7:30 1
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Lumberton, 11 28
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 8 28

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Saluda, night 25
Swannanoa, Azalea, night 26
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, night 28

October

Central Church, final check-up, night 1
English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

September

Brevard Street, 11 28
Marshville, Gilboa, 8 28

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Helton, 11 28
West Jefferson, night 29

October

Miller's Creek, night 1
Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

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GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 28
Cleveland Ct., Oak Grove, 3 28
Shelby Central, night 28

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

September

Danbury, 11 28
Sandy Ridge, 3 28
Oak Ridge, 7:30 28

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5

West End, 7:30 5
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 6
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
Proximity, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

September

Linwood, Bethany, 3 28
S. Davidson, 11, C.H. 30
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 7 30

October

Asheboro First, 7 1
Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Micaville, 11 28
Bakersville, 3 28
Linville Falls, 7:30 28

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

September

Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 28
Friendship, 3 28
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Jackson Park, 7:30 29
Pfeiffer, 7:30 30

October

Gold Hill, 7:30 1
Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 28
Hickory, First, 11 28
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 28

October

Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30 3
Mt. Zion, 11 5
Jones Memorial, 3 5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30 5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

September

Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 25
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 26
Reeds, Mt. Carmel, 11 28
West Forsyth, 3 28
First, 7:30 28
Maple Springs, 7:30 29

October

Lexington, First, 7:30 1
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11 5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 5
Rockford Street, 7:30 5
Doubs, 7:30 6
Centenary, 7:30 8
Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
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FOURTH ROUND

September

Canton, 8 25
Franklin Ct., Iotla, 11 28
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 4 28
Pigeon Valley, Long's Chapel, 8 28

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 5
Franklin, 8 5
Webster, Webster, 11 12
Whittier, Whittier, 3 12
Bryson City, 8 12
Murphy, 8 15
Cullowhee, 11 19
Canton, First, 8 19

Final check-up meeting and picnic for the district at Sylva Wednesday, October 1. Bishop Purcell presiding.

A TRIBUTE

The members of our West End Society of Christian Service with sad hearts record the passing of our oldest and most beloved member. She was a charter member of both our old missionary society and our new Society of Christian Service.

She was faithful and loyal and continued to the end to be active in every possible way. After she was unable to attend our services she supported our financial programs with generous donations. Her prayerful interest in every phase of our undertaking was at all times a source of inspiration.

She was a brilliant student of her Bible. She had stored in her mind the most beautiful and for her the most meaningful passages of Scripture,; quoting these from memory brought her much comfort and joy. God spoke to her through his Holy Word until he called her to himself.

One of the most lovable characteristics of our dear co-worker was her disposition to find and magnify the good in folks about her. From her Christ-likeness we have learned to be more patient, more forgiving, more loving.

We, who feel her absence so keenly, remembering that her husband and children who were closest to her, miss her even more, would extend to each of them the hand of Christian fellowship and express to them our understanding and heartfelt sympathy.

"She is not dead—she has put passed
Beyond the mists that blind us here,
Into a new and larger realm
Of a serener sphere."

Mrs. Martin Davis,
Mrs. Frank Sinclair,
Mrs. Vivian Tucker.
For the West End W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Bessie LeGwin Applewhite left her earthly home Sunday, August 3, 1941, for that "city not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, whose builder and maker is God," to claim that place prepared for her by Jesus whom she loved and served. Therefore we, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, N. C., are resolved that:

We have lost an excellent president, an efficient Christian worker, and a very dear friend.

We miss her greatly—her cheery smile, her friendly attitude, her pleasing manner, and we mourn her absence deeply and sincerely.

We extend to her family our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's richest blessings upon them, trusting that they and all of us will emulate her generous spirit and fine example of duties well performed and Christian friendships securely made.

"Spirit of Life, in this new dawn,
Give us the faith that follows on,
Letting thine all pervaded power
Fulfill the dream of this high hour.

"Spirit Consoling, let us find
Thy hand when sorrows leave us blind;
In the gray valley let us hear
Thy silent voice: 'Lo, I am near.'"

Mrs. G. T. Farrar,
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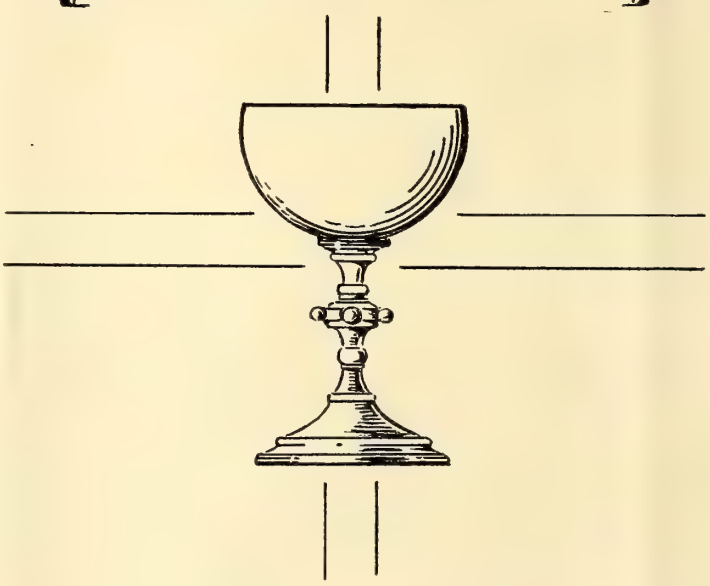
The secret of success is constancy to purpose.—Disraeli.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

✝ OCTOBER ✝ FIFTH ✝



He took bread
and gave thanks
and gave it to them













A Day of Special Prayer for War Sufferers

Around the wide world on October 5th, Christians will join in observing Jesus' command, "Do this in remembrance of me".

Never was there greater need for the consolation which the Man of Sorrows brings to those whose hearts are heavy. The Four Horsemen of Conquest, Slaughter, Famine and Death are riding again. "In the world, ye shall have tribulation", is still true. There is only one hope: "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world".

Yet the greatest sufferers today—the innocent victims of war—are divided into two groups. There are those who bow their heads in prayer. But to countless others, a gnawing hunger, the loss of child or parent, or months of brutality have brought utter despair. Driven beyond the limits of human endurance, their spirits are broken: hope or faith seems a cruel mockery.

On World Communion Sunday we must remember both groups of these brothers and sisters of ours—those who join with us in prayer, and those who are in danger of losing all faith in themselves, in their fellowmen and in God.



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The Preaching Friars

THE Preaching Friars took their rise and began their work in the thirteenth century, the "Black Friars" under the leadership of the Spaniard Dominic, the "Grey Friars" under that of Francis of Assisi. They must not be confused with the monks. As Dr. Augustus Jessopp points out, a friar was almost everything that a monk was not. The monk sought out a remote and lonely valley, and did his work in the solitude of the cloister; the friars, on the other hand, flung themselves on the towns and cities of the land; their aim was not, like the older orders, to flee the world but to win it; they brought religion into the fair and the market-place; they were itinerant evangelists, caring not so much for their own souls as for the souls and bodies of others.

And the great instrument by which the friars wrought their good work—and this is why it seems worth while to call up for a moment these dim figures of a vanishing past—was preaching. From the eighth to the twelfth century, one church historian tells us, "the living voice of the preacher was but rarely and feebly heard, if heard at all. Where Christianity had been established for some time, preaching was almost superseded by ceremonial and ritual service." It was this "disuse of preaching" which John Richard Green sets down as one of the chief causes of the decline at that period of the church's influence, as it was their eager recovery of it as an instrument in the church's service which made the friars so great a power in our land.

Today it is the Free Churches which inherit and must maintain the preaching traditions of the friars. Anglo-Catholics, for reasons of their own—reasons which we can understand though we do not share them—exalt the sacraments above preaching as sources of divine grace. But when Free Churchmen decry the work of the pulpit, as sometimes in an evil hour they are moved to do, they are turning their backs on their own history and bidding us unlearn one of its chief lessons. Here is a voice—not, as it happens, a Free Church voice—to remind us what the pulpit can do when those who serve it serve it with their whole strength:

"We hear (says Phillips Brooks) that the day of the pulpit is past, and then some morning the voice of a true preacher is heard in the land and all the streets are full of men crowding to hear him, as were the streets of Constantinople when Chrysostom was going to preach in the Church of the Apostles, or the streets of London when Latimer was bravely telling his truth at St. Paul's."

And the Preaching Friars, as different in their way as was their world from ours, are there to bear a like testimony to all who preach today.

—G. J., in Manchester Guardian.

CROSS SECTION OF REPORTS ON OUR TAX CANVASS

This week we note a few city and village churches and also country and town churches. These charges secured results as follows:

Alfred L. Chaplin of Columbia remits $7. He adds: "This is my first year in the conference and it is proving to be a very happy one."

R. L. Ownbey, Myers Park, Charlotte, forwards 34 good hard dollars.

N. G. Bethea, Fletcher, sends $11.

C. T. Thrift, Warsaw, $26. He keeps sending in.

E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, $12.

H. C. Smith, Duke Memorial, $25.

C. W. Robbins, Fremont, $12.

E. R. Clapp, Centenary, Winston-Salem, forwards $12.

J. V. Early, Yanceyville, forwarded $23 to add further to his list.

F. B. Peele, Person circuit, keeps forwarding each week. This amounts to $42.

E. C. Maness, Chadbourn, sends in one check for $31.

C. B. Harris, Straits-Harkers Island, sends up to the main land $13.

George L. Curry, Denton, adds to his list $7.

A. E. Brown, Parkton, $13.

Aubert M. Smith, Vance circuit, $21.

Mrs. A. C. Wilkinson from Graham sends $19.

Mrs. J. M. Godwin, Edenton Street, Raleigh, $10.

J. F. Herbert, Grace, Wilmington, wires in $42.

J. L. Joyce of Mount Olive circuit, remits $9.

This a good cross section of our Methodism in the state. But it is refreshing to record what P. H. Fields of Rosemary says in sending a check for $66.

He tells how it was done:

September has been designated North Carolina Christian Advocate month in the Rosemary church. We set as our goal thirty full year subscriptions. We felt that we should average one new subscriber each day during the month. Having reached the goal we decided to win other members to the Advocate subscription list.

It has been a great joy to do this work in the interest of the Advocate and those who will profit spiritually week after week as they read the wealth of material published in our conference organ.

OUR SPECIAL CAMPAIGN CLOSED OCTOBER 1

The exhibit shows that 134 charges reported 524 yearly subscribers. The full report for both conferences in both campaigns will be made of all subscribers sent for the year and by whom. For the Western North Carolina conference the report will be carried next week. For North Carolina conference there will be a full report before the conference meets in Durham. So everybody will then know what has been done in both campaigns in the two conferences. Doubtless other reports will be added. These will be included also. Should there appear any errors please point them out to us.

Our desire is to get the proper situation for the present year so clearly and fully before the Methodist people that next year may be the best we have ever known.

BISHOP HUGHES AND E. STANLEY JONES TO BE IN THOMASVILLE

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes will be the main speaker in a "victory rally" to be held in the Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, Friday evening, October 17. This rally will mark the conclusion of the $100,000 new church campaign, now within less than five thousand dollars of its goal.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, internationally known missionary evangelist and author, will conduct a four-day National Preaching Mission in Thomasville November 30-December. This mission, sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, will perhaps be Dr. Jones' only appearance in this section of the country for some time. He goes from Thomasville to the University of Illinois. During his four-day mission in Thomasville he will preach at least three times each day, with a special service for ministers each morning at 10:30 o'clock in Main Street church. The large mass metings will be held in the high school auditorium. Efforts will be made to entertain any ministers who may be interested that live more than 30 miles from Thomasville.

LUNCHEON OF BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES AT DURHAM

The luncheon and annual meeting of the Conference Board of Lay Activities will be held on Tuesday, November 11, at 1 p. m. at the Washington Duke Hotel rather than at Harvey's Cafeteria. Please note this change in the place of meeting.

This announcement is made by the authority of W. K. Greene, conference lay leader.

DEDICATION AT BAILEY OCTOBER 12

The Bailey Methodist church will be dedicated Sunday, October 12, at 11 a. m. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the sermon and dedicate the church. All former pastors are invited to attend this dedication service.

We are much interested in this coming dedication. Well do we recall the eager interest with which the congregation looked forward to a new church.. Well, it is here ready for dedication.

RADIO PROGRAM (WBIG) FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK: OCT. 6 TO OCT. 10

Monday, 7:45-8:00 p. m.—"The Church's Program for Children," Miss Elizabeth Oliver.

Tuesday, 5:45-6:00 p. m.—"Religious Training for Wholesome Personality," President Clyde Milner.

Wednesday, 8:30-8:45—"Guiding Children's Reading," Reading," Mrs. Elliott O. Watson.

Thursday, 8:30-8:45—"Christian Education and Citizenship." To be announced.

Friday, 4:45-5:00—"Training Youth for Christian Living," Prof. Raymond A. Smith.

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The financial year of the Methodist Board of Publication closed September 30. The figures will show that this has been one of the very best years in the long history of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This is Volume 86 of this Advocate and it appears to be renewing its youth.

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On her recent trip to wartime Britain, Newsweek reports that Dorothy Thompson was entertained by Lord and Lady Kemsley. The London Daily Sketch, one of his chain of newspapers, described this as "a striking example of the process of social fusion . . . with persons of high distinction in close conversation with others having no claim to distinction other than that they work hard at their own jobs."

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A lecturer who arrived at the railroad station on a belated train, in a frantic effort to meet his engagement, rushed through the station, leaped into a cab and in breathless haste shouted to the cabman, "Drive fast!" Away dashed the car in furious haste along the crowded streets when the nervous, excited passenger called out to the driver, "Do you know where you are going?" The man at the wheel replied, "I do not know where we are going but I know that I am driving fast." Such is the way with a large part of modern society today.

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The object of education is not to teach one how to escape work, but how to do the work of the world more perfectly. At this point William Hawley Smith says: "We shall never succeed in educating all the children of all the people till we first succeed in establishing in the minds of our people the basic truth that labor is not a curse, but a blessing, and that it is not the purpose of an education to free a child from the necessity of labor when he is grown, but that its end and aim is to fit him so that he can do to perfection the work in this world that he undertakes or is set to perform."

Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, one of the great preachers of this generation, says: "Just now the people need to be heartened, not by clerical clowns but by cheerful ministers. St. Paul is their exemplar. He laughed at bonds, persecution and imprisonment. If your preacher inspires you for the work ahead, lightens your load and makes you merry in the Lord, he is doing the Lord's work when it needs to be done. As a rule, clergymen are good at weeping with those that weep, but not so good at rejoicing with those that rejoice."

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Dr. Chas. E. Jefferson, who for half a century commanded a hearing at Broadway Tabernacle, New York City, and who was one of the great preachers of the nation, says: "O foolish man, do you not know that it is not by rhetorical might, nor by scholastic power, but by the Spirit of the Lord that the preacher preaches. It is surprising how little depends on structure and ornament and how much depends on the Spirit. Peter's sermon at Pentecost seems meager and tame enough, but then it was impossible for Luke to report that sermon, for he could not report the Spirit of God."

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In the last three weeks the official report shows that 866 drunken drivers have had their driver's license revoked. This is appaling! Did we know how many drinking and drunken drivers are on our highways the situation would be still more depressing with the increasing number of deaths and casualties all about us. And yet the spirit of these reckless times encourages more and more drinking, instead of restraining the use of alcohol. Men drink; women drink; youth drink; adding to the zest of the speed demons. Safety efforts on the highways count for little with the cocktail parties at the center of social groups and the cellars of our "best citizens" stocked with alcoholic liquors, to say nothing of the rag-tag crowd that guzzle. No one can vision what the end will be.

Lifting the Level of Every Church

THE opportunity to build the finest block of Methodists in all the land is ours right here in North Carolina. In the towns and in all the open country the field is unusually promising for a vigorous and victorious Methodism. The most urgent need is for us to set ourselves to the task of lifting the level of religious life and effectiveness in each and every local church. Too many groups named churches count for less than nothing. They continue to while away the time from year to year at the same poor dying rate. This, too, without any valid reason.

Many of our town and country churches are spiritually alive, alert and vigorous—able to win victories from year to year. These devoted groups enable us to report some advance from time to time. But what about the many with so few additions and so little to report for the various interests of Zion? Something out of the ordinary should be done to remedy this most serious situation.

Take as an illustration of our lethargy the circulation of the church paper which gives itself to every interest of the local church. The Golden Cross, the orphanage work, the church school, the woman's work, the children in the home, the news of North Carolina Methodism, to say nothing of much written for inspiration and instruction, have a prominent place in the North Carolina Christian Advocate. The annual exhibit of new churches paid for and dedicated by Bishop Purcell should make our Methodists supremely happy. With so many Methodists ignorant of this record not much joy can be theirs.

In most of our special campaigns for the Advocate more than one half of our churches do not secure even one new subscriber. This record holds from year to year. Not a few good Methodist report to us that they never even hear the church paper mentioned. How can we hope to make steady and general advance in each church with such little use being made of the printing press?

Most pastors do not get into each of the homes of their people more than once a year. The church paper makes fifty-one visits to the members of the family. A few women, here and there, give themselves diligently to looking after the Advocate. In these communities the church paper counts for much. One devoted, friendly woman in every church engaged in circulating the printed page can in a few years work a revolution. Many of our backward churches limping along need such inspiration more than anything else.

Pastors need many helpers, willing and well informed. Remember the two most potential agencies for advancing the kingdom are personal testimony and the printing press. These must certainly become effective in the local church. Keep the people informed and witness to the power of God in the soul; these two agencies most assuredly lift a church into a richer and fuller life and contribute to making a vigorous Methodism in the cities and the obscure country places of North Carolina.

The Power to Act

CHIANG KAI SHEK says, "To know what is good and not to have the will to carry it out has been the besetting sin of our forefathers." Truly may we assert that this is the weakness of most Americans in this present time. Even in the Christian church multitudes of Americans seem to have no compunction of conscience because of their evil ways. So we no longer go forth able to turn the world right side up, even though the chief business of Christians is to be moral transformers. As it was in the first centuries so should it be in the twentieth.

With our feet planted on the finest and best in our heritage, very sure of the Presence that sustained us as a people through all the heroic past, we could look to the future with hope and firm determination to win. To doubt in this day would be disloyalty and to falter in such an hour would be sin.

The Chinese Christians these days know the power of His resurrection because they have entered into the fellowship of his sufferings. With them this is a present and personal experience. **Resurgam**—"I shall rise again"—is a modern as well as an ancient conviction needed in the church in China, in America and in the whole world around. This conviction makes us more than conquerors in transforming the race.

Right here in prosperous and easy-going North Carolina we would do well to learn a lesson from our Christian brethren in smitten and broken China. They are girding themselves for the advance. As a people, what are we doin? Are we going to appear in the approaching conference at Winston-Salem and at Durham able to claim fellowship with the Christians of the Orient?

Bishop Warren A. Candler

WARREN A. CANDLER, distinguished leader of the Methodist Church, died at his home in Atlanta, Ga., September 25, 1941. He was 84 years of age and had been a bishop since 1898, having been elected at the early age of forty-one.

Warren A. Candler was a unique and gifted personality. He was first a Georgian, second a Southerner, and therewith a loyal citizen of the United States. Beyond these his interests were quite general and most of his geographical ties were loosely drawn. He was distinctly a Southern Methodist, but when Methodist union came he went without protest into the united church.

Bishop Candler was a man of remarkable gifts. His gift of humor was surpassed by no one, not even Mark Twain. He also possessed the power of ridicule and sarcasm, but rarely used these dangerous instruments. Perhaps ready use of humor saved him from being ensnared by these. He was a master of assemblies and if he had not confined his pulpit and platform duties to a limited section of the country, his reputation would have become national and even international.

When Georgia produced Warren A. Candler and Sam P. Jones, two men as different as it was possible to create them, yet with such remarkable gifts, we think that old commonwealth has exhausted its resources and none like them will appear again in this generation, and probably not in the present century.

Making Ready for Next Year

THIS Advocate is full these weeks of notices of check-up meetings. All this means making ready for the wind up of the year. Some see no farther than the reports to be made at conference. These are truly interesting, but the real significance of the check-up is the start made for next year. Only the short-sighted adhere to any next year. The excellent start for the new year dates from the years gone before. Life and our labors are too much a unit to be cut into segments by the calendar.

The one year renter who moves on to try out a new field on some other man's land never amounts to much. Both the past and the future are against him because there is always "more in the man than in the land." These sociologists who write so glibly about the tenant farmer seem to forget this fact. A man is not made over by the coming and going of the equinox. This same fact holds true with a preacher and with a church. The life of both in the future are linked up intimately with the past. A good, hard year brought to a successful close is always a fine preparation for the year ahead. Well will it be for all who assemble this year at Winston-Salem and at Durham to bear this in mind. Better will it be for each pastor and each church to put into practice, these closing weeks, this principle so vital to all success on the farm and in the fields which are white into the harvests.

Human Testimony and the Press

THE early Methodists went out telling of the wonderful Saviour they had found. As witnesses of what God does for all who come to him, they stirred England and won their way in the wilds of America. But they did not rely wholly on the Aldersgate experience in spreading abroad the Wesleyan Revival. From the first, they made use of the printed page. John Wesley revolutionized the church life of his day by putting cheap religious literature into the hands of the masses. They could sing and tell what God had done for them and along with this guide the minds of the new converts in the better way.

So, in England and in America, Methodism became mighty in pulling down the strongholds of sin and Satan by the use of the Christian witness and the output of the printing press. These same agencies remain most potential in city and town and country. We have numerous substitutes for these essentials of early Methodism, but ultimately our pink tea church life and our rose water religion must give place to the story of One mighty to save.

The pictures on modern news stands and the parade out of Hollywood—so much in evidence just now in this day of the cinema—are insufficient to deal with this age. A church life cast in this mold is helpless in dealing with the hell on earth now manifest in sky, on sea and across the battlefields of Europe. Out from Jerusalem, with its story of Sinai and Calvary, must come our salvation.

Herbert Hoover says: "Hitler is doomed by the vicious forces within his own regime. The hates which he has engendered in the lands he has overrun will destroy him as surely as Russia's snows destroyed Napoleon."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24
N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Our revival services are to begin in Cerro Gordo Sunday night, October 5, to continue through Sunday, October 12. Rev. L. V. Harris of Whiteville is to assist us in the services. —E. C. Maness.

Lease having expired at 1825 W. Adams Street, where we have lived the past five month, I am now at 1115 W. Jefferson Street, Apt. 102, Phoenix, Arizona. We shall be delighted to hear from all our friends.—J. A. Dailey.

Dr. Walt N. Johnson, in The Next Step in the Churches, says: "Economic control of politics is plutocracy, and political control of economics is Fascism." These words are worth thinking of. We want to live in a world which is without either control suggested.

"Murphy is out on all matters of finance. We are now ready for conference. The fine spirit of co-operation on the part of the members has made this good report possible." This is the wire received from Rev. C. B. Newton, the pastor, just before going to press Wednesday.

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district are urged to be present at the check-up meeting in Hertford October 14. During this meeting a short business session of the ministers' wives association will be held.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Chaplain Leon M. Hall, a member of the North Carolina conference who has been stationed at Fort Bragg, will be transferred to the army transport "Oriente" based at the New York port of embarkation. The War Department in Washington announced the transfer.

Two "bookmobilies," to follow soldiers into the field, have just been equipped by the National Catholic Community Service, one of the United Service Organizations. The machines, which are 26 feet long, are equipped with novels and magazines, and carry portable mass kits and stations of the cross for the use of Catholic chaplains in the field.

The Asheville district ministers' wives' association is planning to have a dinner on October 1 at 6 o'clock in the Central Methodist church, Asheville. This is the time for the annual check-up meeting and all the ministers of the Asheville district will be guests of the association. A splendid program is being planned under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Taylor and Mrs. J. S. Williams.

Ernest Ballantyne, in The War Cry, says: "The honor of being the first American woman missionary to China belongs to a native daughter of Old Virginia, born Henrietta Hall . . . who later as the wife of Rev. J. Lewis Shuck arrived in China with him to commence missionary operations under the direction of the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions in September, 1836."

In connection with the observance of Christian education week the following series of broadcasts for the Salisbury district over station WSTP have been arranged: Rev. Wilson O. Weldon will have charge of these broadcasts, using the theme "Resources for Christian Teaching." Radio program October 6 at 6:15 p. m.: "The Meaning of Christian Education Week," by Wilson O. Weldon. Tuesday, 7th, 6:15 p. m.: "The Home as a Resource in Christian Teaching," Mrs. Carl King. Wednesday, 8th, 6:15 p. m.: "The Church and Fellowship," by A. C. Waggoner. Thursday, 9th, 6:15 p. m.: "Christian Education and Commounity Life," by Cecil Heffner. Friday, 10th, 6:15 p. m.: "Spiritual Resources," C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Dr. Walt Holcomb, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, Atlanta, Ga., will deliver an address on Sam Jones before the Tennessee conference at Belmont church, Nashville, October 16. This will be the 35th anniversary of the death of Sam Jones. Dr. Holcomb is writing the story of his life for publication and asks that any minister or layman who recalls a striking saying, incident or story about Sam Jones to mail it to Dr. Holcomb, Wesley Memorial Church, Atlanta, Ga.

The young adult class of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, entertained the public school teachers of the city at an informal buffet supper in the church dining hall on Tuesday evening, September 23. Approximately 150 were present. Various contests and games were enjoyed and stunts were put on by the various groups during a social period following supper, which was prepared and served by members of the class. Miss Margaret Andrews was in charge of arrangements for the event, which was a gesture of appreciation for the services of the teachers in the city school system.—Miss Hulda Whiteley, Sec.

We enjoyed the high privilege of attendance upon the morning service at Duke Memorial church and the layman's service at night in Calvary church, Durham,at which Dr. W. K. Green was speaker. Dr. H. C. Smith, pastor, was at his best. His inspiring sermon and the religious fervor of that big congregation as expressed in song made a great hour for all. To the laymen at the evening hour, Dr. W. K. Green, lay leader of the North Carolina conference, brought a message that would prove revolutionary were it lived up to. Dr. Green is a most valuable leader to guide the lay forces of the conference.

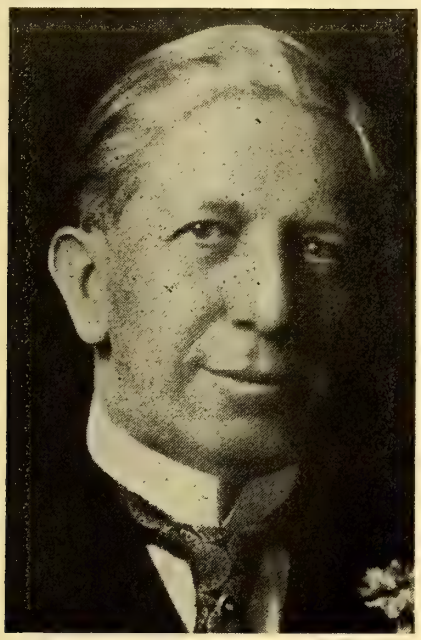
Schedules and speakers for Christian education week are as follows: Monday, October 6, from 6:45 to 7 p. m.: Theme, "Resources for Christian Teaching in the Church," Rev. E. H. Nease, secretary of the Western North Carolina conference and minister of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, Charlotte. Wednesday, October 8, from 6:45 to 7 p. m.: Theme, "Choosing the Right Parents." Dr. G. Ray Jordan, president of the Western North Carolina conference board of education and minister of First Methodist church, Charlotte. Friday, October 10, from 6:45 to 7 p. m.: Theme, "Resources for Christian Teaching in the community." Mr. Guy O. Bagwell, Charlotte district lay leader.

The bulletin of First church, Asheboro, carries this notice: "Last week through the courtesy of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, we begin the weekly practice of mailing the church bulletin to all of our boys who are in any branch of our country's service. Today, by vote of the board of stewards, we are happy to announce that bulletins will also be mailed each week to our First church girls and boys who are at schools, military academies, colleges and universities. This group includes: Lucille Cox, Emma Frances Luther, Millicent Brittain, Jackie Poole, Gloria Anderson, Jean Blalock, Frences Burrows, Kitty Lee Fritz, Add Lee Morgan, Patsy Ann Story, Mary Lillian Andrews, Jack Burkhead, Clarice Hoover, Dorothy Presnall, Joe Suggs, Bernard Hurley, Harold Cranford, Fred Kearns, David Stedman, John Bunch, Dorothy Hix, Catherine Kearns, Lewis Ingram, Bill Moore, Anne Lewallen, Marjorie Hill, Mary Reese King, Thad and Wescott Moser. To all these we send our heartiest greetings, expressing at the same time our great interest in their welfare. If anyone has been accidentally omitted from this mailing list please contact the church office immediately."

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

EX-GOVERNOR HOEY TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING AT WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH, HIGH POINT

Ex-Governor Clyde R. Hoey will speak at the annual church meeting of the Wesley Memorial church, High Point, on Wednesday, October 8, at 7:30 p. m. Immediately preceding Governor Hoey's address there will be a very brief session of the official board and of the quarterly conference. Dr. Embree H. Blackard and Rev. Julian A. Lindsey will present in a mimeographed folder an outline of the year's work. Mr. W. Chase Idol will preside over the official board meeting and Dr. S. W. Taylor will conduct the quarterly conference.



After the formal program has been completed the congregation will be invited to the newly-redecorated church school building for an informal reception. Printed invitations are being sent to the membership. Everybody is invited.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the religious education department of Greensboro College, with Misses Lorene Weaver, Asheville, president of the college Y.W.C.A., Frances Thompson, Bluefield, W. V., Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, and Gladys Heffner, Maiden, as Greensboro College representatives, attended the retreat for the second national Methodist Student Movement at Camp Crabtree between Durham and Raleigh, September 27-28. H. A. Scott, Jr., of Duke University was president of the assembly which met to plan the annual Methodist Student conference to be held in Chapel Hill in February.

Dr. Harold Bollinger of the student division of the Board of Education at Nashville led discussions and gave the concluding address on the "Student's Place in Reconstruction." Miss Kitty Wilson was elected a student representative to the North Carolina Conference Board of Education.

"The usual high quality of programs will be assured to the patrons and friends of the Greensboro College orchestra," was the enthusiastic statement of Mark Hoffman, director of the school of music, and conductor of the college orchestra, after the reorganization meeting and first rehearsal on Thursday night, September 25. Mr. Hoffman promises a program of unusually high standards this year, with several guest artists scheduled during the season.

Negotiations are now in progress with one of the great living composers for the world primier of a composition for orchestra to be presented at the mid-year concert of the college orchestra. The tile of the work has been given tentatively as "Joy of Youth" and is dedicated to the composer's pupils. This outstanding work, which is approximately ten minutes in playing time, has been described as "full of boundless exuberance and vitality of youth."

Plans are also being made to bring to Greensboro a soloist from New York who will be presented in a concerto, probably Chopin's E Minor, with the orchestra.

Honoring new members, the Preachers' Kids Club of Greensboro College entertained at a weiner roast Tuesday night, September 30, at the college lake, near the "Y" hut. The club, composed of all G. C. girls whose fathers are ministers, has 47 members this year.

Misses Margaret Nifong, Cherryville, "bishop"; Carolyn Albright, Stokesdale, "president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service"; and Alice Ann Fields, Roanoke Rapids, "pastor," were in charge of arrangements. Other club officers who assisted with plans for entertainment were: Misses Louise Peele, Tarboro, "district superindent"; Rachel Hobbs Alexander, Clinton, "chairman of the board of trustees," and Frances Wolfe, Cliffside, "chairman of the board of stewards."

Wednesday afternoon, September 24, at 4 o'clock, Greensboro College students and faculty were guests of the college athletic and students' associations at a picnic at High Point Municipal Park. Miss Agnes Jeter, physical education director, Miss Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst, president of the athletic association, and Miss Sadie Wolfe, Mount Airy, student president, directed all plans.

A student-faculty baseball game was the main event of the afternoon, though other sports were played also, before the annual student-athletic picnic supper at 6:30.

BROTHER W. L. KNIGHT LEAVES US

The familiar face of Brother W. L. Knight of Weldon will be greatly missed at the meeting of conference in Durham. No Methodist layman was more prompt and regular in his attendance at all the church gatherings than was he. For years he had been a district lay leader and had a number of times represented his church in the general conferences. Loyal and devoted was he to every interest in his local congregation and in his church at large.

Following months of declining health, W. L. Knight passed from us on September 26, 1941. Many of his ministerial and lay brethren were at the funeral in Weldon on Saturday, September 27, to join with the family and neighbors in a last tribute of respect to this good friend and brother. As a citizen and lawyer W. L. Knight spent his days in this, his native section of the state, but he was farthest known as a layman in the Methodist church.

A full account of the life and labors of Brother Knight will appear later.

REV. W. C. DUTTON DIED SEPTEMBER 26

Please say through the North Carolina Christian Advocate that Brother W. C. Dutton died September 26, 1941, at 7 a. m. He was at his father's home near Cedar Springs, Virginia, when the end came. The memorial service was held in Brother Dutton's home church at 2 p. m. Sunday, September 28, and his body laid to rest in the church cemetery. The memorial address was given by our good district superintendent, Rev. A. C. Gibbs. The service was attended by a host of friends and relatives. The beautiful display of flowers expressed the gratitude of his many friends for one who lived so well and so Christlike.

Lindsay F. Strader.

HOME COMING AT TABERNACLE CHURCH

Sunday, October 5, has just been announced as home coming day at old Tabernacle Methodist church near Maysville. The pastor, Rev. H. L. Harris, states that the day will be featured also by the last session of the quarterly conference. Rev. A. S. Parker, superintendent of the Wilmington district, will preach at the 11 o'clock hour and preside at the business session at the 3 o'clock hour.

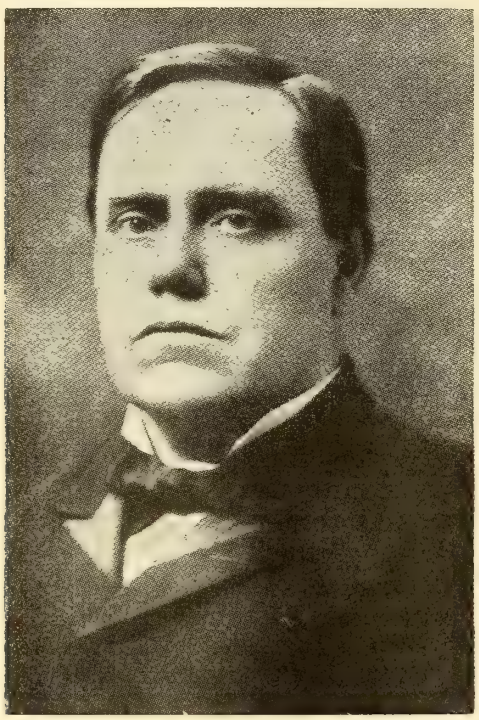
The home coming day at Tabernacle is a custom of long standing and is looked forward to each year by a large number of people in these parts. Former pastors, distant neighbors and friends of the congregation return to greet one another and to enjoy the day together.

As has been the custom heretofore, dinner will be served on the grounds at the noon hour.

H. L. Thomas.

BISHOP WARREN A. CANDLER CLOSES A LONG AND EMINENT CAREER

The death of Bishop Warren Akin Candler, 84, Thursday morning, September 25, closed a career of outstanding usefulness and influence as a minister and religious statesman. He was one of the most colorful and influential figures of his time.



Bishop Warren A. Candler

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Antoinette Curtright Candler, to whom he was married in 1877; a daughter, Mrs. Andrew Sledd of Decatur, Ga., two sons, John C. Candler of Atlanta, and S. Charles Candler of Madison, Ga., a brother, Judge John S. Candler of Atlanta, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

After lying in state in the chapel of his beloved Emory University, his body was taken for burial to Oxford, Ga., site of the first Emory, Saturday, September 27. Attending services from Nashville headquarters were: Bishop Paul B. Kern of the Nashville area, Dr. B. G. Hodge, district superintendent; J. F. Rawls, representing the Board of Missions, and W. M. Cassetty of the Methodist transportation bureau.

Born of the distinguished Candler family of Georgia, which furnished to the state three brothers in distinct lines of work, namely, Warren Akin Candler, the eminent churchman, Asa Candler, the famous financier, and Judge John S. Candler, distinguished lawyer and jurist, Bishop Candler was a power in Methodism in America and abroad.

Known as possessing one of the master minds of Methodism, Bishop Candler served his denomination with distinction along many lines. Entering the ministry in 1875 at the age of 17, he served pastorates until 1882. In 1883 he was made assistant editor of the Christian Advocate, published at Nashville, and served in that capacity for two years, with Dr. O. P. Fitzgerald (later Bishop Fitzgerald) as editor-in-chief. In 1887 he served as pastor at McKendree Methodist church in Nashville to supply a vacancy made by the election of the pastor, Dr. J. D. Barbee, as publishing agent. He was called to the presidency of Emory College in 1888, leaving the presidency upon his election as a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1898. When Emory College became Emory University and was located in Atlanta (1914) Bishop Candler was made its first chancellor, a position which he retained during the formative years of the university. Throughout his life he was intimately associated with, and interested in, Emory University, which stands as an enduring monument to his life and work.

Fearlessness was one of the marked characteristics of Bishop Candler. Being on the popular side mattered little to him when it came to a question of what he believed to be for the greatest good of the people and the church at large. He retired from active service in 1934, having devoted nearly 60 active years to the work of the Methodist Church. During the more than three decades as a bishop of the former Methodist Episcpoal Church, South, he guided and directed many of the greatest plans and policies of that denomination. He was acknowledged as the originator and founder of Methodist missionary work in Cuba and he was one of the leaders to set up the autonomous Methodist Church of Mexico in 1830. He visited mission fields of Japan, China and Korea. A pioneer in the hospital movement of his denomination, he was the first president of the hospital board set up in 1922. He represented his church at many gatherings, both in the United States and abroad.

His naturally scholarly and profound personality was lightened by an unusual and ready wit for which he was noted.

Reminiscing on a recent birthday occasion, Bishop Candler recalled that his first circuit paid him the handsome salary of $115 a year. "All of which," he commented, "I probably earned with the exception of $100."

Typical of his evangelistic passion was his public statement a few years ago: "A general return to God would solve all the distressing problems and perplexing conditions which now confront us. God hath not dealt with any nation as with ours; and very weighty are the responsibilities of the American people in view of the abounding mercies which have been showered upon them. The gifts of Providence and the helps of grace which they have enjoyed are not an occasion for pride, but a ground for the discharge of the most sacred obligation."

Bishop Candler, son of Samuel C. and Martha Beall Candler, was born August 23, 1857, at Villa Rica, Ga. He was educated at Oxford, Ga., at Emory College, which institution he afterward served as president. He was devoted to his native state and though his work often called him far afield, he always called Georgia "home."

A NEW SET OF BEATITUDES

Blessed is the man whose calendar contains prayer meeting night.

Blessed is the man who is faithful on a committee.

Blessed is the man who can endure an hour in a place of worship as well as two hours in a place of amusement.

Blessed is the church whose officer is not pessimistic.

Blessed is the man who loves the church with his pocketbook as well as with his heart.

Blessed is the man whose watch keeps church time as well as business time.

Blessed is the man who has the grace to leave a critical spirit on the sidewalk when he comes to church.

Blessed is the man who loves his own church enough to praise it.

PROGRAM OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Monday, November 10

4:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

7:30 p.m. Meeting Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Dean Paul Neff Garber of the Duke Divinity School. Subject: "The Moral Code of Early Methodism."

Tuesday, November 11

9:00 a.m. The Holy Communion, administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the District Superintendents. Organization of the conference.

11:00 a.m. Pause for Armistice. Prayer by Chaplain T. G. Vickers.

12:00 m. Memorial Service. Address by Dr. H. E. Spence.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Rev. John H. Shore.

4:00 p.m. Conference Brotherhood.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor The Christian Advocate, Chicago.

Wednesday, November 12

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn.

9:20 a.m. Reception of class into full connection.

10:00 a.m. The Christian Advocate. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, Chicago.

11:00 a.m. The Laymen's Hour. Address: E. T. Welch, president General Board of Lay Activities.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Rev. T. J. Whitehead.

5:00 p.m. Duke banquet.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions. Address: Dr. T. D. Ellis.

Thursday, November 13

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn.

10:00 a.m. The Duke Endowment's Aid to the North Carolina Conference. Speakers: President R. L. Flowers and Dr. J. Marvin Ormond.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Dr. Frank S. Hickman.

6:00 p.m. Methodist Orphanage banquet.

7:30 p.m. Ordination service. Sermon: Dr. R. M. Andrews, pastor West End Church, Greensboro.

Friday, November 14

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn. Business session. Reading of appointments. Adjournment.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

A survey indicates that 91 per cent of the student body of Louisburg College is from the state of North Carolina. These figures represent 276 students; the remaining 11 per cent is from Virginia, New York, South Carolina and Cuba. Fifty-three per cent come from Methodist homes. These figures taken together prove that Louisburg is doing a fine piece of work in making available to the Methodist young people of North Carolina the first two years of college at a nominal cost.

The executive committee of the board of trustees met last Tuesday morning in the administration building. At the chapel hour Dr. Walter Patten presented two of them, Dr. W. A. Cade, pastor of St. Paul church, Goldsboro, and Dr. A. P. Brantley, pastor of Steele Street church in Sanford. Each made a brief inspiring talk to the student body on the problems of young people facing a troubled world.

Director of athletics John L. Cameron issued a call last Wednesday for pre-season practice for candidates of next year's baseball team. About 25 reported. Many of the men on last year's team, runner-up for the state junior college championship, are back. A good season is anticipated.

Phi Theta Kappa, honorary scholarship society, this week elected the following to membership: Marina Ann Hawkins, Henderson; Roy H. Bailey, Fayetteville; Riley Rowe, Aberdeen; and Jack Cox, Blunt's Creek. Electing to Phi Theta Kappa is the highest honor that can be conferred on a student in the liberal arts department and is based on scholarship, character and leadership in the campus activities.

At the first meeting of the International Relations Club the speaker was Dr. L. F. Kent, rector of the Louisburg Episcopal church. Taking "Isolation" for his subject, the speaker traced the attempts of nations at isolation from the building of the Great Wall of China to the present day. Following his address came a discussion of a Christian attitude toward war and the part a Christian may conscientiously take in armed conflict.

PROGRESS ON HAYESVILLE CHARGE

Rev. W. L. Hutchins of Waynesville, district superintendent of the Waynesville district, has announced that the Hayesville charge is the first in the district to report "out" with their financial obligations for the conference year. The Methodist of Clay county have rallied to the leadership of Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr., pastor of the six churches composing the charge, and he will have a splendid report for the annual conference. The churches served by Mr. Clemmer are: Hayesville, Oak Forest, Sweetwater, Ogden, Hickory Stand and Peachtree.

Fired with enthusiasm and bubbling over with energy, Mr. Clemmer and his good wife came to Hayesville eleven months ago and started doing things. With his own hands and the co-operation of his church people he has completed a modern rock church at Hayesville which would do credit to a town several times the size of Hayesville. Some renovating has been done in other buildings on the charge. By having some material furnished by the membership, he has installed a bath room in the parsonage and done other permanent improvements on it.

Revival services and daily vacation Bible schools have been held in each of the six churches during the year. Interest in church activities has been increased and attendance has been almost doubled. Woman's Societies of Christian Service are active in the churches at Hayesville and Oak Forest. Young people's organizations are functioning with a good measure of success in practically all of the churches.

Several members have been added. Just a little unusual for Methodists, but strictly in line with their ritual, he immersed a young lady, Miss Frances Auberry, and took her into the church at Sweetwater last Sunday.

Plans are well under way to add Sunday school rooms to the Oak Forest church. It has not been announced just when construction will begin. J. Guy Padgett.

NEWS OF CARR CHURCH, DURHAM

Carr church, Durham, has just experienced a refreshing revival season led by Rev. J. J. Boone of Smithfiled, whose forceful and dynamic messages stirred the whole community. It was one of the best revivals in many years. The second week saw 19 additions. Mr. Boone has a real gospel message that stresses repentance, conversion, and a return to fundamentals which made early Methodism so effective.

Carr has been without a full time pastor since last April, when Rev. Carlos Womack gave up his work in order to regain his health. The choir director, Rev. Howard Wilkinson, together with visitors supplied until the summer months. Then Rev. W. O. Foster, then of Chapel Hill and of the Disciples of Christ church, supplied for three months. From now until conference the able supply pastor is again Mr. Wilkinson of the Duke divinity school.

The church is expecting to close the year in a successful way and is looking forward to next year under a full time and active pastor again.

Carr suffered the loss of one of its most active members, Mr. C. E. Johnson, who died suddenly September 26. He had been a steward and faithful attendant for more than 20 years.

OLD SALEM CHURCH LIVES AGAIN

Half way from Ansonville to Wadesboro, Salem pulpit had been silent 15 years. We had services there recently with a fine audience. A Sunday school was organized with 40 members. Revival begins at once.

Salem was dead, and is alive again. Why did Salem die? The financial budget, "that golden calf" of mechanized Methodism, was too heavy to bear, while its membership moved to town from year to year. But official authority said the budget must not be reduced.

So Salem died in despair. Other country churches are losing heart and hope the same way.

The farmer faces economic problem No. 1, while organized labor demands for itself from three to ten times what the farmer gets for a day of toil. The country church is a victim. The outlook is for relief or revolution. The church that takes its place snugly by predatory wealth and economic royalist shall be cast into outer darkness. Russia did it; Germany did it; America may well take warning. Better let Salem live without any budget than let it die under the burden. O. P. Ader.

The Country Church and Your Community

By DR. A. J. WALTON
Department of Town and Country Work

It is in the local church that the program for town and country development must take root, grow, and bear fruit. The following suggestions are for the consideration of the whole community in which the church is located, and should be studied by the local church's board of missions and church extension.

Generally speaking, our town and country churches need: (1) a better understanding of the whole community life and major human needs; (2) more attention given by local workers to the wise study and planning of workable programs; (3) a broader type of community and life service; (4) a higher level of spiritual life; (5) a greater missionary zeal; (6) a more vigorously promoted educational program, designed to guide the religious growth of people in a rural environment; (7) more co-operation with other agencies in the community; (8) more and wiser supervision of church work. Let us consider some of these needs:

It is not unusual to find ministers serving rural situations for long periods of time without making any definite or organized effort to discover the existing situation. The program of the church is permitted to drift along more or less guided by activities of the community which shape life. If a better program is to be developed, specific studies must be made to ascertain the chief needs of the community, the potential leadership, the outside help needed, and the hindrances which must be overcome.

To gain this better understanding the pastor should begin with a simple survey to discover people and follow this up by a study of the economic, social, educational, and commerical attitudes which influence life.

It is discouraging in visiting rural churches to discover how many are carrying on church work with apparently no sign of a planned program. Very few have meetings of local workers to study local conditions, the general suggestions provided by the church, and previous programs so that a more effective work plan could be developed.

The leadership of the rural church must be won to an interest in this type of work and provided with the guidance that will enable them to work effectively in developing the plan needed.

In most rural churches the program consists of occasional preaching, church school, and an annual revival. There needs to be developed many more activities to serve the lives of the people and provide opportunity for the exercise of their talents and capacities.

There needs also to be a more rugged facing of the realities of life. Too much of church work has been of the soothing syrup type. Our people must be led to see the cross as not only symbolic of redemption, but a basic pattern in redemptive efforts. Young people cannot be made loyal to a church program which fails to challenge them to stern endurance and vigorous activity. Neither can adults. Programs need to be interesting, but they must lead those who participate into definite community service which demands self-denial.

The nation and the world are in need of a spiritual life so dynamic that it is able to control side-tracking devotion to methods, emotions and diverting issues. An interpretation of spiritual life must be such that it establishes the relation of the spiritual to the total of life. Far too many have the conception that spiritual life is something sad and burdensome. We must vitalize such an interpretation of the witness of the spirit as is given by Paul in Galatians 5:22.

There is every reason to believe that the rural people would respond to such an interpretation. It is not impossible for the program of today to make vivid and real what Paul meant in this splendid statement.

Church leaders have been considerably concerned in the recent past over the tendency of many to think of missions as collecting money and supplementing pastors' salaries. It is evident that this is not the highest conception of the mission spirit and purpose. Past procedures may have led to this conception. It is essential for the life of the church and the future growth of the kingdom of God that those elements in our program which have led to this misunderstanding of missions shall be eliminated. The procedure and spirit must be developed which will insure a vital missionary spirit in the heart of minister and people.

We have puzzled much over the waning evangelistic fervor of Methodist people. If we are minded to look closely we can see in this crucifixion of the mission spirit the vital cause of dying evangelism. If we are to achieve a fiery zeal to serve men, it is necessary to recapture missionary vision. There are millions—probably seventy millions—of unchurched and unsaved people in our nation. Around every church these people are to be found. Surveys indicate that between 65 and 70 per cent of them are in town and country territory. The aggregate is a vast challenge but only a few are near any one church—which leads to failure in sensing the vital importance of winning them. A way must be found to awaken every church to the urgency of reaching the unchurched with the power of the gospel.

We do not change our conduct until our attitudes have changed. Attitudes are changed through new information and understanding. If we want rural people to be more religious, we must help them to have this information and understanding about the Christian way of life. Far too many rural people have been betrayed into thinking that they had a Bible-centered church school, when, as a matter of fact, they had a book-centered church school and failed to place the Bible teaching in the center of any other segment of life except the Sunday morning hours. Some way must be found to save them from this blunder and guide them in a study of their life interested in the light of the Word of God as a controlling center. To this end, there should be neighborhood study groups using many types of study unit concerning home, economic and social problems. These studies should be realistic and face life as it is and bring the word of God to bear upon the problems discovered.

If such educational program is to be developed, it is necessary that the whole church must concern itself vigorously with the problem of training workers in town and country communities.

Too long the church has gone its lone way, often wholly ignoring the existence of other community agencies. Many times these agencies were the outgrowth of the church's spirit and teaching, but they found themselves without church interest or support. The rural church can no more live by depleting the community than can the farmer live by depleting the soil. It must lead the way in teaching co-operation and in improving the total of community life. Every agency in the community which seeks to make life more satisfying and abundant deserves and should command, its active support, and every hindering agency deserves its opposition. Specific attention must be given to soil care and improvement, preservation of natural resources, the development of a high quality community appreciation, and the restoration of a normal Christian home life.

It is not often that one discovers church workers sitting down to discover what progress has been made and the blunders and hindrances which have interfered. Mostly teaching and work goes on with the blind hope that something good will come of it all. Such slipshod method is not productive of the best results. This scientific age has taught us the necessity of giving specific attention to the road we travel and the progress we make. The rural church needs specific help through guidance materials which will enable the workers to evaluate the work done.

Closely related to this is the problem of supervision. Much of the weakness and failure of the rural church can be charged to the lack of constructive supervision by church leaders and pastors. On the whole little attention has been given to the matter of supervision, and we find ourselves with very little helpful information on the subject. However, it is evident that much good could be achieved if district superintendents and pastors will share in developing a good work plan or program, and then follow up its promotion. Unless this is done talk about a better rural church will be in vain.

DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETINGS IN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The attention of all of our pastors and church officials is called to the schedule of district check-up meetings in the North Carolina conference, as follows:

Durham District—Monday, October 13, 9:30 a. m., at Durham.

Raleigh District—Monday, October 13, 7:30 p. m., at Raleigh.

Rocky Mount District—Tuesday, October 14, 10 a. m., at Rocky Mount.

Elizabeth City District—Tuesday, October 14, 2:30 p. m., at Hertford.

New Bern District—Wednesday, October 15, 10 a. m., at New Bern.

Wilmington District—Thursday, October 16, 10 a. m., at Wilmington.

Fayetteville District—Thursday, October 16, 7:30 p. m., at Aberdeen.

Pastors will be expected to report on members received, World Service, General Administration, Episcopal Fund, Conference Claimants, Orphanage and Golden Cross. We are making a special effort to close out on all of the above items at these meetings. District superintendents will arrange programs for their districts.

It will be my pleasure to confer with any pastors or pastoral relations committees at these meetings.

Clare Purcell.

"OCTOBER 5TH AND BEYOND"

By Bishop Herbert Welch

World-wide Communion Sunday is a new day in our ecclesiastical calendar. It originated in the Presbyterian Church, but has been taken up by the Federal Council.

It has two principal purposes: one is to symbolize and increase the sense of a world-wide Christian unity. It is most appropriate, when hate is on the march and war is rampant in our world, that Christians everywhere should maintain an unbroken fellowship. This unbroken fellowship in Christ will stand out in contrast to our broken and disorganized world. It will bear witness to a fellowship which can cross frontiers of race, break through barriers of human prejudice, and rise above the clash and conflict of warring nations. "In Christ there is no East or West . . . But one great fellowship of love."

The other primary purpose of the day is to rally the forces of the churches early in the autumn and to begin the new advance in prayer at the Lord's Table. It is not planned that union services should be held, but that each local congregation should seek to have every member, so far as this is possible, present at this significant sacramental service in his own church.

To that end it is proposed that on Sunday afternoon, September 28, and on the succeeding days if necessary, every home in every parish shall be visited by a group of workers, going two-by-two, with an earnest invitation to be in church on the following Sunday. This feature accords with the rally day fostered by our board of education. By a little thought and skill, church school programs and this communion service may be so planned as to avoid all conflict.

Now, this idea of having the followers of Christ in all lands proclaim their unity by this simultaneous observance of the Lord's Supper, inevitably leads to another thought: If we indeed be brethren, we must "share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear." If God's children in other lands are harried and distressed, here is opportunity for a practical demonstration of brotherhood. The carnage of war, the devastation in life and spirit, keep mounting. Men, women, little children are in an agony of waiting to see whether the compassion of Christ can really break out through the members of his church. A great missionary gathering urged "that we enter as we have not yet begun to do the fellowship of suffering by taking upon ourselves the relief of hunger, pain, isolation and helplessness in every land."

Where and when and how can this be done better than in connection with the Supper of our Lord? The sacramental table may become the altar of thank-offering. World-wide fellowship calls for world-wide help. "Whoso seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

DR. R. L. OWNBEY'S RECENT BOOK

"Evangelism in Christian Education" is a carefully planned and a well written book by Dr. R. L. Ownbey, Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte. Pastors, parents and teachers may well afford to read this book individually and to discuss it in group meetings at this the beginning of the church school year. The thesis of this book is basic in any constructive forward looking local church program.

It is the task of the church to evangelize the millions of non-professing men, women, boys and girls of our land and also to evangelize and to make more Christian the major institutions of our time such as the home, the church, the school, the state, and business. With this promise, evangelism is both a personal and a social matter. We must make better individuals and we must create better environments in which to live, to work and to develop Christian personalities. While the other institutions mentioned carry great potential possibilities for religious character development, the church must assume the task of evangelism as its primary opportunity and responsibility.

Revivalism has always had a large place in Methodism from its very beginning. In fulfilling its evangelistic mission, the Methodist Church has also gone forward in the use of the educational and personal methods as well as the revivalistic. There is still the need for that note of urgency and that fervor which characterized the revival preaching of other years. A waning interest in this method, however, has puzzled many ardent ministers and laymen. On the other hand, there is a larger emphasis on the growing Christian experience of the individual and a "steady, sure development of a Christian social conscience." The real challenge to the church is in a more effective use of the revivalistic, the educational and the personal methods in this larger approach to its evangelistic work. The early followers of Jesus were imbued with a fine spirit of evangelism. The Lutheran Reformation brought the church again to a similar emphasis. Christian education at its best today is following the lead of these two fruitful periods of evangelism. "Using the word evangelism in its broadest and best sense, we see that it must include all possible vital and effective processes in education, while Christian education worthy of the name must involve the evangelistic spirit and objectives. These processes of evangelism and education do not conflict but are integral parts of a unified spiritual process." From this point of view the Christian religion may be caught or it may be taught, but it is experienced "most vitally and comes more surely to its maximum power when it has the firm foundation of Christian teaching and consequent spiritual challenge."

Each chapter in the book contains a vital contribution to a thorough treatment of evangelism in Christian education. Chapters six and seven which deal with Christian Personality and Christian Experience are outstanding. These chapters may well be read, re-read and studied by our teachers. The remaining chapters deal with practical suggestions for evangelism with older children, youth and adults. The closing chapter calls for a continuous, unified, on going process of evangelism through all the activities of the church.

This book was written in response to an invitation from the Board of Education. It will be widely used in the training school program of our church and of other churches. It is the result of thorough study, practical experience, and a devotion to the mission of evangelism. It is heartily recommended to all persons interested in and committed to the cause of Christian education. Carl H. King.

AMERICAN MISSIONARIES' HEROISM STEMS CHINESE REFUGEE TOLL

Dodging bombs, stopping epidemics, feeding the refugee hordes driven before the Japanese armed forces, giving medical aid—that's a busy day in the life of an American missionary to China. These missionaries are content to share the dangers and hardships of the hungry, the frightened and the homeless, says an article in the September Coronet praising the men and women who are willing to give up their homes and families in peaceful America to devote their time to the care and protection of the down-trodden Chinese.

When a Chinese city falls, says Coronet, there are four or five days of complete bedlam. All the civil officials flee. The Japanese soldiers have several days leave to loot and murder, and no woman is safe. So those who have not already escaped flee to the missions where the missionaries must protect and feed their flock which sometimes consists of 1000 or 3000 refugees per missionary.

Caring for the wounded is one of the biggest jobs the missionaries have to handle. It's not uncommon for the medical staff to use two months' supplies in two days, nor for the missionaries with no medical experience whatever to turn to tasks that sicken professionals.

In one air-raided city, says Coronet's article, 10,000 refugees were being fed by the Red Swastika Society, a Buddhist charitable organization, entirely Chinese. Every third night the entire mob would come to receive three days' supply of corn meal. One of the medical missionaries fearing an outbreak of smallpox, went to the head of the Red Swastika and finally obtained permission to vaccinate the refugees. But the missionary explained that he thought the vaccination should be explained to the people first so there would be no danger of a riot.

"Vaccination your job; riot my job," was the stately response. So the surgeon and his aides started on the vaccinations, and every refugee submissively presented himself for his vaccination. The missionaries were amazed at this reaction, but as they were leaving they discovered the reason. Posted over the door from which the corn was issued was a small sign saying: "No vaccination; no corn."

In the midst of bursting bombs and at the bayonet's point, in hunger and cold, the missionaries go about their duties of saving bodies and souls. And it is they who are upholding the prestige of the American people and of Western civilization itself in the eyes of the Chinese.

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

By D. H. Scanlon

SUGGESTIONS FOR RIGHT LIVING

We shall do much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall give out gold in a princely sum,
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear,
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak with words of love and cheer,
But what have we done today?

Reveal to us our work, and then lead us into a devotion which will never be satisfied until the work is finished.

He that labors may be tempted by one devil; but he that is idle is tempted by a thousand.

You will never lead souls heavenward unless climbing yourself. You need not be very far up, but you must be climbing.

The habit of looking at the best side of any event is worth a thousand pounds a year.

Fidelity to Christ's kingdom has made countless men and women great, delivering them from the blight of selfishness and smallness.

BEYOND

It seemeth such a little way to me—
Across to that strange country—the Beyond;
And yet, not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am so fond,
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
As journeying friends bring distant regions near.

So close it lies, that when my sight is clear
I think I almost see the gleaming strand.
I know I feel those who have gone from here
Come near enough sometimes to my hand.
I often think, but for veiled eyes,
We should find Heaven right round about us lies.

I cannot make it seem a day to dread,
When from the dear earth I shall journey out
To that still dearer country of the dead,
And join the lost ones, so long dreamed about.
I love this world, yet shall I love to go
And meet the friends who wait for me, I know.

I never stand above a bier and see
The seal of death set on some well-loved face
But that I think: One more to welcome me
When I shall cross the intervening space
Between this land and that one "over there";
One more to make the strange Beyond seem fair.

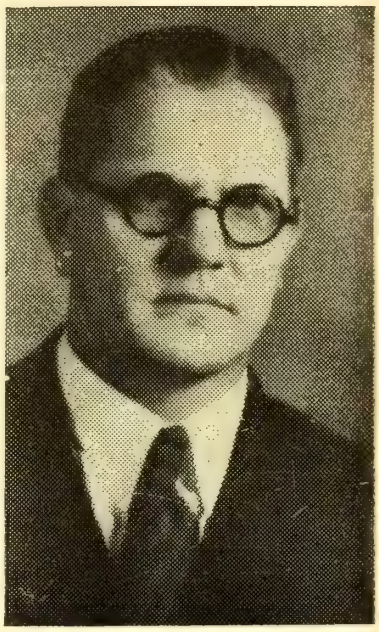
And so for me there is no sting to death,
And so the grave has lost its victory.
It is but crossing—with abated breath—
And white, set face—a little strip of sea
To find the loved ones waiting on the shore,
More beautiful, more precious than before.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Pisgah Methodist Church, Lincoln Circuit, to be Dedicated



Pisgah Methodist Church, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt, Pastor



Rev. E. M. Jones, Dist. Supt.

Pisgah Methodist church will be dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 5. Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt is the present pastor.

The first church was built on this spot in 1875. R. C. Lynch was the leading layman. The second church building was erected in 1903. R. C. Lynch and Lawson C. Rhyne were the moving spirits in the enterprise. This third church was built in 1937, during the pastorate of Rev. W. B. Shinn. The building committee: D. C. Thornburg, George Kale and G. G. Whitesides.

The parsonage of the Lincoln circuit is to be dedicated at 4:30 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, October 5.

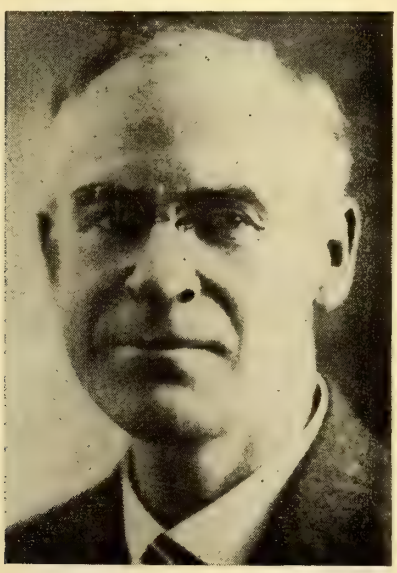
Parsonage Dedication

The dedication of the Lincoln circuit parsonage is something new, not entirely new in that it never has occurred before, but it is unquestionably an unusual occurrence. Why not dedicate parsonages as well as churches? Why not dedicate factories and farms? This writer a long time ago had a part in the dedication of a new cotton mill at Waxhaw, N. C., and it was about the most impressive dedication that we have ever had the privilege of attending.

ONE OF THE GREAT HOURS ON BURLINGTON CIRCUIT

On yesterday morning, Sunday, September 28, the New Salem church voted to unite with Fairview Chapel. This will be of interest to some of the former pastors and other conference leaders. New Salem was the original M. E. Church, South, and the Fairview church, just across the highway, was Methodist Protestant. In the last annual conference the Fairview church was placed on the Burlington circuit. We now await the action of our fourth quarterly conference to confirm this action.

Several people rejoined in the service yesterday morning. Not one person stood to vote against the recommendation. A very few who are not members of the church were a bit serious about it. We believe the Burlington circuit is making steady progress. M. C. Ellerbe.



Rev. W. B. Shinn, Builder



The Pisgah Methodist Parsonage

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

AN APPEAL TO EVERY SOCIETY

The week of prayer and self-denial will be observed October 27-31.
27-31.

If you have not received your package of free materials, write to Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Bessemer City, N. C. This package contains a booklet with talks on our week of prayer specials, Christian literature, medical equipment around the world, funds for retired deaconesses, and Brewster Hospital, also an appropriate worship service to accompany the talk. You will, no doubt, need extra copies; if so, these booklets are 10 cents each.

The other booklet in the package contains worship material for an all-day retreat; these are only one cent each, or 50 for 40 cents.

In the package is a colored poster telling what your gifts provide. This poster is to be placed in the church in advance of your observance and are five cents each.

The attractive gift envelopes carrying a world map and list of our spe-

All extra copies of all mterial must be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio. Please accompany your order with cash.

Presidents and spiritual life leaders are requested to follow the Foreword in each of the two booklets and aid their program committee in every possible way, to make this week of prayer observance one of real consecration and self-denial, carrying out the purpose of this occasion to give every member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service an opportunity to make a self-denial offering to causes of mission work not provided for in our budget.

The need is great. The call is urgent. "Give and it shall be given unto you." "God loveth a cheerful giver."

Mrs. A. L. Thompson,
Conf. Cor. Secretary.

STUDY LEADERS' MEETINGS

A most auspicious beginning for the series of four study leaders' meetings held within our conference during the past week was that of Monday, Septemper 22, for the High Point, Greensboro and Winston-Salem districts which was held in the First church of High Point, with approximately 500 representatives from the three districts in attendance, including nine conference officers and the three district corresponding secretaries.

Mrs. W. T. Powell of the High Point district presided and Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference chairman of spiritual life, conducted the opening devotional, choosing as her theme the Lord's Prayer. Following the devotional the assembly divided into groups under the leadership of the following conference officers: Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. W. F. Redding of Asheboro, secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, chairman spiritual life groups, and Mrs. E. A. Lambe, secretary of young women and girls' work, each of whom outlined the coming year's program in her respective department.

The principal speaker for the day was Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York City, field worker of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, who discussed the work of the women's organization in the church, placing special emphasis on children's work in this field.

Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., made a brief talk on the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild. An appropriate skit given by Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Redding added to the enjoyment of the day's program and closed this meeting which had been so full of interest and enthusiasm and inspiration.

Meeting at Statesville

The second in the series of meetings was held in Broad Street church, Statesville, Tuesday, September 23, with 275 or 300 representatives from the Salisbury and Statesville districts present, as well as a number from the Elkin district. The purpose of these conferences is instruction of the leaders of the study groups in the local societies to aid them in planning the study to be put on this fall. This plan for promotion and increased interest in the missionary education has been in operation in our conference for a number of years, with graifying results. The team in charge of these 1941 meetings is composed of Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary of missionary education and service; Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference leader of spiritual life groups; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities; and Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, with Miss Ruth Wheaton, field worker, adding to the enjoyment of the program with her informative and inspiring message. The meeting at Statesville adjourned at one o'clock and luncheon was served in the church dining room by the members of Mrs. Carl Holland's cricle of Broad Street Methodist church.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

Mrs. Wilburn Shouse, Sec.

Central church, Mt. Airy, was hostess to the No. 3 zone of Winston-Salem district Wednesday, September 17, with Mrs. A. C. Payne, chairman of zone, presiding. Meeting opened with a song, "My Jesus I Love Thee," followed my worship service by Mrs. A. B. Macon of Mt. Airy, using as her theme, Love. A welcome was extended by Mrs. Matt Hines, to which Mrs. W. R. Harris of Walnut Cove, responded. After this greeting the assemblage was divided into groups for the discussion of the following topics: Mission and Bible Study; C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities; Presidents and Vice presidents; secretaries and treasurers; Spiritual Life Groups; Supplies; Children's Work; Literature and Publicity; and Young Women and Girls' Work, with a leader of ability and experience for each of the groups. Reports of the findings of each group were given later.

Mrs. Allred of Mt. Airy sang "My Task" and Rev. J. Walter Miller spoke on "Childlike Faith," after which the benediction was pronounced and a most bountiful lunch was served. The afternoon session opened with quiet music, followed by roll call and with the adoption of the name "Mt. Airy Zone" for the zone formerly No. 3. The zone was delighted to present Mrs. A. B. Macon with a life membership in appreciation of and gratitude for the splendid service she has rendered the zone. Mrs. Wolff sang a solo which was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. C. C. Weaver gave a detailed explanation of the Methodist Youth Movement and stressed the importance of the work being done by the young women and girls.

Mrs. Frank, a returned missionary from Japan closed the meeting with a splendid paper on world conditions in Japan.

A MOST PLEASANT EVENT

A pleasant event in church circles during the past week in Asheville was the 6:30 dinner tendered to stewards of Central church on Monday evening by Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Lambeth with all of the stewards, excepting a small number, who were detained at home by illness in their families, present to enjoy this occasion.

Special guests were Bishop and Mrs. Hoyt M. Dobbs, who have been spending some time in Asheville, leaving on Tuesday morning for Birmingham, Ala., to visit the father of Bishop Dobbs.

Following the delicious "turkey dinner" in the serving of which Mrs. Lambeth was assisted by several of the stewards' wives, her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Lambeth and a few of the younger women of the church, Bishop Dobbs was presented by Dr. Lambeth, and after an expression of his love and appreciation for the pastor of Central church, with whom he was associated at Vanderbilt University in days gone by, gave a splendid talk on "A Good Steward." He gave many incidents in his life as a minister in which were demonstrated the qualities essential to good stewardship by those with whom he had come in contact. He said in discussion of his subject that he had consulted three authorities for definition of what a good steward was—the dictionary, the Discipline and the Bible—giving the definition as found in each and enlarging upon it in each instance. His talk was heard with great interest and was enjoyed by every one who listened. He closed expressing his pleasure at being in Asheville for the past weeks and voiced his appreciation of the kindnesses that had been extended to him in every way. Bishop and Mrs. Dobbs made many friends in Asheville who regret to have them leave the city and shall look forward to their coming again.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD N

In Christian brotherhood there is a motive of love, a motive of trust and a changing of certain attitudes. . . . We need that deep humility that sponsors brotherhood; we need to change that attitude of hastiness; we need to change that attitude of aloofness to one of forgiveness. In sponsoring any kind of brotherhood we must ourselves be brothers.—Rev. James H. Overton, Jr.

SYMPANTHY TO MRS. KNIGHT

In the death of Mr. W. L. Knight on September 25 the N. C. conference has sustained a great loss. Mr. Knight was an outstanding Christian layman. Mrs. Knight served for some years as secretary of supplies of the Woman's Missionary Society and was elected to that office in the newer W. S. C. S. The women throughout the conference will join in a common bond of heartfelt sympathy for Mrs. Knight in her hours of trial.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

Twenty-three of the twenty-five members of the executive committee of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. met on September 24-25 at the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh and heard Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, report that there are 845 societies in the conference and 266 churches in the conference in which there is no woman's organization. Mrs. F. B. McKinne reported that $20,000 has been given for missions by the women of the conference during the first six months of 1941. Mrs. McKinne also stated that the conference society has a dividend from a Goldsboro bank amounting to $900, which is a refund from funds caught in a closed bank several years ago. It was voted to use the money as a nucleus for a loan fund for applicants for Scarritt College from the N. C. conference. Upon motion of Mrs. Gertie Matthews, it was unanimously voted to name this fund the Elizabeth Lamb fund. Mrs. R. C. Gary, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, reported 52 Guilds in the conference with 12179 members. Other officers reporting were: Mrs. B. F. Boone, missionary education; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, children's work; Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, student work; Miss Mary Gardner, publicity and publications; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, spiritual life groups. Mrs. A. M. Gates, chairman committee on personnel, discussed Scarritt, Paine and Bennett College scholarships and the Scarritt Associate Plan. Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary N. C. Conference Board of Education, explained the new unified plan for the missionary education of youth. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood reported on the meetings of the commission on rural work held at Duke Univeristy, and the student commission at Greenville, commending the work of Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person circuit, and Miss Elizabeth Tittesworth at E. C. T. C. Mrs. W. A. Thorne reported on the effective work which Miss Priscilla Stegar is doing at industrial deaconess at East Laurinburg. Miss Elizabeth Lamb led the opening devotions of the three sessions and the good night prayer service of the evening session. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, presided. Others present in addition to those already mentioned were: Mrs. S. S. Holt, recording secretary; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, secretary young women and girls' work; Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, member of the board of missions and church extension of the Methodist church, and the following district secretaries: Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district; Mrs. Gleen Pendleton, Elizabeth City district; Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville, district; Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district; Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district; Mrs. Fred Johnson, Rocky Mount district, and Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district. Tentative dates for the next annual conference, which will be held at Edenton Street church, were set for March 12-14.

BREWSTER HOSPITAL

In Jacksonville, Florida, is a negro hospital of 100 beds which has served in such varied and large capacities that the city of Jacksonville, in recognition of the very fine work there, has written into its budget an appropriation for its needs. Brewster Hospital was established in 1901, and having been under the auspices fo the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the former M. E. Church has become a rich inheritance of all of American Methodism. The hospital is staffed by colored folk with only three white persons on the staff. The excellent training school for nurses prepares many negro women for service in the nursing profession. At present Brewster Hospital has facilities for caring for all types of patients excepting contagious and mental cases and very soon a new isolation ward will be erected. Each week more than 400 clinical patients are helped at Brewster. The executive committee of the Woman's Division of Christian Service in session some time ago to decide upon the projects for the 1941 observance of the week of prayer agreed that the great need for a convalescent home for negro children at Brewster Hospital was most urgent and appealing, therefore that project was elected as one of the four for this year. The other causes to which the week of prayer offering will be directed this year are the establishment of a pension fund for deaconeses; medical equipment for hospitals in various lands where the Methodist Church has mission work and Christian literature for foreign countries, with special emphasis on the Christian home. Week of prayer observance will be held during the last week of October.

RALEIGH DISTRICT STUDY DAY

The Raleigh district study leaders' day and the fall meeting of the Central zone were held jointly on September 10 at Edenton Street church in Raleigh. Mrs. T. R. Smith, district secretary, presided over the first portion of the meeting, bringing a message of encouragement and admonition concerning all departments of work. When the meeting was placed in charge of Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education, she presented a program dealing with the fall mission study. Mrs. Boone was assisted by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretary young women and girls' work; Mrs. L. C. Larkin and Miss Sarah Massey. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood brought greetings from the Edenton Street society. Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., led the opening worship with a timely talk on "Christian Brotherhood" and Mrs. Walter Patton closed the morning sesssion with prayer. Following the luncheon and fellowship hour interest groups met with leaders to discuss plans for the various departments of work. Mrs. T .R. Smith met with the presidents; Mrs. B. F. Boone led the group on missionary education; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Christian social relations; Mrs. W. A. Davis, spiritual life; Mrs. L. C. Larkin, young women and girls' work and Miss Mary Gardner, children's work.

A HELPFUL RECOMMENDATION

Upon recommendation of Miss Flora Thompson, secretary of student work of the W. S. C. S. of Edenton Street Methodist church, the executive committee of that society heartily and unanimously voted to mail copies of The Upper Room each qaurter to boys and girls from Edenton Street church who are attending colleges in other cities and to boys from that church in army camps. Such a kindly and thoughtful act should have a far-reaching influence upon the spiritual life of the recipients of these gifts and we commend its repetition in many of the churches in the N. C. conference.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, secretary Rocky Mount district, announces a meeting of the Warren zone to be held at Warrenton Methodist church on October 4; the Southern-Central zone at McTyere church on October 9; Quinn county zone at Walkertown on October 16, and Northern zone at Sharon on October 23.

According to Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, a meeting of the Northern zone of that district will be held at Louisburg Methodist church on October 9, beginning at 10 a. m.

Seven deadly sins are: politics without principle, wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, knowledge without character, business without morality, science without humanity, worship without sacrifice.—E. Stanley Jones.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE BOARD MEETS

Our board of trustees met Thursday, September 25, at 10:30 a. m. in its annual meeting. In two hours it had completed its work, important work. Among the transactions recorded were the recommendation, after collaboration with the bishop and his cabinet, to the Commission on World Service and Finance that a graduated scale of Children's Home apportionments be placed upon the pastoral charges in line with their ability to pay, the authorization of an additional six-inch water main along unprotected areas of the Children's Home grounds, the construction of a worker's cottage when agreed upon by the superintendent and finance committee, the sale of certain properties now held by the Home and the passing of a resolution of thanks for the A. A. Martin bequest.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

Mr. Richard G. Stockton of Winston-Salem was elected president of our board of trustees, Rev. Joe S. Hiatt of Statesville, vice president, and Geo. F. Ivey of Hickory was re-elected secretary. O. V. Woosley was re-elected as superintendent and treasurer. The following members were chosen for the executive committee: Richard G. Stockton, Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, Rev. R. M. Courtney, Rev. J. W. Moore, James G. Hanes and R. O. Lindsay. The finance committee is composed of James A. Gray, Richard G. Stockton and B. S. Womble.

SOME GOOD MEN

Dr. G. Ray Jordan of Charlotte was elected, subject to the confirmation of the approaching annual conference, to fill the unexpired term of Bishop W. W. Peele on our board of trustees. Dr. J. E. Pritchard of Ramseur was elected in place of Dr. J. F. Marr, deceased, and J. M. Millikan of Greensboro succeeds John Paul Lucas, deceased, subject to the same conference action. Members of the board present at the meeting were Richard G. Stockton, George F. Ivey, Rev. R. M. Courtney, T. Austin Finch, James A. Gray, Charles W. Gunter, George L. Hackney, Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, Rev. T. B. Johnson, R. O. Lindsay, Rev. J. W. Moore and J. Raymond Smith.

ABILITY TO PAY

There are three big reasons for increased receipts to the Children's Home: First, we have more children to sustain; second, the maintenance cost per child has greatly increased; and third, our endowment income continues to shrink. The expectation is that with increased taxes on industrial enterprises and decreased interest rates on investments our endowment income will become less than it now is. It is now less than it used to be. There is only one thing left for our people to do in providing for the work the Children's Home is established to do, and that is to increase their contributions. It stands to reason that charges embracing more wealth and more leadership should assume a larger proportion of the Children's Home challenge. Of course there will be nothing compulsory about the matter, but doubtless the opportunity will be presented.

THE HUNDRED POUNDERS

The picture this week is that of the 1941 edition of our 100-pound football team. Most of these boys were on the 85-pound team last year. These boys played their first game last Saturday with a similar team from Gastonia, winning by a score of 7 to 0. The slightly heavier Gastonia boys offered several scoring threats and will doubtless give another good account of themselves when our boys play them in a return game at Gastonia later in the season.

VARSITY VALUES

There is no season of the year more greatly enjoyed and more beneficial to our youngsters than the football season. Outranking other teams is, of course, the varsity outfit. This year our first team has ten hard games to play, not one of them a set-up. To date the boys have played Asheville High, losing by a score of 21 to 7, and Thomasville High, winning by a score 25 to 13. The next game is with Greensboro High Friday night, October 3, at Greensboro.

THE RINGING CONTINUES

The ten per cent apportionment bell still rings. This bell gives forth more than pleasing tones. It sounds out financial security. Those having pulled the cord during the past week and in so doing announced that they had paid their apportionment in full are as follows. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

Centenary, Greensboro, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Glen Ayre, Bakesville circuit, Rev. R. C. Nimon.

Taylorsville, Taylorsville circuit, Rev. O. L. Robinson.

Lee's Chapel, Greensboro, Rev. A. L. Latham.

Greer's Chapel, Rev. Atlas Ridge.

Central, Kings Mountain, Rev. H. C. Sprinkle.

Cedar Hill, Ansonville circuit, Rev. O. P. Ader.

Hunter's Chapel and Mt. Herman, Ararat circuit, Rev. W. H. Yokeley.

Richfield, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. Abram J. Cox.

Tweed's Chapel, Fairview circuit, Rev. W. F. Beadle.

Martin's Chapel, Micaville circuit, Rev. M. A. Lewis.

Broad Street, Mooresville, Rev. V. R. Masters.

Wesley Heights, Charlotte, Rev. W. B. Davis.

Norwood circuit, Rev. J. E. Rink.

Highlands circuit, Rev. J. S. Higgins.

Randolph-Gray's Chapel circuit, Rev. H. L. Isley.

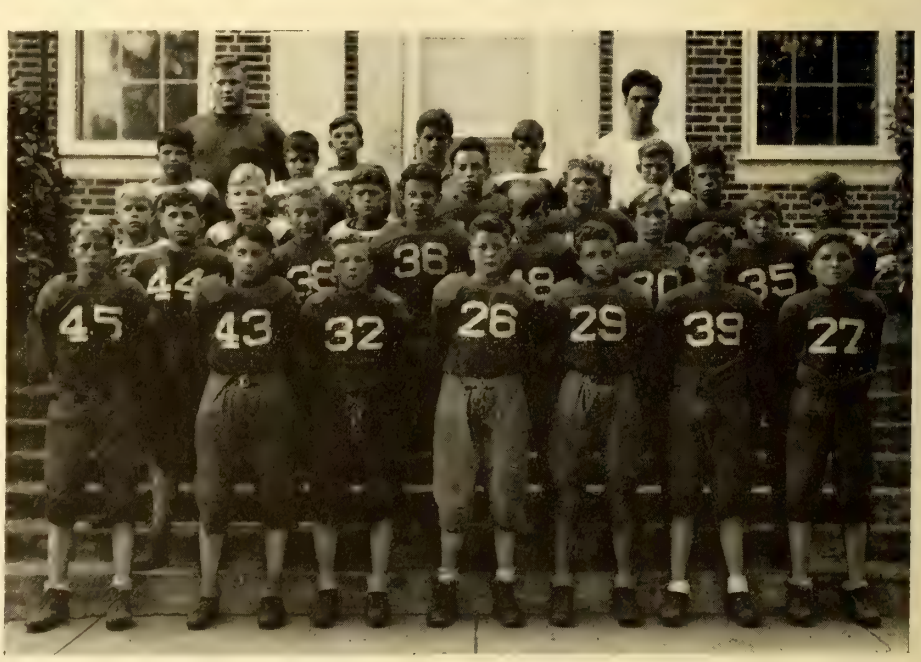
Roberta, Concord, Rev. H. W. Bell.

A SIGNIFICANT GIFT

"I was by the Home Sunday and was very favorably impressed with the surroundings. I am enclosing a check for $25 which I hope you can use to advantage. Please do not use my name when publishing a list of the donations. I am a former Methodist Protestant."

OUR BOY'S REPORT

Rev. J. E. Rink, a Children's Home product, in a personal letter says: "According to my records the Norwood circuit has paid in full its Children's Home apportionment, not counting fifth Sunday offerings. The work is shaping up nicely for conference. I feel confident we will come through all right on everything. Our folks are happy over the fact that the congregations seem to be in good shape. By conference we will have reported some 50 additions to the membership. Mrs. Rink and I have been very happy in our work this year."



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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following brief account of the visit of our singing class to the Glen Raven-Haw River charge: "The singing class visited the Glen Raven-Haw River churches on the third Sunday in September. Rev. Joseph Coble, the pastor, and his congregations extended us a warm welcome. We considered it a great privilege to worship with these good friends of the Methodist Orphanage."

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CLOTHES—Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, has been busy for the past two weeks sending out lists for the clothing of our children to the friends who are sponsoring them. I haven't words at my command to express our sincere appreciation for such altruistic service. It is impossible for our friends to fully realize just how happy they make our children by this sacrificial service in their behalf.

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PEANUT BELT—In the Northeastern part of our state there are several that grow large quantities of peanuts. The growers realize hundreds of thousands of dollars from the sale of their peanuts. In the past these peanut growers have remembered our children with peanuts. The pastors and churches in the peanut area are liberal in their support of the Methodist Orphanage. It goes without saying that they will not forget the Methodist Orphanage this fall.

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SWEET POTATOES — For many years our farmer friends throughout the eastern part of the state have very kindly remembered our children by bringing to the Methodist Orphanage large quantities of sweet potatoes. Since our land is not suitable for the growing of sweet potatoes, I am counting on our friends to supply us with an abundance of sweet potatoes this fall. In the past these gifts have come to us gratis, and I am hoping that no one will ask that their charges receive credit on the apportionment for these gifts.

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HIGHLY HONORED — The Methodist Orphanage was highly honored last week in having as our guests the members of he executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the North Carolina conference. These outstanding women of our church were entertained in the lovely Burwell cottage, where they held all their meetings. Ever since the Methodist Orphanage was established the women of our conference have been generous and devoted friends of our children. Without their sacrificial service we would be seriously handicapped in our work. We are happy to furnish rooms and place for their meetings, but they pay for their meals. These splendid women have a standing invitation to hold their annual meetings with us, because their presence is a benediction to our home.

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A LITTLE HINT—The conference year is rapidly coming to a close, and less than 50 per cent of the apportionment for this year has been received by the Orphanage. Bills for our usual fall supplies are always large. In addition, soaring prices and a tax bill of $2500 added greatly to our financial embarrassment. I sincerely trust that every charge in the conference will pay its entire Orphanage apportionment this year, since our need is so imperative. I would like to suggest that our pastors and churches rush our Orphanage apportionment to us immediately, and not wait until the meeting of our annual conference in Durham. By following this suggestion we would not have to borrow any more money to meet our operating expenses before the annual conference. I feel sure that our friends understand and appreciate our trying situation.

WHAT IS MAN?

An ape when doing just as others do; or when lacking ordinary judgment.

A monkey when extremely humorous, with a touch of foolishness.

A wolf when inclined to tear and destroy.

A fox when displaying a high degree of cunning.

A calf when prolonging traits of childhood far beyond their age period.

A bear when surly or crusty.

A dog when passing extreme limits of immorality.

A worm when willing to be stepped on by everybody.

A leech when drawing a dishonest living from the life of others.

A porcupine when ready to wound everyone that comes within touching distance.

A 'possum when feigning sleep, or ignorance of a matter.

A hound, usually greyhound, when lean and agile and swift.

A lion when posing as king and lord of all and of everybody.

A colt when too frisky for advanced years.

A tiger when disposed to attack with vehemence and defend with fierceness.

A mouse when listening closely without pretending to be.

A camel when able to endure great physical strain without suffering from thirst.

A snail or a tortoise when slow of movement.

A bird when very odd looking.

An eel when too slippery, mentally or morally, to be held to accountability.—Religious Telescope.

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LENOIR BIBLE CONFERENCE

The Methodist churches of Caldwell county met at First church, Lenoir, from Tuesday through Friday, September 9-12, with Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe as lecturer for a Bible conference. The co-operating pastors were Claude H. Moser, Reid Wall, D. A. Oakley, W. L. Harkey, R. E. Hunt, and J. Max Brandon. The following themes were used in the meetings: The Church and the Child, The Church and the World Today, The Church and the Indifferent Member, and The Church and the Ministry of Healing. Along with Dr. Rowe a layman spoke each evening. C. W. Hickman, W. C. Hickman, Earl Stone and George Tuttle spoke for their respective charges. While in Lenoir Dr. Rowe spoke to the Rotary Club and also preached a sermon on Sunday night to approximately 3000 people on the opening occasion of the Caldwell County Centennial.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE REPORT FORMS

Fourth quarterly conferences are being held daily throughout the conference now, and official charge directories are being received on nearly every mail. We are grateful for this information, which is indispensable in rendering effective service from this office. The following have sent in their reports since our last list in the Advocate:

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

A few requests have been received in the last two weeks for programs for this observance. Approximately 900 church schools, however, have not planned for this program. Reports should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville, and should reach him before October 15.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK OCTOBER 5-12

Christian Education Week is being observed throughout Methodism during the week of October 5-12. In our own conference plans are being made for special radio programs from stations in Asheville, Charlotte, Gastonia, Greensboro, Hickory, High Point, Salisbury, and Winston-Salem. Each church should make plans for this observance among its own people and give the radio programs as much publicity as possible.

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RESOLUTIONS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE MAN WHO SEES

By Charles Stelzle

The biggest man on any job is the one who has ideas. In facing our problems—and this applies to personal matters—there are four things that we must do with them: First, we must see them; second, we must study them; third, we must state them; and fourth, we must solve them.

The trouble with most of us is that we reverse this process. This is what usually happens in Industry, in Politics, in International Affairs. We get together and immediately we determine that "something must be done." And because we haven't any ideas about the matter we finish up by passing a set of resolutions which some phrase-maker has prepared, refer the whole matter to a "special committee," and then we go home feeling that the job has been finished. But it hasn't even been begun. It takes a long time for the committee to report, if it ever does so.

It is interesting that when somebody does present a real idea it acts like an electric spark. The crowd comes to life, and everything clears up very quickly. The man that stands out, therefore, is the one who has ideas—the man who can see the problem. He may not be a great student, he may not be able to make a great speech, but if he can "see"—to use an old phrase objectively, if he is a "seer"—a prophet—he becomes our leader.

The principal job of the problem-seer is to discover the causes of the chaos we are facing. After these have been made clear, we shall be able to solve our problems. Then is the time for the "practical" man—the engineer—to begin his part of the job. He is the man who knows how to make the maps and the blue-prints.

But the ability to see is not limited to the so-called wise man—the great men of our times. They seem to have bungled things pretty badly. It is rather startling that there seems to be times when there's only one man who has the qualities which equip him for leadership in an industry or in a government. But that is our own blindness. The fact is, we simply haven't discovered others who have what is needed to do the job.

Such men may be found among the workers, who are close to life. For after all, the fundamental facts to be discovered are basically human. And it does not require a college degree or a social position to learn of what these consist. This is daily being discovered in all human affairs. The first and probably one of the most essential things is to have an open and receptive mind, with the ability to see things objectively. New ideas do not evolve from a brain crowded with prejudice. —Michigan Christian Advocate.

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 5

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By Rollin H. Walker

God Our Heavenly Father

We may as well be frank and acknowledge that there are objections to belief in a kind heavenly Father that we cannot answer. It does no good to sweep the difficulties to faith under the lounge. We always know they are there, and this consciousness makes us more uneasy than if we frankly acknowledged them. Better look them square in the face. We do not know why God sends cyclones and droughts, and why he made the germ of the hideous diseases that kill off our loved ones. But any fool knows that if we deny the existence of a kind and gracious Father in heaven, instead of getting rid of problems, an avalanche of difficulties come down on us. How do we explain the wonders and glories in nature, the slow but sure operation of the moral law in human life and history, and the transfigured glory that comes to the saints as the result of believing in God?

A distinguished atheistic professor has recently said, "I am a cosmological atheist, but an ethical theist." He means, I suppose, that when he looks out on this tragic world he decides that there is no God, but he realizes that we must act as though there were a good and just God, or society will soon be turned into a hell.

Paul says, Fight the good fight of faith. This is an honest admission of the fact that to believe in a good God is a fight. But Paul at once goes on to say, Lay hold on eternal life. And this expresses his exprience of the fact that if we keep on believing in a good God, and act as though we believed, currents of eternal life increasingly flood our souls, and thus we are assured that our faith is well founded.

The Bible stresses two things about God: 1. We are made in the image of God. Hence we may infer that all that is best and highest in us will also be found in his character. Men absorbed in the study of inanimate nature, noting such invariable uniformities as that at a given level water always boils at a certain temperature, and heat always expands a bar of iron, are prone to think of God as an impersonal mechanism. But there is much more in nature than inanimate matter. There is man with his power to dress and aspire and plan and love. There are fathers slaving for their children, and mothers infinitely patient with their fretfulness; and there are martyrs going to the stake out of loyalty to principle. And it is reasonable to infer that everything great and noble in man is, of course, found in his Maker. This fact is stressed by Jesus. He insists that no kindly impulse ever manifested by any mortal lacks its counterpart in heaven (Matthew 7:9-11). Be on the search for all heroism and beauty in life, he seems to say, for when you find it you will find a key to the character of God.

And of course the unique key to the character of God is found in Jesus himself. He says, He that hath seen me hath seen the Father (John 14:9). Christianity proclaims a Christ-like God.

II. While the Bible teaches that all that is greatest and best in man is in God, it warns us against projecting any of our limitations on God.

1. God, says the prophet, never gets tired. Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard? The everlasting God, Jehovah, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary (Isaiah 40:28-31).

2. God is not subject to moods. The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him (Psalm 103:17; James 1:17).

3. Nothing escapes God's notice. Not a sparrow falls to the ground without your Father (Matthew 10:29-30). If I say, Surely the darkness will overwhelm me, and the light about me shall be night, even the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day (Psalm 139:11-12).

4. God is everywhere present. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall thy right hand hold me (Psalm 139:9).

Thus the scriptural conception of our heavenly Father combines all human tenderness and minute care with infinite majesty, wisdom and power. Well may we join with the Psalmist in saying, Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

IT'S A MIXED SITUATION

The bee has long been held up as an example of industry. We are exhorted to emulate the "busy bee" that is so devoted to its job of making honey that it has no time to loiter or complain. It passes by the poison flowers, the thorns and weeds, and stops only where there is honey to be gathered.

That all sounds well and is good material for a lecture. But somebody spoils it by turning the other side of the picture. He reminds us that there are drones among the bees; the drones are the males who hang around in idleness while the females do the work and achieve the fine reputation whereby the busy bee is held up as an object of honor and an example to be followed.

That part of it may bring comfort to the lazy husband and may well be called to the attention of his industrious but discontented wife.

But he had better not give her time to think this through, or she might come back with the retort that those male drones that sit around and let their wives do the work are killed and dragged out of the hive before winter comes.—Religious Telescope.

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THE BLACK KETTLE

By Mary Quayle Innis

Bun and Bretta had walked a long way without seeing any one when they came to the black kettle. It had stopped being winter and begun being spring such a short time before that snow still lay in gray patches at the roots of the trees and some of the leaves underfoot were silvery and glistening with ice. The woods were very quiet and Bun and Bretta were beginning to be lonesome. So they were glad when they found the black kettle. They walked around it and Bun asked:

"Why is it upside down?"

They both lay down on their stomachs and tried to look under the kettle, but they could see nothing but blackness.

"It's a magic kettle," said Bun.

"What's a magic kettle? Can you sit in it and have it carry you off like the magic carpet in my book?"

"Let's see," Bun cried, and they both pushed as hard as they could, but the kettle would not turn over.

"It isn't magic a bit," Bretta complained. "It only made my hands black."

"It is so magic. I know it is," Bun declared earnestly. "You wish and your wish comes true."

"Do it then."

Bun put his hand on the kettle, stood on one foot and shut his eyes. "I wish—I wish—I wish I had a lump of sugar. Aunt Anne never lets me have any."

"You shouldn't wish out loud," Bretta said. "Anyway, it didn't come true."

Bun went carefully through his pockets, but there was no lump of sugar in any of them. His face grew long with disappointment when he had lain down again to look under the kettle and found no sugar there either. Then he brightened.

"Sugar works slow," he said. "Come on. Beat you to the house."

Two or three days later Uncle Bob called to them as he came from the woodshed. "Want to come along? I've got some work to do in the woods."

They had never seen Uncle Bob work in the woods. He worked with his auger drilling holes in the trees. Bun and Bretta thought this a very strange thing to do. And he made holes in some of the trees, not in others, and always on the south side of each one. They asked him ever so many questions, but he would not answer any of them.

"Wait and see," was all he would say. So they went back to the wagon on which he had driven them to the woods. In it there was a box of funny little iron things and piles and piles of small deep pails without any handles. They set the pails out in rows and played store with them. Then they went back to Uncle Bob. "After I get through drilling a hole you can put your fingers in and pull out the chips," he said.

The chips they pulled out were moist and something like water began to trickle from the holes. After a while Uncle Bob began to drive one of the little iron spouts into each hole with a hammer. They were called spiles, he said, and Bun and Bretta brought them from the wagon for him. Then they brought the little tin pails and hung one on each spile by a hole in its edge.

"Now what?" Bretta asked, and Uncle Bob would only answer, "We'll come again on Saturday and then you'll see."

On Saturday they saw something very strange. Bun looked into several of the pails he had hung and cried:

"Look, the pails are full of water. But it hasn't rained. How did they get full of water, Uncle Bob?"

"I know," Bretta exclaimed, jumping up and down. "It isn't rain, it's sap. It comes out of the trees. I heard Aunt Anne talking about it. Taste it, Bun."

Bun touched his tongue cautiously to a drop that was just spilling over the top of one of the pails.

"It tastes like water," he said slowly, "only kind of sweet. I didn't know the trees were full of sweet water."

"Only some of them. Only some of the maples, Aunt Anne said. Oh, look what they're doing! They've got our black kettle."

Uncle Bob and the hired man had hoisted the kettle up and hung it on a pole which rested on two posts set upright in the ground a little way apart.

"Now you children will have plenty of work," Uncle Bob said. "We want all the wood you can find to keep the fire going. See which of you can find the most."

The fire began to crackle and glow. The hired man heaped on wood while Uncle Bob emptied pails of sap into the big barrel that stood ready.

There was a great deal for the children to do now. They brought wood and helped to poke the fire ,they emptied half-full sap pails into the big pails that Uncle Bob carried to the farther trees and hung them up again, and every little while they ran to look into the black kettle. For now the sap that had been poured into it grew hotter and hotter and began to boil.

Aunt Anne brought out a basket of lunch with a teakettle and some tin cups.

"Where are you going to get the water to make tea, Aunt Anne?" Bretta asked.

"You'll see, dear," she said. I'm going to make tea the way the Indians did sometimes when they were boiling sap."

She filled the kettle with cold sap and propped it over the fire. When it boiled she filled the teapot and then poured cups of maple-sap tea for the men. The children tasted it—hot and delicately sweet—but mostly they drank the sap cold.

"The sap from each tree has its own special taste," Uncle Bob said. "I used to be able to tell which tree a pail of sap came from by tasting it."

"Oh, Uncle Bob, can you now?" Bretta cried. "Let's try. I'll get a cup and you tell me where I got it."

It was a fascinating game. Sometimes Uncle Bob was wrong, but very often he was right.

The sap boiled more slowly and thickly now with a deeper, solider sound. In fact it was no longer sap, it was syrup.

"It's dirty, though," Bretta said. "I see sticks and things in it and yellow foam like soapsuds."

"We'll get all that out at the house," said Aunt Anne. "I'll put some milk in it and that will make it clean and clear."

They took the syrup home that evening and Aunt Anne boiled it again on the kitchen stove. Some of it was boiled a very long time and poured into a pan to stand over night. When Bun came to look at it the next morning he found that it was not brown and clear any longer but yellow and solid.

"Sugar," Bunt repeated to himself. "A lump of sugar. Why, that's what I wished the kettle to send me. It is a magic kettle after all."—New Outlook.

A BOY

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,
A boy at his work or play.
A boy who whistles around the place,
Or laughs in an artless way.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,
And the world must wait to see,
For every man in an honored place,
Is a boy that used to be.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,
A boy with his face aglow,
For hid in his heart there are secrets deep
Not even the wisest know.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,
A boy with his bare, white feet;
So have a smile and kindly word,
For every boy you meet.

—Margaret Isabel, in The Challenge.

Little Emma was crossing the desert with her parents in their high-powered, well-equipped motor. She became unusually silent for a while, and then surprised them by saying, "Mother, I never saw so much nothing in all my life."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 5
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 5
Orange, Efland, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 7
Davis Street, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

October

Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 1 2
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 11 5
Creswell, night 5
Kinnakeet, Avon, night 7
Hatteras, night 8
Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
District check-up meeting with Bishop Clare Purcell at Aberdeen, 10 a. m. 17
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 5
Pikeville-Elm Street, Mt. Carmel, 3 5
La Grange, 7:30 5
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Granville, Rehobeth, 11 5
Smithfield, 7:30 5
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 15
Franklington, Franklinton, 7:30 16
Creedmoro, Creedmoor, 11 19
Stem, Stem, 7:30 19
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 20
Clayton, Clayton, 7:30 22
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 26
Garner, Garner, 7:30 26
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 29
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November

Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Henderson, First Church, 11 9
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Seaboard, Sharon, 11 5
Northampton, New Hope, 3 5
Conway, 7:30 5
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 7
Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 5
Swansboro, Midway, 7:30 5
Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 11
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11...15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

English Chapel, dedication, 11 5
Skyland, dedication, 3 5

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte
FOURTH ROUND

October

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 5
Derita, 7:30 5
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 6
Myers Park, 8 6
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 8

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Mocksville, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Davie Ct., night 5
Farmington, night 8
Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

The Elkin District rally-check-up meeting, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding, Friday, October 3, 3 p. m., Elkin Methodist church.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Gastonia, Main Street, 11 5
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 3 5
Bessemer City, Concord, night 5
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

October

Grace, 11 5
Summerfield, 3 5
West End, 7:30 5
District Check-up, West Market, 7:30 6
Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
Proximity, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

October

Main Street, 7 2
Seagrove-Love Joy, 7 3
Highland, 10 5
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, 11 5
Randleman-Union, 7 5
Shiloh, Friendship, 7 7
Calvary, 7 8
Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Elk Park, 11 5
Avery, Fairview, 3 5
Spruce Pine, 7:30 5
Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

October

Bethpage, 11 5
Rocky Ridge, 3 5
Central, Concord, 7:30 5
Central, Albemarle, 7:30 6
Central, Spencer, 7:30 8
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12

Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Union Grove, Union Grove—Special Services, 7:30	3
Mt. Zion, 11	5
Jones Memorial, 3	5
Mooresville, Centenary, 7:30	5
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11	12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3	12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30	12
Mooresville, Central, 7:30	15
Newton, 11	19
Catawba, Concord, 3	19
Balls Creek, Friendship	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	2
Pinnacle, Shoals, 11	5
Mt. Airy Ct., 3	5
Rockford Street, 7:30	5
Doubs, 7:30	6
Centenary, 7:30	8
Rural Hall, 11	12
Walnut Cove, 3	12
Forsyth, 7:30	12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30	13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30	14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30	15
North Davidson, 7:30	16
Kernersville, 7:30	17

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Macon Ct., Union, 11	5
Franklin, 8	5
Webster, Webster, 11	12
Whittier, Whittier, 3	12
Bryson City, 8	12
Murphy, 8	15
Cullowhee, 11	19
Canton, First, 8	19

Final check-up meeting and picnic for the district at Sylva Wednesday, October 1. Bishop Purcell presiding.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Chestnut Street Methodist church, Lumberton, N. C., wish to pay tribute to one of our most beloved and honored members, Mrs. M. A. Geddie, who was suddenly taken by death on August 5, 1941.

In grateful remembrance of her unselfish, courageous life among us as a member of this organization, as a mother and friend, we present the following resolutions:

First, That with the realization of the distinct loss which is ours by her removal from our midst, we are yet mindful and appreciative of the rich heritage of her Christ-like attributes of character and her impressively beautiful life. In the face of an inscrutable dispensation of a divine Providence, we bow in humble reverence before Him, knowing that He is too wise to err and too good to be unkind.

Second, That we commend to the members of the society Mrs. Geddie's life of patience and of sweetness of disposition.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolu- of her family our sincere and prayerful sympathy.

Forth, That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the permanent records of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. J. H. Teague,
Mrs. Daisy W. Jenkins,
Mrs. H. A. Oliver.

A TRIBUTE

We, the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of Soule Methodist church of Swan Quarter, wish to express our deep sense of loss in the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. Lorena Bonner, on April 13, 1941, and to pay tribute to her who was a most loyal and untiring worker.

Her sweet, pure and gentle spirit marked her as one of God's elect. Her type leaves the world a happier place, because such a spirit brightens it; her type makes heaven more attractive, because we want to be where that spirit has its fullest expression.

During her illness she was ever patient, unselfish and thoughtful of others. Her steadfast and serene life in a world of stress and confusion will be an inspiration to us all. Her memory shall linger long in our minds to point us to the higher way.

We desire that a copy of this tribute be published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the Hyde County Herald, the Hyde County Messenger, one to the family and one recorded in the record book of our Aid Society.

Mrs. John H. Swindell.
Mrs. J. E. Bonner,
Mrs. Harry Swindell,

SERMONGRAMS

In a labor of love, every day is pay day.

Discipleship ceases when one ceases to fulfill its requirements.

The person who knows God will not find it difficult to trust God.

People are inclined to place a low estimate on the man who places too high an estimate on himself.

It is by no means unusual for an open mouth and a closed mind to be connected up with the same anatomy.

Drinking does not drown troubles; it irrigates them.

When a man becomes his own best friend ,he becomes his neighbor's best friend also.—Selected.

GOD IS IN EVERY TOMORROW

God is in every tomorrow,
Therefore I live for today,
Certain of finding at sunrise,
Guidance and strength for the way;
Power for each moment of weakness,
Hope for each moment of pain,
Comfort for every sorrow,
Sunshine and joy after rain.

God is in every tomorrow,
Planning for you and for me;
E'en in the dark will I follow,
Trust where my eyes cannot see.
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Confident in his protection,
Knowing my life-path is planned.

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In Memoriam

DEVENEY — Mrs. Sarah Deveney, widow of Wm. L. Deveney, was born October 30, 1860; departed this life July 24, 1941, age 80 years 8 months and 24 days. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. V. R. Bowman and Miss Annie Deveney, both of Julian; also one grandson and a host of friends and relatives. Mrs. Deveney had been a member of Shiloh Methodist church near Julian for a number of years and was a sincere Christian. The funeral was conducted by the pastor. May the Lord comfort the bereaved.

H. L. Isley.

HEMPHILL—The entire Julian community was saddened when Mrs. Tyson Hemphill passed from the scenes of this world, leaving four small children. With our finite minds we cannot understand why she was taken when she was needed so much in the home, but we are taught and believe that God knows best and makes no mistakes. She was a devoted mother and wife, a kind friend and a sincere follower of Jesus. Measured by years she did not live so long, but it is not how long a person lives but how he lives that counts. Her husband, who is a merchant in Julian, and the four small children have the sympathy of the community in this loss. May the blessings of a loving Father rest upon them. H. L. Isley, Pastor.

McDADE — The presence of our friend and brother, Willie Lee McDade, who passed away June 20, 1941, will be sorely missed in Walnut Grove church, throughout Orange county and other places where he rendered so much loyal service. He had gathered unto himself a multitude of friends, and the love and high esteem in which he was held was manifested at the funeral services at Walnut Grove church, where Brother McDade was laid to rest amid a most beautiful floral offering and a host of sorrowing friends. He was a faithful soldier of the cross, serving his church as superintendent of the Sunday school and as trustee and steward. He had been in declining health for four years, but he expressed a devoted interest in his friends, family, church and community until the end.

Brother McDade was born August, 1864, at Cedar Grove in Orange county. He was married to Miss Jennie Jordan. This good wife and five children, Hattie Lee, Dewey, Marybelle Potter, Jeff and Lacy, survive. A daughter, Jennie, died in childhood.

We are thankful for the life and lasting influence of this good man.

J. C. Williams.

ERVIN—How often do we sing "Count your many blessings, see what God has done," just as if that were possible, when our very lives are a blessing that he has given us to use for his own glory.

One of the greatest blessings we have is that of a true friend. It has been said a constant friend is a thing rare and difficult to find.

The passing of Mrs. W. S. Ervin removes one of our friends of a long time. Mrs. Ervin was formerly Miss Lila McFarland of Jonesboro, N. C. She was married to J. T. Woodward, who at the time was a teacher. Mr. Woodward was the son of the late Leonard Groninger Woodward of Pennsylvania, who came to North Carolina before the Civil War days and was principal of Richlands school for 30 years or more. After her marriage to Mr. Woodward she came to the M. E. church at Richlands. She was loyal and faithful and reared her children in the Methodist faith.

The year that Mrs. Woodward was left a widow with four children, a responsibility which she assumed of both father and mother, a great task she nobly performed. After several years of widowhood she was married to William Smith Ervin, son of the late George Washington and Martha Grant Ervin.

We will miss Mrs. Ervin, being our neighbor for a long time, worshipping together in our old Zion for a long period of happy years. We miss our old friends as they pass one by one, but we hope to meet them over yonder at the "beautiful gate," waiting and watching for us.

For I think I would mourn over my sorrowful fate,
If sorrow in heaven could be,
If no one should be at the beautiful gate
Waiting and watching for me.

Mrs Nettie deFord.

WILLIAMSON— Mrs. Ida Pearsall Williamson was born in Wilmington, N. C., July 19, 1856, and departed this life at Shannon, Robeson county, N. C., September 6, 1941. She was the daughter of James and Martha Pearsall. In early years Mrs. Williamson united with the Methodist church and maintained a vital interest in the church.

On December 13, 1876, she was married to William H. Williamson, to which union ten children were born. The four surviving children—J. H. of High Point, D. H., H. S. and Neta of Shannon, Rt. 1.

Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. E. Brown, in Raeford Methodist church on Sunday, September 7.

Mrs. Williamson was ill for two months before she passed away. The local doctor, friends and neighbors were inspired by her patience and gentleness during her intense suffering. Being a former pastor, I had the privilege of visiting Mrs. Williamson on different occasions. She left a very definite impression that she was keenly interested in her church and the Master's work. Her church was of more than average concern. Her pastor was considered as a spiritual guide to her. She wanted him to pray in her home. His presence and visit were of real value to her. My life is stronger by having learned this family of God. May God bless these children. May their mother's life continue as a benediction to them and to all who are near and dear to them.

M. C. Ellerbe, Former Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, the untimely death of M. D. Gentry, by automobile accident on August 30, removed from our community a helpful friend and neighbor, and a valuable member of our church and Sunday school, leaving the entire community grief stricken by his sudden passing. Therefore be it resolved:

That we, the members of the men's Bible class of the Raeford Methodist church, do extend to his family and relatives our deepest sympathy, and offer to his family any help that we may be able to give in this time of their bereavement.

Lewis Upchurch,
C. B. Spivey,
J. M. Norton,
E. C. Crawford.
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the death of Henry Grady McEntire ,the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro has lost a loyal, active and friendly member, who by his unfailing courtesy and kindliness endeared himself to every member; who was ever ready cheerfully to assume any burden of club and community service with which he was entrusted by his fellows. Henry Grady McEntire was distinguished by his charitableness, in the broad sense of the work, toward all men without distinction of race and color. He had gained and deserved the reputation of a good business man, but also that of a good man, who recognized that the dealings of his trade were but a drop in the comprehensive ocean of his business. His passing in the high flower of manhood and the peak of his usefulness will leave a vacancy in the club which will be hard to fill, however much his memory may be cherished.

Now, therefore, be it resolved: That this club express its sincere and heartfelt sorrow at the untimely death of Henry Grady McEntire and extend to his wife, child and other members of his family its sympathy.

Resolved further, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the club, that a copy be delivered to the family of Henry Grady McEntire, and that a copy be presented to the press.

Mose Kiser,
J. Norman Block,
Thomas Turner, Jr.

A TRIBUTE

It is with profound grief and loss that we record the passing of our good friend and fellow citizen, W. R. Absher, who recently passed away in a Charlotte hospital.

Mr. Absher's life was lived among us. Always interested in the development of his church, lending his influence and means to every forward movement. He was faithful in every position—as teacher in the Sunday school; as member of the board of stewards; and was careful to attend all the services of the church.

Mr. Absher was part and parcel of North Wilkesboro, easily one of the town's first citizens. He was a leader in the religious, social and educational activities of our state.

To his family we extend our sympathy and want them to know the gratitude we have in our hearts for the life Mr. Absher lived among us. The memory of him shall linger long and the inspiration of his life will mean much to all of us in the years ahead. He was truly one of North Carolina's noble sons.

J. R. Hix,
W. D. Halfacre,
H. M. Hutchins.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Main Street Methodist church of Thomasville, wish to pay loving tribute to our departed member, Mrs. Hazel Barber Johnson. It was with deep regret that we and others gave her up on June 25, 1941. She was a faithful member of her church and its various organizations, and she will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

To her husband, Mr. Walter Johnson, and to others of her family we extend our deepest sympathy.

Resolved, that a copy of this tribute be sent to Mr. Johnson, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. Lee F. Tuttle,
Mrs. Harold Smith,
Miss Frances Stone.

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The Shadowed Lands

Touch thou, O Lord, our waiting hearts with light,
Kindle with holy flame our sacrifice,
Unveil thy glorious purpose to our sight,
Give clearer vision to our lifted eyes.

We hear from lands in tumult far away
The springing tread of multitudes made free;
The nations stir as those who greet the day;
Around the world rings out the reveille.

Thou seest their toil, though by the world unseen,
Thou hear'st their cry for help, for daily food.
Challenge thy people, Lord, to make more keen
The undefeated quest for brotherhood.

Up from the shadowed lands the murmur swells
Of broken hearts, of discontent, of strife,
Of faith perverted, quickened hope—it tells
The multitudes have felt the surge of life.

Hear thou, O Lord, and teach thy church to hear;
To save the suff'ring peoples thou hast died;
Can we who love thee fail the cross to bear,
Since thou for them and us wast crucified?

Lead on, O glorious Christ, through lands and years,
Our hearts have caught the sounds of victory;
Before our faith the wondrous day appears
When all the world shall love and worship thee.

—Frank Mason North.

BISHOP RAYMOND J. WADE REBUKES PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT ON RELIGION IN RUSSIA

Bishop Raymond J. Wade of Detroit issued a sharp protest October 1 against President Roosevelt's recent comments to his press conference concerning religious liberty in Russia.

Speaking with the authority of eleven years residence in Stockholm in charge of Methodist Episcopal work in the Baltic countries and as the bishop charged by the new Methodist Church with the supervision of the Northern Europe Central Conference, Bishop Wade's commentary on the President's remarks grew out of close personal experience. Churches under his immediate jurisdiction in Finland fell into Russian hands at the close of the Russo-Finnish War. The text of the bishop's telegram is as follows:

"Report of your statement yesterday before press conference as to religion in Russia is utterly misleading. Printed constitutions are worthless anywhere unless supported by life. What matters whether priests or clergymen in Russia are listed as citizens eligible to vote when only one party ballot is permitted. Undisputed imprisonment and slaying of tens of thousands of priests, clergymen and laymen for religion in Russia, together with thousands of closed churches, speak louder than printed words. Such statements attributed to you indicating freedom of speech and religious propaganda in Russia are obviously untrue when faced with facts. Support for your emergency policies cannot be secured by ridiculous unsupported propaganda. Your speech February 10 last year was far more correct than latest statements to press representatives. I base all this and more upon my personal repeated visits to and administration of Methodist work in Russia, continuing to date."

THE MAN WHO NEVER STARTS

In these Advocate campaigns for new subscribers nothing is more notable than the way in which the workers are able to add to the first report. The many who never start really believe nothing can be done. But not so with those who make a start.

Last week we announced the close of the campaign until after conference. But the work goes right on. Most of these noted have added to former reports.

Rev. J. V. Early, Yanceyville, adds four more this week. This makes him 21 1-2 new subscribers.

Rev. C. T. Thrift, Warsaw, sends $31 since last report. This makes him 30 1-2 new yearly subscribers. And this is not the end yet, so says he.

Rev. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mt., pushes his total to $18.

Rev. E. C. Crawford, Raeford, starts with $16. This brother never stops.

Rev. A. E. Brown, Parkton, has pushed his total to $17 for new subscribers.

Rev. H. L. Davis, Littleton, joins the procession with a check for $15.

So does J. L. Joyce, Mt. Olive circuit, with $12.

Along with these come Rev. S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro,. Nicks send in remittances all the year round. His present addition is $6.

Mrs. Wilber H. Baber, Central, Shelby, sends check for $17. Note this: No church stands back of the church paper better than does Central, Shelby.

One more contribution we note this week—$12 from Rev. H. R. Cornelius of Lilesville.

These are enough to indicate the fidelity of hundreds of such who enable the church paper to live for the promotion of every interest of the church. They get a start and keep going.

DRIER EDUCATION

The weather last week played a dirty trick on the girls of Mount Holyoke College at South Hadley, Mass. Because of the drought that had parched all New England, President Roswell G. Ham announced the college's artesian wells were very low. As long as the crisis lasted, students must keep laundry low and take no showers or baths.

From nearby Harvard, editors of the daily Crimson promptly offered the college's "1,000 comely if dirty" girls use of their showers: "Our showers are big enough for two.... Now when you feel like girls in the soap ads and even unwashed Yale men won't come within ten feet of you, Harvard wants to make friends." But the Mount Holyoke student government wired back a couplet of rejection: "The unwashed misses regret, No real necessity yet." —News Week, Oct. 6.

CLOSING THE ADVOCATE YEAR

The Methodist Board of Publication (Inc.) met this week in annual session. Careful attention was given to the work of the past year and plans formulated for the approval of the approaching conferences. The report of new subscribers secured and by whom since the last session of the Western North Carolina conference appears on page 19. Prior to the assembling of the North Carolina conference at Durham a similar exhibit will be made of that conference.

Please note that the report of the campaign in September for tax money has been consolidated with the record prior to September. So in both these exhibits we have a report for the entire year in each conference.

TO DUKE ALUMNI, DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL ALUMNI, AND FRIENDS ATTENDING THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE

A Duke banquet will be held during the W. N. C. conference on October 21, Tuesday, at 5:30 in the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem. All Duke and Trinity alumni, Duke Divinity School alumni, and friends of Duke attending the conference are invited. The principal speaker will be President Flowers. Conference delegates may get banquet tickets when they rgeister for conference at Centenary church by giving in their Tuesday evening dinner tickets and 25 cents additional. Extra tickets may be bought for 75 cents. No one will be admitted to the banquet without a banquet ticket, since we have to order a definite number of plates. No banquet tickets will be available after 12 noon on Tuesday. We tried to get a banquet for the price of the meal ticket (50c) but were unable to do so in a room large enough to accommodate the expected number. BE SURE TO GET YOUR DUKE BANQUET TICKET WHEN YOU REGISTER FOR CONFERENCE

Charles P. Bowles,
C. C. Herbert, Jr.

NOTICE

The Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet at 2:30 p. m., Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, Monday, October 20. H. F. Duncan, Sec.

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When the old grandfather of a German family died his sorrowing relatives put an announcement in the local newspaper reading: "Ernest Muller has been called to a better world." Quickly came the police and all the mourners were arrested, charged with criticizing the Nazi regime.

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Napoleon at the height of his success said: "We all know that war settles nothing. There are two great powers in the world—sword and spirit, and the sword will always be conquered." How slow the church is to learn this! How absurd the plea of those who seek to settle world issues by war! All the world knows the ultimate fate of Napoleon the Great.

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These are the pillars of American democracy: The Ten Commandments, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, the Bill of Rights and Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. They are of more than historical importance. They are vital; they are real; they have made America. Every American lives under their influence and every day, in a thousand ways, they affect his life. They must be preserved and strengthened. You can help. Let's do it.—William C. Kernan.

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The district check-up meetings of the Western North Carolina conference have all been held. Reports reaching this office indicate a good attendance, fine reports, and a promise in most instances that 100 per cent will be paid by the pastoral charges. There is a striking similarity in these reports. To put one in print would serve very well for all the rest. On account of this similarity they would be of little public interest; furthermore we do not have space this week on account of the pre-conference rush. It is now evident that the reports at the annual conference will be very gratifying.

Coach Wallace Wade plays his one hundredth game since coming to Duke next Saturday against the University of Maryland. He has won 78 of the 99 games played up to this time. To lose only 21 games out of a total of 99 must be well pleasing to this great coach who is as fine a gentleman as one is ever privileged to know.

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"Nearly seven million young people will enroll in more than 25,000 public high schools during these opening weeks. Almost 70 per cent of the nation's 14- to 17-year-olds are in school. The ideals and habits which these young people form during their high school years are of the utmost importance to the future of the Republic. The effort to relate the work of the high school more closely to the life of students and their communities should be carried forward with increasing vigor," insists the Journal of the National Education Association.

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The alert, energetic, well poised individual of common sense and stable moral qualities is expected to win in life. The same is true of a group in which such individuals become cells in the body corporate, whether this be in church or civic life. The local churches or the larger circles in Zion constituted after this fashion have every assurance of ultimate success. Could such a body of Methodist men and women assemble for conference at Winston-Salem and at Durham, the joy of all would know no bounds. But the dull, dead cells in the organism and the lazy, slothful drones in places of leadership contribute to the disappointments to follow the reports from many fields. Why not see to it that the last man of us will go away from conference ready to do his utmost as an individual and also as a part of the group in the local church and in the larger undertakings of the conference? Then we could face the year with assurance and many a desert place would be made glad.

Give Each Cause Its Due

LAST week we made a plea for an uplift of each local church so as to secure a real advance in our entire North Carolina Methodism. In other words, that the whole line may go forward in the conquest of the state. We can never achieve the desired results with one half of the churches pale and languid, the other half fresh and strong. Just as an agricultural community can never become prosperous and commanding with half of the farms yielding rich returns and the other half too poor and neglected to even sprout peas. A people certainly go up or down together. The same is true of all other groups.

This same principle should hold in the connectional life of our Methodism. Every interest of each church should have equal consideration with every other interest. It is poor enterprise for a pastor or a church to make a record by exalting one cause to the neglect of other interests. Truly effective and harmonious development is never secured in this way. The connectional interests of our Methodism can be conserved only by every cause receiving fair and needed attention.

At this present time Bishop Clare Purcell is visiting each and every district in both conferences for the annual check-up meetings in preparation for the coming conference. He announces that the chairmen of official boards will report on all financial items, including the support of the ministry, World Service, general administration, Children's Home, and Golden Cross. The implication and the expectation is that each of these interests have received its dues. Early in the year definite plans were laid and carefully met by those who expected the best and finest results. Those who proved negligent at this point will most certainly meet sore disappointment and hurt.

The best evidence we have of a progressive Methodism is the care with which we strive to lay definite and wise plans for the work from year to year. In this way the lay activities of the church are making gains each year. Definite objectives are set and then gradually they approach the goals fixed.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate has been gradually advancing in its work of helping every interest of Methodism in this state. This coming year our plan is to set more definite goals for the church paper so as to render a finer service to every interest of the church and in return to secure equal show with all other undertakings of the church. Once we put all our causes on a parity none will be neglected—then the whole body will grow strong. Let each local church and all the general interests share alike for the common good.

We sincerely hope that at the coming conferences we may go on to perfection in this respect.

"He Opened the Scriptures"

ONE of the finest compliments paid a certain minister at the close of a long pastorate were these words of an old parishoner, "He opened unto us the scriptures." Somehow men's hearts are apt to glow within them when someone is able to open for them the scriptures.

We are told that there is a wonderful appreciation just now of the man who is able to do expository preaching. People want to know what the Bible has to say in this day of confusion and cross currents. Some insist that the weakness of present day preaching is that too little is made of God's word. Only those who can speak with authority can command a hearing of this generation.

The Bible conferences held at Burlington, with Dean Elbert Russell speaker, and at Roxboro, with Dr. Albert C. Outler as speaker, are cases in point. The people listened eagerly to illuminating discussions of the Bible. They came to hear and to learn and to get a fresh view of the content of the scriptures. We are fully convinced that the crying need of these unusual times is men in our pulpits who "can open unto us the scriptures."

Judge E. Yates Webb Asks a Question

IN the United States court some years ago in Statesville a defendant named Lee Kiser told Judge Webb that in his sale of liquor he had never sold liquor to a boy and that he had chosen his patrons among the best class, including doctors, lawyers and preachers. Judge Webb asked him to give names as he had included ministers. Kiser stated that one of his preacher customers is dead and the other had been deprived of his license.

Kiser drew a prison term of 18 months in one count and a suspended judgment in the other. This ought to be a lesson to other bootleggers who sell liquor to dead preachers.

A Glimpse of the Old Days

AN Introduction to the History of New England Methodism," by George Claude Baker, Jr., is just off the Duke University Press, Durham. From it we select what one of the old Methodist pioneers who served the Needham circuit wrote about those early days as follows:

"There was 'a mighty shaking among the dry bones'; and in the class meeting that followed, they fell like men slain in battle. Some wept aloud for mercy, others shouted for joy. . . . My soul was on the wing."

What occurred on the Needham circuit in New England was but a repetition of what was taking place in every part of this country where Methodist circuit riders went as flaming evangelists of the gospel of the Son of God in those pioneer days.

Will such experiences ever return? Not until the preachers can truthfully exclaim: "My soul was on the wing." And we see no signs that wings are now sprouting on any of the gospel heralds. Instead we depend upon the airplane when we would reach the heights.

Times and customs have changed and we face new problems and new methods of approach to the tasks in hand, but we had better not look with indifference upon those convictions and that spiritual enthusiasm which characterized those early Methodist circuit riders and those pioneer saints who helped to lay broad and strong the foundations of our nation.

Charity and Children Talks Out in Meeting

THE "self-invited" or tramp evangelist is the man who stirred up the Scotch in the editor of Charity and Children, that good Baptist paper in Thomasville.

Editor McMillan speaks in terms that anybody can understand. Listen to what he has to say about these evangelists:

He proceeds to call upon all pastors of the community to come and co-operate with the Lord, as if the Lord had anything to do with his coming. The pastor who does not fall in line will be run out of his pastorate if the ranter can get up enough excitement. He abuses the good church members and the pastors long and loud and the people say "Amen." One of the discouraging things is to see how gullible people are. So many of them are ready to turn their backs on the pastor who day in and day out, month in and month out, has visited their sick, married their young people, baptized the saved and buried their dead. They will turn against him and follow this braying stranger who is working them for all they are worth. His collections will go into his spacious pockets and not one thin dime is used for others. People talk about what a powerful preacher he is. A jackass has a stronger bray than a mule but when it comes to work he is not there. We are not at all afraid of him for he has never taken an offering for any orphanage and never will, and that goes for all objects except that afore-mentioned spacious pocket.

Consider the Trees

THE trees of the forests are now resplendent and even glorious in the colors of autumn. This is especially true in the Piedmont and the mountains of North Carolina. It goes without saying that these forests are beyond the power of tongue or pen to describe. But they give to any and every man or woman a fresh appreciation of trees. And they cause us to remember with renewed appreciation the words of William Cullen Bryant who said, "The groves were God's first temples."

It was G. Albert Higgins who wrote:

"The Bible is replete with tree stories. At the beginning there is the story of the Garden of Eden and its tree of knowledge of good and evil. Part way through is the tree psalm—Psalm 1. And, in the last chapter of the Bible, we find the tree of life, the leaves of which are for the healing of the nations. How much tree worship there seems to be in the Scriptures! It was beneath a tree in Mamre that Jehovah appeared to Abram. At Shechem, Joshua 'took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the santuary of the Lord.' Deborah, the prophetess, dwelt under a palm tree, between Ramah and Bethel, in Mount Ephraim, and the children of Israel came to her for judgment. It was under an oak that was in Ophrah that the angel spoke to Gideon, telling him that he was to save Israel from the Midianites. These meetings did not just happen under trees; these characters, and others like them, sought out the solace of a tree because they were considered mighty things of God.

"On the practical side, Zaccheus used a sycamore tree from which to see Jesus, even as we of modern days have used trees to suit our purposes and needs. A long list can be made of the use to which we have put trees—fuel, sap, building material, rubber, gum, fruit, medicine, to mention only a few. And what beauty there is in God's trees—not always symmetry, but beauty! We can all recall the splendor of a bright morning, when the shadows of trees clearly mark themselves out against a sunlit lawn, and the true blue of the sky above speaks of the clarity of God himself; and we are reminded of the Tree of Life, of which we are all a part."

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24
N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Over the top with everything. Raised this year $12,102. —J. Max Brandon.

Dr. Daniel L. Marsh, president of Boston University, announces a loss of between one and two per cent in the enrollment as compared with last year.

The Julian S. Carr men's Bible class of Trinity church, Durham, is sponsoring an orphanage banquet on Thursday night during the session of our annual conference in Durham.

There will be a home coming day at Salem church, Fayetteville circuit, next Sunday, September 12. Rev. J. C. Humble will preach. Everybody is invited. Dinner will be served on the grounds.—H. R. Ashmore.

The luncheon of the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held Thursday, October 23, at the First Presbyterian church in Winston-Salem. Time, one o'clock; price of tickets, 50 cents. It is very important for all who expect to attend to send their names to Mrs. W. A. Stanbury, Centenary Methodist Church, Winston-Salem.—Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Sec.

The four churches on the Conway charge have had a good year under the leadership of Rev. J. L. Smith, the pastor. At the fourth quarterly conference held by Dist. Supt. L. C. Larkin it was disclosed that Zion church had paid everything in full, that benevolences for the charge were paid in full, and that 21 had been received into the church on profession of faith.—Mrs. Russell Johnson.

The "first united prayer service in the United States for the evangelization of Russia" was held October 3 in Park Street church, Boston. Several Russian Christian leaders and missionaries attended. Special music was rendered by the choir of the First Russian Baptist church of Peabody and by the Family choir of Rev. Everett E. Jackman, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, Lynn, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Jackman and their children.—Zions Herald.

The ministers' wives of the Marion district had a very delightful meeting at the district parsonage in Marion October 2 during the district check-up meeting at the church. There were 26 present, the largest number which has been together this year. Mrs. H. M. Wellman brought a helpful devotional. Mrs. Malcolm Reece gave an appropriate "pep" talk with poems. Mrs. T. R. Wolfe conducted a short business session. Mrs. R. M. Varner had charge of games and Mrs. Cornett served delicious refreshments.—Mrs. F. C. Smathers, Sec.

Charles Polk, president of the Wofford Students' Christian Association, had the distinction of being the first Wofford student ever to conduct the daily chapel program. The inauguration of this new system was begun at the request of the student council. Dr. Henry Snyder, president of the Spartanburg institution, announced that hereafter, once a week, the representative of the student body would present the chapel program. In the past the daily devotions have been in charge of a member of the faculty. There will be no change in the order of the program used in the past, with the exception of a short talk by the student in charge of the program. In choosing a leader for this weekly event, an attempt will be made to pick students representing the different organizations on the campus, thus bringing new interests into chapel.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Is everybody happy? Yes, they are—at Sandy Grove, Parkton circuit. Sandy Grove has paid out everything in full over a month before conference. How was it done? Well, one young preacher, Mike C. Ellerbe, began a celebration called Harvest Day and the result is a solvent country church. Everybody can give something produced on the farm, and when that is sold to the highest bidder it soon counts into money. Our Harvest Day was held on October 2 and everybody had a great time together and went away satisfied, with a great task well done.—A. E. Brown.

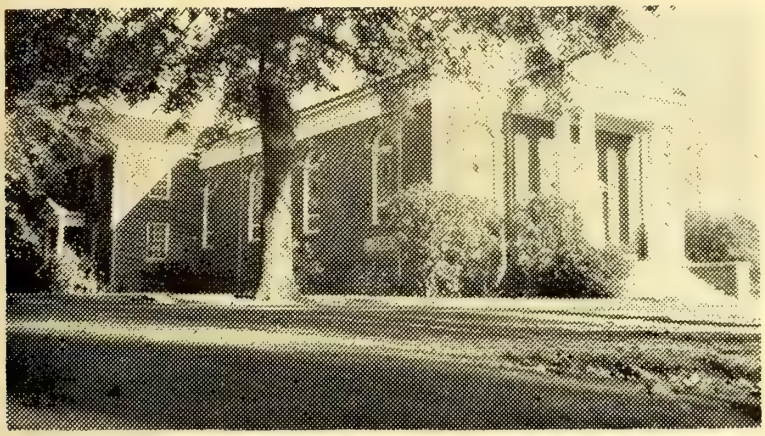
The ministers' wives of the Marion district were the guests of Mrs. J. C. Cornett at the district parsonage Thursday afternoon, October 2, which proved to be one of the most enjoyable get-together of the year. Mrs. H. M. Wellman conducted the devotional services and Mrs. M. C. Reece gave two readings. During the brief business session reports were given of the various activities of the counties in the district. Mrs. R. M. Varner was in charge of the recreation, after which Mrs. Cornett assisted by her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Groce, served refreshments. The following officers have served during the year: President, Mrs. T. R. Wolfe; vice president, Mrs. W. L. Scott; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. F. C. Smathers.

Last Sunday the funeral of Mrs. M. C. Setzer was held in the Methodist church at Newton. She was buried in the Setzer plot at St. James church, near Newton. She died Saturday at her home near Newton at the age of 85. Before her marriage to Brother Setzer about 30 years ago she was Miss Rebecca Howard of Lincoln county. Her father, F. W. Howard, was known as Praying Frank Howard. She was a great-granddaughter of Rev. Daniel Asbury, who planted Methodism west of the Catawba river while Washington was President. Besides her husband, who is about 88, she leaves ten step-children, several brothers and sisters. A worthy descendant of a noble ancestry. We deeply sympathize with our former neighbor and brother steward in Newton Methodist church.—A. C. Sherrill.

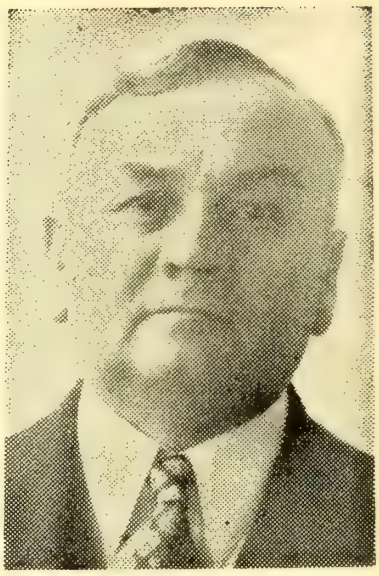
Columbus Flowers, 79, died the last day of September at his home in Caldwell county. He leaves his widow, who was Miss Mamie, daughter of the late Marcus Deal. There are no children. He was buried at Cedar Valley church on the Hudson circuit. His pastor, Rev. R. E. Hunt, and Dist. Supt. J. S. Hiatt conducted the funeral. When I first knew him in 1896 he was superintendent of the Cedar Valley S. S. He also held other official positions in his church and has been a delegate to the annual conference. Once he was a member of Caldwell county board of education. At his death he was a member of the local school board at Oak Hill. Cedar Valley is the home church of Rev. H. M. Blair, former editor of the Advocate. We sympathize with Mrs. Flowers and other relatives. His influence for good will live long after his departing.—A. C. Sherrill.

According to Supt. Bruce R. Campbell of the Puerto Rico Mission conference, a "real revival" was held on the Camuy charge, at a place called Membrillo, P. R. Dr. Campbell describes the results as follows: "After driving out several kilometers in the car we left it and walked out through the cotton fields to a settlement, formerly a place of perversion, where gambling, drinking and cock-fighting prevailed. These practices have disappeared because the people have been converted. The movement was inspired by the pastor, Rev. Alfredo Rivera, but was carried on by the people themselves. It has not been a movement of individuals converted here and there, but of whole families coming under the grace of Christ. The parents began it and the children have entered in, many of them expressing their joy by saying, 'Now papa doesn't drink any more.' The people have begun to raise funds for a chapel."

Bailey Methodist Church to Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell, Sunday, Oct. 12th



Rev. W. L. Loy, the pastor, will be in charge. Reverends H. I. Glass and M. T. Plyler will take part in the service.



Rev. W. L. Loy

Dr. Robert T. Henry, veteran missionary in China under the Methodist Church, has returned to that country to direct relief work in Japanese-occupied China. He will work as director of the church committee for China Relief, said to be the only participating committee in the United China Relief Campaign permitted to administer relief in occupied areas. During his absence Mrs. Henry will study at Scarritt and the three young people of the family will continue their education in the States.

President E. C. Peters reports an enrollment of 360 students on the opening day of the 59th year of Paine College, Augusta, Ga., with additional registrations expected. Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist church, Augusta, gave the first chapel address of the year. stressing the need for a truly Christian program for the Christian college. Plans for a more effective college program were discussed at a recent meeting of the faculty and members of the curriculum committee of the board of trustees.

The General Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church will meet for a three-day session at McKendree Methodist church, beginning at 9:30 a. m. October 28. Guest speaker will be Dr. Edwin Lewis of Drew University, who will speak on "The Message of Evangelism for Today" daily at 11:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. in sessions open to the public. Dr. Lewis is considered one of the most interesting and forceful speakers in the religious field. Bishop Charles C. Selecman of Oklahoma City, Okla., is chairman of the commission and will preside. Other bishops who are members and are expected to be present are: Vice chairman, Ralph S. Cushman, St. Paul, Minn., chairman of the committee on devotional literature; U. V. W. Darlington, Louisville, Ky.; J. H. Straughn, Pittsburgh, Penn.; Bruce Baxter, Portland, Ore., and A. P. Shaw, Baltimore, Md.

As he took over the pulpit of the historic Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims in Brooklyn, Dr. L. Wendell Fifield announced that there would be no mention of the war or Adolf Hitler in his Sunday morning sermons. His promise was part of a "credo of public relations" issued by the new minister. The entire credo was of interest, but it was hardly surprising that the daily press gave most attention to the "no war sermons" pledge. It is not difficult to understand why Dr. Fifield has taken this position. It is quite true, as he asserts, that members of Christian congregations today want to hear something other than "a pious echo of the news and editorials in the newspapers, or a comment on current affairs bolstered up with a Bible text" from the pulpit. Moreover, Dr. Fifield made it clear that Plymouth Church—the church made famous by Henry Ward Beecher and Lyman Abbott—is not to be silent on current issues. These will be continually discussed on Sunday evening forums.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP OF DURHAM DISTRICT

The officers of the Young Adult Fellowship of the Durham district held an important meeting on Sunday afternoon, September 28. Each officer was accompanied by several other leading young adults from his own church.

Rev. T. B. Hugh of Swepsonville, director of the young adult work for the district, presided and presented the officers.

R. W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the board of education for the North Carolina conference, was the main speaker. Taking as his subject "The Purpose of the Young Adult Fellowship," he made an informal talk that gave a real challenge to the young adults present. A discussion period followed and was participated in by all present, including Rev. John Cline and Rev. J. M. Culbreth, as well as those already mentioned. Many points about the work of the Young Adult Fellowship were clarified and many helpful suggestions were given.

President Thurman Taylor told of plans he has for the district organization. He also offered to go to any church in the district that needs help in its young adult program.

This meeting was held at one of the picnic places in the Duke Forest. The weather was ideal and the quiet of the wooded area added much to the spirit of the occasion. Following a picnic supper the meeting was concluded just as the sun set with a beautiful devotional service led by Mary Elizabeth Meyers of Duke Memorial church.

Anne Garrard, Secretary.

EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

Epworth Training Conference, promoted by the Greensboro Youth Fellowship, will be held at West Market Street church, Greensboro, October 13-16. Dean of school, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick. Courses and names of instructors follow:

Worship and Evangelism, Rev. Robt. Stamey, Randleman.
Community Service, Rev. Earl Brewer, Salisbury.
The Old Testament in the Life of Today, Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, Greensboro.
Board of managers: Officers of sub-district.
Evening schedule, 7:30-9:30.

The courses offered are of primary interest to the young people, ages 15-23, and their adult workers.

It is extremely important that all active young people attend the training conference this year because of the many changes made in organization and literature.

Please announce at church school, worship services, and young people's evening meeting.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS

The Committee on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications will meet Monday, October 20, 2 p. m., in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, in the room designated. Those young men seeking admission on trial and those desiring to be admitted into full connection are urged to be present and ready to come before the committee when called for. The bishop has requested the committee to be ready to report to the conference on Tuesday morning regarding minute questions 26-37.

George B. Clemmer, Chairman.

WILL THE CHURCH WIN OR LOSE THIS BATTLE WITH THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC? THE FACTS

By Bishop James Cannon, Jr.

About a year ago, to be exact, on September 18, 1940, the Conscription Act was passed. It contained no protective legislation for the soldiers against the liquor and vice traffics similar to that passed in 1917 by the active support of President Wilson. After consultation with Senator Sheppard a resolution was introduced in the executive committee of the Federal Council, on September 20, calling upon the President to promulgate resolutions to protect our boys in the service from the liquor and vice traffics. But nothing was done. In the latter part of November the American Social Hygiene Association declared that a careful survey revealed that at least 50,000 women had been organized to be distributed around the camps, and the two-room trailer system was inagurated. Still nothing was done. General Marshall, Chief-of-Staff, in a national broadcast, declared, "Establishments for the purpose of selling liquor are becoming increasingly active in communities adjacent to the camps." On December 3 the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church called upon the President to take such action as will give protection similar to that in 1917. On December 13 the Federal Council of Churches, at its biennial meeting, called upon the President to take action similar to that requested by the Methodist Council of Bishops.

Replying to the Council of Bishops the Adjutant General wrote: "It is beyond the scope of the War Department to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors outside of military areas. . . . The enactment of legislation on this subject similar to that in effect during the World War is a matter within the province of the legislative branches of the government." Upon receiving this official statement prominent social service workers conferred with Senator Sheppard who prepared, introduced and had referred to the Military Affairs committee of the Senate what is known as Senate Bill 860, the purpose of which is to secure proection similar to that adopted in 1917. Senator Sheppard died suddenly a few days later. The bill was finally reported out of the Military Affairs committee of the Senate without recommendation, and is now on the Senate calendar.

After the introduction of the Sheppard bill the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church, the General Assemblies of the Northern and of the Southern Presbyterian churches, the Conventions of both the Northern and Southern Baptists, the conventions of women's clubs at Atlantic City, the executive committee of the Federal Council, on June 13, 1941, and numerous other organizations passed resolutions urging Congress to enact such legislation. But Secretary of War Stimson sent a letter to the Military Affairs committee of the Senate opposing the legislation on the liquor traffic, thus virtually repudiating previous statements by him. In February he declared: "Our finest youth are being exposed to temptations to which many of them are not accustomed." On March 24 he wrote to the House Military Affairs committee: "The greater partof this force is made up of young men who will be at that plastic and generous spirit of ilife when their services to their country should be surrounded by every safeguard against unwholesome associations."

While the bill concering vice was finally passed Congress has failed as yet to pass legislation giving protection from the liquor traffic, which is inextricably joined with the vice traffic, for it is when young men have drunk sufficient liquor to lose control of themselves, and become largely irresponsible, that the vice traffic does its work.

Numbers of quotations could be given from individuals and religious papers concerning conditions about the camps and cities where soldiers go on leave. I simply quote one statement from Liberty (not a prohibition paper) on "Camp Morals" (August 2): "The camps have attracted a gathering of prostitutes, lush workers, gyp carnivals, shady night clubs, gamblers and bootleggers, which would put a gold rush or an oil boom to mortal shame. Their single purpose, of course, is to play upon the boredom of the soldiers, and thereby relieve them of their monthly pay checks. On last pay day (at Camp Blanding) a fly-by-night joint doped the beer of all its soldier guests, knocked them unconscious and rolled them for every cent they had. In such isolated spots the trailer girls have their pitches, and their agents are competent at giving directions for finding them."

This is the first major battle between the church and the liquor traffic since 1933. Which will win this battle? The liqour traffic has the largest, best organized group of lobbyists I have ever seen in battles with the traffic for 50 years. It is spending unlimited sums to defeat the Sheppard bill, or any similar liquor legislation. The church is the only agency which can secure this protective legislation. As one high ranking War Department official said: "My suggestion is that the church people of America put up such a holy howl to Washington that federal legislation will have to be enacted..' I have preached personally 95 times in various states in the past four months on this great moral question, and the congregations have enthusiastically agreed to write personal letters to senators and congressmen, and have passed resolutions to be sent to Congress for insertion in the Congressional Record.

The responsibility now is upon the pastors of our churches. Will they meet it by prompt, positive, persistent appeals to the men and women in the pew to demand prompt action by their senators and congressmen? If our church people call for protective legislation for our men in uniform against the liquor traffic, as we did in 1917, the legislation will be secured. Otherwise it will not. The time for action is now.

REASONS FOR STAYING FROM CHURCH: REASONS FOR GOING TO CHURCH

All generations offer about the same excuses for not going to church: they want Sunday for themselves, they find church people unfriendly, the church has hypocrites in it, the church is always asking for money, the sermons are uninteresting, they never find spiritual help, creeds are meaningless, they have not been invited to go.

Now consider some of the reasons people offer for attending and supporting the church: I ought to be better; I can serve God and man through the church; the church makes possible my participation in corporate worship; I can help to discharge the debts of society; the church helps to keep hope alive; it reinforces the strong, encourages the weak, and rebukes the rascals; it makes me an active partner with Christ; it gives me a way of expressing loyalty to Christ; I find in it a fellowship; it challenges and inspires faith; it meets the needs of men; it is a unique laboratory in which I may investigate the bearing of Christian ethics upon contemporary problems; it lays human need on the conscience of mankind; it encourages prophetic spirits; it transforms the basic stuff of human nature and turns it to social usage; it gives the individual fresh strength from the living God; it stirs men to creative activity; it gives the most adequate idea of human destiny; it helps one to choose the higher values which life offers; it mothers education and science; it presents the gospel to all men.

Though the church is the object of violent attack, its attractive power still works. Its survival value still functions. In confidence it faces new conquests.—Garland A. Hendricks, in Biblical Recorder.

GASTONIA DISTRICT HOLDS CONFERENCE IN CHERRYVILLE

The Gastonia district held its first district annual conference in Cherryville September 30.

Reports were made by the pastors and charge lay leaders. These reports indicated that the financial condition of the district was excellent. Of the 35 charges reporting, all but five had paid the general and conference askings and the pastors' salaries to date. Four charges, Bradley Memorial, Boger City, Smyre-Maylo, and Park Street, Belmont, had paid all claims for the conference year which ends October 20.

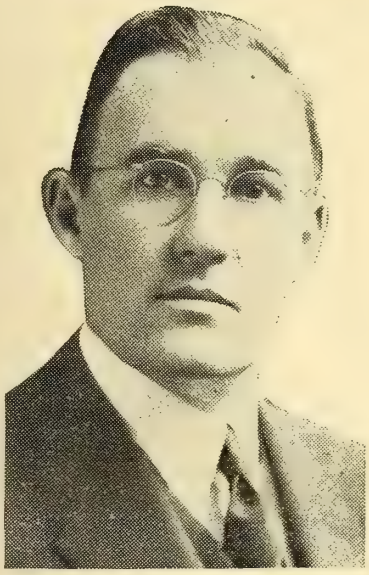
There were 719 additions on professions of faith reported. This was an increase of 75 over last year and indicates the response of the pastors to the leadership of our district superintendent in this most important phase of the church's task. Lowell charge led the district with 50 additions on profession of faith. Other churches reporting large increases were Rock Springs 46, Mount Holly 44, and Main Street, Gastonia, 42. Every charge reported some additions on profession of faith.

Mrs. Wilbur Baber, district secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, gave a report that showed the healthy condition of that organization, and urged the women to be alert and co-operative in carrying forward an aggressive program within the district.

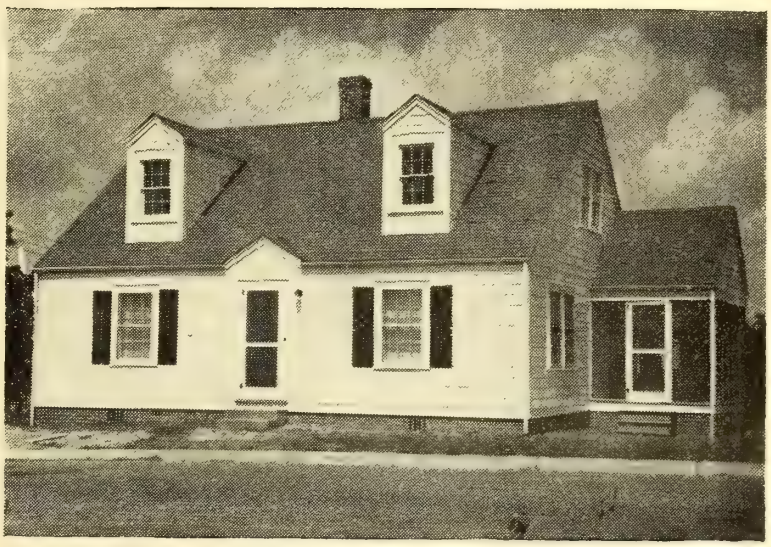
A. J. Kirby, conference lay leader, reported on the lay work of the district in the absence of Floyd C. Todd, district lay leader, and told of the fine financial and spiritual leadership Mr. Todd was giving the Gastonia district.

There was every indication that the Gastonia district will report its obligations met in full on the opening of the annual conference in Winston-Salem.

Jesse G. Wilkinson, Secretary.



Rev. L. E. Mabry



THE NEW TRINITY METHODIST PARSONAGE

This attractive edifice, erected at a cost of approximately $3,500, has eight rooms, two baths, a large basement and is of German siding. Painted white with trim green, the parsonage is the first such to be owned by the Trinity congregation. Hu!in Lumber Co. was the contractor for the job.

The building committee for the new parsonage was composed of R. H. Gibson, Ernest Hamilton and Frank Baney, and these men devoted much time and attention to the work. The women of the church have provided venetian blinds for the two front rooms of the home.

Mr. Mabry is now completing his sixth year at Trinity Methodist and as pastor of Mt. Carmel. Both churches have shown fine growth in membership as well as material increase in church building and equipment during his pastorate.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The executive committee met this week for preparation of the budget for the fiscal year 1941-42, to be presented to the board at its semi-annual meeting on October 16. The committee also considered sketches for rebuilding the portion of Main building damaged by fire early in September. The committee took the sketches under advisement.

Wednesday night of this week at Gobblegate, their home on Hobbs road, Dr.and Mrs. Gobbel formally introduced new members of the college faculty and staff to old members and to a number of friends in Greensboro. Guests were greeted at the front door and front hall by Mr. and Mrs. J. Elwood Mitchell and Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Schoonover. In the pine-paneled study, receiving with Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel were Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Ginnings, Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoffman, Dr. Charles Sleeth, Dr. Emilie Maxwell, Miss Trinidad de Mora, Miss Martha Kasey, Miss Eugenia Echard, Miss Edith Langley, Miss Melba Patzkie, and Miss Dorothy Moore.

At the dining room door Mrs. J. Roddey Miller and Dr. Charles W. Banner welcomed guests. Ornamental gourds and pumpkins grown at Gobbelgate and yellow tapers on the lace-covered table, at which Mrs. H. T. Prosser, president of the alumnae association, and Mrs. G. W. White alternated in serving punch.

One of the loveliest of all social events honoring the new faculty and staff was the tea given by the Greensboro chapter of the alumnae association Tuesday afternoon, September 30, in the alumnae drawing room. The tea afforded an opportunity for the new faculty to meet G. C. girls of yester-years and for those G. C. girls to meet the new faculty, planned by the officer of the local association, Mrs. Wallace Taylor, president. Fragile white petunias and lace fern made up the floral arrangement on the lace-covered tea table, where Mrs. G. W. Whitsett and Miss Nannie Lee Smith presided.

The cast for the first dramatic production "Ladies in Retirement," by Edward Percy and Reginald Denham, of the Greensboro College year has been announced by Miss Elba Henninger, dramatic department head. Misses Nancy Wall, Leaksville, as Ellen Creed, Frances Winstead, Roxboro, as Louisa, and Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, as Emily, will play the leading roles. Supporting the main cast will be Misses Lucille Cox as Eleanor Fisk, Vivian Rathburn as Sister Theresa, and Alice Birkhead as Lucy. The sole male role will be played by Mr. David Witherspoon of Greensboro.

The play is scheduled for October 31 and will be presented in Odell auditorium.

WHY NOT CALL ON HIM FOR HELP?

While fierce wars are raging in Europe and China, our Congress is appropriating billions for defense, training leadears and soldiers, and seem to be relying solely on these material things. But when do we hear of our high officials appealing to the Lord of the universe for help and guidance and final victory? Do we hope to win and secure lasting peace without help from on high? Cromwell, Washington and Stonewall Jackson were men of prayer and earnest devotion to God.

England has her times of general prayer. But she needs from America more than guns, food and soldiers. She needs the united prayers and sacrifice from Christian people all over our fair land. Personal prayers are worth something, but we need united supplication together with confession and repentance. Read the first chapter of Nehemiah. There is need for genuine repentance. In the daily press and from court records we learn of suicides, murders, robbery, gambling, numerous divorces, Sabbath desecration and profanity. Liquor selling and drunken drivers are observed almost daily. Not all these sins can be laid to those outside the church.

Charlotte and other places have a set time for prayer. Thousands of Christians are daily interceding at a throne of grace. But our governors and President should set a day for special prayer. Along with our prayers there should be offerings for relief for those sufferers in the war zones. This humble layman makes the motion. Who will second the motion?

A. C. Sherrill.

CHECK-UP MEETING ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

This meeting will be held promptly at ten o'clock Tuesday morning, October 14. Every pastor is expected to attend. Each pastor is urged to bring his charge lay leader and any other church officials who may find it possible to attend this district meeting.

Bishop Purcell will address the group after the pastors have submitted their reports.

L. C. Larkin, D. S.

REV. DR. PARKER HOLMES
1857—1941

The announcement of the death of Rev. Parker Holmes on Sunday, September 7, 1941, brought sorrow to his many friends throughout this and other states, for he was loved by all who knew him.

He was born in Columbus county, N. C., November 4, 1857, son of George W .and Sarah Nye Holmes; spent his earlier life on the farm; was educated in local schools and Trinity College (now Duke University); was admitted on trial into the North Carolina conference at Greensboro in 1889 and assigned to Summerfield circuit, and in 1890 after the Western North Carolina conference was organized, he returned to Summerfield for another year.

At the Asheville conference in 1891 he was ordained a deacon by Bishop Charles B. Galloway and at the Charlotte conference in 1893 was ordained elder by Bishop W. W. Duncan.

The charges he served for one year only were Weddington, Brevard Street (Charlotte), Mooresville, Newton and Salisbury; but he broke the record by serving four full years at Asheboro, Wadesboro, Hickory, Thomasville, North Wilkesboro, Forest City and Walkertown, besides four years as presiding elder of Marion district and six years at Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, after which he retired from active service, making a total of forty-five years of very effective work.

It will be noted that thirty-eight of these years were spent on only nine separate charges, which gives clear proof that his labors were abundant and appreciated by the people who gladly kept him as long as the church law permitted.

Few preachers have made such a splendid record. He was a Mason and a member of the Pythian Order. About 1905 the degree of Doctor of Psychology was conferred on him by the Chicago School of Psychology.

He was happily married December 20, 1892, to Miss Alice Virginia Dwiggins of Stokesdale, who was a worthy helpmeet, giving him constant inspiration and wise counsel and support through the long years of their married life.

Brother Holmes possessed a magnetic personality. He had countless friends and "he held them by hooks of steel." He believed in people and they believed in him. Having firm faith in God he necessarily had firm faith in humankind. His cheerful spirit carried sunshine into every circle he entered and gave him such a grip on the people that he bound them into closer fellowship and loyalty to the church, to more generous giving and wider outlook. His influence in every field of his activity reached beyond his own denomination, for he made friends among all sects and those affiliated with no church. Many of the latter listened to his pleading, forsook the evil and led model lives thereafter. He was a wonderful pastor who knew his people and knew all the children by name. He knew also how to organize his forces and get them to work.

The record shows that during his ministry thousands were added to the church on profession of faith and by certificate. He found in nearly every charge many who had lost touch with the church by change of residence and indifference. He cultivated and led many of these to active Christian service. He loved the lost and sought for those who needed to know that purity of heart was introduction into the presence of God, because only the pure in heart can see him.

The influence of his life cannot be altogether expressed in figures, for hidden beneath his outward work was that silent influence for good which God alone beheld.

He was a builder who built his people up in faith and character and then led them in forward movements. When he saw the need for a better temple he started out with faith to build it, by first uniting his people for a building campaign.

In Hickory he found a heavy church debt, raised the money to pay it and had the church dedicated. Then he convinced the congregation to give liberal aid to build Fairview church in West Hickory and it was built, paid for and dedicated during his pastorate there. He built the present church in North Wilkesboro and practically a new parsonage there. At Walkertown the commodious educational building was constructed and paid for. Church property was generally freed from debt before he moved to a new charge. He did splendid work on the Marion district where new church enterprises were undertaken and old debts canceled.

One of his great achievements, if not the greatest, was the building of the church in Thomasville during the money panic of 1907-1909. He completed the church, put in a pipe organ, and both were dedicated in August of the third year by Bishop James Adkins of Asheville.

Brother Holmes had great faith and the Lord crowned his efforts with success. He had the pleasure of having dedicated seven churches during his active ministry.

As a preacher, pastor, church builder and community leader he made a notable record and few men in the ministry have excelled him in consecrated service. When he retired from active work in 1934 he moved to Forest City, where he and Mrs. Holmes found welcome as beloved friends, and it was there he passed to his eternal reward September 7, 1941.

For several years past he was feeble in body but patient in spirit and strong in faith; so when the end came there was peace and glorious victory.

He left to his family and to society the rich heritage of a good name.

Besides his wife he left six children: Edison Holmes of Sanford, Mrs. G. C. McDaniel of Forest City, Robert Holmes of New York, Dr. Frances Holmes of McCausland, Los Angeles, California, Dr. George Holmes of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. E. H. Douglas, Jr., of Newburgh, N. Y. The funeral service was held in our Forest City church on Monday afternoon, September 8, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Groce, Rev. J. C. Cornett, Rev. C. H. Peace, Dr. W. W. Ayers of the Forest City Baptist church and the writer, after which the body was buried in the nearby Pleasant Grove church graveyard.

"Servant of God, well done,
Thy glorious warfare past;
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

William L. Sherrill.

None are too wise to be mistaken, but few are so wisely just as to acknowledge and correct their mistakes, and especially the mistakes of prejudice.—Barrow.

No friend's a friend till he shall prove a friend.—Beaumont and Fletcher.

BOGUS PREACHERS

(A True Story)

By Rev. J. R. Bowman

Jack Williams and Bill Reid, two unemployed young men of Cherrylane who passed themselves as preachers Sunday night "just to get a place to stay," soon learned to their discomfort that the idea had its darker side.

"We got the room all right," they confided yesterday to friends, "but we had to hold a prayer meeting to get it."

The two men had been out on a drinking spree for several days and were making their way back home. They had been sleeping in haystacks, but Sunday night was stormy, and they had to find a more protective shelter.

Darkness was coming on, and they had tried a number places without success. Holding a hurried consultation, they evolved the plan of pretending to be preachers.

The next home was that of a farmer named Henry Stone. Mr. Stone was turning them away without ceremony when they informed him somewhat sadly that they were returning home from a preaching engagement. Reid acted as spokesman.

"We do not have car," he said. "We have walked several miles since holding a service this morning, and are very tired. If you can possibly put us up for the night we will be grateful no end, and the Lord will bless you."

Stone was impressed by their apparent sincerity, but still not convinced. Finally he said:

"Very well, gentlemen, if you are preachers I could not think of turning you away. Come in and get your suppers."

While they were eating supper their host quickly sent word to the closest neighbors that he had two preachers as guests, and wanted to have a prayer service in his home.

Consequently, when the "preachers" came into the living room after eating a hearty meal they were astonished to find it filled with people, and were scared almost out of their wits when told the purpose of the gathering. But necessity is invariably the mother of invention, and they quickly mapped out their line of action.

Williams led the singing and offered prayer. Reid read a chapter from the Bible and made the "talk." He climaxed his remarks by making a call for penitents. Ten persons came forward and shook hands with him in token of their desire to lead a better life.

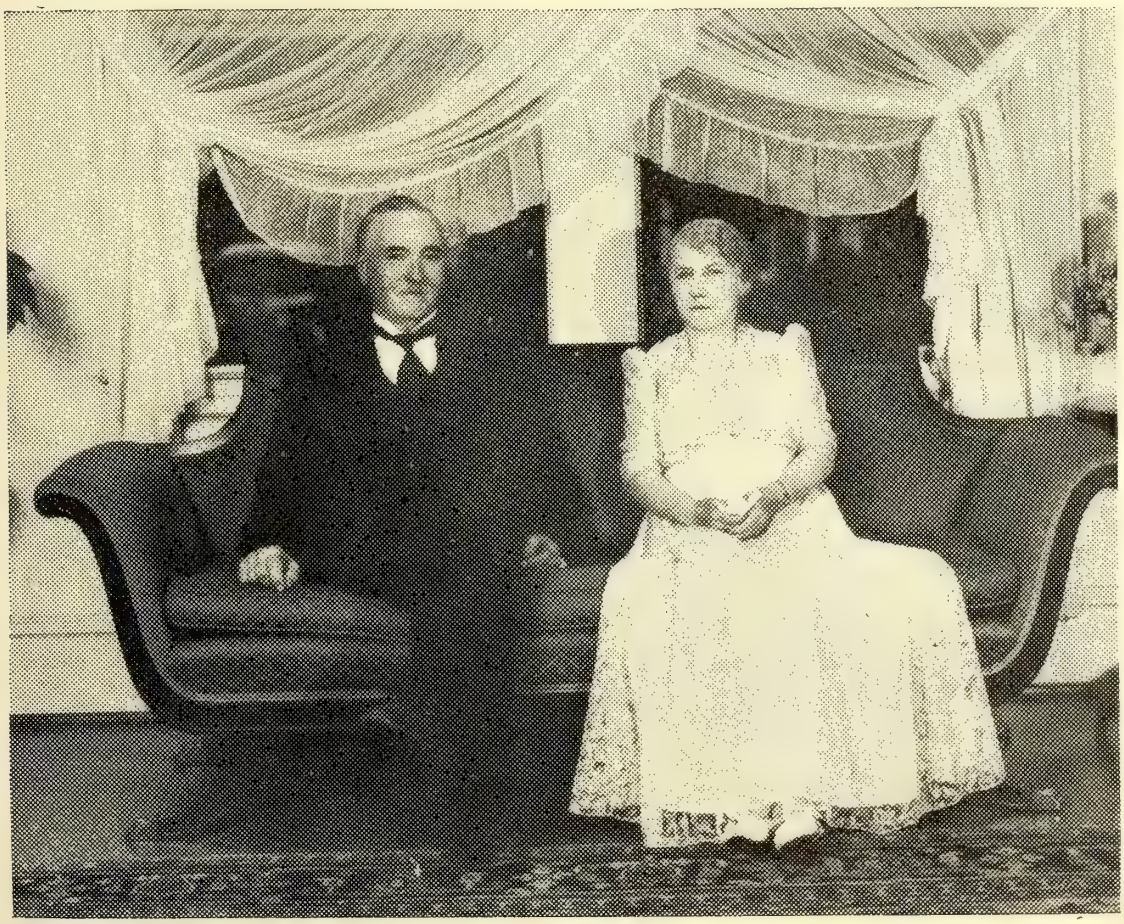
After the service the pseudo ministers were pressed to hold a "protracted meeting" in the community schoolhouse. The circumstances forestalled a ready refusal; so they said they would think the matter over and decide by morning what they would do.

They discussed the proposition in whispers before going to sleep, and "decided" the risk was too great.

"We are only ten miles from home," Reid argued. Before we could get through a two weeks' meeting to save our lives, someone who knows us would be out to hear us, and then we would be in the doghouse for sure."

So next morning they skipped out before the household was awake, and left their good host "holding the bag."

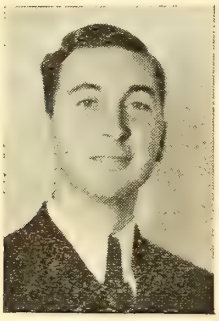
Only a few men in any community can be great, but it is offered to all men everywhere to be good.—William R. Richards.



Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Milton Litaker on the Occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Celebration at their home in Charlotte, September ninth

MARVIN KEISLAR, SON OF MISSIONARIES, GOING TO INDIA

For forty years the Rev. and Mrs. Mott Keislar have been among the most effective missionaries of the Methodist Church among the outcasts and the low castes of India. They make a "one-family missionary team"—for Mr. Keislar is trained as an evangelist and as a teacher, while Mrs. Keislar is skilled as a physician and surgeon. One is a Doctor of Divinity, the other a Doctor of Medicine—both serving the basic needs of mind, body and spirit.





Those who have seen the motion picture "Padre Sahib" will remember Dr. Mott Keislar as the ever-ready-to-help sponsor of the hero; and Dr. Edna Beck Keislar as the hospital physician. . . . One of their greatest services to India was the establishment, in the early 1900's of orphanages for famine victims—boys and girls now grown to maturity and most of them in active Christian service. Dr. Edna was also the pioneer founder of anti-tuberculosis clinics and sanitoriums in India, and has been a national president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in India. . . .

And now a son of the Drs. Keislar and his young bride are soon to leave California for India to become missionaries of the Methodist Church. Both have been accepted for this service by the Board of Missions and will soon be consecrated.

Rev. Marvin Albert Keislar, the son, is now a student minister in Berkeley, Cal., having last year completed work for an M.A. degree at the Pacific School of Religion. He had his secondary schooling in Woodstock, India, and in Los Angeles, and is a graduate of the College of the Pacific. Born in India, he is familiar with the Hindustani language; and —like his father——is ready to teach and to preach, or to carry on Christian social work.

Mrs. Marvin A. Keislar is the former Miss Mary Carolyn Fleming, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Isaac Fleming of Berkeley, Cal. She is a graduate of the University of California, and has been active in church and musical circles, as a nursery school teacher, and as a hospital assistant. Both she and her husband look forward eagerly to the prospect of devoting their lives to India's needy peoples.

"Because of my background in India, I know the great basic needs of the people of India," says Mr. Keislar. "They are living in poverty, ignorance, superstition and disease. I believe in missions because I know what they are doing and what they can do further. I believe that missions are an essential part of Christianity. To give evidence of my belief, I must be a missionary. I want to give my life to help the people of India. I want to help spread Christian Brotherhood and understanding between nations and races. Mission service seems to me to be an effective way of doing this."

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

"The Path to Complete Saisfaction" was the topic of the chapel tatk given to the Louisburg College students at the chapel hour last Friday morning by Dr. A. Paul Bagby, pastor of the Louisburg Baptist church.

Dr. Bagby cited the example of Solomon as one who tried all the paths through life in an endeavor to find the one that led to complete satisfaction. He told of the successive failures of work, knowledge, physical satisfactions, philosophy and music, and a life dedicated to service. "The end of the whole matter is this," said Dr. Bagby: "Fear God and keep his Commandments. God is the complement of man, and without him no man is complete."

The Louisburg College dramatic club has elected officers for the year. They are: Dorothy Hopson of Yonkers, N. Y.; president; Gene Sasser of Smithfield, vice president; Gaynelle Jordan of Mount Olive, secretary; and Annie Lee Dorsett of Sanford, business manager.

The Louisburg College A Cappella choir has elected the following officers for the current year: Hillery D. Spain, Durham, president; Wilbur Payne, Stumpy Point, business manager; Jennie C. Alston, Louisburg, librarian; Dorothy Butler, Washington, secretary. The choir is one of the outstanding organizations of the college, and during the course of the year sings in leading cities and makes radio appearances.

CHRIST-IAN IN CHRIST-MAS CARDS

Some years ago, at Christmas time, we were privileged to attend a church school class session in a Methodist church in New Haven, Conn. The substitute teacher of the class that morning was a divinity student from Yale University. Expectedly, the lesson was on a Christmas theme. In the course of the discussion, the young teacher emphasized the fact that he had searched in nearly all local stores selling Christmas cards, and he could not find one with truly Christian sentiment.

A few weeks ago, while visiting a Methodist friend in a nearby city, she informed us that she was aiding her circle in the sale of Christmas cards, and would like for us to examine her samples. Tho two sample folders contained approximately two dozen cards each, and in neither did we find one that was definitely Christian.

Yes, we are aware that this is not an original subject for discussion, yet it seems necessary for the matter to be rehearsed periodically in order that we as Christians may realize the importance of choosing and sending greetings at Christmas which have a religious significance.

The following greetings have appeared on some of the folders we have received:

"May all your wishes soon come true
And happy hours bring to you,
In the nicest sort of way,
Your brightest Christmas Day!"

"Best wishes for the Holly Days
And Greetings for the New Year."

"Don't know what you're wishing for at Christmas,
But here's hoping this will help make it come true!"

"Greeting—A wiser bird couldn't say it any better—
Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year."

"Here's for a Christmas, A hope for a New Year
That's happy and bright; that's filled with delight."

"May a happier Christmas than ever before
Come gaily knocking at your door."

"The best of Yuletide Wishes, To you dear ones and to you; May you end the Old Year merrily, And happily greet the New."

"There is a friendly doorway with some happy folks inside, To whom it's such a joy to say, A Merry Christmastide."

"Holly wreaths and candle light, Glowing fires and all that's bright,
Laughter, fun and friendly cheer, May Christmas bring for many a year."

"Candles burning on the tree, Children dancing happily.
Singing in the cheeriest way Merry, Merry Christmas Day."

We cannot say that there is much, if any, Christian significance to these foregoing rhymes, yet we have to acknowledge that they offer good cheer, which is an outstanding factor in Christmas sentiment. And we would hasten to state that we sincerely appreciate one of the folders bearing those mediocre rhymes and lines, because they conveyed to us the good will and glad wishes of our friends, the senders.

Not only do we find the stereotyped messages unreligious, but often the pictures and scenes, as beautifully colored as they may be, are anything but suggestive of the Christ-child's birth. A lovely winter scene, a group of hunters and hounds ready for the chase, a fair maiden under the mistletoe, a sleigh ride, an old frigate, a Christmas tree (which, though symbolical, is not Christian), and a thousand other things. These are pretty; we enjoy receiving them and marveling at their mingled colors; but they do not carry us back to the star, the shepherds, the manger, and the Babe of that first Christmas, centuries ago.

We would not be so prejudiced as to suggest a taboo of all Christmas cards that do not impart the strictly Christian sentiment, but we would urge the insistence on the part of those to whom Christmas means a rebirth of the Christ-child within their heart, that the views and verses possessing religious significance notably predominate.

E. Lester Ballard.

Methodist Church at Skyland Dedicated Sunday, October 5th

The dedication of Skyland Methodist church October 5, 1941, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon was a very happy occasion for the people of the church and their many friends who have brought about the success of this undertaking.

J. Marvin Ormond of Duke University, who has been such a wonderful help to Skyland church during this building program, delivered the dedicatory sermon.

Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, Dr. N. G. Bethea, pastor in charge, and Mr. George Reisig, organist, took part in the program as did the present church trustees, C. O. Case, R. W. Roberts and J. L. Vandiver.



Skyland Methodist Church

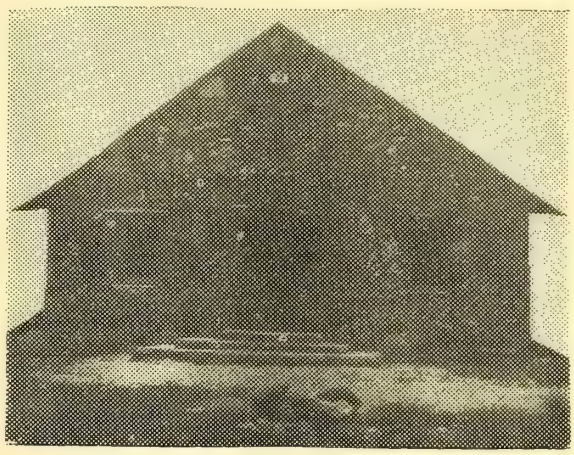
The existence of Skyland church first began on August 17, 1887, when Mr. and Mrs. Otis A. Miller, who had supervised a community Sunday school in a private dwelling, deeded to J. M. Case, T. F. Johnston and Adolphus Gibson, as trustees, a tract of land for a church.

Mr. Miller drew plans for a building and its construction was begun. Soon, however, the people of the community realized, after due consideration, that the construction of this building as planned was too elaborate and too expensive to be completed with the funds and help available, so simpler plans were drawn. The framework on the first plan that had been done was taken down and moved to a different location on the church property. The structure of wood, just a large auditorium, was then completed. This church did service until the night of October 8, 1937, when fire of unknown origin brought about its complete destruction.

Immediately study and planning was begun regarding a new church. Fortunately, insurance was carried on the church destroyed and this amount was a financial foundation to begin a new one. The church membership was small but very determined to have a place of worship.

The late Rev. T. C. Jordan was a great aid to the membership by his service, help and encouragement during this time of the building program. Co-operation among many brought about nice donations of money, labor and materials and a $2500 donation from the great Duke Endowment made possible the completion of this $8000 structure.

The church building has been completed for a little more than two years and at all times the work was carried on a cash basis. However, the dedication was postponed until all the church furnishings could be installed and paid for. This is now complete and the people of Skyland church and their friends are thankful for this happy time.

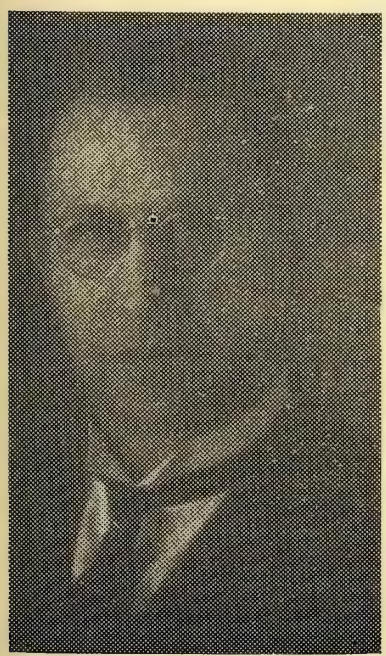


Former Skyland Methodist Church

Skyland church is ever mindful of its many blessings and its hope is to do great and worth while service toward advancement of the Master's kingdom.

The Fletcher Parsonage

This is one of the best in the Asheville district. Built of brick, with furnace, stoker attachment, water and lights, kitchen, breakfast room, dining room, reception room, all on the first floor. Upstairs three full bed rooms, bath, commodious study with built in book cases, and all rooms are furnished. In the basement there is a garage right near the furnace, making a warm place for the car in winter. Storage room for coal, washing machine, shelves for canned fruit, etc. With all these conveniences it is a very desirable place to live. It is situated in Oak Park on the north side of Fletcher towards Asheville, about midway between Asheville and Hendersonville on federal highway No. 25 One of the most beautiful locations for living to be found in western North Carolina, and perhaps unequaled for beauty anywhere in this country. Royal Pines and Aden Park are next to this parsonage on the Asheville side.



Dr. M. T. Smathers, Dist. Supt.



Fletcher Parsonage
Fletcher, N. C.



Rev. N. G. Bethea, Pastor

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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STUDY LEADERS' MEETINGS

The study leaders' meeting at First church, Morganton, September 24, with the representatives of the Elkin and Morganton districts, maintained the record of enthusiasm and interest that has been in evidence at each of these meetings during the week of September 22-26. A good attendance was noted and the program arranged by the "Conference Team of Officers," Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. W. F. Redding and Mrs. R. M. Andrews, prove dinstructive as well as interesting. Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York, National field secreatry of the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, was an outstanding addition to the day's program, as she brought to her audience a message of the children's work and stressed the great prviilege of the women of the missionary societies in directing and promoting this work.

AN ENJOYABLE MEETING AT WAYNESVILLE

The fourth in the series of study leaders' meetings was held at Waynesville in the First Methodist church, Thursday, September 25, for the Asheville and Waynesville districts with Mrs. F. E. Branson, corresponding secretary of Waynesville district, presiding. More than 200 were in attendance, with a number of ministers from the two districts, adding to the number of representatives.

Mrs. C. N. Clark gave the opening devotional and the group meetings were presided over by the four conference officers: Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., and Mrs. R. M. Andrews. Mrs. W. L. Lanier, secretary of student work, talked to the entire group and was followed by Mrs. Fred Martin of Waynesville in a beautiful vocal solo, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say." Miss Ruth Wheaton, field secretary, who has been such an inspiration in all the meetings, was heard in a message by the women of the Waynesville church, after which a business meeting of the Waynesville district representatives was held and was attended by more than 100 women. Plans were made for the fourth quarter's work and local matters of interest discussed, with Mrs. Branson presiding. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. E. L. McKee.

CLOSING STUDY LEADERS' MEETING

The study leaders' meeting for the Charlotte and Gastonia districts, held in First church, Charlotte, Friday, September 26, closed the series of the week's profitable and interesting meetings, with Miss Ruth Wheaton of New York, field secretary, whose presence has been an inspiration, as the day's chief speaker. Among the active figures at the meeting were Mrs. Wilbur Baber, corresponding secretary of Gastonia district, and Mrs. C. E. Wakefield of the Charlotte district; nine conference officers, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., Mrs. Walter Lanier, Mrs. Eugene Lamb, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Mrs. George Hoyle and Mrs. J. W. Harbison. Attention was centered on the missionary program, with particular reference to the new phases of work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The program for the day included group meetings for discussion of the various departments of work; a clever skit, "How to Present a Study Lesson," a talk by Mrs. J. W. Payne concerning our new study material and a brief exhortation on prayer given by Mrs. Clare Purcell at high noon to the accompaniment of the First church chimes.

(We are sure these meetings have proven of great value to our women of the 11 districts, and we anticipate splendid reports of the work as results of the inspiring and uplifting programs.—Editor).

WARRENSVILLE CHARGE, ELKIN DISTRICT

Our congratulations are extended to the Warrensville charge of the Elkin district for the splendid record they have made during the year in the work of organization of Woman's Societies of Christian Service—five of the seven churches of the charge now organized, credit for which is given in a great masure to Mrs. J. G. Wootton, Jr., wife of the pastor, and Mrs. Claudia Johnson. We are glad to have a copy of letter written by Mrs. Wootton to her district secretary, to give to our readers, showing the missionary spirit existant on that charge.

Mrs. Wootton says: "Our women have done remarkably well this year and we feel that they deserve a write-up on our woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Adovcate. (So do we—Ed.) We now have a total of five societies, four girls' societies that have been organized this year. The Warrensville woman's society is the oldest. It has been an honor society for many years, and although small in membership has always come up to requirements. The Lanning Woman's Society of Christian Service is the largest with a total of 30 members and have raised $300 on their new church and pledged $100 this year. Rich Hall has been organized for a few months and they have raised $40 for church improvements.

"Mill Creek and Southport, which were recently organized, have already gone to work with enthusiasm. I believe we are among the few in our conference with so many societies and we hope to be first in our district before the conference year has closed. Five societies in the seven churches on the charge. Will write you about our next organization as soon as we get organized." (Names of these societies with officers will be given in next week's issue.—Mrs. W. R. H.)

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa from our conference, now at home on furlough, has written us a delightful letter sharing with us her experiences on her visit to Mexico, where she went as a delegate to the International Congress of Christian Education in Mexico City a few weeks ago. For want of space we shall have to give just excerpts from this message of Miss Kelly, which we should love to share with our readers.

Miss Kelly was accompanied on this trip by her sister-in-law who went all the way to Mexico City, and her mother and sister who accompanied her as far as Texas to visit relatives. The trip was an automobile "across the country trip," which gave Miss Kelly and her sister-in-law, the opportunity of seeing a great deal of the country through which they passed. For more than a day they drove through Texas, stopping long enough in Dallas to get a glimpse of our Southern Methodist University. At Laredo they made final preparations to cross the border, where they were shown every kindness, furnished with well worked out routes, suggesting courts for the night, changing their money into Mexican pesos, giving them tourist permits and other necessary papers. Finally, says she, "'we were ready to take our turn at being inspected by customs officers and to start down the Pan American Highway into beautiful Mexico. The next two days took us through some of the most beautiful scenery I have ever visited. Living conditions along the highway reminded me of those of our people in the Congo, living in little huts with grass roofs, with little donkeys to serve as beasts of burden.

"Mexico City! Mexico's largest city of about a million people, built in a lake bed on an altitude of 7400 feet, higher than Mt. Mitchell. With its mixture of cultures and its interesting ancient history amid the cool climate, it is not much wonder that tourists have to make hotel reservations in advance.

"It had been suggested to us before leaving home to spend a little extra time studying the educational system of Mexico, as there was much to offer in the way of suggestions to missionaries working among primitive people; so I decided to take a two weeks' seminar, and immediately upon our arrival we began to seek 'Mexican Horizons,' the organizations with which we were to take our seminar. For two weeks we studied Mexico, its peoples and its activities. Pre-arranged trips totaling about 900 miles gave us an opportunity to see as well as hear what was being done in the country. We found many things of interest to the tourist. The last week of our stay was given over to the congress and a related committee meeting. The congress was held in Church La Santisim Trinidad. However, in order to accommodate the 924 delegates and local people it was necessary to hold additional simultaneous services each evening.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

THE ONE GREAT NEED

The one great need of our world today is a great faith in a great God. That faith is revealed in Jesus. . . . We grow to be like the God we believe in. If we believe in a little god we will not grow much, but if we believe in a big god we shall grow to be like him. Faith in God is what the nations need today. We need to see God. Always when men look upon God they are humbled; they want to confess their sins and recognize their dependence upon him. A true Christian believes in God and recognizes his depedence upon him and his way of life. Do we believe in God? Our lives reveal how much do believe in him.—Rev. Howard M. McLamb.

INTRODUCING MRS. FOUTS

When the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. was organized last year Mrs. S. A. Dunn of Enfield was elected to the office of conference secretary of young women and girls' work. Recently Mrs. Dunn has found it imperative to relinquish the duties of this work, and the conference executive committee has found her successor in Mrs. D. L. Fouts of Jonesboro. Mrs. Dunn's loyalty, efficiency and lovable personality has meant much to the work and to those with whom she served. It is with reluctance, therefore, that we release our claim on her as a conference officer. The foundations of a progressive department which have been so well laid by Mrs. Dunn will continue to grow and flourish under the leadership of Mrs. Fouts. Mrs. Fouts, wife of the pastor of Jonesboro Methodist church, has had a wide and successful experience in working with young people. She is well qualified to assume the duties of secretary of young women and girls' work and the conference is exceedingly fortunate to have her. Our hearty and sincere appreciation to Mrs. Dunn for her services, and our prayers and best wishes to Mrs. Fouts as she enters into a larger field of service for the Master.—M. E. G.

WHEN OUR DEACONESSES RETIRE

There is every reason for a sense of gratitude and pride on the part of the Methodist Church toward her deaconesses and their services in the realm of relief from poverty, isolation, ignorance and disease of mind and body. In the Methodist Church the office of deaconess was authorized about the turn of the last century. Deaconesses are trained and consecrated for their tasks and they execute them with a loyalty, a faith, a devotion and a zeal, resulting in untold good to countless numbers of needy people. The church, conscious of her obligations to her deaconesses, has provided for their salaries. The salary of a deaconess is sufficient to meet her present needs, but not enough to permit saving of money to care for her after her retirement. Neither does the Social Security Act include church workers. There are already 200 retired deaconesses in the United States who are receiving monthly retirement checks which are needful and are most appreciated by them. What more Christ-like cause, then, could a portion of our week of prayer offering be directed this year than an endowed retirement fund for deaconesses: Week of prayer will be observed during the last week in October. The other projects to which the offering will be directed are: A convalescent home for negro children at Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.; medical equipment around the the world and Christian literature in foreign fields. Let no W. S. C. S. be negligent in worshipping, studying the needs of the four projects and in sacrificial giving to these causes.

CONCERNING SUPPLIES

Following a request from Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, the work of the supply department of all societies in the conference should be directed this year toward the three projects in the N. C. conference which are largely supported by the conference societies. Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville; Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person circuit, and Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess at East Laurinburg, always find that contributions of money are most acceptable. Miss Brooks makes good use of magazines and church literature which she is able to secure from interested people in the conference. Miss Stegar has recently seen the partial realization of her dream of a community center and needs many articles which would further the operation of it. In the first place, Miss Stegar's typewriter has become outworn and she is in dire need of another. There is no piano at the Community Center and one is very much needed. In addition to these two especially mentioned items, anything which may be used in a home or office can find a rightful place at the Community Center at East Laurinburg. Let's rally to Miss Stegar and the men, women and children of this mill village. This call comes to us one at our very door.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT MEETS

On September 26 the W. S. C. S. of Carthage Methodist church was hostess to the other societies of the Fayetteville district. Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence, Sanford, district secretary, presided over the business portion of the meeting and Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary of missionary education, and Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro, conference secretary Y. W. and G. W., brought much helpful information and inspiration concerning the fall topic for study, namely, "Christianity and World Order." Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, discussed how we can begin the task of making a Christian world order in the home; Mrs. J. H. Cuitchin, Whitakers, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., briefly reviewed the topic, "Christianity and Democracy," which is the topic for study next spring. Mrs. J. F. Herbert, Wilmington, gave some inspirational thoughts on the value of Bible study. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville, conference secretary spiritual life groups, led the opening devotional following a song and prayer service led by Rev. W. G. Farrar, pastor of the hostess church. Other speakers on the program were: Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City, conference secretary children's work; Mrs. H. L. Thomas, Carthage, conference secretary student work; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary of publicity and publications; Rev. W. V. McRae, Fayetteville, district superintendent, and Mrs. C. G. Spencer, president Carthage W. S. C. S.. Mrs. W. H. White, Sanford and Mrs. George Thomas, Carthage, brought messages in song, each being accompanied by Mrs. M. G. McPhail. The fellowship luncheon served by the Carthage W. S. C. S. was followed by interest group meetings led by Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Fouts, Mrs. Cutchin, Mrs. Gary, Miss Lamb, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Slaughter and Miss Gardner.

MRS. GARY WRITES

Dear Guild Member:

The Isabella Hendrix College in Brázil is in great need of a mimegraph and asked if one could be sent out with one of the missionaries, Miss Leila Epps soon for Brazil.

If the majority of the units within the jurisdiction co-operate, this can be purchased and the transportation costs defrayed by the gift on the part of each member of a 3c stamp, or its equivalent.

In order to get this in time for Miss Epps' departure, special arrangements will have to be made to advance the money for its purchase. This means that we should like to have this presented to each unit within the jurisdiction at the October meeting so that the funds can be received as soon as possible this fall. Each unit should send the money through the regular channels for supplies marked specifically for "Mimeograph for Isabella Hendrix College" (see Handbook, pages 36 and 41).

I am therefore urging all Guilds cooperating on the mimeograph for Isabella Hendrix College to put on the report blanks the definite amount they are paying toward this mimeograph, and that they have their local treasurer specify to the conference treasurer the amount they are giving. This information is absolutely necessary for our records.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. R. C. Gary,

Sec. Wesleyan Service Guild.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

CONFERENCE IS COMING

The next session of our annual conference is almost here. Its meetings will be most noteworthy. Much business will be transacted, much enthusiasm will be generated and many appointments will be made. According to Bishop Purcell, a good administrator, the morning sessions will be full of business. The afternoons will be featured with committee and board meetings and inspirational sessions of the conference. The evening sessions will bring the anniversaries of the Board of Education and Board of Missions, together with the ordination services on the last evening. The climax will be reached with the reading of the ministerial appointments for the ensuing year. A great conference is coming.

CORDIALLY INVITED

On Thursday afternoon between four and six o'clock delegates and visitors to the conference are cordially invited to visit the Children's Home. We will want our friends to visit us, thus becoming better acquainted with our family and the place where they live. An informal reception will be held in the central dining room, generally known among us as the Aurelia Bowman Gray building. Our older boys and girls will be pleased to act as hosts and hostesses to our friends on this afternoon.

DORMITORY ENTERTAINMENT

We have suggested to Dr. Stanbury and his entertainment committee that we would be glad to turn over one of our dormitories to the young men who are coming up for admission and other young men who are not so far removed from dormitory life. In such a way we will be in position to entertain about thirty men, offering them single beds and the usual dormitory conveniences. We wish we were in position to entertain the entire conference, but not being able to do that, we will do what we can, fill a house with promising young men.

DISTRICT RECORD

Up to the first of October the percentage district record of Children's Home payments on quotas was as follows:

Winston-Salem	92
Gastonia	77
Statesville	74
High Point	73
Charlotte	72
Greensboro	71
Salisbury	71
Elkin	60
Marion	55
Asheville	53
Waynesville	44

CHECKING THE BELL RINGERS

The series of district check-ups directed by Bishop Purcell and his district superintendents is doubtless showing gratifying results. The Children's Home is very grateful to those friends who have forwarded payments this year a bit earlier than usual. The cord to our ten per cent apportionment ringing apparatus has been pulled gloriously. The bell has rung many times. Note the ringers and join us in grateful thanks:

Calvary, Charlotte, Rev. S. M. Needham.

First Church, Hickory, Rev. W. A. Rollins.



Sings, plays and works

Welch Memorial, High Point, Rev. J. D. Williams.

Wilkesboro Station, Rev. J. C. Stokes.

Madison, Rev. O. J. Jones.

Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

Belmont Park, Charlotte, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald.

Cross Mills, Marion, Rev. H. M. Williams.

Rutherford College, Rev. J. R. Duncan.

Westview, Hickory, Rev. H. C. Freeman.

Weaverville Station, Rev. F. O. Dryman.

Sandy Ridge circuit, Rev. T. G. Williams.

Banardsville circuit, Rev. A. B. Dennis.

Calvary, Greensboro, Rev. R. C. Stubbins.

Shiloh, Lexington, Rev. T. G. Madison.

Mt. Mitchell, Kannapolis, Rev. H. H. Robbins.

Pleasant Grove, Thomasville, Rev. C. E. Ridge.

Central, Asheboro, Rev. J. W. Braxton.

First Church, Winston-Salem, Rev. B. A. Culp.

Tryon, Rev. G. M. Schreyer.

Dallas, Rev. J. G. Wilkinson.

Belwood circuit, Rev. J. M. Morgan.

Hendersonville, Rev. D. E. Camak.

Forest Hill, Concord, Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Cullowhee, Rev. W. L. Lanier.

Hayesville circuit, Rev. A. J. Clemmer.

Valdese, Rev. O. B. Mitchell.

Oakley, Asheville, Rev. E. O. Peeler.

Albemarle circuit, Rev. E. A. Bingham.

Haywood Street, Asheville, Rev. W. G. McFarland.

Sylva, Rev. A. P. Ratledge.

Mt. Olivet, Concord, Rev. F. W. Kiker.

First Church, Lincolnton, Rev. L. D. Thompson.

China Grove, Rev. W. O. Weldon.

Ararat circuit, Rev. W. H. Yokeley.

Misenheimer, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. A. J. Cox.

Morris Chapel, Walkertown, Rev. C. J. Winslow.

Lilesville and Forestville, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

Pleasant Grove, Crouse circuit, Rev. W. F. Eaker.

Avery Creek, Mills River circuit, Rev. R. M. Varner.

Hanes-Clemmons circuit, Rev. R. A. Taylor.

Bess Chapel, Lincoln-Bess Chapel, Rev. J. W. Combs.

Pine Hall, Danbury circuit, Rev. J. L. Love.

Mt. Vernon, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Boonville, Yadkinville circuit, Rev. J. H. Green.

East Flat Rock circuit, Rev. C. M. Smith.

Snow Creek, Olin circuit, Rev. R. E. Snider.

Hillside-Merrimon, Asheville, Rev. H. S. Williams.

Red Hill, Micaville circuit, Rev. M. A. Lewis.

Long's, Piney Grove and Pisgah, Pigeon Valley circuit, Rev. E. M. Hoyle.

Bunker Hill, Mt. Carmel and Shady Grove, Reeds-Mt. Carmel, Rev. Byron Nifong.

SPONSOR AND SPONSORED

For years Mr. James A. Gray, a great friend of the Children's Home, has sponsored the entire expense of a youngster at the Children's Home, this expense covering a great deal more than the usual clothing expense. For several years Buren Blackwelder has enjoyed the distinction of being sponsored by Mr. Gray. Buren has done well here, now being in his senior year. He works on the farm in the summer, washes dishes in the winter, plays football on our varsity team and sings in the Centenary choir. We are counting on Buren like we have learned to count on our good friend, Mr. Gray.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "It was a pleasant day the class had with Rev. J. P. Pegg and his large congregation at Union church on the Granville charge. In the afternoon we were at Banks church on the Credmoor charge. We were glad to meet these friends again. Rev. E. B. Craven is pastor there.

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FOOTBALL—Much to our surprise and delight our football team has made a good beginning. Our first game was with the Hillsboro high school, and resulted in a 6-6 tie. Our second game was played with the Roxboro high school, and resulted in a 26-6 victory for the Methodist Orphanage. We have a very light team, but our boys are well trained and are in the very best physical condition. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our teachers, deserves much credit for the fine training he is giving our squad.

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DEEPLY GRATEFUL — I haven't words at my command to adequately express the gratitude that I feel toward our pastors and churches that are sending the Orphanage a part, or all, of their ten per cent apportionment. Such loyalty is very encouraging and reassuring. Since money is being so freely circulated among our people, by reason of good prices on farm produce, and from the defense program, I feel confident that others will join the procession by sending us their ten per cent Orphanage apportionment. All contributions—both small and large—are most acceptable, since our treasury is exhausted.

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LIVING THROUGH OTHERS—Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, delivered a great address before the North Carolina Orphanage Association last week at the Methodist Orphanage. He spoke on the subject of financial support for orphanages. He emphasized the point that when people give to orphanages from a sense of duty they miss the joy of giving. When they give sacrificially with a glad heart, they enter into fellowship with Him who gave all. Such giving is Christian stewardship of the highest order. There is a deep yearning in the heart of all of us to perpetuate our lives. By sharing our material resources with fatherless children we shall continue to live through all the years that are yet to come.

ORPHANAGE ASSOCIATION— The North Carolina Orphanage Association held its annual meeting at the Methodist Orphanage last week. About a hundred representative orphanage workers attended the meeting. Topics of vital importance to orphanage workers were discussed by outstanding speakers. The State Board of Charities and Public Welfare contributed to the success of the meeting. Supt. C. K. Proctor, president of the association, presided with ease and dignity over the meeting. Gov. J. Melville Broughton delivered the closing address, to the delight of all the visitors. Prof. J. O. Sanderson, principal of our Orphanage school, was elected president of the association for the coming year. The next annual meeting of orphanage workers will be held in the Kennedy Orphanage near Kinston. The Methodist Orphanage Glee Club, numbering 87 boys and girls, rendered several selections, which added much to the success of the occasion. Dinner was served to our guests in our large dining room. Taking everything into consideration the meeting was one of the best and most successful ever held by the association. The Methodist Orphanage was happy to be host to the many visitors who honored us with their presence.

THE REWARD OF PREACHING

Rev. H. Davies, sometimes called "The Welsh Apostle," was walking, one Sabbath morning, to a place where he was to preach. He was overtaken by a clergyman on horseback, who complained that he could not get above half a guinea for a discourse. "Oh, sir," said Mr. Davies, "I preach for a crown!" "Do you?" replied the stranger; "then you are a disgrace to the cloth." To this rude observation he returned this meek answer, "Perhaps I shall be held in still greater disgrace in your estimation when I inform you that I am now going nine miles to preach, and I have but sevenpence in my pocket to bear my expenses out and in; but I look forward to that crown of glory my Lord and Saviour will bestow upon me when he makes his appearance before an assembled world."—Presbyterian.

THESE TWELVE THINGS ARE IMPOSSIBLE

It is impossible—

To sow tares and reap roses.
To sow jealousy and reap love.
To think wrong and live right.
To do wrong and live right.
To do wrong and get away with it.
To dance without paying the fiddler.
To bat below par and maintain self-respect.
To be unfair and succeed for any length of time.
To make decisions tomorrow; they must be made now.
To cheat the universe. "For value received" still stands.
To carry hatred in the heart without reflecting it in the face.
To live without growing older, although there is no need of growing "old."—David F. Nygreen, in The Baptist.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL YEARBOOK

For several years workers in the Children's Division of our church schools have had a yearbook to be used as a guide in their year's program. During these years there has developed a demond for a yearbook for other workers in our schools, and this demand has been met with the new publication — "The Methodist Church School Yearbook." This booklet is designated for pastors, church school superintendents, age-group superintendents, presidents, other officers and teachers.

The table of contents indicates the comprehensiveness of this Yearbook. It is as follows:

1. We Re-study and Re-evaluate Our Great Cause.
2. We Make Our Own Plans for Program Advance Month by Month.
3. We Make Plans to Use the New Helps for the Methodist Church School.

(a) Study Courses for pupils and week-by-week parents and teacher helps. Developed by the editorial staff of the Board of Education.

(b) Helps for Program improvement. Leaflets and manuals developed by the staff of the Division of Local Church.

4. We Make Plans to Use the New Methodist Church School Records and Reports.
5 We Co-eperate as Partners in a World-Wide Program of Helpfulness.
6. Some Books to Read.
7. We Test Our Program.
8. For Further Help.
9. We Co-operate in the United Christian Education Advance.

We would call attention especially to the month by month schedule that is provided in the yearbook. There is space devoted to each month of the year, with suggestions concerning the emphases for each month and calendars on which each officer or each local church may list the items in the program for the month.

Some of our leaders have been wanting a single piece of material that would serve as a guide book for the total program for the year. This desire has been realized in the Methodist Church School Yearbook. It may be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va., for 25 cents per copy, or $12.50 for a half dozen copies.

BURLINGTON AND ROXBORO BIBLE CONFERENCES

Two very successful Bible conferences have been held in two areas of the Durham district under the leadership of Rev. T. B. Hough, district director of adult work. Dr. Elbert Russell of Duke University was the speaker at the Burlington conference and Dr. Albert C. Outler of Duke University was the speaker at the Roxboro conference. Attendance upon each conference was very satisfactory, the leadership of Dr. Russell and Dr. Outler was outstanding, and the interest on the part of the people was gratifying. We feel some other areas of our conference will be interested in this type of work in the coming months.

TRAINING CAMPS

A number of churches, and groups of churches, in the conference have held three or four day institutes to study new features of our church school program in the three age-group divisions as well as the new material for these divisions. Such an institute was held in Goldsboro September 29-October 1, another at Morehead City, October 5-8, and another is to be held at Wilmington October 28-30.

A Christian Workers' School was held at Henderson October 5-9 for all churches in the Henderson area of the Raleigh district. Rev. B. C. Reavis served as chairman of the board of managers, Rev. Forrest Hedden of Louisburg served as dean, and Rev. Aubert Smith served as treasurer. Courses offered in the school were:

Understanding People, Dr. B. G. Childs.

Educational Work of the Small Church, Rev. Walter Thompson.

Senior and Young People's Plans, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERINGS

Since our last Advocate report on Church School Rally Day offerings a number of additional offerings have been received. We are publishing herewith a list of these. If other churches would like to have copies of the Church School Rally Day programs, we shall be glad to send them on request. Offerings should be sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford, N. C., by October 29 in order that they may included in the report for the year.

Durham District

Alamance Ct., Rock Creek	$ 7.18
Graham	12.00
Leasburg	3.00
Mount Tirzah	9.25
Person Ct.: Oak Grove	5.74
Woodsdale	.67
Total	37.84
Previously reported	101.15
Grand total	138.99

Elizabeth City District

Gates, Kittrels	2.00
Parkers	4.50
Hertford	10.00
Pleasant Grove	5.63
Kinnakeet	2.78
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon	9.80
Perquimans, Oak Grove	3.31
Wanchese	6.00
Total	44.02
Previously reported	51.68
Grand total	95.70

Fayetteville District

Aberdeen-Vass, Aberdeen	8.96
Jonesboro	1.90
Maxton	12.32
Sanford	7.00
Total	30.18
Previously reported	34.94
Grand total	65.12

New Bern District

Goldsboro Ct.: Daniels Chapel	5.00
Salem	7.00
Hookerton, Rainbow	4.71
Kinston, Queen Street	5.30
Mount Olive	5.04
New Bern, Centenary	7.50
Pikeville	5.00
Pink Hill	2.95
Total	42.50
Previously reported	13.64
Grand total	56.14

Raleigh District

Franklinton, Grove Hill	3.00
Fuquay, Cokesbury	5.75
Moncure, Mt. Zion	6.35
Oxford, Gray Rock	7.40
Total	22.50
Previously reported	24.77
Grand total	47.27

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Zion	3.22
Farmville	5.00
Halifax	1.33
Norlina	5.00
Rich Square, Pinners	1.75
Rich Square	4.00
Woodland	2.50
Seaboard	9.12
Tarboro	3.33
Weldon	8.00
Total	43.25
Previously reported	27.88
Grand total	71.13

Wilmington District

Burgaw, Jordan Chapel	2.00
Rocky Point	3.50
Herrings Chapel	2.40
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo	4.57
Chadbourn	2.50
Fair Bluff	3.50
Clinton	3.17
Saint Pauls	10.00
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	10.00
Total	41.64
Previously reported	85.66
Grand total	127.30
Conference total	601.65

METHODIST STUDENT DAY OFFERING

Durham District

Alamance Circuit, Center	6.11
Burlington, Davis Street	3.75
Haw River, Philips Chapel	5.00
Total	14.86

Elizabeth City District

Gates, Kittrel's	4.00
Parkers	12.59
Savages	3.65
Windsor, Cashie	1.00
Windsor	3.17
Total	24.41

Rocky Mount District

Rocky Mount, First Church	10.44
Conway, Bethany	5.55
Total	15.99
Grand total	55.26

ADDITIONAL RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Elizabeth City District

Mattamuskeet, Englehard	.70
South Mills	6.81
Total	7.51

Raleigh District

Four Oaks	5.00
Total	12.51

Advocate Campaign Report

Below follows the full exhibit of new subscribers secured for the year in the Western North Carolina conference. The figures opposite each charge indicate the full year; the 1-2, six months subscribers. No mention is made of the charges that sent no remittance.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Asheville District

Central, F. M. Weaver, Sr.	8
Merrimon, N. G. Bethea	7
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Rosman, J. R. Bowman	1½
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Asbury Mem., R. H. Taylor	1
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Hillside-Merrimon, Mrs. F. J. Bates	1
Pisgah, C. M. White	½

Charlotte District

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Polkton, J. L. Trollinger	4½
Wadesboro, C. P. Bowles	4
Huntersville, Dowd Bangle	4
Derita, E. O. Cole	2
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	2
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Morven, P. T. Dixon	1
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Big Spring, R. L. Akers, Jr.	1
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	1
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New Hope-Bethel, T. G. Highfill	½

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Green Valley, W. C. Eastridge	½

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McAdenville, M. E. Leftwich	16
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Fallston, G. W. Clay	11
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Rock Springs, A. W. Lynch	8½
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Dallas, J. G. Wilkinson	5
Lafayette St., Miss Mattie Short	4
Bessemer City, H. M. Robinson	3
Cleveland (Kistlers Union), Mrs. Max Grigg	2½
Stanley, A. L. Rayle	2
South Fork, R. G. McClamrock	1
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Bradley Mem., P. W. Tucker	1
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Lowell, E. E. Snow	½

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Leaksville, A. C. Swofford	10½
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Newlyn-Lee's Chapel, A.L.Latham	7
Glenwood, R. M. Hardee	6½
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	6
Danbury, J. L. Love	5½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., R. P. Gibbs	5½
Moriah, J. F. Cagle	4
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	4
Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams	3
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Jamestown-Oakdale, C. M. McKinney	2½
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College Place, R. M. Courtney	2
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Elk Park, J. J. Wood	3
Valdese, O. B. Mitchell	2½
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Forest City, W. A. Johnson	2
Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards	2
Spindale, J. L. Ingram	2
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Rocky Ridge, E. B. Edwards	4
Tabernacle, S. B. Biggers	4
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Jackson Park, J. J. Holmes	2
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Broad Street, V. R. Masters	7
Westview, H. C. Freeman	6½
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Newton, C. A. Morrison	6
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Taylorsville, O. L. Robinson	6
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Grace-Rhodhiss, J. M. Brandon	5½
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Granite Falls, Reid Wall	5
Harmony, R. V. Martin	4½
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Murphy, C. B. Newton	9½
Macon, J. C. Swaim	6½
Morning Star, G. W. Bumgarner	6
Fines Creek, J. T. Shackford	4½
Cashiers, Mrs. Minnie Cole	4
Clyde, E. C. Price	3½
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Canton, J. B. Tabor, Jr.	2½
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In Memoriam

MISS LOU CURTIS

Her spirit released from house of clay,
Hath plumed its wings and soared away
To realms of light and love.
Her place is near the great white throne,
Where God resides among his own—
The paradise above.

No hand holds a pen that can fully trace the beautiful life and home going of a saint of God. Through adversity and physical suffering from childhood she faithfully carried on through a long, busy and useful life, a living example of the matchless power and grace of God. The Scriptures to her were not merely quotations, but real experiences and tests of faith in her daily life.

Miss Lou was born on her father's plantation April 25, 1869, daughter of F. N. M. Curtis and Mary F. King Curtis, outstanding Christians of the community. On father's side were Chief Justice Frederick Nash, the Curtis' and Marleys of Randolph county; on mother's side were the Kings and Lees of Virginia, including Gen. Robt. E. She was a niece of Isaac Thacker, whose big plantation is on the Reidsville road today, still owned by the family.

An infection in childhood made her attendance at school of short duration. However, her desire for knowledge, diligent search after truth and an indomitable will, coupled with faith in God, enabled her to reach a goal not attained by the ordinary person. She could not participate in activities common to childhood; so she found comfort by employing her little hands in producing useful and beautiful articles by tatting, chocheting, embroidering, and fancy quilts. She early became an expert with her needle, which she used more or less until she lost her sight two years ago. She took a course in dress making and became a real artist in this line; planned and made many bridal outfits, including my own. She made almost countless layettes. She loved tiny babies and for a long while followed nursing. Many a little body and older person were warmed and made comfortable by her sacrifices for others. She enjoyed listening to the radio. She was in a program of Richard Maxwell, "A Friend in Need." Often during her illness, whether awake or asleep, her little hand would be as it were adjusting the cloth on a sewing machine, or she would be singing, thinking she was earning for the Lord's work. She spoke of the thousands of dollars needed for the work, and seemed glad to include hers, though only a small proportion. She sometimes sang by the hour. Who but one seeing the Invisible could on a bed of affliction, only one limb, the other paralyzed, vision impaired and sing: "I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free; I sing because I'm happy, as happy as can be, be!" Which was true. And she knew nearly all the old hymns and learned many more, though so strangely ill. She would say, "I am just going to shout and sing when I get home." She prayed for her pastor; longed to be back in her S.S. class; asked to send her offering for each Sabbath absent. She had attended Sunday school the last Sabbath before her illness, and asked that her church and Christian Service pledges be paid and her usual bills looked after promptly. She was systematic in all her work. In her daily Bible reading thanked God for his goodness to her; not one word of complaint. Once, after underscoring some lines on "suffering," she had written: "I hope God will never let another suffer as I have." She always seemed hopeful and happy, thus making life brighter for others. In her well worn Bible she left a beautifully written prayer of consecration and lists covering long years of her church and S. S. attendance, giving the name of the minister and the text he used.

Within fiveyears, away from home and loved ones, three times she went under the surgeon's knife for two major operations each time, after having been told by the resident physician and staff that she had only one chance in a hundred to live, as she would lose so much blood and be under the ether so long. She committed herself to



MISS LOU CURTIS
1869 - 1941

God, took the one long chance and lived to the praise of his glory all these years.

On March 17, 1941, evidently before retiring, she made her last entry in her diary, giving an interesting notation of the day, her scripture lesson and had written in advance for the next day's entry a part of the 23rd Psalm. She never finished this entry, as on the morning of March 18 she had arisen, placed her gown between the sheets and made her bed when the awful stroke came on. She crawled to the phone, called a friend, then crawled to the door to admit her; but when the phyisician came she was unable to tell him what she wished. She had a severe hemorrhage of the head and her right side was paralyzed. They took her to Piedmont haspital, until I had her removed and had the privilege of lovingly and tenderly caring for the little broken body. She responded favorably and she regained her sight of one eye sufficiently to read. She asked for a Bible and kept a Gospel of Mark on her bed. She read the story of Christ's healing the withered hand. This seemed to inspire her faith, and she would lift her little helpless hand with the other and say: "Why does Jesus not heal me now?" We had hoped it would please God to answer our prayer for her restoration, but it seems he had planned better things and a better place for his valiant little soldier. In the early morning of August 8, 1941, in answer to another prayer she had so often and earnestly prayed that God would send an angel to take her home; and in response to our childhood prayer which we had prayed together each night when she was able to talk, and which I had repeated for her that last night—

"If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take"

—before I slipped away for a few minutes' of much needed sleep, to return to find the little chin had dropped, the gentle spirit had returned to God who gave it, the suffering had ended.

With a breaking heart I removed the pillow and raised the little chin in place. "God doeth all things well.'" I had watched carefully and do not believe there was any shortening of the breath or rattle in the throat, but that she had merely fallen asleep on earth to awaken in heaven. She talked of the beauty of heaven, of Christ's circle of the redeemed, and often told me the number who had been added in a day, which seemed to be those she had been praying for. She was burdened for the lost. She talked to Jesus as he talked to me, and when alone for a few moments she would call him as if she was expecting him in person; and I have no doubt but that the "form of the fourth" was visible to her enlightened vision.

The funeral service, August 10, 1941, in Hanes Chapel, was conducted by a former pastor, Rev. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, assisted by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Centenary Methodist church. Dr. Turrentine used as a text, "She hath done what she could" (Mark 14:8), contained in the beautiful story of Christ being entertained in the house of Simon. He spoke touchingly of Miss Lou's ministry of suffering and her modest contribution to a needy world and her faithfulnes in each capacity in which she had served since he received her letter of membership at West Market more than 40 years ago. Like the Master, she did not want to be ministered unto but to minister.

A quartette from West Market church choir, composed of Mr. W. K. Hess, Mrs. Paul Giles, Mrs. Hal Marsh and Mr. Ray Young, sang beautifully two of Miss Lou's favorite songs: Amazing Grace, and Jesus Saviour, Pilot Me.

Pallbearers were her neighbors: S. T. Wyrick, M. P. Johnson, H. L. Horley, A. R. Boyles and James Brown.

Miss Lou was a former teacher in the S. S. and a member of the Epworth League; a member of both the former home and foreign missionary societies which united now form the Christian Service Society. She attended the last service before her illness. Mother set the type for Aunt Bumpas' little paper, "The Weekly Messenger." An unusual thing for both the older and the younger woman at that time to edit and set type for a religious paper. From childhood Miss Lou was a subscriber to the N. C. Christian Advocate, took the Outlook and was a charter subscriber to the Christian Advocate, which she had read and understood portions of the last one she received before becoming ill. She was actively interested in all Christian work to the extent of her ability. She was one among the first in Greensboro to take the Gospel message to those in jail. She was assisted by Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Peele, Friends,

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Children's Storyland



THE CHILDREN'S MADONNA

By Grace H. Patton

All the camp children loved Wee-Wee and his mother. They called the baby Wee-Wee because he was so small. They called the mother "Madonna" because she was so kind. "See! she's just like this!" some Italian children had said. Once they had received a picture post card. On it was the sweet-faced Mother with the little Christ child. After that, all the children called her Madonna.

She had two children besides Wee-Wee. They were Joey and Angie. Their parents moved from place to place. They picked fruit and vegetables. Just now they were picking oranges.

Madonna had a lot to do. She too had once worked as a picker. Then Wee-Wee came and she had to stay at home. And "home" was a strange place! It was in a camp field with other migrants. It was just large pieces of tent cloth draped over poles. In front was an opening. At one corner was the side door of an old car. It gave the only light inside. In the center was an old iron stove.

Madonna stooped over it, cooking supper. The children's father would soon be home from his orange picking. He would be hungry and tired. So Madonna laid Wee-Wee on a mattress on the ground. It was hard to do the work in this tiny place.

"You youngsters go outside," she said to Joey and Angie. So they went out and sat on the ground. Joey peeled potatoes for his mother. Angie played with a stick she called her doll.

Before long other children gathered around. They felt at home near this tent. Madonna was like a mother to them all. Many of their own mothers worked in the orange groves all day. The children had to look after themselves. They often turned to Madonna for help. She gave advice. She healed hurts. She settled quarrels. She was never cross or impatient, but she was often terribly tired. Every day she looked after many children besides her own.

One hot day a truck drove into the camp. In it were all the Logan family. There were mother, father, two boys and a girl.

Joey and Angie rushed home to their mother. "There ain't no tent for 'em!" they cried. "And their ma's sick. Got to go right to the hospital. What'll the kids do?"

"I don't know," answered their mother, busy with the baby.

Before long Joey and Angie hurried back. They had the three new children with them. Poor little wanderers! They looked hungry and tired and strange.

Madonna fed them. She tried to make them feel at home.

"Where you kiddies goin 'to sleep?" she asked.

"In the truck," they answered. "Pa says that's the only place. He'll be back with it soon's he takes ma to the hospital. He's got to work in oranges here for two weeks." They looked at Madonna shyly. Plainly they were saying, "Won't you mother us, too?"

The next day was Saturday. Madonna was cooking and fixing up the tent. She stepped outside for a minute. There stood the Logan children with Joey and Angie. With them were a mother dog and two pups!

Madonna laughed. Then she sighed. "What next?" she said.

Just then a car came along. A pleasant faced young woman got out. She began to laugh. "My sakes!" she said. "Is this all one family?"

"Three of 'em's mine," said Madonna. "Three of 'em's the sick woman's. I'm trying to mother 'em all. But, three dogs! That's too much!"

"I should say so!" said the young woman. "But, cheer up, I've come just in time to help you. Over at our Friendship Center we're starting classes for all these camp children. I'm rounding up youngsters today, because we begin Monday. May these children come?"

"My, I should say so!" answered Madonna. "Be the best thing in the world for them."

The young lady talked a while with the youngsters. She told them what a fine time they would have at the Center. She petted the puppies.

Monday morning Madonna had all five children ready. They were neat as they could be made. A big bus came and took them all off.

Madonna picked up Wee-Wee and hurried inside the tent. "Now, young man," she said, "you and I will have a fine rest."—Story World.

GROWN-UPS

It seems to me that most grown-ups
  Are frowning all the while;
I've watched them as they stir their
    cups—
  They hardly ever smile.

Of course they all are wise and brave,
  But still I don't think half
Of them enjoy themselves, for they've
  Forgotten how to laugh.

Now I laugh at most anything—
  At moonbeams or the sun,
Or if I see a fairy's wing—
  Why, I laugh just for fun.

And really it's quite nice, you know,
  And it's quite easy too;
I don't care how grown-up I grow,
  I'll always laugh—won't you?

—Selected.

RIDDLES

What is a country seat? A milking stool.

What is most like a cat's tail? A kitten's tail.

What is taken from you before you get it? Your portrait.

Why is a dog's tail a curiosity? Because it was never seen before.

What is the least valuable thing a boy can have in his pocket? A hole.

Why is the letter T like an island? Because it is in the middle of water.

Why is a fly taller than most men? He stands over six feet without shoes and stockings.

When is the most dangerous time of the year to go into the country? When the trees are shooting.

What are the most unsociable things in the world? Milestones; for you never see two of them together.

What is it which occurs twice in a moment, once in a minute, and not once in a thousand years? The letter me.—Selected.

THE WRONG BUTTON

"Dear me," said little Janet, "I buttoned just one button wrong, and it makes all the rest go wrong," and she tugged and fretted as if the poor button was at fault for her trouble.

"Patience, patience, my dear," said mamma. "The next time, look out for the first wrong button, then you'll keep all the rest right, And," added mamma, "look out for the first wrong deed of any kind; another and another is sure to follow."

Janet remembered how one day, not so long ago, she had struck the baby, Alice. That was the first wrong deed. Then she had denied having done it. That was another. Then she was unhappy and cross all day because she told a lie. What a long list of buttons fastened wrong just because one was wrong.—Picture World.

Johnnie was reading aloud to his class when he came to a word he did not know.

"Barque," prompted the teacher.

Johnnie looked confused.

"Barque, Johnnie," the teacher repeated impatiently.

Johnnie glanced nervously at his classmates, and then cried out, "Bow-wow!"—Ex.

Student: "I don't think I deserve a zero."

Professor: "Neither do I, but it's the lowest mark I'm allowed to give."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Milton, New Hope, 3 10
Person, Concord, 10:30 11
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 12
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 3 12
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 12
District Check-up Meeting at West Durham church at 9:30 a.m.—with Bishop Clare Purcell 13
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 15
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11....19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November

West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

October

Currituck, Sharon, 11 and 1 11
Manteo, 11 12
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 12
Wanchese, night 12
DISTRICT CHECK-UP, Hertford, 2:30 14
City Road, night 15
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November

Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Hamlet, 4 5
Rockingham, 7 5
Carthage, 11 12
Troy Ct., 3 12
Troy, 7 12
District check-up meeting with Bishop Clare Purcell at Aberdeen, 10 a. m. 17
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November

Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Mt. Olive Ct., Providence, 11 11
Grifton, 11 12
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 12
Check-up meetings—New Bern 10 a.m. and Goldsboro 7:30 p.m. 15
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November

Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Bailey, Bailey, 11 12
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 12
District Check-up with Bishop Clare Purcell, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 13
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 15
Franklington, Franklinton, 7:30 16
Creedmoro, Creedmoor, 11 19
Stem, Stem, 7:30 19
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 20
Clayton, Clayton, 7:30 22
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 26
Garner, Garner, 7:30 26
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 29
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November

Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizaebth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Kenly, 11 12
Stantonsburg, 3 12
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 12
District Check-up, Rocky Mount, 10 a.m. 14
St. Paul, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
Warrenton, 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
West Halifax, 3 31

November

Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Clinton, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 3:30 12
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 7:30 12
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, Victory Conf., 11....15
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November

Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Whiteville, 11 9
Town Creek, Zion, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Cooleemee, 11 12
Advance, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
Elkin, night 15
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11 12
Shelby Ct., Salem, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

October

Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
Proximity, 7:30 12
Brown Summit, 3 12
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

October

Oakview, 7 9
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2:30 11
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, 10 12
West Randolph, Mt. Shepherd, 11 12
Denton First, Denton, 7 12
Denton Central, Donton, 7 13
Trinity, Trinity, 7 14
Wesley Memorial, 7 15
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

Old Fort Ct., 11 12
Marion Ct., 3 12
Old Fort, 7:30 12
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury
FOURTH ROUND

October

N. Kannapolis, 7:30 11
Roberta, 11 12
Stanfield, 3 12
Westford, 7:30 12
Coburn Memorial, 7:30 13
China Grove, 7:30 15
Park Avenue, 7:30 16
Forest Hill, 11 19
Salisbury First, 7:30 19

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 12
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 12
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 7:30 12
Mooresville, Central, 73:0 15
Newton, 11 19
Catawba, Concord, 3 19
Balls Creek, Friendship 19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 998 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rural Hall, 11 12
Walnut Cove, 3 12
Forsyth, 7:30 12
Kernersville, S. Winston, 7:30 13
Hiatt's-Sedge Garden, 7:30 14
Thomasville, Community, 7:30 15
North Davidson, 7:30 16
Kernersville, 7:30 17

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Webster, Webster, 11 12
Whittier, Whittier, 3 12
Bryson City, 8 12
Murphy, 8 15
Cullowhee, 11 19
Canton, First, 8 19
Final check-up meeting and picnic for the district at Sylva Wednesday, October 1. Bishop Purcell presiding.

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SINGERS OF ZION AND LONGEVITY

By H. H. Smith

The scriptural promise, "With long life will I satisfy him," seems to have been realized by a large number of our hymn writers. Not less than 63 persons who contributed to our Methodist Hymnal were septuagenarians—reaching the age of 70 to 79. There were 42 octogenarians—80 to 89; and ten nonagenarians—who departed this life between the ages of 90 and 98.

Among the prominent hymn-writers who became octogenarians were: John Newton, Horatius Bonar, John and Charles Wesley, Henry Van Dyke, John Bowring, James Montgomery, Washington Gladden, Samuel F. Smith, Alfred Tennyson, J. G. Whittier, Oliver Wendell Holmes, William Cullen Bryant, John Henry Newman, and others. The bare mention of these names will enable one who is familiar with the Hymnal to recall the great hymns which they wrote.

It will be of interest to recall the names of those writers of the songs of Zion who lived to be ninety years of age, or more, and the titles of the hymns they composed, which are found in our Hymnal: Henry Burton (90) wrote: "Break, day of God, O break," and "There's a light upon the mountains." S. Baring-Gould (90), "Onward, Christian soldiers," and "Now the day is over." Annie L. Waring (90), "In heavenly love abiding." Edward Denny (93), "What grace, O Lord." Jemima Luke (93), "I think when I read that sweet story of old." Daniel March (93), "Hark, the voice of Jesus calling." Matthew Bridges (94), "Crown him with many crowns." Fanny Crosby (95), "Pass me not, O gentle Saviour," "Thou my everlasting portion," "Saviour, more than life to me," "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine," "Jesus, keep me near the cross," "Rescue the perishing," and "I am thine, O Lord." Wm. F. Warren (96), "I worship thee, O Holy Ghost." John Bakewell (98), "Hail thou once despised Jesus."

Concerning John Bakewell, who came within two years of reaching the century mark, The Methodist Hymnal Annotated gives the following interesting facts:

"John Bakewell, a Wesleyan lay preacher, was born at Brailsford, in Derbyshire, in 1721. He was a man of piety, earnestness, and consecration. He was made a lay preacher in 1749, and proved to be one of Mr. Wesley's most efficient workers. He was for several years Master of the Greenwich Royal Park Academy. It was in his house that Thomas Olivers wrote his justly famous and much-admired hymn, 'The God of Abraham praise.' He was an eminently useful man, and lived to a ripe old age, being 98 years old when he died, in 1819. He was buried in City Road Chapel not far from the tomb of John Wesley. The epitaph upon his tombstone states that 'he adorned the doctrines of God our Saviour eighty years, and preached his glorious gospel about seventy years.' He composed many hymns 'which remain in the manuscript beautfiully written,' but only one finds a place in modern church hymnals: 'Hail, thou once despised Jesus.' "

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IN MEMORY OF MISS LOU CURTIS

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Mr. Jennings, Baptist, and some persons from Westminster Presbyterian church, and others. Her first program in public after her conversion put our old colored nurse, Aunt Nancy, under conviction (she was in the "gallery"). She went down in the woods near the church, "prayed through" and was saved, though she had long been a church member. Aunt Nancy said the child's prayer "got all over me" and she could not stay inside the church she was so miserable till she confessed her sins.

For many years she was on the honor roll of the "Y" and always contributed to the Red Cross and did many individual kindnesses which only the Master records.

Miss Lou was unable to talk for a week or more before she died. Her last words to me were, "I love you." Only once after this in a weak but clear voice she joined me in the song, "Jesus Saviour, Pilot Me." I took a last look at the sweet placid face of the little white robed figure in the casket, which seemed more like a creature fresh from the hand of God awaiting the breath of life than one who had lived, suffered and died.

The burial was in Lee's Chapel cemetery by the church in which she was converted when a child. Loving hands of friends and neighbors covered the mound with beautiful flowers. We turned back to face life for a little while. Then—

"We'll meet where care and sorrow cease,
Where troubles never come;
And we shall rest secure at last,
Safe—in our Father's home."

Cammie Curtis Wright.

Doris: "Last night I took a walk in the park with that movie usher."

Dorothy: "I suppose he talked shop?"

Doris: "Of course; every time he saw an empty bench, he said: 'there's room for two over there'."

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Voice from the rear: "Don't be too much pleased. We're not all dense."—

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In Memoriam

GARRETT—John W. Garrett, 54, of Burlington, Route 4, died at the home of his father, Eli Garrett, at Julian following an illness of four years.

Mr. Garrett, a native of Randolph county, is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Hodgin Garrett; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Garrett; a daughter, Lora, and a son, John, Jr., both of the home; five sisters, Mrs. J. A. Crowson, Mrs. A. L. Kimes and Mrs. R. L. Chilton, all of Julian, Mrs. W. R. Johnson and Mrs. W. R. Pickard, both of Liberty; two brothers, W. H. Garrett, Julian, and F. R. Garrett, Burlington.

Funeral was held at Shiloh Methodist church with Rev. H. L. Isley, pastor, and Rev. L. L. Parrish, pastor of West Burlington Methodist church, officiating. Interment took place in the church cemetery. The W. R. Routh male chorus, of which Mr. Garrett was a member, sang. H. L. Isley.

JACKSON — Mrs Mary Margaret Garner Jackson was born March 23, 1855. She departed this life September 7, 1941, being 86 years, 5 months and 14 days old.

She was twice married; first to Jonathan Allred. After his death she married Rufus D. Jackson, who passed away 28 years ago. To the first union were born two children: William E. Allred and Donnie L. Allred Cox. William passed away in 1926. To the second union was born one daughter, Mrs. Florence Jackson Stevens.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Donnie L. Cox and Mrs. Florence Stevens; also by 16 grandchildren.

She professed faith in Christ in early girlhood and joined Shiloh M. P. church, where she remained a member. She attended church as long as her health would permit.

She also leaves a host of friends and neighbors who mourn her passing. A good woman has been called to her reward. The funeral was conducted at Shiloh by the pastor. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

H. L. Isley.

CORBETT—On the afternoon of September 3, 1941, friends from a large section of eastern North Carolina gathered in Elm City to pay final tribute to Mrs. Blanche Wells Corbett. The house, which for years had been her home, was much too small to contain those who came. "None knew her but to love her, none named her but to praise."

Born in one of the pioneer families of the town, she had taken an active part in its development. The Woman's Club, the school, and the church had shared generously in her time and talents. There could be no regrets there because she gave the best she had. Her outside activities did not diminish her devotion to the home in which she was born and the home which she shared with her husband and son. The surviving sisters and brother regarded her more as a mother than as an older sister, not because of any great difference in age but because she took the place of their mother who died when some of them were quite young.

Perhaps no member of the Elm City Methodist church showed more persistent and consecrated interest in its welfare than Mrs. Corbett. For many years her beautiful voice was the mainstay of its choir and her faithfulness and good humor the delight of the membership and ministers. Her home life was a model of concord and happiness. It is great to be remembered as a loyal patron of all that is best and noblest in civic and religious life.

The immediate family includes: Her husband, J. A. Corbett, and one son, J. A. Corbett, III; one brother, Albert Wells of Wilson; three sisters, Mrs. K. W. Gresham of Norfolk, Mrs. J. B. Bunting of Bethel, and Mrs. Sidney Randolph of Enfield. These, with a sorrowing town, remember fondly one who was worthy of honor. It is not often that one can heap praise with so much merit.

In the noble and great who are gone;
And through thee I believe

. . . . . .

Yes! I believe that there lived
Others like thee in the past,
Not like the men of the crowd
Who all round me today
Bluster and cringe, and make life
Hideous, and arid, and vile;
But souls temper'd with fire,
Fervent, heroic, and good,
Helpers and friends of mankind.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the passing of William James Scarboro on August 1, 1941, death brought to its earthly close a long, honorable and successful career and removed from the community one of its first citizens; and

Whereas, his profound interest in the public welfare, ever finding expression in definite adherence to every onward movement for the moral uplift, civic betterment, and particularly the constantly expanding educational programs, he having been a member of the local school board for more than 30 years, and over the entire period covering the founding, development and establishment of the present school system; therefore be it

Resolved, that the graded school trustees of Asheboro, assembled in regular session, adopt this resolution as an expression of genuine appreciation of W. J. Scarboro as a faithful servant of noble purpose and exalted ambition, and a singularly able co-worker, alert, thorough, persistent and hopeful, and strikingly loyal to the highest demands of the public trust; and further be it

Resolved, that a copy of this memorial be forwarded to the bereaved family as an affectionate message of condolence and good will, and a copy spread on the minutes as a permanent testimonial of esteem and memory of him as an agreeable and dependable colaborer and dear friend.

Chas. W. McCrary, Chairman; R. Turner, Secretary; S. C. Frazier, John W. Birkhead, Reid M. Hannah, W. P. Stone, H. K. Moore, F. O. Yates, Dempsey Barnes, W .F. Redding, Jr.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Monera Moore Bible class of First Methodist church, Asheboro, desire to record the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. Mary E. Rightsell.

We sorrow not as those who have no hope, for we know our loss is her eternal gain. We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition, and our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to those so near and dear to her.

Be it resolved, that a copy be sent to the Courier-Tribune, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and one to the family.

When the faces we love fade from sight,
And we no more with them can be,
The thought that cheers our lonely night
Is this, "Dear Lord, they are with thee."

Mrs. W. B. Lassiter,
Mrs. W. M. Bryant,
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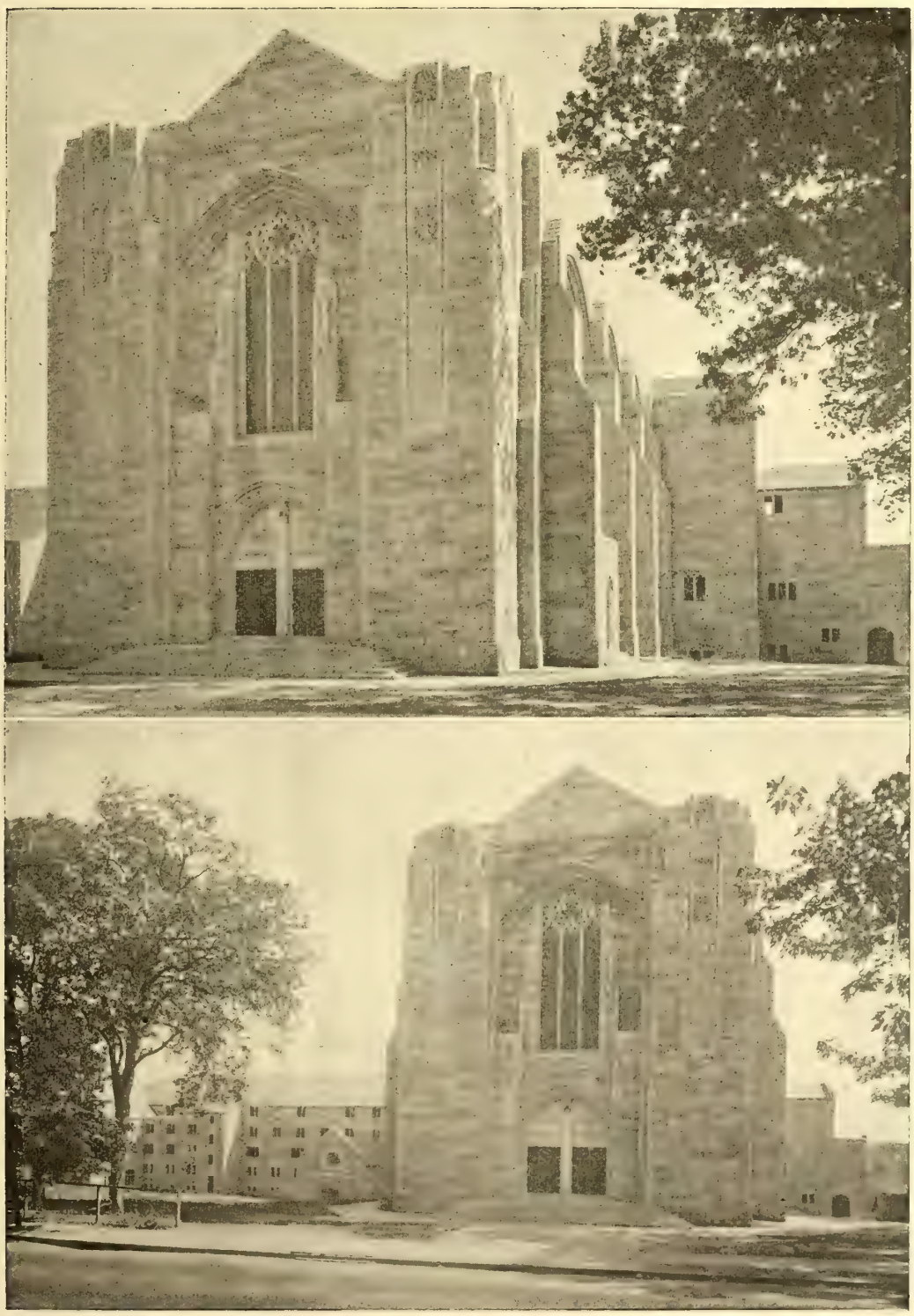
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Centenary Methodist Church, Winston-Salem, where the Western North Carolina Conference will convene on October 20

PROGRAM OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Monday, October 20

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

7:30 p.m. Conference called to order by Bishop Clare Purcell. Organization. Meeting Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, Winston-Salem. Subject of address: "John Wesley in Moravian Annals."

Tuesday, October 21

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion, administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the District Superintendents.

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service. Address by W. A. Lambeth.

12:45 p.m. Luncheon: Bishop Purcell and the retired ministers.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Temperance. Address: Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, ex-Governor of North Carolina.

5:30 p.m. Duke Dinner, Robert E. Lee Hotel. Address: Dr. R. L. Flowers, President Duke University.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Address: Dr. J. H. Cunningham, President Davidson College. Greensboro College Glee Club.

Wednesday, October 22

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business session.

11:45 a.m. Duke Foundation, Dr. J. M. Ormond.

12:45 p.m. Laymen's Luncheon, Robert E. Lee Hotel. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor Christian Advocate, Chicago.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Conference Brotherhood. Address: Paul N. Garber, Dean Duke Divinity School.

4:00-5:00. Reception for the women, Woman's Club.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith. Bennett College Glee Club.

Thursday, October 23

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business session.

12:45 p.m. Rural Church Group Luncheon, Robert E. Lee Hotel.

12:45 p.m. Ministers' Wives' Luncheon, First Presbyterian Church.

3:00 p.m. Conference Love Feast. E. K. McLarty, Sr., presiding.

7:30 p.m. Ordination Service. Sermon: Dr. H. C. Smith, pastor Duke Memorial Church, Durham.

Friday, October 24

9:00 a.m. Devotions, G. I. Humphreys.

9:20 a.m. Business Session. Appointments, with adjournment at will.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

A REMINDER TO DUKE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Be sure to get your banquet tickets for the Duke banquet when you register for conference at Centenary church in Winston-Salem. The banquet will be at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Tuesday, October 21, at 5:30 p. m. You can get a banquet ticket by signing and turning in your Tuesday evening dinner ticket and paying 25 cents additional. Extra tickets may be bought for 75 cents each. Since we have to contract for a definite number of plates, no one can be admitted to the banquet without a banquet ticket. No banquet tickets will be available after 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday. Be sure to get your banquet ticket when you register for conference. A most attractive program has been arranged with President R. L. Flowers as the principal speaker.

Charles P. Bowles,
C. C. Herbert, Jr.

RURAL CHURCH LUNCHEON

A luncheon for ministers and laymen interested in rural work will be held during the annual conference at Winston-Salem on Thursday, October 23, at 12:45 p. m. in the Robert E. Lee Hotel. Mr. Paul Evans, Lexington, will preside. Dr. J. M. Ormond of Durham and Dr. A. J. Walton of New York will be present and speak. Bishop Purcell and the Cabinet have been invited. The luncheon is limited to 200. The regular meal ticket for Thursday noon may be exchanged for the special rural church luncheon ticket without extra cost. Exchanges should be made at the registration desk not later than Tuesday night.

TO ALL PASTORS OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Before making out table III please read again the instruction sheet for making out your report for annual conference. Note that the Day of Compassion offering will go in line 12, and line 33 will include all offerings to the Children's Home—10 per cent, fifth Sunday and any others. To report your district work place it in line 29 and please do not report anything except what the blank calls for. Make all reports in even dollars.

J. G. Winkler,
Statistical Secretary.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Board of Ministerial Training will meet in the room designated Monday, October 20, at 2 p. m. This will be followed by a meeting of the classes of the FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, and FOURTH YEARS, and ADMISSION ON TRIAL, in their respective rooms at 2:45 p. m. The bishop will call the class for Admission on Trial on Tuesday morning. Let everyone meet his committee on time so as to avoid special meetings.

Wm. A. Jenkins, Chm.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education will meet in Winston-Salem on Monday afternoon, October 20, at Centenary church in the room designated. Every member of the board is urged to be present for this most important meeting.

G. Ray Jordan, President.

EMORY BANQUET

The Emory banquet will be held at the Robert E. Lee Hotel Wednesday, October 22, at 6 o'clock. All alumni and friends are cordially invited. Cost will be 75 cents or conference meal ticket plus 35 cents.

Rollin Gibbs, Secretary,
W. N. C. Emory Alumni Ass'n.

ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS

The Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors will meet Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. All members of the committee, and all local preachers who wish to be placed or continued on the list of supply pastors, are urged to attend this meeting.

E. P. Billups, Chm.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet at 2:30 p. m., Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, Monday, October 20.

H. F. Duncan, Sec.

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

The Board of Temperance of the W. N. C. Conference will meet at the designated place Monday, October 20, at two p. m.

R. M. Hauss, Chm.

IMPORTANT

This is to call attention to the fact that the Historical Society of the Western North Carolina conference is now considered a part of the conference organization. At the suggestion of the program committee, we will organize the conference immediately before the meeting of the historical society on Monday evening, October 20.

Clare Purcell, Bishop.

MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The luncheon for the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held at the First Presbyterian church in Winston-Salem, Thursday, October 23, at 12:45. The price of the tickets is 50 cents. Those who expect to attend the luncheon should send their names to Mrs. W. A. Stanbury, Centenary Methodist Church, Winston-Salem, at once. Reservations must be made.

Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Sec.

Visit the table of the North Carolina Christian Advocate early at Conference. Get adjustments made.

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Three years ago we were taken up with the Uniting Conference, two years ago we were adjusting our annual conference organization, this present year has been one of adjustments in many local churches. It would seem that we ought to be ready to gird ourselves and to go forward in the Methodist Church. Forward is our master word.

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If you read nothing else in this paper, be sure to give thought to what G. C. Graham has written about W. C. Dutton in his appreciation of this young preacher who was qualified to walk in the footsteps of the greatest of early Methodist circuit riders. That story will serve as a moral and spiritual tonic for all preachers who think more about the size of their salaries than about the service they can render for the upbuilding of the kingdom of God.

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The Youth Fellowship organization of Vance-Franklin county, says we do not believe in legal or illegal liquor, knowing that both are a liability instead of an asset to our youth. Realizing thus the evil effects of alcohol, we will stress temperance in all our meetings and do all we can to rid our community of liquor. How fine would it be if our youth everywhere would adopt this course of action! This matter of temperance is the one great issue before us.

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An editorial in the Lynchburg News, owned and edited by Senator Carter Glass, and his son, under title, "Why Not a Showdown?" says: "Harold Ickes says there is a shortage of gasoline. A Senate investigating committee says there is no shortage. John J. Pelley, president of the American Association of Railways, says there are plenty of tank cars to haul gasoline to the eastern seaboard. Ickes says Pelley is a falsifier. Why not let the railroads put up or shut up, and if they do the former, make Ickes shut up?" So say we all.

"As a group of young disciples of Christ we realize if we are to get rid of the bad in our community we are to put something good in its place. It is our purpose therefore to fill the minds of young people today with the Christian way of living that we may be spiritually and physically fit to face the years to come." Such is the resolution of a fine young Methodist group of our conference.

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Three Methodist conferences have been held in Kansas and Missouri. In each case financial increases were shown, as well as significant gains in membership. The Missouri Methodist conference adopted a minimum $600 a year scale for single men and $800 for married men, with $25 additional for each child up to three. These figures appear very small to members of the Methodist conferences in North Carolina. And they are small. If any brother is dissatisfied with the stipend that he receives in the Old North State he should remember Missouri, and then he can quote the psalmist who said, "The lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. Bless the Lord, O my soul!"

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The next four weeks in North Carolina in which our two conferences assemble to review the work of the year and also to plan for next year are fraught with destiny. These count for much more than we are aware. The leaders from the 640 pastoral charges with their 1940 churches in the state have grave responsibilities resting upon them. These men can lead in a great way or they can loll life away. They have in their care and keeping 340,000 Methodist men and women who have never yet begun to measure up to the possibilities of these marvelous years in this wonderful commonwealth. Only men willing to do exploits as leaders in coming up to the help of the Lord against the mighty are worthy to lead against the foe. The hours spent together at Winston-Salem and at Durham should be big with destiny.

Finding Security

THOUGH many have never heard, neither do they know, that there be such a thing as security, yet there are multitudes whose chief concern is financial security. The desire to be safe against any financial disaster grips many so hard that they see life only as an opportunity to get wealth and power on the stock market. Such an ambition has dominated the motive of a large per cent of students in schools and universities. They say they want to get "somewhere" and a college diploma is considered an essential to the job that brings the money to buy all the things that this scientific age provides for moneyed men.

It is the cry for abundance, as Job recalled: "When I washed my steps with butter and the rock poured me out rivers of oil."

But Job, sitting in his sorrow, and bereft of all his former possessions contemplates the value of wisdom, and questions: "Where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding?" Thus the conclusion follows: "Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding."

It makes for comfort and satisfaction to know that there is enough stored up to satisfy needs and demands, but seeking financial security is much similar to following the will-'o-the-wisp—it is a thing hard to hold.

A young woman of a wealthy family married a man well established as a banker. So, in the minds of their friends it was a most suitable marriage in which the wife would always be able to live as she had been accustomed and enjoy what wealth could provide. Theirs was a happy home with two children adding to their joy. When the third child was scarcely a week old, the city papers displayed glaring headlines reporting that a certain bank in the city had failed, money had been misappropriated and the whereabouts of the president and cashier were unknown. This was an occasion for the whole community to express an opinion, and those who had access to the grief-stricken wife gave advice freely. But to her lawyer she said, "He is my husband; I shall remain true to him, come what will."

The law followed its course, and the judge pronounced a penitentiary sentence for the two principal officers of the bank. The wife with her three children went to visit a relative living in a village about two hundred miles distant. She talked matters over and concluded to move into a rudely built cottage on a small farm several miles away. She did her own work, caring for her children, and used the farm wagon to come to the village for church and school advantages. She was always welcomed at any social group or in any community effort because of her good cheer, her quick intelligence and her concern for others.

A few years passed and the husband returned to his family. At that time, the public school needed a principal and the people of the village sought the services of this man and his wife, who gave themselves devotedly to this new task for several years, winning the esteem of the entire student body. A business opportunity in a large city opened up, so the family moved on.

The storm with furious gales beat upon that home, but it was preserved because there was a woman there who had found wisdom and knew the place of understanding.

All Together for Brevard College

REV. E. P. BILLUPS, when sending an annual conference notice to this issue of the Advocate, incidentally remarks:

"Brevard is coming through for the college $40,000 on the dotted line and hope to have $80,000 by conference."

This report from our pastor at Brevard set us to thinking and our thoughts run along the following line:

Why should not the approaching session of the annual conference formulate plans to raise all funds that are necessary to make Brevard College just what it ought to be as a junior college for the Western North Carolina conference?

This seems to us an opportune time for the conference to act in the matter. We have had a period of church dedications as a result of the payment of church debts, some of which were of long standing. There have been so many debts paid that few remain now in our conference. Furthermore, this is a time when people are making money and at the same time new investments promise small returns. Why not take advantage of these conditions to provide educational facilities for boys and girls of limited means? And there is no better place for such investments than at Brevard College, which has been and is doing a very fine work.

The coming conference would do well to think on these things and without delay do what appears to be best.

The Best Year of Our Advocate

THE North Carolina Christian Advocate has just closed the best of its eighty-six years. Last week the Board of Publication at its annual meeting elected Dr. W. K. Greene, lay leader of the North Caorlina conference and dean of undergraduate instruction in Duke University, the new president. He takes the place of the late Dr. W. P. Few. Plans were laid also for certain renewed efforts to promote the work of our church paper.

A genuine forward movement is expected under the leadership of the new president of the board. This outstanding layman and esteemed scholar is greatly appreciated by North Carolina Methodists; he certainly is welcomed as a leader in the promotion of our church paper. Dr. Greene's fine devotion to every interest of the church will be valuable in his new position to exalt the place of religious literature in our church.

The plans to be presented to the two conferences will enable the pastors and laymen to make the church paper count for more and more in each and every church. The excellent showing made by the North Carolina Christian Advocate the past year and the growing favor of the paper give every assurance for the months ahead. The pastors are naturally expected to be interested in the church paper. We feel sure that Dr. Greene will do much to stimulate the interest of the laymen who, along with the women, are already committed to the promotion of this Advocate will count for much. We certainly have every reason to believe that the best is yet to be in the year ahead.

One Day at the Annual Conference

THE third session of the Western North Carolina conference will meet in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, Monday evening, October 20, and continue daily till Friday noon. The members of the conference are expected to attend, but it seems to us that all Methodists who can do so should attend at least one day. Winston-Salem is centrally located especially for the eastern and central sections of the conference. And there will be something of interest going on all the while.

If asked to name the day of greatest interest we will be forced to demur. One must judge for himself. After a study of the program which appears in this issue of the Advocate, all will agree that Hon. Clyde Hoey's temperance address Tuesday afternoon will be of the greatest popular interest.

It will give North Carolina Methodists a more exalted opinion of their church if they will attend a session of the annual conference and receive first hand information as to its size and the quality of its personnel, and at the same time learn of the tasks that those men and women have in hand.

Here Is a Pre-Conference Story

THE following story is ascribed to a clerical member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Zion. But since Methodist union, why not say he was a Methodist preacher without any qualifications except he belonged to that race which has furnished the South with most of its humorous stories and will continue to do so. How would we be able to get along without the Negro who has so greatly enriched our civilization?

But here is the story:

A young minister was being investigated, it being alleged that he had left his appointment without permission of the church's authorities. The committee of investigation found the charge upheld, and requested that the erring young man should be publicly reprimanded by the presiding elder. The elder, a fine specimen of his race, said: "Let the young man stand befo' me. When I has a hard job to do, the quickah I does it the bettah I likes it. Young man, you ah a desertah. You has lef' yo' post of duty. You was set to watch an' feed yo' flock. Instead o' bein' a shephahd you has proved yo'self to be a hirelin'. When you joined the conference, you promised to go where you was sent, didn't you? I repeat, didn't you promto go whah you was sent?" The young man, tall, black, with closely shaven head, answered in trembling voice: "Yes, sah, I promised to go whah I was sent, but I didn't promise to stay dah!"

The Philadelphia Bulletin says: "Little Claude's mother had with reluctance allowed her precious child to attend public school. She gave the teacher a long list of instructions. 'My Claude is so sensitive,' she explained. 'Don't ever punish him, just slap the boy next to him; that will frighten Claude.'"

People and Things

W. N. C. Conference, Centenary, Winston-Salem..Oct. 20-24
N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Warsaw-Magnolia pays everything in full October 15. —C. T. Thrift.

St. Paul, Greensboro district, A. D. Shelton, pastor, contributed $8.55 to the Golden Cross.

Any information desired concerning the Golden Cross can be had by writing to Prof. F. S. Aldridge's office, Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Higgins in Highlands parsonage, Highlands, N. C., a son, Clemmie Silvester, October 8, 1941. Mrs. Higgins was Mary Ellen Lee of Lawndale, N. C.

Next Sunday, October 19, is home coming day at Pine Grove church, Kernersville, South Winston charge. An all day program is planned with dinner on the grounds. Everybody is invited and a special invitation is given to all former pastors and friends of the church.—Mrs. Ralph Fulp.

Have just closed a revival meeting at the church here in Fuquay that was a real spiritual treat. The congregations were great. The additions from this meeting will bring the total additions for the Fuquay church to between 25 and 30. We are having a good year among a splendid people in every sense. Our reports at conference will be a full one.—R. G. L. Edwards.

At our fourth quarterly conference yesterday Carlton, Trinity and Turkey of Warsaw-Magnolia charge all paid out their budgets in full. I believe that Turkey is the first church in our conference, accepting the benevolences in full, to pay out. This was done October 3. Carlton would be second (October 11) and Trinity third (October 12). Magnolia and Warsaw are nearly out.—C. T. Thrift.

Of interest to many in this state and in Louisiana is the following: "Doctor and Mrs. Harry Cleveland Smith request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Beatrice, to Mr. Wyatt David Boddie, and Mary Ruth to Mr. Jack Cooke, Thursday, the thirtieth of October, at eight o'clock in the evening, Duke Memorial Methodist Church, Durham, North Carolina."

This week the Methodists in Hazelwood, Waynesville district, have cause for rejoicing, as the deed for their church was recorded in the Haywood county court house October 10, 1941. This church was organized a little more than a year ago and now has a roll of 90 members. Last Sunday 76 were present for Sunday school and both senior and junior leagues were well attended. The pastor preached at the morning and evening services, closing a revival during which 32 joined the church on profession of faith and four by letter. The entire budget of the church has been paid in full.

The conference trustees of the Western North Carolina conference met October 14 in Salisbury in annual meeting. Members present, J. B. Ivey, Geo. D. Finch, E. K. McLarty, C. C. Weaver, I. F. Craven, George R. Brown, and A. W. Plyler. The reports of the treasurer, George D. Finch, were received and attention given to other routine matters. Of special interest was an appropriation of $800 to the fund for retired members of the conference and to the widows of deceased preachers. The present officers were elected for the ensuing year. These are as follows: J. B. Ivey, Charlotte, president; C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem, vice president; Geo. D. Finch, Thomasville, secretary-treasurer. The board will meet during conference in Winston-Salem to complete unfinished business.

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach in Central Terrace Methodist church Sunday evening, October 19, at 7:30. All delegates who arrive Sunday to attend the annual conference in Winston-Salem are cordially invited to worship with us. We are able to report Central Terrace has had a very good year. The pastor will be able to report: Budget in full, special offering for Golden Cross $37, church school day $15.50, Compassion Day $90, improvements on property $900; additions to the church 30; enrolled in vacation school 125; fifteen days of revival emphasis; pastor and people love each other; a splendid spirit of co-operation.—A. A. Kyles.

Work is progressing on the educational building of Trinity church, Charlotte. This will be a brick veneer addition connecting on to the present building, matching in material and design. There will be a basement for recreation and social purposes and two floors for assembly and class rooms. The size is 30 by 50 feet. The contract price is $8,120. Of this amount $6,500 is covered by pledges from the congregation and an appropriation from the Duke Endowment. One-third of this amount will be raised by the time the building is completed early in December. Mr. H. N. Haines of the Duke Endowment is the architect. The building is being done by Barger Brothers Construction Co. of Mooresville. The building committee is composed of J. T. Alexander, J. P. Todd, T. B. Harton, Mrs. Jule Elliott and Mrs. D. E. Todd.—J. E. Yountz.

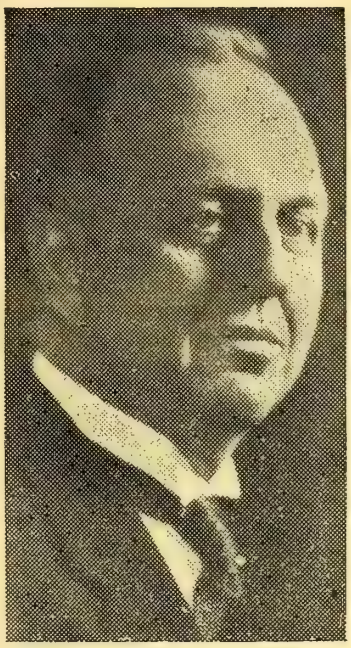
At the meeting of the fourth quarterly conference of First church, Charlotte, a resolution was unanimously passed requesting the return of Dr. Jordan to First church. At the stewards' meeting which followed, enthusiastic statements were made concerning the progress of the church during the year. Various features of the record made include two staff members added and plans for a third to be added, the parsonage completely redecorated and refurnished, and parts of the church building redecorated. All payments for the year will be made in full. It now seems that First church will be among the leaders in this jurisdiction on the Golden Cross offering, in the support of the Children's Home, on World Service (fourth Sunday) offerings, and in the amount given for the Day of Compassion. One of the outstanding features of the year's work is the addition of 406 new members to the church. Every Sunday, without exception, some one has either united with the church or the name of a new member has been announced by certificate.



Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl
Conference Speaker



Bishop Clare Purcell
Conference President



Dr. Charles C. Weaver
District Superintendent



Dr. W. A. Stanbury
Conference Host

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF N. C. WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION MET THIS WEEK IN ELIZABETH CITY

The state Woman's Christian Temperance Union held its 59th annual session in Elizabeth City, October 15-16, 1941. Representative women from all sections of the state assembled for the three days' session. Mrs. Jennie S. Plemmons, president, presided. The first session assembled Wednesday afternoon. A feature of the evening service was an address by Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, Durham, executive secretary North Carolina Council of Churches.

A feature of the Thursday evening session was the state-wide Pearl Medal Speech Contest, and the report of the National W. C. T. U. Convention by Mrs. L. E. Brown, Waxhaw.

General officers of the convention are:

President, Mrs. T. H. Plemmons, Charlotte.

Vice President, Mrs. L. E. Brown, Waxhaw.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Pressly, Charlotte.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ina F. Nesbitt, Durham.

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North West, Mrs. R. E. Deane, Stoneville.

Western, Mrs. Carolyn Kennedy, Asheville.

South Central, Mrs. W. W. Talbert, Albemarle.

North Central, Mrs. P. G. Bodwell, Raleigh.

BISHOP PURCELL DEDICATES BAILEY CHURCH

Last Sunday morning was more than an ordinary occasion for the Methodists of Bailey and the regions round about. The long looked for dedication day had arrived. That beautiful church, fully adequate in every respect, was duly set apart from all secular uses for the worship of Almighty God. The crowded house joined reverently in the services of the day.

The pastor, Rev. W. L. Loy, had made the most careful preparation for the day, and the choir met well their part in the services of the day. Clare Purcell, bishop of the Methodist Church, preached the sermon; H. I. Glass, district superintendent, led the prayer; M. T. Plyler, editor of the church paper, read the Scriptures; J. W. Privett, chairman of the board, presented the building; and the bishop led in the service of dedication—in which the congregation heartily joined. This was indeed a truly religious hour—an occasion in the center of which was a most appropriate sermon, much appreciated by the people of this church and community.

HOME COMING DAY AT ARCHDALE

The annual home coming day of the Archdale Methodist church was held on Sunday, October 5, with Sunday school at 9:45. The pastor, Rev. G. E. White, preached at 11. The picnic dinner on the church lawn was enjoyed by a large number of the members, visitors and former members.

In the afternoon there was singing by the church choir and visiting singers, including the Archdale Friends choir, the Allen Jay Glee Club, and several quartettes.

The Archdale church has had a very successful year. Thirty-one members have been received into the church. A large hut has been erected and mostly paid for. All finances for the year have already been paid three weeks ahead of the annual conference.

We are looking forward to the coming year with hopes for another successful year in the Lord.

A. E. Williams.

TRUSTEES OF BREVARD COLLEGE TO MEET MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, IN WINSTON-SALEM

To Members of the Board of Trustees of Brevard College:

At a meeting of the board Tuesday, October 7, 1941, it was decided to have another meeting at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem, Monday, October 20, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The secretary was instructed to urge all members of the board to be present for this particular meeting, inasmuch as important business which will later be presented to the Board of Education must have consideration.

E. J. Coltrane, Secretary.

QUEEN STREET CHURCH IN KINSTON RAISES ENTIRE DEBT

Queen Street church in Kinston has just completed a campaign in which the entire business against all of our church property here has been raised in cash. The members of Queen Street church has raised in cash for this purpose this conference year nearly $22,000. Our people here have found a new and great strength in this accomplishment.

Walter C. Ball Minister.

WILLIAM CLARKE DUTTON
1900 - 1941

Ten years have passed since a diminutive young man came across the Blue Ridge from old Holston territory to knock at our conference doors. His name was William Clarke Dutton. His home church was old Blue Springs of ancient fame in southern Virginia, that had nurtured the immortal saint, Robert Sawyers Sheffey. Evidently the mantle of the old prophet had fallen on the young scion, Dutton; for he came bearing a torch of flame that never dimmed during the nine years he dwelt among us; not until it burned itself out in "labors more abundant" than we have seen duplicated in recent history.

W. C. Dutton was called "another Sheffey" by some who knew the older saint. However, the old prophet had gone out over the trails of that beloved hill country on horseback to comfort his people and to pray the glory down upon them. Life to him was simple, moving so evenly that there was little nerve strain, and took all that it would give. The old patron saint had a sheepskin on his saddle and this he used for a kneeling pad in prayer. His young grandson in the faith would use his running board as an altar for some "hitch-hiker" or unregenerate passenger. He "pressed toward the mark" of another soul saved. And he got them by the hundreds.

The conference journals for the nine years '30 to '39 show that his total was 807, only a little short of a hundred a year; 662 of these on profession of faith. He reached the zenith of his great work during his last two active years at Kannapolis, 1938-39. There he received 222 on profession and 90 by certificate. At the same time he was engaged in building a large, new house of worship for the fast growing congregation. Trying to carry these two great activities along together his frail physique and nerve strength gave way, and a nervous collapse followed. From this he never recovered, although he was given full leave of absence from duty. His death occurred at Cedar Springs, Virginia, at the home of his parents, where at the old church, Blue Springs, his body was interred. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, assisted by the Sparta pastor, Rev. L. F. Strader, and ministers of the Holston conference, Wythville district. The survivors are Mrs. Dutton and three children, Ruth Clarke 8, Alma Jo and Stella Flo, twins, aged 3. The deceased was 41 years of age.

Brother ministers, a sad breach has been made in our front line. How shall we take it up—lightly? No, it cannot be closed again unless someone is willing to pay the price of great travail. G. C. Graham.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

Forty-nine Greensboro College students whose mothers, grandmothers, or great-grandmothers attended Greensboro College met October 2 in the Lucy H. Robertson drawing room for a reorganization meeting of the G. C. Daughters Club.

Among this year's G. C. Daughters are two members, Misses Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy, and Eva Martin Young, Charlotte, who represent the fourth generation of G. C. students from their families. There are six third-generation members: Misses Helen Reid White, Mebane; Margaret Foard, Lenoir; Virginia Goode McLean, Lincolnton; Ann Louise Wharton, Ruffin; and two Greensboro girls, Misses Bettie Prosser and Virginia Boren, cousins. Miss Prosser's mother is Mrs. H. T. Prosser (Edith Petree) who is now president of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association. Miss Boren's mother is Mrs. Norman A. Boren (Estelle Petree); the late Mrs. A. L. Petree (Bettie Winecoff) was their grandmother.

At the meeting Miss Sara Hill, Kinston, was elected club president. Other officers are Bettie Prosser, Greensboro, vice president; Sarah Thomas, Oxford, secretary; and Ann Louise Wharton, Ruffin, treasurer.

A number of committee chairmen were appointed to complete reorganization plans. Chairman to select motto, Margaret Morrison, Chapel Hill; Lucille Cox, Asheboro, chairman on aims and policies; Sara Cox, Goldsboro, will be responsible for club programs; and Helen Cunningham, Greensboro, is to decide on a club project.

Dr. John O. Gross, secretary of the division of educational institutions of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, Nashville, Tenn., was guest on the G. C. campus Tuesday, October 7, speaking at the noon assembly hour, holding formal conferences with President Gobbel during the afternoon, and leading the first faculty forum of the year.

Continuing an annual custom, the senior class of Greensboro College entertained "little sister" class, the sophomores, at a banquet Wednesday night, October 15, at 6:30, at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant. Miss Marguerite Thomason, Lexington, senior president, presided, with Miss Louise Taylor, Oxford, sophomore president. Halowe'en decorations and a holiday program carried out the fall theme.

THE DERITA CHURCH

Three years ago the little congregation started a building to cost more than their combined wealth. It has excellent facilities for seven times its number at that time. It is growing in spirit and numbers that will fill it in five years. In four years it has come from bare existence to a station worthy of any man's talents.

The colonial building stands in a two-acre grove that will be one of the most beautiful spots in Mecklenburg county. The original church grew out of the labors of Rev. George A. Page fifty years ago.

This property, worth $25,000 (with debt of $1900), was made possible, first, by the quality of its members; second, the Duke Fund; third, friends in Charlotte; fourth, but not last, Jim Little, the builder.

In this connection I am reminded of what one who knew him said of Mr. Duke: "He could see further into the future than any man I have ever known."

E. O. Cole.

THE SALARY OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

This matter has been before our conference at the last two sessions. Through the commission on World Service and Finance the conference has the right to fix the annual salary of the seven district superintendents. That being the case the conference has the right to express its desire without let or hindrance. That is democratic, too, and we are hearing much about democracy in these days. Every preacher and every lay delegate stands on the same level. Each has the same power, namely, one vote. Therefore, that a fair and untrammeled expression of the desire of the whole conference may be guaranteed the vote on this matter should be by ballot. Every fair-minded man will not object to this method. He cannot.

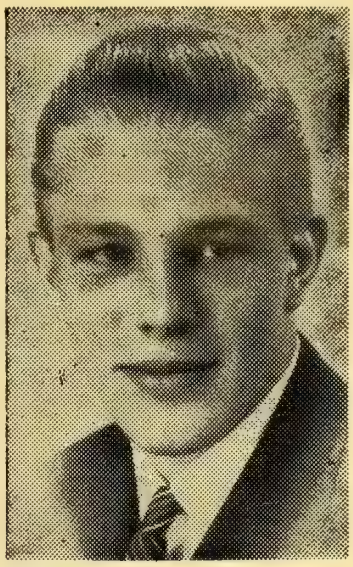
This matter should be made "the order of the day" so everybody may know when it is coming up. Then no snap judgment can be taken. Hence there will be no ground for alleging snap judgment. Nobody can object to that. This coupled with a vote by ballot will ascertain the will of the conference in a thoroughly democratic way.

I have asked Bishop Purcell to grant this method in dealing with this matter. I, for one, am perfectly willing to abide by the result of such democratic procedure.

Let every member of the conference make up his mind by the time conference meets what he desires concerning the salary of the district superintendents and we will dispose of this matter. C. T. Thrift.

DEDICATION OF CENTENARY CHURCH, SUNDAY,, OCTOBER 19, BY BISHOP PURCELL

The day of dedication for the historic Centenary church in which the Western North Carolina conference assembles for its annual session is fixed for Sunday, October 19, 1941. Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor, will preside, Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the sermon and former pastors will assist. These are Reverends L. B. Hayes, E. L. Bain, C. C. Weaver, W. L. Hutchins and S. B. Turrentine.



Rev. H. Grady Hardin, Jr., Assistant Pastor, Centenary Methodist Church

More than one hundred years ago the Methodists came into this section. Many elements have entered into the making of the present Centenary church in both a spiritual and a material way.

The land on which the present building stands was given by the late Bowman Gray, and is the site of the home in which he and his family lived for many years.

The Indebtedness Cleared

When the building was completed in 1931 there remained an unpaid balance of $450,000 on the total cost of materials, construction and furnishings. Ten members of the congregation, H. G. Chatham, Thurmond Chatham, James A. Gray, James G. Hanes, P. H. Hanes, R. M. Hanes, C. G. Hill, J. K. Norfleet, and B. S. Womble, signed an agreement guaranteeing payment of this balance, taking as their protection against excessive loss the old properties of the two original churches. Titles to these properties have been executed and transfer made as of September 1, 1941. Final action on this matter was taken at the fourth quarterly conference last Wednesday night, October 8. It should be noted that the persons who assumed this obligation had already contributed generously toward the erection of the building. Owing to shrinkage of real estate values they, or their heirs, have been called on for further contributions amounting approximately to half the sum originally advanced.

A Dream Come True

Following are given a few paragraphs read by the pastor in his report to the quarterly conference last Wednesday evening:

"A hope long held is now about to be realized. The church building which has been technically under the burden of debt is now free, and the bishop of our area, Dr. Clare Purcell of Charlotte, will lead us in a service of dedication on Sunday morning, October 19.

"It would not be proper to let this moment pass without looking back over a little more than a decade to the time when two great congregations, "old" Centenary and West End, combined their resources and joined hands and hearts to make the present Centenary. A building without equal in any part of the country was erected and stands here, and will stand for uncounted years to come, for the glory of God and the blessing of man.

"It will never be forgotten that Dr. Charles C. Weaver, working with Rev. L. B. Hayes at the time of the merger and later as pastor of the "now" Centenary, showed here a quality of churchmanship, courage, and wisdom rarely equaled anywhere. As long as men live in this country and worship God, they will be indebted to Dr. Weaver and to those who shared with him the responsibility of this high enterprise.

"Not less noteworthy among those to whom we are indebted are the ten members of the two congregations who guaranteed the payment of all obligations remaining when the structure was completed, taking as their guarantee against excessive loss the property of the two former churches. These men, and in some cases their children, have shared the inevitable loss occasioned by shrinkage of property values and have now cleared the indebtedness. They are, by action of this quarterly conference, receiving the properties mentioned above.

"Let the people who worship at our altars bear in perpetual remembrance the deeds and gifts of countless other men and women who have sacrificed to make possible the privileges we have entered into. And may the dedication of our building be but one step in the forward march of the Centenary congregation through the decades and the centuries."

TO THE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE, AND TO MEMBERS OF THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Dear Brethren:

On page 33, 1940 journal, is recorded a resolution regarding graduated assessments, which was referred for study for action this conference, 1941.

Rev. E. O. Cole moves a substitute, which is heartily accepted and endorsed. Let Mr. Cole speak for himself here:

"We can think of nothing that can be said in defense of an assessment that has no regard for inequality of salaries. We mention a few reasons for a sliding scale:

First, there is a bread line. Below that is sharp privation; above, comfort and advantages. Second, ministerial support is a fixed assessment—not optional. It cuts whether the charge pays or the pastor."

(Near 40 small charges last year failed to pay pastors in full by several hundred dollars).

"Third, in small salary charges the pastor is the man of all work—collects, pays, carries on, often with little help. In large salary charges there are many competent helpers, and a congregation that feels and takes responsibility.

Fourth, large salaries grow out of small.

In order that our commission may have before it a definite and tested scale, we suggest that in use by one of our greatest conferences, the Pittsburgh, which is as follows:

Salaries of $500 or less	13%
Salaries $501 to $750	14%
Salaries $751 to $1000	15%
Salaries $1001 to $1250	16%
Salaries $1251 to $1500	17%
Salaries $1501 to $1750	18%
Salaries $1751 to $2000	19%
Salaries $2001 to $2500	21%
Salaries $2501 to $3000	23%
Salaries $3001 and above	24%

The above avarages a little more than 18%. We suggest any necessary increase, if any, be placed on the last three groups; any decrease on the first three groups."

(These assessments to cover all but the Children's Home).

Respectfully submitted, O. P. Ader.
E. O. Cole.

The Fallacy of Misplaced Emphasis

By DR. WILLIAM P. KING

There is misplaced emphasis both in our worship, our doctrine and our practice. We emphasize prayer and neglect private prayer. We stress the accessories of worship and the material symbols, and fail to worship in spirit. We are prone to become absorbed in the material and ignore the spiritual. The rebuke of the prophet is, "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread and your labor for that which satisfieth not."

There is the emphasis on property values rather than personal values.

We overestimate the possibility of influencing the adult and underestimate the far-reaching influence of an impression made on the mind of a child.

The attention which we bestow on our ancestors is out of proportion to that which we give our descendants. Our children have their rights as well as our fathers, those who are going to live as well as those who have lived. In the great democracy of life, the vote must be given to those who are going to live, as truly as to those who have lived.

In our doctrinal systems we cannot afford to sacrifice the faith of the young people through any undue consideration for the old people.

Calvin in his Institutes makes no discrimination between the authority of the Old Testament and New Testament revelation. In his Institutes his references to scripture is largely determined by his own theological bias. He makes twenty-one references to St. Mark and 277 to the Epistle to the Romans, and gives three times as much attention to St. Paul as to all three of the Synoptic Gospels. He refers to the Old Testament almost as much as to the New, and to Moses alone as much as to the Gospels. Much emphasis is placed on such items as substitutionary atonement, imputed righteousness, inerrancy of the Scriptures, the Virgin Birth, the fall of man, total depravity, predestination, a thousand years reign of Christ, Apostolic Succession, Orders and the Real Presence in the Eucharist. Some of these doctrines are not to be accepted, and on none of them did Jesus place his main emphasis. Orthodoxy has placed a disproportionate emphasis upon obscure points of theology with little to say about the Fatherhood of God, brotherhood of man, the value of personality and the duty of love and forgiveness. Throughout the history of the church major emphasis has been placed upon orthodoxy rather than ethical conduct, with only a slight condemnation of social injustice and inequalities.

A rare and saintly spirit was Dr. Cornelius Woelfkin who began as a premillenarian and fundamentalist, and moved steadily into a clear discrimination of the vital and permanent elements of the Gospel. An interpretation of his ideas in the closing days of his life is given by his friend Professor Moehlman in The Christian Century: "Literalism destroys both Jesus and his ideal. Only a slight portion of the thought of Jesus has been transmitted to the modern world. The gospels do not cover all that Jesus said and did. Friends of Jesus selected some of the principal statements and acts of Jesus, put them into written form, and preserved them for posterity. Hence a complete biography of Jesus is impossible. But it is easy to see that the words and acts of Jesus can be understood only by those who have come under the power of personality. Jesus was an idealist and prophet and not a legalist. When his interpreters literalize Jesus they miss his main point.

"Jesus was not a man with a program, and the gospel is not a compact of rules and regulations. Jesus always emphasized attitude and disposition and not outward observance and performance. Jesus discriminated between the will of God and what had been transmitted as the will of God, and so must we. Man, according to Jesus, is a free and independent being who must reach his own conclusions and assume responsibility for them. But man is also dependent upon God, in need of communion with God and of the approval of God. Jesus bequeathed to the world an attitude and an ideal rather than a program. The disciple of Jesus must struggle to be free to discern his purpose and to practice his ideals."

The final test of Christianity is its fruitage. The fruits of Christianity grow out of its roots. Which are the churches that bring forth the fruits of the spirit, love, kindness and all the various virtues which are required? The six literal days and fiat creation are not as important as the fact that God was there. "In the beginning God" and "at the end God." One with a faith of this sort, who does not convert religious anthills into theological Matterhorns, who does not become panic stricken and does not lose his religious balance every time his brother differs with him about some theological formula, will have some time left to engage in the practice of Christianity.

It is better to love one another and to seek to bring humanity to the standard of the gospel than to publish to a bewildered world the exact original significance of an iota subscript. "You will know them by their fruits; do men gather grapes from thorns or figs from thistles?"

A PRAYER IN TIME OF WAR

O God, our Father, in whose will is our peace, help us this day to unite our hearts in fellowship with all thy seeking and suffering children as we worship thee.

Look upon the humanity whose redemption thou dost desire, now broken and bleeding under the awful scourge of war; and bless with wisdom and courage all who venture to follow thy searching light of truth and righteousness.

Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who in all our afflictions art afflicted; look in tender compassion upon all who are suffering in this time of strife and warfare of nations. Mercifully hear our prayer, thou who canst bring good out of evil and makest even the wrath of men to turn to thy praise, that we may be brought to a lasting peace built upon justice and good will; and grant that the nations of men may be united in a fellowship of mutual understanding and helpfulness, for the promotion of thy glory and redemption of all mankind; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. —Oscar T. Olson.

A friend is long sought, hardly found, and with difficulty kept.—Jerome.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP BONDS

Louisburg College distinctly is a college of the North Carolina conference and the financial condition should be stated occasionally.

The following items taken from the recent audit are revealing. The most encouraging item is the amount of aid that the college gave to the students last year. The total of service scholarship awarded to the students was $18,114.61. Of this amount the college was reimbursed $5250 by the N. Y. A. fund and the donation of two friends of the college.

Total capital value of the college		$421,866.77
Permanent improvements during the year		2,994.08
Total increase in plant fund		19,089.13
Bonds settled during the year:		
By the college by tuition	$ 3,264.17	
By C. A. Dillon, Treas. of debt fund	14,126.44	
		17,390.61
Service Scholarships awarded to the students:		
By the college	$12,864.68	
By N. Y. A. funds	4,250.00	
By personal gifts	1,000.00	
		18,114.68
Amount received from N. C. Conference		1,587.72
Amount of income producing endowment		58,757.75
Amount of dividends received on endowment		2,315.99
Excess of revenue over expenses		2,213.80

The great need of the college is to cover these service scholarships with a living endowment income. It is the purpose of the administration, therefore, to give to our people this opportunity. Consequently we are issuing Louisburg College Service Scholarship Bonds as a living endowment fund drawing interest at four per cent.

The donors to this scholarship fund will agree to pay four per cent interest on the principal of the Service Scholarship Bond, but do not commit themselves to pay the principal. These bonds will be issued in the amounts of $100, $250, $500 and $1000. In this way we not only assist the students to help themselves, but also greatly strengthen the college as this principal will count as a living endowment.

This simple plan will give to the alumnae and alumni and friends an opportunity to show their appreciation of the help they have received in gaining their education.

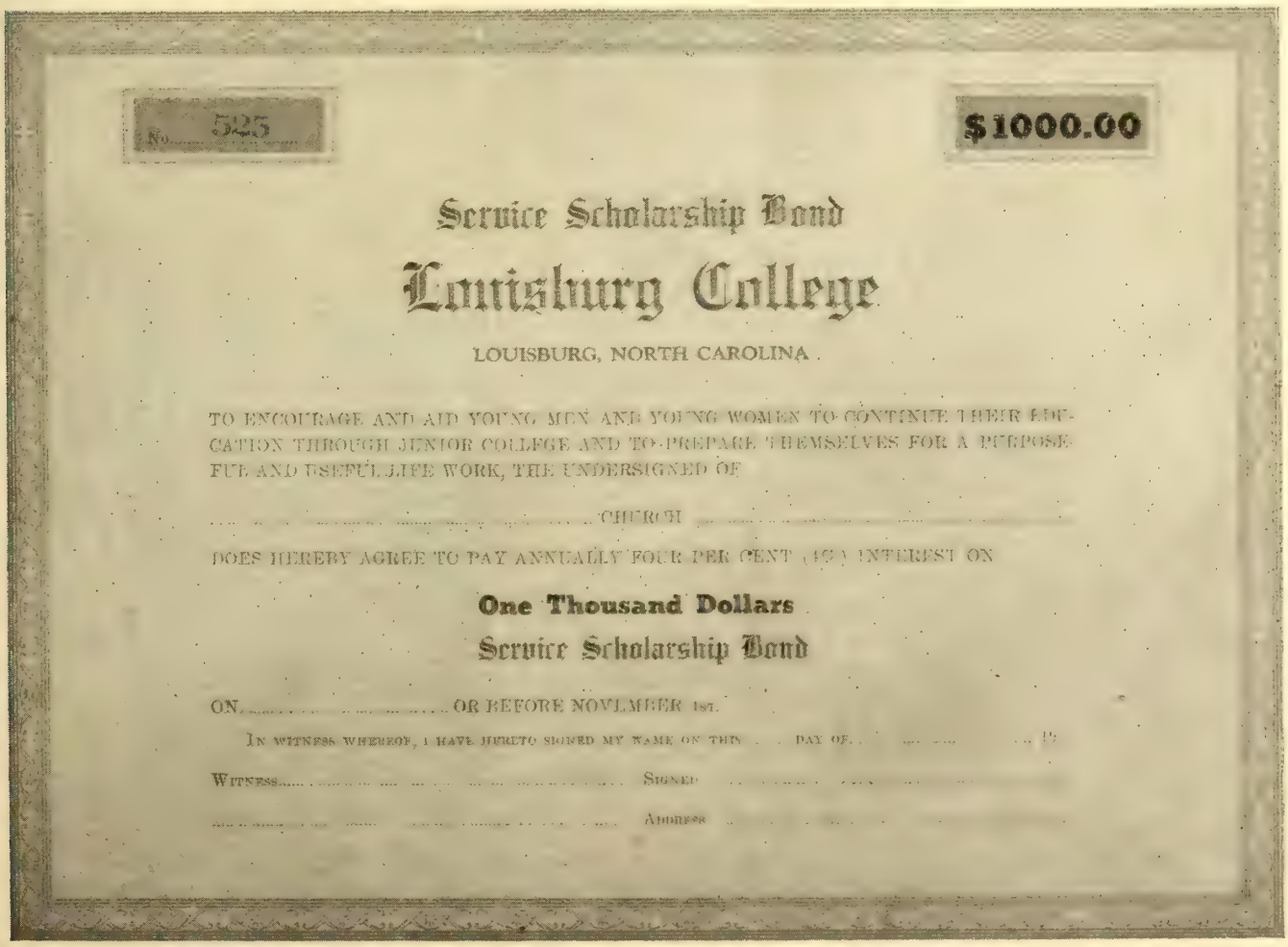
Walter Patten.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL OF THE SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION IN NASHVILLE, TENN., JANUARY 27-30

First meeting of the Missionary Council for the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church will be held in Nashville, Tenn., January 27-30, Dr. B. G. Hodge, through whom the invitation to make Nashville Council city was sent, has been advised by Rev. Dr. H. P. Myers of Danville, Va., former Nashvillian, who is president of the body.

Committee on location sitting at Greensboro, N. C., after considering invitations from other cities and discussing their respective claims ,accepted the invitation to Nashville, "not only because of the invitation which came to us from so many sources, but because Nashville has for so many years been 'headquarters' of Methodism. We are most happy to accept your invitation," the letter of acceptance received by local leaders stated.

The approaching meeting will bring to Nashville approximately 500 official delegates and 1000 visitors. In addition to the general missionary leadership of the jurisdiction, the Woman's Society of Christian Service is joining in the convention, and the meeting will take the place as a separate jurisdictional meet of the missionary women of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church. Dr. Hodge, district superintendent, is in charge of local arrangements. Program plans will be announced by Dr. Myers, who is also president of the Board of Missions, Southeastern Jurisdiction, Methodist Church.



INNER DEFENSE

In these days of uncertainty and turmoil the Christian does well to consider his inner defense. Beset upon every hand with situations that are of themselves discouraging, with the spirit of wickedness increasing until almost the whole earth is engulfed in strife and hatred, with the apparent fulfillment of prophecies pointing to the coming of the Antichrist, the Christian may well ask what is his defense? The defense of the Christian is the presence of Christ in his heart.

The darker the outlook, the more appropriate it is for God's people to consider the protection and safety they enjoy in him. We are assured that God's sheep are known to him, are protected by him, and that no man can pluck them out of his hand; so God's sheep are protected from attacks from all outside foes. The life and heart of the child of God is under the guard or protection of the power of God, for we are told that we "are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time"; and further that in the midst of life's most disturbing conditions the peace of God will "keep (or garrison) your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." The relationship of the Christian with God is of itselr assurance of safety, "your life is hid with Christ in God." But perhaps the greatest statement emphasizing inner security is made by the Apostle John, "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

The connection of this statement is interesting. He is writing of the false spirits that were in the world, and particularly of the spirit of the Antichrist which was already in the world; but in the midst of his discussion he says, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them." The phrase, "little children," is interesting in the light of such assaults of wickedness and the presence of the spirit of the Antichrist. "Little children" suggests weakness, inexperience, dependence upon those older and stronger; but even such "little children," because they are of God, have overcome these wicked spirits, yea, even the spirit of the Antichrist.

But the secret of such overcoming is stated also, "Because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." It is folly for one to fear and to be defeated by a foe on the outside when there is One within his life that is greater than the outer foe. Are these the days for the appearing of that man of sin? Are we nearing the time for the manifestation of the Antichrist, whose spirit has been in the world for generations? No one knows but many devout people, through Bible study and spiritual illumination, are convinced that the manifestation of the Antichrist is near.

These are days when the evil forces are making unusual assaults on God and upon his cause, when hatred and wickedness are flooding the world like a deluge, when the very atmosphere seems to be charged with an oppressive power of sin, and gross darkness seems to be covering the people. But what shall the child of God do? Are we to be defeated by these conditions? Are we to succumb to the darkness and oppressive power of evil? Are we to be discouraged by the increasing of the spirit of the Antichrist? Never! We have an inner defense that the world knows nothing about. A defense that is available even to little children, the weakest of God's children, that we may overcome the spirit and conditions of this day. What is this defense? It is the presence of Christ in the heart, "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

In the midst of this gross darkness we may live in the light and his presence within. In the presence of the oppressive power of evil we may rejoice in the freedom of the sons of God. Amid situations and conditions which would naturally defeat us, we are enabled to overcome. We have an inner defense that is sufficient to lift us above all things, to make us overcome them, "Because greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world." —Herald of Holiness.

GRACE CHURCH, WILMINGTON

I believe the Advocate readers will be interested to know that Dr. Grace Sloan Overton has just closed her second visit to Wilmington Methodism. She was with us last fall and spoke to great and appreciative congregations for a week at Grace church. This time (September 28 through October 5) she appeared daily in Fifth Avenue, Grace, and Trinity churches. She is a great preacher and has won hundreds of admirers in these two visits to Wilmington.

The brethren will be interested to know that we Methodists down here are seeking to minister as well as we can to the soldiers. There are upwards of twenty thousand soldiers at Camp Davis now, and many of them are at our Sabbath services. We counted 27 uniformed men at the Grace communion altar on the first Sunday morning of this month. At Grace we are having a soldier service on two Sunday nights per month. The chaplain brings in usually 50 in convoy. The chaplain or the pastor preaches. We then go into the social rooms, where we spend an hour with the soldiers, getting acquainted, singing songs of and faith together, and enjoying refreshments served by the ladies. The Grace folk are enjoying this program, and we believe the soldiers enjoy it too. I am sure our other pastors have a program for the soldiers just as good or better.

Albea Parker has made us a good superintendent this year. He is filled with energy, knows how to set up his plans and perform them, and is a brotherly spirit amongst us.

J. F. Herbert,
Pastor Grace Church.



DR. WALTER K. GREENE
Newly elected president of the Methodist Board of Publication and lay leader of the North Carolina Conference. Dr. Greene will speak at the Western North Carolina Conference.

PROPOSED NEW METHODIST CHURCH TO BE ERECTED IN THOMASVILLE, N. C.



Above is the architect's drawing of the new church plant to be erected by the Main Street congregation of Thomasville. The campaign for funds comes to a close Friday evening, October 17, with a victory rally in which Bishop Edwin H. Hughes is the main speaker. While the campaign goal was $100,000, this goal has been exceeded by more than $6000. In addition to the more than $106,000 raised in cash and pledges, the fund will be increased by the $5000 cash sale of the old parsonage property, the valuable site of the present church plant and the $27,500 new lot already paid for by the congregation. Because of building conditions, the new church plant will not be constructed at once, but further plans will await more favorable conditions.—Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, Pastor.

THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Our conference will convene in Trinity Methodist church, Durham, the morning of the 11th of November at nine o'clock. From Burlington to Manteo our Methodist people are making ready for this annual gathering. We are hoping and praying for a satisfactory finish of the conference year and a great spiritual feast the days we are together in Durham.

The ministers and members of the Methodist churches here are co-operating to the full in arranging for the comfort of those who will be in attendance upon the conference. It is not an easy matter to secure homes for five hundred and fifty people in a city that is almost crowded to capacity. Some of our churches have secured their quota of delegates and some of our congregations are a long way from the goal. We are going to do our best to measure up to the requirements for the very best for our conference.

Some of the brethren have written about arranging for their wives to attend the conference. It would be splendid if we could do this, but right now we are unable to report as to what can be done about it. One minister who lives some distance from Durham has written and asked that we not arrange for his entertainment since he plans to spend the nights at home. It is possible that the brethren within a radius of twenty-five miles of the seat of the conference plan to commute. We are not asking that this be done, but if that is your plan drop us a card that those who are eager to help entertain the conference may not be disappointed.

The ministers and members of the Methodist churches in Durham want to do their best for their guests in attendance upon the conference. G. W. Perry.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Due to the repair program the meeting of the Northern zone of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held at the college last Thursday.

Mrs. Ivey S. Allen, for 23 years president of Louisburg College, and now a resident of Oxford, was present at the chapel service of the college last Friday. She spoke briefly to the student body on the changes that have come since she left college.

The young women of the college met recently with Miss Marge Crisp, director of athletics for women, to form an athletic association for the coming year. Lola Adams of Blount's Creek was elected president.

The association was divided into two teams with Jean McKinnon, Mt. Gilead, captain of one, and Susan Litchfield, Aurora, captain of the other. The physical education program for the year includes games of soft ball, volley ball, soccer, basket ball, tennis and track, together with tournaments of tennis, pingpong, badminton, horseshoes, and archery. A bowling tournament in which 75 members were represented was won by Pauline Litchfield, Aurora.

DEDICATION OF EPWORTH CHURCH

The Epworth Methodist church, Vanceboro charge, New Bern district, will be dedicated Sunday afternoon at 2:30, October 19. Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke University, will preach the dedicatory sermon. Friends and former pastors are invited to worship with the Epworth congregation. Henry B. Lewis.

THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN GOES ON

The following remittances this week: R. Odell Brown, Waynesville, $14; John W. Moore, Mooresville, $7; J. P. Pegg, Granville, $6; J. A. Martin, Kittrell, $8; A. M. Smith, Henderson, $7; J. J. Boone, Smithfield, $8; and C. T. Thrift, Warsaw, $16.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In answer to a question frequently asked in our Woman's Societies of Christian Service, as to whether gifts sent from the districts to the Bethlehem House should be reported to the secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, or to the Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, our secretary of C. S. R., gives this information coming from Miss Thelma Stevens, executive secretary of the Department of C. S.R. of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, who says "this type of work comes under supplies and should be reported to the conference secretary of that department." Mrs. Andrews feels that the majority of churches are following this procedure, but there are some who seem to have been confused as to whom to report. Let our secretaries of supplies note this announcement and report all such gifts to Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary of supplies, in our conference.

MISS LORENA KELLY HONORED

The Lorena Kelly circle of the Fletcher Woman's Society of Christian Service recently honored Miss Kelly, our missionary to Africa, now on furlough, with a picnic supper at Fletcher Methodist church, with the Bessie Livington circle of the society also as honor guest. About 50 were present. Miss Kelly and her sister arrived at the church about five o'clock, and after being introduced to the circle members Miss Kelly made an interesting talk on her work in Africa and showed a number of pieces of African hand work and curios. She sang and gave Bible verses in the African dialect. She was presented a lovely hand-carved silver pin and gave to the circle a piece of hand-drawn work which was made in Africa. A picnic supper was served in the church yard. Dr. N. G. Bethea, pastor of the church, took pictures of Miss Kelly and the circle.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

A most interesting meeting of zone No. 2 on the Statesville district was held recently at Fairgrove church on the Highland charge, with Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, presiding in the absence of the zone chairman who had resigned. An interesting talk by Miss Lorena Kelly on her work in Africa was a high light of the meeting. She exhibited a box of curios from Africa and told of the customs of the people with whom she works.

Group meetings were held in the morning, for informal discussion of the lines of work in which the ladies were most interested, and later in the day other lines of work were brought before the group by district officers.

The pastor, Rev. J. P. Hornbuckle, and Mrs. Hornbuckle added to the day's program, Mrs. Hornbuckle, who is district spiritual life chairman, giving the opening devotional, urging in her talk the necessity for taking the new Bible study, "Stewardship in the Life of Women," and also stressing the use of The Upper Room in spiritual life groups. In an inspirational talk Mr. Hornbuckle opened the afternoon service.

Mrs. T. V. Goode, district cerresponding secretary, reported on the district work, urging continued co-operation along all lines of the work and asking for a check-up of the efficiency aim. Mrs. Wade Lefler of Newton was elected new zone chairman. Excellent reports were given by all the societies' representatives in attendance.

ZONE MEETING AT SPARTA

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Elkin district held a zone meeting at the Methodist church in Sparta October 1, with a large number of Methodist women and several pastors from the different churches present. Mrs. B. S. Call, zone chairman, presided, with Mrs. J. B. Henderson as secretary. Rev. L. F. Strader, pastor of the church, led the devotional period, after which greetings were extended by Mrs. J. L. Inskeep, with Mrs. N. O. Smoak of Wilkesboro responding.

Mrs. Mason Lillard, district corresponding secretary, brought an interesting report of the district work and Mrs. Edd F. Gardner gave the inspirational talk for the morning, using as her theme "Responsibilities." The following different phases of the woman's work were presented: Wesleyan Service Guild by Mrs. Gardner; spiritual life, Mrs. J. L. Hall of Elkin; young women and girls' work, Miss Mamie Sockwell of N. Wilkesboro; children's work, Mrs. J. B. Henderson of Wilkesboro; S. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. W. W. Whitaker of Elkin; missionary education and literature, Mrs. J. F. Clement of Mocksville. During the business session the roll was called by the secretary and it was decided to divide the district into four zones. The closing devotional on peace was led by Mrs. George Royal of Elkin. At the close of the meeting the women of Sparta church served lunch in the splendid new community building.—Miss Mamie Sockwell.

PASSING OF MRS. HERBERT TYSOR

Mount Olivet church on the Coleridge charge, High Point district, has been recently bereaved in the death of Mrs. Rosa Byrd Stout Tysor, one of its most active and most loyal members. Mrs. Tysor, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hartwell Byrd, was born in Randolph county, educated in the public and boarding schools of the county and for a number of years was a teacher in the county's schools.

In 1896 she married Mr. Luther M. Stout, who passed away in 1909. In 1924 she married Mr. Tysor and removed from Siler City, where she had been most active in civic and church affairs, to Erect, continuing her service to her community and church. At the time of her death she was president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mount Olivet church and was also president of the Erect Home Demonstration Club, and up to the time of her illness was teacher of a Sunday school class.

She will be greatly missed in her community, where she was so much beloved and appreciated. We extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

"Fast as the rolling seasons bring
The hour of fate to those we love,
Each pearl that leaves that broken string
Is set in Friendship's crown above.
As narrower grows the earthly chain
Our circle widens in the sky,
These are the treasures that remain,
But those are the stars that beam on high."

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

With our conference motto: "The Last Church Organized, the Last Woman Enrolled," we are always glad to report new organizations of Woman's Societies of Christian Service with new members becoming affiliated with our work. Elkin district reports five recently organized and Statesville district one, with others soon to follow.

Elkin district: Creston charge, Riverview church; president, Mrs. Ray Farmer, Fig.

Davie circuit, Advance: Center, president, Mrs. W. M. Seaford, Advance; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. C. Anderson, Mocksville.

Warrensville charge, Smithport: President, Mrs. Gladys Lewis; Cor. Sec., Mrs Dave Weaver. (Address of both, Smithport).

Warrensville charge, Miss Creek: President, Mrs. Frank Tucker; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Fulton Roten, Mill Creek.

Warrensville charge, Rich Hill: President Mrs. Glenn Elliott; Cor. Sec., Miss Lula Arnold. (Address of officers, Sly.)

Statesville district: Olin charge, Olin, president, Mrs. Margaret Tatum; Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. A. Pitman. (Address of officers, Olin).

(For lack of space we cannot give the names of all officers, and those not given may be secured from the president of corresponding secretary of each society.—Ed.)

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

By Mrs. G. F. Ross

The following worship program was given by the spiritual life group of Asbury Memorial Methodist church on September 23 at the retreat held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Ross. Preceding the service a covered dish supper was enjoyed by about 30 people. The program for the evening was planned by the chairman of the program committee, Mrs. Thad Buckner, with Mrs. W. G. McFarland and Mrs. F. A. Walton as visiting speakers. The

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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GOD'S WORD SUFFICIENT

When Dr. R. T. Henry, missionary to China, preached one Sunday morning during the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska this summer he shared with his hearers a true story of Christian experience which gives added proof that the work of the great missionary enterprise is worthy of our best efforts. "In a prayer meeting in China," said Dr. Henry, "a Christian stood up and said that he was a Methodist from Shanghai, his church was in ruins, his home had been destroyed, his business was gone; he had lost his oldest son, but 'God be praised,' he had his wife, his other son and his Bible. That testimony meant much.

NEEDS OF MEDICAL MISSIONS

The need in the field of medical missions is so varied and so imperative that if one should undertake to summarize them in one sentence that sentence would be: "There is never enough, either of man or woman power or hospitals and hospital equipment. There are two groups of mission hospitals, those which have had and lost and those which have never had. The Chinese hospitals fall under the first class and the African hospitals under the second group, but in all of them, in whatever country in which the Methodist Church is supporting medical missionary work, preventive medicines, radium, X-ray machines, tons of bandages, mattress ticking, blankets, rubber goods such as hot water bottles and gloves, saline, glucose, stretchers, wheel chairs, incubators, apparatus for administering oxygen sterilizers, all types of instruments—and on down a long list of needs. The missionary doctors and nurses in foreign fields are attempting to do big things with small means, working together with God to relieve human suffering and to save human life. Their efforts and their accomplishments are challenging and heroic. None the less challenging is the call which comes to the women of American Methodism to contribute sacrificially and generously to the causes to which the 1941 Week of Prayer offering will be directed. One of these causes is the need for medical equipment in foreign lands. The other three are: A convalescent home for negro children at Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla., the establishment of a retirement fund for deaconesses and Christian literature for foreign countries. Week of Prayer will be observed during the last week in October.

CONCERNING SPIRITUAL LIFE

One of the seminars of the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska this summer was concerned especially with spiritual life. This seminar was under the leadership of Mrs. W. M. Alexander, secretary of spiritual life groups of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The findings committee of this group made a report which is both interesting and challenging. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, our own N. C. conference secretary of spiritual life groups, was present at the seminars and is sharing with us these findings. We shall do well to study and heed them:

"We recognize and are grateful for the spiritual forces that have been released through the committees in our churches and believe that those elements which have so largely contributed toward this release of power should continue to be the main issue. We would, therefore, stress the need of worship, both private and corporate, and to the end that to each He may become 'nearer than hands and feet, closer than breathing.' (2) Cultivate spiritual life groups in ever increasing numbers, striving to make them creative cells for the spread of the principles of Christianity as revealed in our Lord Jesus Christ. (3) Study the inferences of stewardship for all areas of life and apply them according to the light given us. (4) Acknowledge the study of the Bible and its use devotionally as indispensable in the development of Christian character. (5) Make available to our women more spiritual life meetings and retreats, since we recognize in these an invaluable means of developing a God consciousness in our lives and a source of power to make the kingdom of God a reality. Finally, we reverently and humbly acknowledge ourselves as the channels of God for the release of his power in the world and pledge ourselves to thus serve him.

MRS. WESTBROOK SPEAKS

An interesting feature of a recent meeting of the W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist church, Henderson, was a program directed by Mrs. Mary Green, chairman of Christian social relations and local church activities. The devotions were led by Mrs. R. K. McLean and Mrs. Aubert Smith sang the spiritual "Home Over Jordan." Mrs. Green introduced Mrs. Ruby Westbrook of Shiloh Baptist church, who gave a most interesting account of her attendance at the Negro leadership school held at Winston-Salem. The woman's organizations of the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches of Henderson co-operated in this project and selected Mrs. Westbrook, wife of the pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, as delegate.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT MEETS

Three interesting and important features of the meeting of the Wilmington district at Harrell's Store on October 1 were: The unusually large attendance which taxed the seating capacity of the church to an overflow; the intense and eager interest of the women; and a large number of preachers and the presentation of adult and baby life memberships. Mrs. N. P. Edens, district secretary, presided and gave emphasis to organization of woman's work. Mrs. Edens presented life memberships to Mrs. Fred Simpson of Roseboro, gift of the Roseboro W. S. C. S., and to Mrs. R. C. Tucker of Fair Bluff, gift of Columbus zone. Mrs. E. R. Clarke presented a life membership to Mrs. W. L. Rexford, gift of New Hanover zone. A baby life membership was presented to Charles Spence Hubbard, Jr., of Roseboro, a gift of the preachers' wives of the Wilmington district. It is a custom of the Roseboro W. S. C. S. to give an adult life membership each year and a custom of the preachers' wives of the Wilmington district to present a baby life membership to each new baby in the parsonages of the district. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, spoke on the new plans for missionary education of youth; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, spoke on reporting and on supplies; Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary of publicity and publications, explained the new plans for missionary education of children and spoke on our missionary publications. An open forum led by Mrs. Chadwick Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Edens and Miss Gardner proved an excellent source of information of which both the women and the men took advantage. Rev. O. C. Newton led the opening worship and Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent, conducted the noon day devotional, using as his subject "The Earnest Worker." Mrs. C. B. Newkirk welcomed the visitors, to which Mrs. N. P. Edens responded. Special music was contributed by Mrs. Tom Waters ,who sang "Face to Face," and by Mr. O. B. Bass of Taylor's Bridge School faculty, who sang "Was That Somebody You?" A picnic lunch served among a setting of lovely shade trees was an hour of enjoyable fellowship. It is worthy of note that Wesley Memorial W. S. C. S. of Wilmington, with a membership of eleven had a representation of nine present.

ADVOCATE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district secretary, reports that the work of securing subscriptions to the N. C. Christian Advocate is going forward in her district. A plan whereby enough money can be taken from the local fund of each W. S. C. S. in the district to be used as a fund for a subscription to the president of the society, is being perfected. Women of the N. C. conference should be especially grateful to the editors of the N. C. Christian Advocate for their hearty co-operation in making possible for us a full page for the propagation of missionary news, and it is the plan and purpose of the editor of that page to make it a thing of interest and benefit, using items pertaining to the work as a whole and items with particular emphasis upon the work in our own conference. This she will do in so far as she is able, by the grace and wisdom given her from above and by the help of the women in the conference. Let's support the N. C. Christian Advocate, subscribing to it and enjoying its many wonderfully interesting features each week.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE PRESENT SITUATION

1. There are sufficient accommodations in the way of buildings at the Children's Home to accommodate 450 children.

2. More than 450 deserving children of the Methodist constituency are clamoring to live in these buildings.

3. An amount equal to fifty cents per member per year from our Methodist people will provide for these children.

THE PRESENT ISSUE

The Children's Home will provide for as many children as our Methodist people want it to provide for. The issue is clearly up to our Methodist friends. The buildings have been given to us. A good percentage of the maintenance funds has been provided by those who have passed into the beyond. What our living friends want to do for their orphan children will be the factor that decides the issue.

THE PRESENT DIFFICULTY

Our Methodist people are amply able, and, to a large extent, amply willing to provide for a capacity group of children at the Children's Home. The prime difficulty in the way of their providing a sufficient amount to do this is in keeping a balance with payments to other deserving causes. There are those who think that the Children's Home is already receiving sufficient funds. Such people come to conclusions without having made a careful survey of the facts. They make their statements without having carefully evaluated the needs of all the cases.

THE PRESENT COMPARISON

Our Methodist people live side by side with our Baptist and Presbyterian friends and neighbors. These friends and neighbors give much larger amounts for the care of their orphan children than do our Methodist people, larger amounts in the aggregate and larger amounts on the per capita basis. These friends and neighbors also give liberally to other denominational causes. Have our Methodist people had so much given to them for the care of their orphans as to let good be an enemy of the best they can do?

THE PRESENT GIVERS

We have had a great deal to say this conference year about ringing the Children's Home ten per cent apportionment joy bell over the receipt of complete payments of this account from various congregations. Such payments have enabled us to run through the year without going in debt. We have continually given grateful thanks silently and through the printed page for our joy bell ringers. Note those who this week join the great group of joy bell ringers:

Central, Asheville, Dr. W. A. Lambeth.

Advance circuit, Rev. P. L. Smith.

Ann Street, Concord, Rev. R. J. Barnwell.

Reeds, Reeds-Mt. Carmel, Rev. S. B. Nifong.

North Kannapolis, Rev. D. T. Huss.

First church, Salisbury, Rev. W. B. West.

Weaverville circuit, Rev. J. Max Brandon, Jr.

Old Fort Station, Rev. R. M. Varner.

Central, Canton, Rev. W. R. Kelly.

Main Street, Albemarle, Rev. T. B. Huneycutt.

Norwood Station, Rev. C. G. Hefner.

Trinity, Gastonia, Rev. F. H. Shinn.

Acton circuit, Rev. H. E. Bolick.

Granite Quarry circuit, Rev. C. G. Isley.

Cramerton, Rev. L. P. Barnett.

Oak Summit-Shiloh, Rev. C. D. White.

North Wilkesboro, Rev. A. L. Aycock.

Murphy Station, Rev. C. B. Newton.

Crouse circuit, Rev. W. F. Eaker.

Rockwood, Canton, Rev. V. A. Morton.

Salem, Albemarle, Rev. L. R. Spencer.

Central, Spencer, Rev. F. B. Jordan.

Lafayette Street, Shelby, Rev. R. C. Goforth.

Grace, Greensboro, Rev. J. Elwood Carroll.

Derita, Rev. E. O. Cole.

Glen Alpine, Rev. R. L. Young.

Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, Rev. A. A. Kyles.

Ardmore, Winston-Salem, Rev. J. H. Brendall.

Boone, Rev. J. B. McLarty.

First church, Lexington, Rev. John Hoyle, Jr.

Clyde circuit, Rev. E. C. Price.

Harpers Chapel, Whitnel circuit, Rev. D. A. Oakley.

Trinity, Lexington, Rev. L. E. Mabry.

Gideon Grove, Flat Rock circuit, Rev. T. H. Houck.

First church, Denton, Rev. Wade Johnson.

Littlejohns, Lenoir circuit, Rev. W. L. Harkey.

Palestine, Tabernacle-Palestine, Rev. S. B. Biggers.

Love's Chapel, Stanfield circuit, Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

Oak Grove, Mount Airy circuit, Rev. M. W. Heckard.

Love's Chapel, Webster circuit, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

Stanford, Rocky Ridge, and Stony Knoll, Dobson circuit, Rev. J. W. Parker.

Kistlers Union, Cleveland circuit, Rev. F. R. Love.

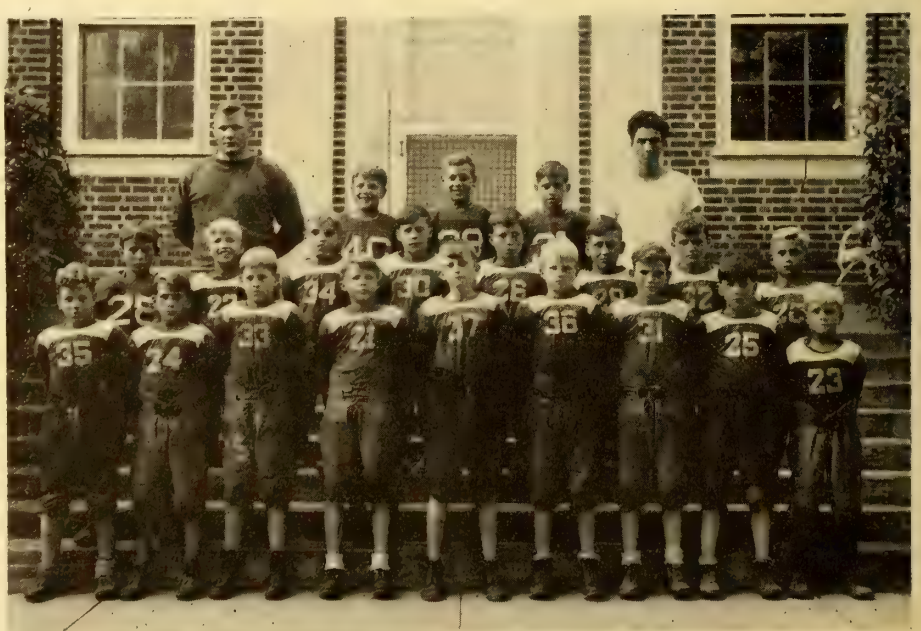
Seagrove, Seagrove-Love Joy, Rev. J. H. Trollinger.

Yadkin College, Erlanger, Rev. F. E. Howard.

New Hope, Doubs circuit, Rev. A. C. Kennedy.

THEIR FIRST GAME

The picture this week is that of our smallest football team, the 80 pounders. These boys played their first match game last Saturday morning with a similar team from the Presbyterian Orphan's Home at Barium Springs, winning by a score of 33 to 0. The boys are coached by one of our seniors, Julian Gibson, who stands to the right. He works under the direction of William R. Edwards, one of our teachers, a product of the Children's Home. The 80 pounders were cheered to victory by a group of small girls, grammar graders, who sit alongside the boys in school. We have no more interesting games than those played by the smaller boys.



These small boys play football in great fashion

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives write as follows: "Sunday was an extremely warm day for October, but the class had an enjoyable visit giving sacred concerts with Rev. D. D. Broome at Tabor church on the Littleton circuit. In the afternoon we were with Rev. J. O. Long on the Warrenton circuit at Hebron church. At both of these churches large congregations greeted the singing class."

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A SINCERE HOPE—Since it is well known throughout the bounds of the conference that the 10 per cent apportionment does not begin to meet our operating expenses, I want to express the hope that no pastor or church will apply any of the specials that have come to the Orphanage through the year on their 10 per cent apportionment. By complying with this earnest request our pastors and friends will confer a great favor on the Orphanage.

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MOST ENCOURAGING—I am happy to say that many of the pastoral charges throughout the conference are sending us a part, or all, of their 10 per cent apportionment. I want to assure our pastors and church members that the Orphanage family appreciates the sacrifices they are making for our dependent children. I am happy over the fact that our pastors and churches are not waiting until conference to pay their 10 per cent apportionment. There is no cause that or conference is sponsoring that strikes a more responsive cord in the hearts of our people than our beloved Methodist Orphanage. I want all who are contributing to help carry on this Christ-like work to know that their tangible expressions of love are appreciated by the board of trustees of the Orphanage and our big family of lovely children.

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AN INTERESTING VISIT— Some time ago I received a most cordial invitation from Brother E. D. Dodd to visit his church at Norlina. On the first Sunday in this month I had the pleasure and privilege of making an Orphanage address in the Norlina Methodist church. I was received most cordially by Brother Dodd and his splendid people, and they heard me gladly for the cause that I represented. Over a long period of years our friends at Norlina have been kind and generous toward our children. I was happy to express my appreciation to the members of the congregation for the worth while service they are rendering our home. In the afternoon I visited some of our friends in Norlina and Warrenton, who expressed their deep and abiding interest in the welfare of our fatherless children. I left Norlina feeling that the service was a profitable one.

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ORPHANAGE BANQUET—The Julian S. Carr Bible class of Trinity church, Durham will give an Orphanage banquet on Thursday night of conference. The bishop, district, superintendents, pastors and lay delegates are invited to attend the Orphanage banquet, to be held in the Durham Armory. This banquet will not cost any of the above named friends of the Orphanage anything. We expect to have the Orphanage Glee Club numbering 35 or 40 boys and girls present, who will give several selections at the banquet, and the Julian S. Carr Bible class will pay for their dinner also. Dr. B. G. Childs and the Julian S. Carr Bible class will leave no stone unturned to make the banquet the most outstanding occasion of the conference. The Orphanage and its many friends feel deeply grateful to Dr. Childs and the Julian S. Carr Bible class for making such an occasion possible.

GOLD OR IRON

"Gold is the most valuable of all metals," you declare. Are you sure? Gold, it is true, is the most precious of the metals and the highest priced, but if we were to estimate the value of a thing on the basis of its usefulness, then gold would not be by any means the most valuable of our mineral products. We are told that—

"Iron vessels cross the ocean;
Iron engines give them motion.
Iron pipes our gas delivers;
Iron bridges span our rivers;
Iron stoves for cooking victuals;
Iron ovens, pots and kettles;
Iron horses draw our loads;
Iron rails compose our roads;
Iron anchors hold in sands;
Iron rods and bolts and bands;
Iron horses, iron walls;
Iron cannon, iron balls;
Iron axes, knives and chains;
Iron augurs, saws and planes;
Iron globules in our blood;
Iron particles in food;
Iron lightning rods on spires;
Iron telegraphic wires;
Iron hammers, nails and screws—
Iron in everything we use."

If you were to try to name half as many uses to which gold is put, you could not do it. We could do without gold, for silver and copper could take its place to a considerable extent. But what could you do without iron!—Selected.

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OFFICIAL CHARGE DIRECTORIES

The fourth quarterly conference is a significant meeting for every local church. It is also an important occasion for the Board of Education. During the past six years it has become an established practice for each pastor to send a copy of his official charge directory to the conference office. From this record our mailing lists for the year are compiled. We are truly grateful to our pastors for this information. The response is practically one hundred per cent each year. The following pastors have sent their directories since our last report in the Advocate:

Asheville District: E. J. Harbison, Harry S. Williams, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., D. E. Camak, H. L. LaFevers, W. H. Benfield, F. O. Dryman, J. Max Brandon, Jr.

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Greensboro District: Paul R. Rayle, J. Elwood Carroll, A. L. Latham, A. D. Shelton.

High Point District: G. E. White, T. G. Smith, N. C. Williams, J. E. McSwaim, E. O. Croy, J. E. Pritchard, C. H. Hill.

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Statesville District: B. A. Sisk, E. H. Lowman, Reid Wall, Robert V. Martin, Elzie Myers, H. C. Byrum, F. H. Price, G. F. Houck, O. L. Robinson.

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Contributions for this observance continue to reach Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville. A report received on the morning mail, October 9, brings our total contribution to $2,239.94, which is an increase of $43.51 over last year. Two hundred and forty-nine church schools out of 1138 made the above contribution. The other 889 schools have not yet had a part in financing Christian education in the conference. What a tremendous difference it would make if these 889 schools would make a contribution of from one to five dollars each. The local church section of the Board of Education has had a $1600 decrease in income this year as a result of the discontinuance of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. The 889 above mentioned schools could and should easily wipe out this deficit with a church school rally day offering on Sunday, October 19. Mr. Dunham or any member of the conference staff will gladly receive any contributions brought to conference. Should any money for church school rally day be included in a check to Brother E. O. Cole, be sure to instruct him to forward the amount of the offering to Mr. Dunham.

The executive secretary received a personal check from a beloved widow of a beloved Methodist minister who served this conference faithfully for many, many years. A note accompanying the check carried the message that "I still have $15 out of my tithe for this year. There is no more worthy cause to which I can give it than that of Christian education." This check helped to put our total ahead last year. I wonder how many of the above mentioned church schools would still like to exemplify the spirit of this devoted woman by making a contribution to this cause. A number of churches have responded since our last Advocate report.

Asheville District

Hillside Street	$10.00
Mills River	3.91
Tryon	1.50

Charlotte District

Wesley Heights	8.00
Central, Monroe	50.00
Wadesboro	25.00

Elkin District

Concord (Davie)	3.17
Oak Grove	2.51
Elkin	5.00
Mocksville	5.00

Gastonia District

St. Peters (Belwood)	2.25
Cramerton	5.00
Clover Hill (Polkville)	6.00

Greensboro District

College Place	10.00
Mt. Pleasant Circuit	7.20

High Point District

Central, Asheboro	15.00
Farmer Charge	2.00

Marion District

Cliffside	3.00
First, Marion	5.00
Nebo (McDowell)	1.86
Pinnacle (McDowell)	.35
Snow Hill	.50
Trinity	1.00
Valdese	5.00
Forest Hill	25.00
Roberta	6.00
East Spencer	2.58
Yadkin	2.00
Bethel (Granite Quarry)	1.00
Mt. Tabor (Granite Quarry)	1.00
Providence	1.00
Shiloh	4.00
Midway	3.00
Trinity	30.00
Landis	3.00
Oak Grove (Landis)	2.47
Unity (Landis)	1.98
Mill Grove (Midland)	4.00
Norwood Circuit	8.95
Mattons Grove (Pfeiffer)	1.00
Misenheimer (Pfeiffer)	2.00
Richfield	1.00
Wesley Chapel	1.00
Central, Spencer	10.00
Gay's Chapel (Woodleaf)	4.00
Woodleaf	2.25

Statesville District

First, Hickory	42.00
Maiden	4.00
Centenary (Mooresville Ct.)	4.15
Broad Street, Statesville	24.81

Waynesville District

Bethel	2.00
First, Canton	1.80
Cullowhee	5.00
Hayesville Charge	3.00
Robbinsville	3.92

Winston-Salem

Rural Hall	6.47
Midway (Welcome)	11.05
Love's	18.55

MISS OLIVER CALLED TO MOUNT OLIVE

The many friends of Miss Elizabeth Oliver will want to know that she has been celled to Mt. Olive on account of the serious illness of her mother. We take this opportunity to extend to her a sincere wish for a steady, sure improvement of her mother's condition. I am sure a note from friends would be appreciated by Miss Oliver. Her address is Mt. Olive, N. C.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Vacation school reports are still being received at the office in Salisbury. The total for the year has already passed the five hundred mark, which is a good increase over last year. Any person who has not reported his school should do so at once. The following is a partial list of those reporting recently:

Asheville District

Piney Mountain, C. M. White.
Oakley, E. O. Peeler.
Reeves Chapel and Sardis, B. A. Galloway.
Tryon, Mrs. George Schreyer.
Biltmore, E. J. Harbison.
Hillside-Merrimon, Mrs. Harry S. Williams.
Marshall, H. L. LaFevers.
Haywood Street, Mrs. W. G. McFarland.

Charlotte District

Spencer Mem., Mrs. C. E. Murray.
Hanna's Chapel, Harold B. Teer.
Moore's, Kenneth Bedenbaugh.
Dilworth, Miss Mary Margaret Johnson.
Benton Heights, Ralph Reed.
North Monroe, Ralph Reed.

Advocate Campaign Report

Below follows the full exhibit of new subscribers secured for the present year in the North Carolina conference. The figures opposite each charge indicate the full year; the 1-2, six months subscribers. No mention is made of the charges that sent no remittance.

Durham District

Person Ct., F. B. Peele 22
Yanceyville, J. V. Early 21½
Durham Ct., S. J. Starnes 20½
Davis St., Mrs. J. W. Holmes ... 20
Duke Mem., H. C. Smith 12
Mt. Hermon Ct., R. L. Hethcox.. 9½
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ... 8½
Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt 8
Graham, Mrs. A. C. Wilkinson .. 8
Orange, Mrs. R. B. Nichols 7½
Front St., F. S. Love 6½
Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams 6½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth 6
Orange (Hebron), Mrs.H.J.Kinley 6
Roxboro, W. C. Martin 6
Graham, J. R. Edwards 4½
Branson, John Cline 4½
Webb Ave.-Fountain, C.J.Andrews 4½
Hillsboro, S. F. Nicks 4
Trinity, G. B. Perry 4
Alamance, G. L. Reynolds 3½
Bynum, K. F. Duval 3
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish 3
Calvary, Mrs. A. I. McKay 3
Mebane, First, Mrs. D. A. Pender 2½
Duke Ct. (Duke's Chapel)
Mrs. J. W. Kennedy 1½
Alamance, Bessie Coble 1
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton 1
Eno, W. J. Neese 1
Orange Ct., Mrs. E. H. Sykes ... 1
Mt. Tirzah, E. L. Hill 1
Mebane (Central), Mrs.W.S.Dixon 1
Swepsonville, T. B. Hough 1

Elizabeth City District

Windsor, H. F. Surratt 18
Manteo, M. W. Maness 8
Columbia, A. L. Chaplin 4½
Kinnakeet, J. D. A. Autry..... 4
Hatteras, A. J. McClellan 3½
S. Quarter-Fairfield, E. G. Cowan 3
Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glenn Pen--
dleton 2
N. Gates, T. J. Whitehead 2
Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick 2
Ahoskie, A. L. Thompson 2
South Mills, W. N. Vaughn 1½
Washington, D. A. Clark 1½
Pasquotank, W. J. Watson 1½
Kitty Hawk, J. C. Harmon 1½
Winfall, Mrs. J. L. Nixon 1
Edenton, W. C. Benson 1
Wanchese, J. W. Sneeden 1
Columbia, Mrs. A. B. Hopkins .. ½
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .... ½
Aulander, J. R. Poe ..... ½
Elizabeth City, Mrs. N. H. O'Neal ½
Chowan, J. T. Stanford ..... ½
Currituck, M. E. Cotton ..... ½

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Sanford, A. P. Brantley 11
Raeford, E. C. Crawford 8
Parkton, A. E. Brown 7½
Laurinburg, H. K. King 5½
Person-Calvary, M. W. Warren.. 5
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette 4
Troy, O. P. Fitzgerald 4
Carthage, W. G. Farrar 3½
Pine Bluff, Wm. A. Parsons 3
Stedamn, I. L. Strawbridge 2
Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore 1½
Jonesboro, D. L. Fouts 1½
Hay St., Mrs. J. A. Gathrop 1
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins 1
St. John-Gibson, W. F. Keeler... 1
Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer 1
Hamlet, J. H. Lanning 1
Siler City, C. B. Culbreth ..... ½

New Bern District

Marshallberg, L. E. Sawyer 36
Aurora, Graham S. Eubank 21
Mt. Olive Ct., J. L. Joyce 14
Straits-Harkers Island, C. B. Harris 6½
Fremont, C. W. Robbins 6
Seven Springs, Mrs. W.E. Howard 5½
Mt. Olive, R. G. Dawson 4½
Grifton, E. M. Hall 4
Pikeville, Mrs. S. D. Collier 3½
Dover, H. L. Harrill 3½
Morehead Ct., M. O. Stephenson.. 3
Morehead City, J. H. Miller 3
Pink Hill, R. E. Waiston 2½
Kinston, Mrs. John Shute 2½
Snow Hill, B. O. Merritt 2
Pamlico, H. H. Cash 2
Grimesland, W. A. Crow 2
Vanceboro, H. B. Lewis 2
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. 1½
St. Paul, W. A. Cade 1½
Newport, C. S. Boggs 1
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens ... ½
Oriental, J. Kern Ormond ..... ½

Raleigh District

Henderson, Mrs. W. B. Hight ... 20
Fairmont, E. C. McLamb 15
Vance, A. M. Smith 15
Tar River, J. A. Martin 9
Benson, Mrs. W. O. Rackley 8
Edenton St., Mrs. Jas. M. Godwin 7
Oxford, C. F. Heath 5
Erwin, I. S. Richmond 5
Smithfield, J. J. Boone 4½
Franklinton, S. E. Mercer 4
Moncure, O. W. Mathison 3
Granville, J. P. Pegg 3
Person St., D. M. Sharpe 2½
Cary, W. C. Massey 2
Mt. Zion (Moncure)
Lizzie B. Clegg 2
Knightdale, M. M. Walters 2
Four Oaks, J. T. Green 1½
Princeton, J. W. Bradley 1
Raleigh, Mrs. S. T. Thorne 1
Fuquay, R. G. L. Edwards 1
Louisburg, P. D. Woodall ..... ½
Hayes-Barton, E. D. Weathers.. ½

Rocky Mount District

Rosemary, P. H. Fields 33
Halifax, O. I. Hinson 10½
First, E. L. Hillman 9
Littleton, H. L. Davis 8
Bethel, J. G. Phillips 7½
Tarboro, E. C. Durham 6
Wilson, H. B. Porter 3
Whitakers, A. M. Williams 2
Middleburg, T. W. Lee 2
Marvin, Mrs. Wm. Towe 2
Sandy Cross, C. B. Peacock 2
Clark Street, R. E. L. Moser 2
Conway, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson.. 1½
Robersonville, Daniel C. Boone.. 1½
Seaboard, Mrs. R. R. Barrett ... 1½
Kenly, G. B. Starling 1
Conway, J. L. Smith 1
Warren, E. R. Shuller 1
Spring-Garysburg, J. E. Garlington 1
Spring Hope, G. W. Blount 1
Northampton, W. L. Maness 1
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall .... ½

Wilmington District

Warsaw-Magnolia, C. T. Thrift.. 30½
Grace, J. F. Herbert 24
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness 12
Whiteville, L. V. Harris 11
St. Paul, Chas. A. Jones 7
Fifth Ave., C. D. Barclift 4
Bladen, R. L. Vickery 3½
Pembroke Parish, D. F. Lowry .. 3
Southport, R. S. Harrison 3
Fesley Mem., W. A. Tew 3
Garland, O. C. Melton 2½
Swansboro, G. C. Wood 2½
Wallace-Rose Hill, C. T. Rogers.. 2½
Lumberton, E. B. Fisher 2
Lumberton Ct., M. D. McLamb.. 2
Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee 2
Maysville, H. L. Harris 1
Fairmont, Mrs. C. A. Floyd 1
Trinity, R. L. Jerome 1
Epworth, C. N. Phillips 1
Carver's Creek, J. F. Starnes ... ½
Tabor City, N. P. Edens ..... ½

FROM A SCRAPBOOK

If we do not find God walking with us, it is not because he has vanished of his own accord, or has been banished by the hypotheses of science, or has been driven from the world by its sin and wickedness. It is because we have failed to cultivate our vision, our power to see him, our gifts of commission and fellowship. We have trained our eyes to see things, to count dollars, to measure distances. We have neglected the most important capacity that belongs to man, the capacity to see God. —Rufus M. Jones.

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Fortunate indeed is the son who can remember his father and sing with Edgar Guest:

I follow a famous father,
His honor is mine to wear;
He gave me a name that was free from shame,
A name he was proud to bear.

* * *

There is no person in this world who so uniformly takes his pay as he goes along, as he who does good at the expense of his own comfort and convenience. There are persons going about whose souls are a whole band of music to everybody who is near them, and one dwells in their presence in a bounty of gladness perpetually. If absent, it is twilight; if present, it is sunlight. —Beecher.

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People who radiate sunshine have a faculty of turning the common water of life into the most delicious nectar. Their cheery salutation is like the coming of the morning after a long, dark night. Their smile is magic to a sad heart. It dispels the fogs of gloom and despair as the sun dispels the mists which hang over a stagnant swamp. These sunshine characters are public benefactors. Everyone who comes in contact with them is enriched by their wealth of good cheer. And the more they give of their wealth the more it multiplies. It is like good seed planted in fertile ground.—Sunshine Magazine.

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I joined the new Don't Worry Club
And now I hold my breath—
I'm so scared for fear I'll worry,
That I'm worried most to death.

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Count the day lost that no good deed recalls.

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An upright man can never be a downright failure.

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Responsibility walks hand in hand with capacity and power.

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 19

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Holy Spirit Our Helper

We receive the Holy Spirit as we humbly attempt to carry out our Lord's commandments. When a man begins to apply the words of Jesus to life his understanding of them is always limited. He hears Jesus say, Give to every one that asketh thee, and he resolves at any cost to obey his Master. But he soon finds that beggars are not benefited by indiscriminate giving. So the Spirit shows him that the command is primarily an exhortation to generous and unselfish love, and that love often requires that we give in a way different from what the beggar expects and demands.

Again, the young disciple reads the words of Paul, They that are in Christ have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. And so, like the monks of old, he concludes that the way to be a Christian is to suppress as far as possible his natural instincts. But he finds that asceticism leads neither to fullness of life nor breadth of influence, and it intensifies rather than lessens his fleshly temptations. So he concludes that Paul must mean not that we are to suppress our normal impulses but that we are to rise above the level of the dog that grabs the bone from the weaker animal. In a word, we are to crucify every impulse that disregards the rights and feelings of others, and to abstain from every self-indulgence like over-eating and wine-drinking that clouds the spirit. This illumination is from the Holy Spirit.

Jesus said, If you continue in my words, then are ye my disciples indeed, and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. This increasing, joyous freedom from narrow-mindedness and bondage to the letter is the work of the Spirit.

The Spirit also gives us power to bear witness (Acts 1:8; 4:8). The young disciple looks to Jesus and he hears him say, All things are possible to him that believeth. But how weak he feels! His brain refuses to think clearly. His emotions are at a low ebb. All four tires are flat. But he has been called to stand up and speak for Christ. So just as the paralytic at the command of Jesus stretched forth his withered hand, so he stretches forth the withered brain. And suddenly and mysteriously his brain is clear, and he is able to speak with vigor and glad confidence; and he comes to recognize that this sudden reinforcement of his weak personality comes from the Holy Sprit. And in time, no matter how weak he may feel, he learns not to be frightened or dismayed, confident that at the crisis the Lord will stand by him (Matthew 10:19-20).

But oftimes a speaker who is well prepared, after he has spoken a reasonable time, has a strong inner impression that he must omit his eloquent peroration, and sit down. And the audience will agree that this also is an inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

At times one is led by the Spirit to be sportive; at other times the Spirit represses the sportive instinct. There is a story to the effect that at a meeting of the bishops a difference of opinion caused a painful tension, and glorious, saintly Bishop McDowell went out for a few moments, and brought in enough all day suckers to give one to each of the bishops. They burst out in a merry laugh, and the tension was relieved. But at other times such an act would be so out of place and silly that it would be positively wicked. Thus the Spirit of God is sent to give us an inspired tact in all our dealings with our fellowmen.

But let us strongly stress the fact that if we expect the guidance of the Holy Spirit we must constantly meditate on the teachings of Jesus (Colossians 3:16). They are the radio tubes that enables us to receive the broadcasts from heaven, and the Spirit cannot bring all things to our remembrance whatsoever Christ has said to us, unless we do our part in learning and constantly rehearsing these sayings. Moreover no man need expect to be guided by the Spirit in ways of wisdom who does not use his eyes and his ears to become alertly aware of every fact of his environment. The Spirit reinforces those who in the light of our Lord's teachings keep their minds on all the details of the task that confronts them, and who use to the utmost all the good sense with which the Lord has endowed them.

WHAT IS MAN?

A goose when silly, lacking in judgment.

A vulture when showing a combination of destructiveness and defilement.

A rooster when strutting about with too much self-importance.

A parrot when repeating only what others say, lacking originality.

A duck when supposed of quite queer disposition.

An owl when up at night, or making a display of wisdom.

A bat when unable to see the relation of causes nad consequences.

A buzzard when accustomed to defile with moral vomit.

A crane when possessed of long neck and legs.

A fish, generally poor fish, when out of his element and ignorant of what to do next.

A shark when devouring other people for personal greed.

A clam, or oyster, when refusing to talk.

The Bible speaks of man as being fearfully and wonderfully made. Following the above epithets, and the reason for their use, we may conclude that many men are fearfully and wonderfully unmade. It was intended that man should associate with God, the angels, and redeemed souls. The list above might be extended.—Religious Telescope.

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CONVERSATION WITH A ROBIN

Dear Boys and Girls:

I was in the garden turning over the soil yesterday, when a robin came and settled on the handle of my spade.

"Hullo Bob," I said. "Have you come to say 'Good morning'?"

He flicked his wings saucily and flew down on the upturned soil.

"No," said he, "not exactly to see you, but to get your worms."

"But you like to be in my company, and that is why you follow me about all over the garden."

He cocked his head on one side (perhaps he was thinking of the worm he had just swallowed and which was still squirming in his crop): "I certainly do follow you, but only because you are nearly always digging for my food."

"Oh!" I said, "cupboard love? I bring you out crumbs; I dig the soil so that you find your breakfast or dinner easily; and that's why you follow he about, is it?"

He did not look at all ashamed at my finding out his motives. The search for food was the main object of his life. That was why he came in my garden in September to settle there—and find all the supplies he wanted during the winter.

Just as he was swallowing a grub I heard another bird in the privet hedge at the bottom of the garden. Bob heard the call, too, and turned to look at the spot.

"Excuse me one moment," he said. "There's that wretched fellow from the next garden who has no right in my garden. He knows it is mine, and yet as soon as my back is turned, in he comes."

Off he flew and I could hear the sound of a scuffle in the hedge, and then they started chasing one another. The intruder disappeared into the next garden, and my bird sat for a moment on a branch and burst into song. Then he flew back to me.

"Has he gone?" I asked.

"I should think he has. I gave him a charge from my shoulder and a good wing flick, and before he could recover his balance I drove at him with my bill."

"I saw him fly back," I said, laughing.

"He comes in more to annoy me than anything else," he said.

"But I suppose you sometimes slip into his garden if you have a chance."

"Of course. It's tit-for-tat, you know."

"I heard you after he went out—"

"Excuse me, after I had chased him out, you mean," said Bob.

"Sorry—after you had chased him out, I heard you give a lovely burst of song. I suppose you were singing in triumph over him."

He did not answer for a moment. He hopped about and picked up a worm here and a chrysalis there. Then, when quite full up, he said—

"As a matter of fact, when you thought I was singing, I was really telling him what I would do to him if he dared to come back again."

"There certainly were a lot of trills in your—er, threats," I remarked.

"Yes, I was telling him I would wring his neck. We always set our threats to music. It is much politer than using bad language, as you humans do."

He flew away and watched me from a distance, and I could not help feeling his method was right.

Your friend, Romany.

—The Methodist Recorder.

FOUNDATION

By Daniel L. Holt

My Dad once showed me the way to
build foundations on the trail of life.
One would mark the clean and good
and one would lead to strife.
He said, "My son, you must build on
rock, that is the only way;
Storms may come and storms may go,
but the rock will always stay.

"The rock is an emblem of faith and
love, depending upon its worth.
It will not crumble in time of need and
drop your work to earth.
Man does not profit by his future but
on his past alone;
So be sure that God goes with you—
that you build the steps of stone."

So speaking he took a pile of rock;
built a path to the top of a hill,
And though obstacles appeared and
the work was hard, he conquered by
strength of will
"But Dad," I said, "though the work is
done, look at your bleeding hand.
I know a quick and easy way; I will
build with sand."

'Twas quickly done, the path was laid,
clean and white and wide.
I followed its way to the foot of the
hill, proud and satisfied.
The rock meant strength of character,
but I thought my way the best.
I always "got by" as years passed on
and Dad was laid to rest.

Reminiscing through olden days when
Dad had shown the light,
Where I had built the path of ease
and Dad the path of right;
Where once the weak had mocked the
strong and example used in vain.
In silent majesty the rock path stood,
the sand a victim of rain.

Life passes all around me 'till I see
what a failure I've made;
Not founded on the rock of character,
my dreams begin to fade.
I reached for a star and it glimmered
and fell in a broken heap.
"But whatsoever a man soweth, that
shall he also reap."

A TRIBUTE TO THE MAPLE

(A True Story)

Autumn has come and with it we view the gorgeous colorings of the different kinds of trees.

My attention is drawn to one of my favorites, a maple of remarkable beauty. First, I notice only a cluster or two of variagated leaves, then the top of the tree is one mass of radiant colors, with the lower part of pretty green leaves; then here and there they change until the tree has entirely changed from the beautiful green well-formed tree to one of golden and variegated hues. Some of the leaves fall, making the ground pretty with the yellow mass within the green grass.

Again I view the tree. The leaves are gone. Has the tree lost all of its beauty and charm because the body and limbs seem bereft of their exquisite hues? Nay, again it is a thing of beauty when the snow and ice come and enshrouds it in a frozen scene.

In the spring, when new life buds in the trees, its leaves are later coming out than some of its companions, but the leaves grow rapidly and we enjoy its beauty through the spring and summer, with the birds going to its shelter for comfort and rest.

With its stately splendor
Radiant is the maple,
Leaves yellow and gold;
And beauty to behold.

—Lessie A. Bradley.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"This hurts me more than it does you," said a man as he spanked his son. He was right. Doctor treated the father for an abscess in the palm of his hand, bruised by marbles in the boy's hip pocket.—Exchange.

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Asked to explain what Solomon meant when he said that sparing the rod spoiled the child, Johnny observed that "Solomon didn't say that until he was grown up."—Ex.

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Dentist (to small boy, who has had some teeth extracted)—"Never mind, Bobby, they'll soon grow in again."

Bobby (eagerly)—"Will they be up in time for dinner?"—Selected.

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The American language: "Wachagotnapackidge?" "Sabook." "Wassanaimuvitt?" "Sadichshunery, fullanaimes gonna gettaplecedog angottagettanaimferim.'

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Teacher—Willie, what is an adult?

Willie—An adult is one that has stopped growing except in the middle.

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FOURTH ROUND

October
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11...19
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 7:30 19
Carr, 7:30 22
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30 23
Rougemont, Rougemont, 11 26
Cedar Grove, Glencoe, 7:30 26

November
West Durham, 11 2
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 2

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City
FOURTH ROUND

October
South Mills, Trinity, 2 17
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 1 18
South Camden, Perkins, night 19
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 22
Pasquotank, Union, 2 24
Columbia, 11 26
Bath, Asbury, night 26
Washington, First Church, night 27

November
Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
District check-up meeting with Bishop Clare Purcell at Aberdeen, 10 a. m. 17
Broadway, 11 19
West End, Doubs, 3 19
Ellerbe, 7 19
Laurel Hill, 11 26
Pinebluff, 3 26
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 7 26
Maxton, 7 31

November
Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Aurora, Warrens, 11 17
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 19
Vanceboro, 7:30 19
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 20
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 21
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 22
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 23
Hookerton, 7:30 24
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 26
Seven Springs, 3 26
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 7:30 26

November
Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Franklington, Franklinton, 7:30 16
Creedmoro, Creedmoor, 11 19
Stem, Stem, 7:30 19
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 20
Clayton, Clayton, 7:30 22
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 26
Garner, Garner, 7:30 26
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 29
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November
Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizaebth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9
Henderson, First Church, 11 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Enfield, 11 19
Rich Square, 3 19
Scotland Neck, 7:30 19
Weldon, 7:30 22
Sandy Cross-White Oak, 7:30 23
Warrenton, 7:30 24
Warren, Sarepta, 11 26
Norlina, Norlina, 3 26
St. Paul (Rocky Mount), 7:30 26
Marvin, 7:30 27
Nashville, 7:30 30
West-Halifax-Bethesda, 3 31

November
Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 2
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

October
District Check-up Meeting, Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 19
Southport, 7:30 19
Whiteville, 7:30 22
Jacksonville-Richlands, 7:30 24
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 26
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 26
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 26

November
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Town Creek, 11 9

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ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Yadkinville, night 16
St. Paul, 11 19
Trap Hill, night 19

GASTONIA DISTRICT
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FOURTH ROUND

October
Dallas, 11 19

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D. S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro
FOURTH ROUND

October
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 18
Madison, 11 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FOURTH ROUND

October
Rankin Memorial, 7 16
Welch, 7 17
Why Not, Flag Springs, 11 18
Liberty First, 11 19
Liberty Ct., White's Chapel, 2 19
Asheboro Central, 7 19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Morganton Ct., Zion, 11 19
Henrietta, Caroleen Central, 7:30 19

SALISBURY DISTRICT
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October
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	October
Newton, 11	19
Catawba, Concord, 3	19
Balls Creek, Friendship	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FOURTH ROUND

	October
North Davidson, 7:30	16
Kernersville, 7:30	17

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Cullowhee, 11	19
Canton, First, 8	19

SHADY GROVE CHURCH AT ADVANCE CELEBRATED HOME COMING SEPTEMBER 21

Shady Grove church (now called Advance) located at Advance grew out of a Cokesbury school that existed as early as 1793. The school was located on the bank of Yadkin river, two miles from the town of Advance—the land now owned by T. F. Bailey.

In later years several acres of land was donated by Robert Orrell and a church erected. Davie county at that time was a part of Rowan county. Just how long Advance has been an organized church is not known, but from an old quarterly conference report we find that as early as 1816 Shady Grove (Advance) was an organized church, belonging to Salisbury circuit. In 1816 Edward Carmon was presiding elder, and Bowen Reynolds preacher in charge.

Not until 1836 do we have any record of the membership of Shady Grove, and the record gives the enrollment of 91 members for that year.

The first building was a frame structure with all timber hewn by hand. There were two doors at the front, one for the men, and the other for women. The men were to occupy one side and the women the other. It was seldom that the men and women sat together. There was a balcony overhead for the negroes. The pulpit was small—elevated, with amen corner on each side of the pulpit with an altar, better known as "mourner's bench," in front of the pulpit.

In 1877 a new building was erected, and the membership at this time was 300. Much of the lumber and labor were donated. All the framing was hewn by hand and the ceiling was smoothed by a hand plane. The balcony for the negroes still remains, but is used today for Sunday school rooms. The old part of the church today is the church erected in 1877 and is used today for church school. This was a great Methodist center, and it was known afar for a great camp meeting place.

The membership at present is about 300, but from this church three other churches have been organized—Cornatzer, Mocks, and Bailey's Chapel.

In 1902 Shady Grove was made a charge and the name changed to Advance charge. A parsonage was bought and furnished. Rev. W. M. Curtis was sent to the new charge, and Dr. D. Atkins was presiding elder.

During the ministry of Rev. L. L. Smith (1908 to 1812) work was started on the annex and the present auditorium was completed. In 1913 it was cleared of debt and dedicated by Bishop Kilgo, Rev. J. A. J. Farrington was pastor, and Dr. Plato Durham presiding elder. The present auditorium has a seating capacity of 350, with beautiful memorial windows. It is located in a shady grove in Advance, and one of the prettiest churches for a country village in Elkin district.

Rev. P. L. Smith is the present pastor.

Mrs. Minnie Salbert Bryson.

"FOR YOU"

How intimate an affair Jesus made the Christian faith! "For you," Peter, with your rugged spontaneity that so often gets you into trouble! "For you," Matthew, an outcast publican! "For you," Andrew, an obscure fisherman! "For you," James and John, "sons of thunder"! "For you," Thomas Didymus, with all your doubts! Yes, "for you," Judas, disappointed, resentful, and traitorous! "For you"! Christ has the same word today. We sing, "Like a mighty army the Church of God," but we also sing, "Just as I am, without one plea." His fellowship is for me with my peculiar temptations, my peculiar sorrows and joys, my own special sins, my own individual kinds of weakness and strength!—Today.

W. N. C. WOMEN

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opening prelude by Miss Grace Roberts was followed by the call to worship and response. Following were: Hymn, Take Time to Be Holy; prayer by Mrs. Walton; piano duet, Misses Jo Ann Carter and Grace Roberts; meditation; "Home Defense," Mrs. R. H. Taylor; piano solo, Miss Grace Roberts; meditation, The Stewardship of Prayer, Mrs. F. A. Walton; hymn, Sweet Hour of Prayer; meditation, The Meaning of the Cross, Mrs. W. G. McFarland; alto solo, Miss Jo Ann Carter; meditation, The Fine Art of Living, Rev. R. H. Taylor; hymn, O For a Closer Walk with God; closing prayer and benediction, Rev. R. H. Taylor.

A TRIBUTE

It is with profound grief and loss that we record the passing of our good friend and fellow citizen W. R. Absher, who recently passed away in a Charlotte hospital.

Mr. Absher's life was lived among us. Always interested in the development of his church, lending his influence and means to every forward movement. He was faithful in every position—as teacher in the Sunday school, as member of the board of stewards, and was careful to attend all the services of the church.

Mr. Absher was part and parcel of North Wilkesboro, easily one of the town's first citizens. He was a leader in the religious, social and educational activities of our state.

To his family we extend our sympathy and want them to know the gratitude we have in our hearts for the life Mr. Absher lived among us. The memory of him shall linger long and the inspiration of his life will mean much to all of us in the years ahead. He was truly one of North Carolina's noble sons.

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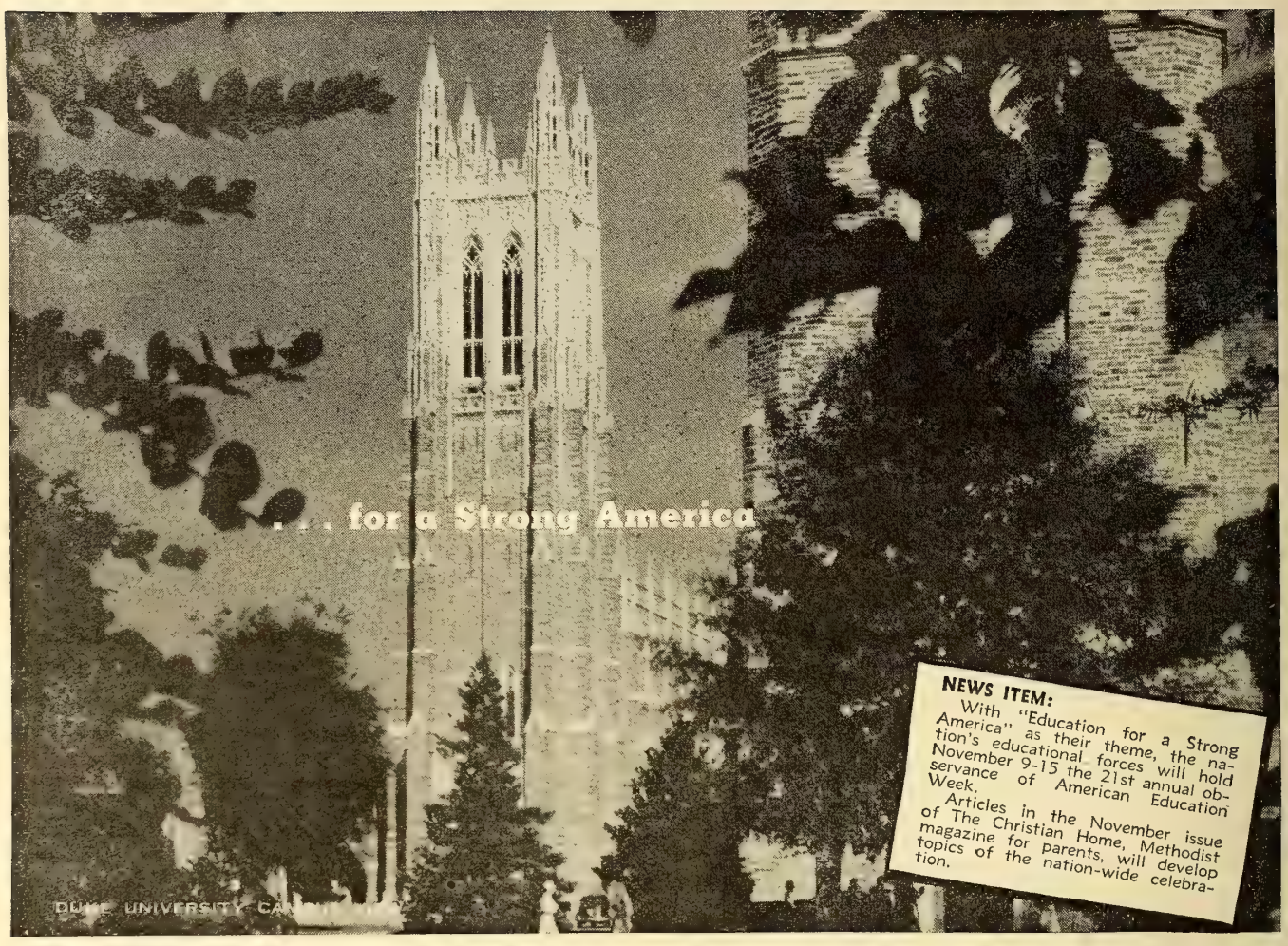
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MYSTICAL RUSSIA

NO one can understand to any degree the enigma that is Russia unless he has previously gained some insight into the dominating traits in the temperament and character of its people. Here we have a strange mixture of the Oriental and the Occidental. Russians are fatalistic, fanatical, mystical. They are deeply religious, and many of them have brilliant minds. Even the illiterate peasants sometimes surprise an observer with their flashes of intuitive insight. Russian religion, which is formal and highly liturgical, has throughout the years been filled with superstition. The Greek Orthodox Church in the days of the czars was in fact an arm of the government and was forced to support a heavy load of leadership expense; for the list of archbishops, bishops, and other members of the clergy was a long one, and many of them lived lives of luxury. The cathedrals and churches, with their costly ornamentations, likewise bore evidences of enforced self-sacrifice.

Russia has come prominently into the news in recent months because of the Nazi assault upon the country and of the new and somewhat strange alliance of Russia with Great Britain and the United States. Within the last few weeks, the Russian religious question has been emphatically brought to the fore through press interviews released by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. On October 3, the President revealed that the government of the United States had already raised the question of freedom of religion in Russia in discussing the problems of supplying military equipment for the Soviet's war with Germany. He did not state that American assistance depended upon guarantees by Russia of religious freedom, but some Washington leaders are reported as speculating upon that possibility. To quote directly, a White House statement on the subject said:

> Since the Soviet constitution declares that freedom of religion is granted, it is hoped that in the light of the report of the Polish Ambassador (that a church for Polish Catholics and a synagogue for Polish Jews were being opened in Moscow) an entering wedge for the practice of complete freedom of religion is definitely on the way.

Father Edmund A. Walsh of the Society of Jesus, who is vice president of Georgetown University, and who represented the Vatican nearly twenty years ago in negotiations with Soviet officials on the subject of religious freedom, urged the President to take a direct hand in influencing Russia to grant full religious freedom. It is understood that the President has been negotiating with the Pope in an effort to secure his co-operation to that end.

—Zions Herald.

CHINA'S CHRISTIANS CARRY ON

By Miner Searle Bates, University of Nanking

The migration into free territory of a large percentage of educated and enterprising persons, including important laymen of the churches, brings peculiar problems. In the free territory there is the task of linking these displaced and impermanent, but valuable church members to local groups and to responsibilities worthy of their qualities. In many instances, relations with local churches and with local communities are made awkward by differences in dialect, custom and general level of education. Within the occupied areas, the loss of Christian leadership is serious, particularly in educational and medical lines. The burden upon those who now serve there including missionaries, is abnormally heavy; and many phases of Christian effort are on a lower level than before the war.

But within such difficulties lie remarkable needs and opportunities. Many churches of the free territory have been stimulated into new activity by the migration of Christian workers and leaders. The crises of national and individual life have brought a new seriousness throughout China, a facing of fundamentals which brings many to seek spiritual truth. Students are unusually earnest and accessible. In extensive regions of the occupied territory, a great new membership has developed within the war period. The 16 regular churches of Nanking lost three-fourths of their membership by the war; today they have attained practically the old level of membership, which means that only thirty per cent of the present members have as much as three years' standing in the churches. The problems of instruction and nurture are tremendous. One of the finest contributions of the National Christian Council has been the provision of course materials and other expert aid for enterprises in the training of lay workers. Many denominational and interdenominational groupings have made excellent progress on these lines.

Christian hospitals were never more significant demonstrations of the Gospel, when public and private medical aid is at a low ebb and disease thrives amid malnutrition.

Although severely hampered by shortages and costs of paper, still more by acute difficulties of transportation, the agencies supplying the Scriptures and Christian literature are working at their maximum, frequently months behind their orders. Individual Christians in government circles at Chungking have provided thousands of dollars worth of Testaments for wounded soldiers and for students.

Through all the acute problems of the war-torn people runs the need for faith, for a conviction that life has deep meaning and values before God, even when the community and one's individual opportunities have been shattered by bombs and by military rule. Especially appealing are the hearts of promising young people, who see no normal openings before them in education and employment, and who might readily feel that justice, truth and love have no place in settling the bigger issues of the society in which their lives are now cast.

We are stewards of the world fellowship of the Christian Church. We must keep our own hearts and minds true to that fellowship, peculiarly conscious in a Christian sense of the close bearing of Chinese conditions upon the lives and spirits of the Japanese Christians, indeed of all Japanese. We need actively to pray for and to seek a peace that is genuinely remedial, making possible a free, honorable, productive relationship between the Japanese and the Chinese peoples; not a "peace" that is an incitement to revenge or a legal cover for exploitation. There is an appalling chasm between the idealism of Japanese Christians and the stark realities in China. If we can do something to narrow that chasm, we shall have done service for the kingdom of God.

PROPOSAL FOR SOUTHWESTERN ADVOCATE

In response to the call of Bishops Frank Smith and Ivan Lee Holt the district superintendents representing the five Texas annual conferences and New Mexico met with the Board of Publication of the Advocate Thursday, October 2, at Fondren Library of Southern Methodist University. Bishops Holt, Smith and Selecman with practically all forty-nine district superintendents were present.

At the request of the Board of Publication, Dr. W. Angie Smith made the report and offered the proposals for the continuation of the Advocate on a sound financial basis. Full and complete discussion was permitted from all those present. After nearly two hours of debate and discussion the vote was taken on the following propositions as recommendations to the annual conferences for their approval or disapproval:

First, that the Southwestern Advocate be continued. Second, that the five Texas conferences and the New Mexico conferences subsidize the Advocate to the amount of $2500 per year. This amount to be divided on the decimal basis to the six conferences and each be permitted to secure the money in the way they deem most desirable. Third, that the editor-business manager be required to secure at least $2000 of his annual salary from advertisements.

The vote was taken by annual conferences. Only four votes out of the total number were cast in opposition to these recommendations; one from North Texas, two from Southwest Texas and one from the Texas conference. These four were not criticised by their votes, but added a very fine spirit to the gathering by announcing their willingness to accept the overwhelming vote of the majority and their intention to support the Advocate in the future as they have all so splendidly done in the past.

It was also unanimously voted that each district superintendent would immediately secure a minimum of fifty new subscribers or renewals during October and November at the regular price of $1.50 per year. The Board of Publication appointed a commiittee to be considering the many names suggested for this important position but no action will be taken and no election held until after the six conferences have met and voted upon these recommendations from the bishops the overwhelming majority of district superintendents and the unanimous action of the Board of Publication.

CHECK-UP MEETING, WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A check-up meeting of the Wilmington district was held at Trinity church, Wilmington, on October 16. All the pastors of the district were present except one and several lay leaders.

After devotional services conducted by Rev. C. T. Thrift, Rev. A. S. Parker, D. S., received reports from the pastors and layleaders. Five of the charges reported everything paid in full for the year. These were: Fairmont, Faison-Kenansville, Lumberton, Warsaw and Whiteville. District Superintendent A. S. Parker had planned a program which was carried out in fine shape.

Bishop Purcell was present and addressed the meeting concerning the work of the church during the days before the annual conference. Altogether we are looking forward to the best year the district has ever had in every way.

C. N. Phillips.

TREASURER COLE EXPLAINS

In my mind the proposed scale by Brother Ader, as published last week, applied only to ministerial support. This is a rigid assessment, therefore the graduated scale. There is no need for it in benevolent apportionments, as these are subject to acceptance. The report has my approval, except the final statement in brackets. E. O. Cole.

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The thirteen young men admitted on trial into the Western North Carolina Conference this week gives every assurance of ministers who will carry on as the older men retire. They come to catch step with a noble band of young men who are able to advance against the forces of evil in every town and country place.

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Two or three decades ago during a conference session the one theme uppermost at every turn was the coming assignments of the preachers. Many rumors were afloat and lively speculations heard as to the coming appointments. But at present most of these speculations have passed into the silences. Most of the preachers and laymen rest content.

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The hour has struck for a campaign against liquor in North Carolina. The beer advertisers over the radio are more and more defiant of the feelings of temperance folks who try to inculcate temperance in the homes. They are also invading the women's journals of the land. Whiskey ads appear in many papers of the ABC counties so as to increase the sales though it is claimed by them the effect is "control." The declarations made this week by the Methodist conference and last week by the W. C. T. U. women are highly significant.

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Some of the counties in eastern North Carolina have been voting on the ABC store system. Warren county voted last month to retain the ABC store system, Franklin returned to prohibition, Bertie voted to extend the system throughout the county and Johnston county closed its stores last year. Let it be noted that all these counties that voted to retain liquor carried by greatly reduced majorities and the towns in which liquor is sold gave the majorities that saved the day for legal sale of alcohol. It is clearly evident that a state-wide campaign against liquor would win the day. Give the people a chance.

The appearance of Bishop J. K. Pfohl at the opening of conference to speak of the place of Methodism in Moravian annals, the coming of Governor Clyde R. Hoey to talk of temperance and the liquor evil, and the address on Christian colleges by Dr. J. H. Cunningham, president of Davidson College, were sufficient to render notable the session of the W. N. C. Conference at its session in Winston-Salem. The honored trio greatly pleased the crowds.

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The latest advertisement of the United Brewers' Industrial Foundation—an advertisement which, for contemptuous slander upon millions of American wives and mothers, in its suave deception and misrepresentation, goes beyond any liquor trade propaganda since repeal of the 18th Amendment. It is so nauseating and insolent that its appearance in one of the outstanding women's magazines, the Woman's Home, Companion for October 1941, seems almost incredible. More than 12,000,000 paid copies of this full page advertisement have been published during the past 30 days in five magazines of national circulation, viz: Woman's Home Companion, Collier's Weekly, Liberty, Life and the United States News. Since advertisers reckon that an average of five persons read each copy of every magazine of this type, a total coverage of these five repetitions of the Brewers' Foundation advertisement is estimated at 60,326,900. Thoughtful American women are already protesting on their own account. But it seems to us that the men of America who realize the menace of the liquor trade, should themselves swell this protest, voicing—nation-wide—their indignation that publishers of such accredited national magazines would permit this insult to womanhood—and thereby to American homes—to appear, for a price, in their columns. An avalanche of protest accompanied preferably by a copy of the advertisement from any of the above noted publications, should be forwarded to the publishers without delay.

Not Enough

IN motoring throughout the length and breadth of the Old North State, along with the grandeur of mountain forests, the productiveness of fertile acres, the quiet beauty of rivulets and larger streams as well as the sublimity of the booming surf, nothing brings so complete satisfaction as the sight of substantial school buildings with attractive grounds, situated in the towns and villages and in every rural community. These give hope for the future. Every true American cherishes a continuation of the good wrought out of the past and better things for children of the morrow.

The hunger for learning and the desire to give children a chance brought many an immigrant to these shores and these have utilized the freedom of opportunity to become valued citizens of our democracy.

The laws of the nation provide commodious school buildings, well equipped to give the American child the advantages of literary, industrial and scientific training as well as the advantages of medical science to make his body physically fit to be the servant of his trained intelligence.

America is looking to youth as never before. America is depending on her young men to perfect a program of preparedness that will give this government influence and power in establishing a world order.

To make children capable of carrying on to the "saving of America" adults have bent to the task of schooling the coming generations; they have accepted taxes sufficient to erect suitable buildings, to pay good teachers and to supply free text books; also they have provided training in the fine arts, in music, in the industrial arts and in agriculture.

But is this enough? Will these things make men and women sufficient to carry on the ideals set by our forefathers who established this country as a separate and independent government among the nations of the world?

The early settlers and the pioneers who pushed our western frontiers to the Pacific ocean were men of faith; they acknowledged God as ruler of the universe; they read the Bible and taught that man has a responsibility to God and to his fellowman. In colonial history there was a law, with a penalty of so many pounds of tobacco, requiring a man to have his children baptized.

Thus it was that child character was recognized as of the first importance.

It is not enough that a country provides for the training of the intellect and the development of the physical well being.

Public sentiment and the laws of the country demand that childhood and youth have the opportunities for the highest development of the body and the mind, but the character of future citizens is made largely in the home, for it is the home that gives direction to the personality. It is not so much physical prowess and a trained intellect that counts but the direction in which it is moving.

The state has a mass guardianship over its children; the home has a personal interest in the individual child.

No matter how magnificent the guardianship of the state may be, that is not enough. Every child, by divine right, is entitled to two parents and these two function in the child's life long before the state takes hold.

These two are the first to acquaint the child with the world in which he lives; from father and mother he learns what to love and what to hate; from them he can learn what love is, and that this is his Father's world.

In this period of our nation's history the state has done much for the child, but what the state can do is not enough.

The home is the place to learn the Bible and to lay the foundation for Christian character.

William Lyon Phelps says in his book on "Human Nature in the Bible": "Every one who has a thorough knowledge of the Bible may truly be called educated; and no other learning or culture, no matter how extensive or elegant, can, among Europeans and Americans, form a propert substitute. Western civilization is founded upon the Bible."

A Modern Rip Van Winkle

WASHINGTON IRVING'S Rip Van Winkle, who slept 20 years in the Catskills, has through the generations been regarded as a legendary character and a product of Washington Irving's imagination. But this myth is about to be exploded. He may have been a real character and maybe a great-great-grandson of the original Rip, now a citizen of Stone Mountain in the heart of the Catskills. The Associated Press is authority for the following: "Howard E. Van Winkle, 52, lives on Stone Ridge in the heart of the legendary Catskills. (Sure they call him Rip). Van Winkle's ancestors lived for many, many generations in that area fictioned by Washington Irving. (Yes, the

old settlers say his great-great-grandfather was the original Rip who took the 20-year nap). Last night Van Winkle, an apple grower, attended the Hudson valley apple harvesting committee. Price stabilizing problems were discussed; then Theodore Oxhlom, chairman, called for Rip's opinion. But there was no answer. (You guessed it—Rip was sound asleep.)"

Give Them a Chance

THE children of every congregation have a right to grow up "rooted and grounded in love" and in the faith of our fathers as well as the activities of the church.

To give the children such an opportunity there is required a Christian home, and church leaders who are willing to make a sacrifice that the young may learn to obey God and to have a concern for other children of their own country and other lands. Here lies the hope of the church. From such a group will come men and women dedicated to the task of making the world Christian, for Christian leaders, as a whole, do not develop from mature men and women whose daily lives and habits have not conformed to the teachings of the Bible.

Paul recalled the faith of Timothy which dwelt first in his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice. So it is in later days, those men who have led a great advance for civilization have been men trained in early youth to acknowledge God and his goodness to the children of men. Men and women of great spiritual attainments have usually received early impressions of God and a sense of personal responsibility. Possibly this is what prompted a thoughtful woman to remark: "This generation needs grandmothers—real grandmothers of the kind that sit in their rooms and read the Bible and pray."

Some years ago there was published a list of Bible passages that John Ruskin considered most vital to the knowledge of children from six years to young manhood and womanhood. These passages were those which his own mother required him to commit to memory. In commenting on this list Ruskin says: "Though I have picked up the elements of a little further knowledge in mathematics, meteorology and the like, this maternal instillation of my mind in that property of chapters I count very confidently the most precious and on the whole the one essential part of my education."

The children of each local congregation should have a chance in the home and in the church school to become spiritual leaders that will save our nation from the paganism that infests the continent of Europe.

The Church and the Men in the Camps

NO greater opportunity for reaching the youth of the nation could come to the church than that which is offered today in the military training camps. Here there are about a million young men many of whom, fifteen or twenty years hence, will be leaders in communities all over the nation. Some of them have grown up in the church; they need to be held by the church in this abnormal period. Others have never had any contact with the church; they may now hear the Christian message for the first time. What we now do or fail to do for these young men in the camps may be a major factor in determining the future influence and power of the church. According to reports which come from chaplains in the camps, large numbers of the men are surprisingly open-minded and receptive. They are confused by the chaos around them, puzzled as to whether there is any basic meaning either in their own lives or in human existence as a whole. They would really like to know; they wonder if anybody has the answer. They are neither hard-boiled cynics nor idealistic young Galahads. They are in a mood of uncertainty, ready to turn in any direction in which they can see clear light.

In this situation there is an almost unparalleled opportunity for the Christian spokesman who, out of his own experience of finding God through Christ, can speak simply and sincerely about the deep things of the spirit.—Federal Council Bulletin.

Methodist Youth Against War

WITH the many politicians eager for America to get into war and the many men who will not be drafted to back up those politicians one would conclude the nation is for war. But not so the youth of America.

"While our nation hovers threateningly on the brink of war, the national conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, inspired by the ideals of the Prince of Peace, calls upon all Methodist youth to rally to keep the United States out of war," is the first sentence of the "call" which has been sent to officers of young people's organizations in the 43,000 Methodist churches in the country through the officers of conference and student youth groups.

Western North Carolina Conference

Being Held at Centenary Church, Winston-Salem

THE third sessian of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church met at 7:30 Monday evening, October 20, 1941, in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, Bishop Clare Purcell presiding. The bishop asked Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor of Grace church, Greensboro, to conduct the opening devotions. Dr. Carroll announced hymn number 402 which the great congregation joined in singing, being led by Grady Miller, choir leader of Centenary church. Mr. Carroll led the prayer, after which Rev. Wilson O. Weldon read the scriptures. Among his selections was the 115th Psalm which the Moravians sang in the great storm when these Moravians and John Wesley were bound on that stormy four months' winter voyage to America.

The presiding bishop then asked the secretary of the last conference to call the roll. Former secretary E. H. Nease moved that the roll cards in hand be accepted as the roll of the conference. It was so ordered. The number of clerical members numbered 270 and there was reported a goodly number of lay members present.

Bishop Purcell called for the nomination of a secretary. Dr. W. L. Sherrill of Charlotte and secretary emeritus of the conference nominated E. H. Nease, who was elected.

The presiding bishop announced that the business of this evening's session consisted of the historical address to be delivered by Bishop J. K. Pfohl of Winston-Salem, and he asked Rev. J. E. Carroll, president of the historical society, to preside. After a collection to take care of expenses, which showed that this society runs true to Methodist history and tradition, the president presented the speaker of the evening. A great audience that filled the entire lower floor of the big church heard Bishop Pfhol, whose subject was "John Wesley in Moravian Annals."

The speaker began: "We are an ancient church, we Moravians. A pre-Reformation church and one of the first to protest against and separate from the Church of Rome far back in the fifteenth century. Your beginning was in the post-Reformation period, when the great revival fires had been lighted by the Wesleys and Whitefields and other leaders of revival that were bringing new life to old England. We were almost 300 years on our way when your societies gave the name 'Methodists' to the world." For an hour Bishop Pfohl read such ringing sentences that recounted ecclesiastical and spiritual history while the great audience listened with breathless attention. It was a superb and telling address and will appear in this Advocate as well as go to record in the files of the society which are preserved in the historic vaults of Duke University.

Officers for next year were elected as follows: Paul N. Garber, president, J. E. Pritchard, vice president, W. G. McFarland, secretary-treasurer.

The society adjourned with prayer by Bishop Pfohl.

Tuesday, Second Day of Conference

Promptly at 9 o'clock Bishop Purcell and the eleven district superintendents in morning dress filed in stately procession into the chancel of the church for the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper which marked the beginning of the day's duties. These district superintendents were as follows: C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem; W. L. Hutchins, Waynesville; L. B. Hayes, Greensboro; J. C. Cornett, Marion; J. S. Hiatt, Statesville; S. W. Taylor, High Point; A. C. Gibbs, Elkin; M. T. Smathers, Asheville; C. N. Clark, Salisbury; E. M. Jones, Gastonia; G. T. Bond, Charlotte.

The bishop announced as the opening hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," which was sung as Methodist preachers are accustomed to sing, then followed an impressive rendering of the ritual of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and a very large congregation partook of the emblem of the broken body and the shed blood of our Lord which required almost an hour.

Followed by a brief intermission the business of the conference was transacted with dispatch.

Dr. W. A. Stanbury, the pastor of the church and host of the conference, at the request of Bishop Purcell, named the hours of meeting and adjournment and the bar of the conference. The conference meets at 9 a. m. and adjourns at 12:30.

Dr. M. T. Smathers, secretary of the cabinet, announced changes in board memberships and the new members of the committees.

Dr. Stanbury then presented Hon. R. J. Reynolds, the mayor of Winston-Salem, to deliver the address of welcome for the city. Mr. Reynolds performed his task in admirabie fashion. It was in good taste and showed that he is a man who knows how to be cordial and agreeable, simple and sincere. The Twin-City can trust its young mayor and all occasions to say the right words and in a manner that will win his auditors.

Rev. D. A. Oakley and R. A. Hunter were granted sabbatical leave by the conference.

In response to the question "Who are admitted on trial? the following young men were received into the conference: Robert Henry Stamey, Marion Wilson Nesbit, Furman Alexander Wright, Walter Douglas Corriher, Arthur Mitchell Faulkner, Gilbert Shearly Miller, Samuel Burrus Moss, George Maurice Carver, Irvin Roscoe Miller, Ralph Harmon Nicholson, William Franklin Hefner, James Pinkney Hornbuckle, and Walter Rowe Thompson.

The class of first year passed examinations and was advanced to the second year. They were as follows: William Ed Andrews, Wade Robert Bustle, Joseph Temple Shackford, Waynesville district; Sherrill Bost Biggers, Lee Roy Spencer, Salisbury district; Raymond Odell Brown, High Point district; John Frank Cagle, Greensboro district; Simeon Byron Nifong, Charles Denny White, Winston-Salem district.

Elected to deacons orders, who will be brought up for full membership tomorrow, were: F. W. D. Bangle, G. W. Bumgarner, A. J. Clemmer, Jr., J. R. Hamilton, C. L. Heckard, G. A. Hovis, J. A. Lindsay, R. V. Martin, R. W. McCully, McM. S. Richey, C. B. Ross, G. M. Schreyer and H. H. Wood.

Marion Wilson Nesbitt of the Gastonia district was elected as a local preacher to deacons orders.

Rev. R. P. Gibbs of Mount Pleasant introduced a resolution authorizing the organizing of a commission for town and country work in the interest of rural churches. The resolution was unanimously accepted.

Rev. John W. Hoyle, Jr., of Lexington, Rev. S. M. Needham of Charlotte, and Rev. O. L. Brown of High Point were named to the committee on the journal.

A. W. Plyler read the report of the Methodist Board of Publication, Inc., and Dr. W. K. Greene, the new president of the board, spoke to the report.

The memorial service in honor of deceased preachers was the order of the day for 11:30 o'clock. Twelve clerical members of the conference have died during the year.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth of Asheville, in making the address at the memorial service, praised the sacrifices of Methodist ministers from the old circuit riders to those today.

In a memorial service such as that today, according to Dr. Lambeth, "we seem to be more thoroughly unified and integrated." "Life no matter how hard is surely and always worth living," he said.

He urged emphasis on the old-time Methodist fervor and determination and the carrying on the work of the deceased ministers and ministers' wives. "God buries his workmen," he said, "but continues his work."

Those honored at the memorial service were: Rev. G. G. Adams, an active pastor at the time of his death, had served 19 years, honored by Rev. H. P. Powell of Charlotte; Rev. J. R. Anderson, active 39 years, honored by Dr. J. E. Pritchard of Ramseur; Rev. W. C. Dutton, active 10 years, honored by Rev. G. C. Graham of Lewisville; Rev. F. F. Frisbie, active 20 years, honored by Rev. C. C. Benton of Charlotte; Rev. J. H. Brendall, retired, 46 years, honored by Rev. G. A. Stamper of Greensboro.

Rev. Parker Holmes, retired, 45 years, honored by Rev. W. L. Sherrill of Charlotte; Rev. T. F. Marr, retired, 45 years, honored by Rev. E. P. Billups of Brevard; Rev. T. F. McCulloch, retired, 45 years, honored by Rev. R. C. Stubbins of Greensboro; Rev. N. M. Modlin, retired, 20 years, honored by Dr. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem; Rev. W. A. Patton, retired, 31 years, honored by Rev. G. W. Bumgarner of Canton; Rev. J. L. Reynolds, active, 19 years, honored by Rev. H. E. Bolick of Candler, and Rev. J. C. Umberger, retired, 16 years, honored by Rev. G. F. Houck of Statesville.

Wives of the ministers of the conference who died during the year were also honored. They were: Mrs. S. S. Higgins, Mrs. J. W. Hulin, Mrs. H. G. Stamey, Mrs. M. H. Vestal, and Mrs. J. D. Williams.

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey Heard by a Great Audience

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon former Governor Hoey delivered an address on temperance to an assembly that packed the big church, and those who heard him were delighted with his address.

"I still believe that it is possible for laws restricting or prohibiting the sale of liquor to be helpful in establishing and maintaining conditions favorable to the cause of temperance. But I still think we make a mistake to neglect the more powerful and effective method of appealing to common sense, the heart and conscience of men and women in an effort to convince them of the devastating effects of alcoholic liquors upon them in their material as well as spiritual relationships in life.

"I believe the church should emphasize definitely the destructive effects of liquor drinking, social and otherwise, upon those who engage in this practice.

"Liquor advertisements are most alluring and deceptive. They portray men and women fashionably dressed, living in elegance and luxury, happy and contented. That picture is not true to life. To paint the real picture you would see that comfortable home lost, poverty taking the place of prosperity.

"Liquor stores in the 26 counties where the sale is legalized sold $5,518,200.21 worth for the year ending June 30, 1941. That was more than all the Methodists and Baptists of the state's 100 counties contributed for the support of all their churches, for all missionaries and benevolent causes, for orphanages and organized charities.

"There is no record of liquor sales in the 74 counties where the law prohibits the sale, but the bootleggers operate extensively in these counties, and also in the legalized territory."

(To be continued next week)

PORTRAIT OF A METHODIST

By John Wesley

"A Methodist is one who has the love of God shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Ghost given unto him. One who loves the Lord his God with all his heart and soul and mind and strength. He rejoices evermore, prays without ceasing, and in everything gives thanks. His heart is full of love to all mankind and is purified from envy, wrath, malice, and every unkind affection. His one desire and the one design of his life is not to do his own will but the will of Him that sent him. He keeps all God's commandments from the least to the greatest. He follows not the customs of the world, for vice does not lose its nature through becoming fashionable. He fares not sumptuously every day. He cannot lay up treasures upon earth, nor can he adorn himself with gold and costly apparel. He cannot join in any diversion that has the least tendency to vice. He cannot speak evil of his neighbor any more than he can lie. He cannot utter unkind or evil words. He does good unto all men, unto neighbors, strangers, friends and enemies. These are the principles and practices of our sect. These are the marks of a true Methodist. By these alone do Methodists desire to be distinguished from all other men."

LIFE'S STEWARDSHIP

If I have strength, I owe the service to the strong;
If melody I have, I owe the world a song.
If I can stand when all around my post are falling;
If I can run with speed when needy hearts are calling,
And if my torch can light the dark of any night,
Then, I must pay the debt I owe with living light.

If heaven's grace has dowered me with some rare gift;
If I can lift some load no other's strength can lift;
If I can heal some wound no other hand can heal;
If some great truth the speaking skies to me reveal,
Then, I must go, a broken and a wounded thing,
If to a wounded world my gifts no healing bring.

For any gift God gives to me I cannot pay;
Gifts are most mine when I most give them all away.
God's gifts are like his flowers which show their right to stay
By giving all of their bloom and fragrance away;
Riches are not in gold or land, estates or marts,
The only wealth worth having is found in human hearts.

—Author Unknown.

DEMOCRACY IS ESSENTIALLY PROTESTANT

By Charles O. Ransford

America is just now most seriously engaged in an intense discussion concerning freedom of speech and freedom of the right to worship.

A wide range of subjects has been discussed as the underlying evils of the totalitarian governments. The main cause of the oppressive rule of the dictators and the acquiescence of the people is that in Europe with the exception of a few of the smaller nations the people have been dominated by state or national churches. There is no democracy in such churches. There is no expression of the free spirit of the individual worshipper.

Preachers and teachers either supported or supervised by the state are for the most part subservient. Immediately following the fall of the state in Russia the churches were disestablished. Mussolini in Italy made no considerable advance until he had come to terms with the Vatican. He would, had he dared, have subordinated the people in their churches to his will.

Hitler when the Jewish owned newspapers protested his rule ordered the destruction of all Hebrews. Newspapers were suppressed, university and professional men were threatened or forced into exile.

No priest, preacher or rabbi dared to speak against his authority. Today several hundred preachers of the State Lutheran Church and priests of the Roman Catholic Church are in concentration camps. The same rule followed in Poland, and four hundred priests were removed from their parishes. There is no freedom of worship anywhere in Germany. Throughout all the subjugated countries Protestant preachers or missionaries have been threatened or forced into exile. Every religious meeting is attended by German soldiers in uniform and members of the Gestapo as a warning against freedom of speech.

The United States was begotten as a democratic nation because underlying the proposed governmental system was a recognition not only of rights and privileges, but of a common neighborly interest. Heterogenous masses have been assimilated because respect for man in the mass as brothers in a common fatherhood characterized the founding fathers. Democracy is begotten and maintained in a common faith of man in man and the governmental institutions that are of their own devising.

Democracy arose as a protest against a monarchical form of government, so the Protestant faith arose as a protest against a hierarchical church. On the continent, in England and in the United States the rise of the Protestant church was simultaneous with the rise of democracy among the people. The great Protestant Reformation, the English Magna Charta and the American Declaration of Independence are manifestations of this moving spirit among all liberty loving and free thinking people.

The Protestant faith and the spirit of democracy have been perpetuated in the United States by the open and thought provoking preaching of free men in the pulpits and the public schools and colleges, where from childhood to young manhood our youth have been taught their most precious heritage has been the freedom to think and to speak.

The United States is democratic, not from governmental decree or genius, but by the inherent democracy bred in the hearts and minds of the people. That is why freedom of speech and worship and the inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are written in the national constitution.

Before America will ever have a totalitarian government or a national church controlled by government the spirits of the people would have to be crushed and the Declaration of Independence and the National Constitution destroyed.

CENTENARY CHURCH DEDICATED LAST SUNDAY

Bishop Clare Purcell last Sunday at 11 o'clock dedicated the $1,250,000 Centenary Methodist church building.

Five former pastors either of Centenary or of West End church, which were consolidated to form the new Centenary, had a part in the services.

Bishop Purcell's text was from the words of Solomon, "I will build a house," and of Jesus, "I will build my church."

Rev. L. B. Hayes, former pastor of West End church, conducted the responsive reading, and Dr. C. C. Weaver, superintendent of the Winston-Salem district and first pastor of Centenary after the new building was erected, led the pastoral prayer.

Scripture was read by Rev. E. L. Bain, a former pastor of old Centenary church, prayer of presentation was offered by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, former pastor of West End church, and benediction was pronounced by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College and a former pastor of the old Centenary church.

E. P. Davis, a member of the church's board of trustees, presented the building in behalf of the church, and Bishop Purcell presented to Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor, the parchment signifying the dedication.

The choir presented the 'Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah," and "Blessed Are They That Dwell in Thy House," by Dickinson.

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, former pastor of old Centenary church, and now professor of Christian doctrine at Duke University, preached the evening sermon, discussing the "Sufficiency of Jesus as Saviour."

THE WOMEN MAKE PLEA FOR "DRY PLANK"

The 59th annual convention of the North Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union in session at the First Methodist church, Elizabeth City, on October 15-17, unanimously adopted a recommendation made by Mrs. Stanley Wohl of Greensboro, state director of citizenship and legislation to petition Governor Broughton to use his influence in having a dry plank written into the state Democratic platform and went on record as vigorously opposing the "untruthful and deceptive advertisements of beer in magazines," with particular reference to that published in the October issue of the Woman's Home Companion. Protests will be made to the proper authorities concerning the latter matter.

The principal speakers at the convention were Rev. Ernest J. Arnold of Durham, executive secretary of the N. C. Council of Churches; Chaplain C. E. Hill of Fort Bragg; Dr. C. B. Williams, pastor Shiloh Baptist church, and Lawrence Bray, Fairmont, president of the Southeast District Youth Temperance Council and a delegate to the national W. C. T. U. convention held in Grand Rapids, Mich., recently.

Mrs. L. E. Brown, Warsaw, was elected president, succeeding Mrs. T. H. Plemmons, Charlotte. Other officers elected were: Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City, vice president, succeeding Mrs. Brown; Mrs. G. W. Pressly, Charlotte, corresponding secretary; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, recording secretary, succeeding Mrs. Ina F. Nesbitt, Durham; Miss Vara Herring, Raleigh, treasurer; and Mrs. W. L. Nicholson, Charlotte, editor White Ribbon.

Mary Gardner.

People and Things

N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Bishop and Mrs. John M. Moore have returned to Dallas from their extended vacation in Virginia. Bishop Moore continues to improve and shows very little evidence of his recent serious illness.

Dr. Umphrey Lee was the speaker on Tuesday evening, October 7, at a banquet at Highland Park church, Dallas, which inaugurated a new policy for the Dallas Pastors' Association. Instead of monthly luncheons at the Y. M. C. A., dinners will be held in different churches over the city.

Rev. A. A. Kyles, pastor of Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, sends this week seven new subscribers and adds that he expects next year to do more for the Advocate than he has been doing. That will be a great record, for he has all the while been a successful worker for his church paper.

The interest in Christian education displayed by the Board of Education this week at Winston-Salem indicates a deeper interest in the promotion of our Christian colleges. The recent fire at Greensboro College and the new interest in Davenport contributed to this discussion as to the best way to proceed this coming year.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Burlington circuit gave a very strong vote for the return of the pastor for another year. The union of New Salem and Fairview was confirmed by the quarterly conference. Some of the officials of the circuit are thinking in terms of a new and modern parsonage for the Burlington circuit.

Through our hospital ministry committee at Duke we offer our services for hospital visitation and the like to anyone who desires it and informs us of the fact. There are a great many people within reach of the Advocate who at various times are either here in the hospital themselves or have friends here. All interested will please contact William B. A. Culp, Box 4472, Duke Station, Durham, N. C. The committee feels that through such a practice they serve our friends and they also serve God.

Thirty-two persons joined the Methodist church at Hazelwood Sunday on profession of faith and four by letter at the concluding services of a revival series conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. Odell Brown. Mr. Brown said the entire budget of the church has been paid in full and that the deed to the church property was recorded in the county courthouse at Waynesville last Friday. The church was organized a little more than a year ago and now has 90 members. Last Sunday 76 were present for Sunday school and both the senior and junior league meetings were well attended.

First church in China Grove is out of debt. All obligations on the cost of the parsonage have been paid and now there is no debt on any of the church property. The membership has liberally responded to the church improvement program, including a new organ and chimes. During the three-year pastorate of Rev. Wilson O. Weldon the total amount of money raised has been doubled, and significant increases in minister's salary, World Service, Children's Home, and rally day have been made; 42 new members received this year, now making the membership the largest in the town. The Woman's Society of Christian Service has more than doubled its membership during the year. Fred A. Sides is the lay delegate to annual conference.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Am on extended active duty as chaplain in the United States Army at Kelly Field, Texas. I expect to be here about thirty days. I will go from this post to Lake Charles, La. I would still like to read the North Carolina Advocate. So if you will send the Advocate will be glad to pay all charges. I want to express my appreciation to my friends for the many kindnesses that have been shown me. The church has made all things possible for me and I am truly grateful.—Chaplain A. A. Lyerly.

A book-length poem, entitled "Genesis: An Epic of Eternal Beginnings," by a retired Methodist minister, Dr. Arthur Madison Shaw of Oakdale, Louisiana, has been accepted by Harbinger House, New York City; and, according to their announcement, will be a part of "The Testimony of Faith: An Anthology of Religious Poetry," which they will publish in substantial and attractive book form and have ready for distribution soon. A gifted poet, living and writing in the Calcasieu River basin, Dr. Shaw is called Poet of the Calcasieu.—Mrs. J. M. Jones.

Alcohol caused one-fifth of the motor fatalities in the United States in 1940, or 6900, with an economic cost estimated at $310,500,000, according to the National Safety Council. "It is probable that at least half the daily cost of operating our county and local jails could properly be charged off to those arrested for drunkenness," says Dr. Austin H. MacCormick. Census figures on first admissions to hospitals for the insane show that about one-tenth are directly due to alcohol, at a cost to the people of caring for liquor-induced insanity of about 12 millions.

Faison-Kenansville charge observed the fourth quarterly conference on October 15 as "victory conference" This is the seventh successive year in which every church on the charge has paid all of its financial claims by the victory conference. The conference met this year in the beautiful Kenansville church. The district superintendent, Rev. A. S. Parker, preached a stirring sermon and conducted the business session of the conference. Reports from the pastor and the officials of the various churches described the accomplishments for the year. In the spirit of victory the conference voted to raise the salary of the pastor for next year by more than $100. Kenansville and Wesley churches, joint hosts to the victory conference, entertained those present at a bountiful picnic dinner. The victory conference was one of the high spots of the year for this charge.—J. W. Lineberger.

A short business meeting of the ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district was held during the check-up meeting at Hertford on October 16. Fourteen "wives" were present and one parsonage daughter, Mrs. Clarence Morsey. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and the treasurer's report given. The president asked the wives to report to her any parsonage news or improvements so she could complete her report for the meeting in Durham during the annual conference. Resolutions of appreciation to Mrs. B. B. Slaughter were read and a copy presented to her. Mrs. Slaughter expressed her gratitude for the loyalty and co-operation of the wives of the district. During the check-up meeting a life membership certificate in the Woman's Society of Christian Service was presented to Martha Rose Gardner, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Matt R. Gardner, by the ministers' wives of the district. The presentation was made by Mrs. B. B. Slaughter in a most impressive manner. In May, 1938, the association voted unanimously to make all new parsonage babies a gift of a baby life membership certificate. We have not had this privilege until this year. This is the second certificate presented and we have one more to present.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

"The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

By OLIN ADER

Preaching Holiness

"Follow holiness." This the highway that leads to the kingdom heaven; no other way. The kingdom of God is holy, and "without holiness no man shall see the Lord."

All believers are called saints, and "called to be saints," in holy writ. God gives his church prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers, "for the perfecting of the saints"—not perfect, but to be perfected. Every preacher who preaches the holy gospel preaches the gospel of holiness, though he may not use the word often. If he preaches the law, he preaches holiness; for the law is holy. If he preaches God and heaven, he preaches holiness; for God is holy. If he preaches Christ, he preaches holiness: to follow Christ is to "follow holiness." If he preaches the kingdom of heaven, he preaches holiness as Christ preached it from his first text to his last word before he ascended to heaven (Acts 1:3).

A pastor evangelist, preaching in a revival, pressed home to the hearts of all the gospel of genuine repentance, of full surrender to Christ, of complete consecration to God, and of sincere loyalty to his cause and to his person, leaving not an inch for sin in the life; and I said to him, "Brother Vick, you preach the best holiness I ever heard, though you rarely ever use the word."

Rev. J. Ed. Thompson once said to me, "Talking about holiness, Ader, I believe it is either holiness or hell." Here a devout preacher with a vocabulary wider than one word who preached a whole gospel that took in the kingdom of God with all his holiness.

An outstanding evangelist, preaching "holiness," invited us to ask questions. I asked, "Since there has been much wild fire connected with much preaching of holiness, so that the word has become offensive to some devout souls by reason of its abuse, would it not be wise and well to preach the doctrine faithfully, but couch it in other terms?" Bluntly he made reply: "Holiness is the terminology of the Holy Spirit; it is not well to change his terminology." That is a half truth, for the whole Bible is the word of the Holy Spirit, and in it he uses a thousand words to his use of the word holiness one time. There is no bigger, diviner word in the Holy Book than the term "righteousness." Jesus says, "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness"; "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness"; "Except your righteousness exceed that of scribes and pharisees, ye cannot enter the kingdom of heaven." This grand good word has a moral content that may chill some holiness preacher who lays over much stress on the emotional side of salvation; but with Jesus this is the big word. Again, "holiness" is an abstract term that puzzles people;; and a better Word to preach is that "Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." The word "Christ" is concrete, personal, warm with the breath of life; a living, loving word that comes to us as "the Light of the world." St. Paul says, "We preach Christ" (1 Cor. 1:23). He includes every holy element in our holy religion.

He who plays continually on one string of his gospel harp, and harps much on the word "holiness," does not make the best gospel music. He is too limited in his sacred vocabulary, and too narrow in his spiritual vision. The Holy Spirit teaches us to "speak in other tongues" that we may reach all men with our gospel message. However, let all men know that in all of our preaching we are teaching them to be holy.

Inward Holiness

Seeking to be holy, John Wesley was much concerned about "inward holiness," secret, source and spring of all outward holiness.

What is "inward holiness"? The thought of holiness is a holy thought; and when the idea holds sway in the heart, that man has so far forth a holy mind—inward holiness in its germinal state. Again, the desire to be holy is a holy desire; and what is that but inward holiness? Finally, the will and determination to seek holiness is a holy volition, and marks the birth and beginning of all outward holiness.

The Holy Bible begets in us the thought of holiness, makes it become a burning desire in our bosom and moves our will to press on to the mark of our high calling in Christ—holiness, life's highest goal. If sin does not keep you from the Bible, the Bible will keep you from sin."

To give up holiness is to give up God; and when God gives us up we go into outer darkness, pictured by Paul in Romans 1:18-32.

Entering Into the Experience

Dr. Caradine was preaching on "Sanctification," holiness, in Nashville, Tenn., to great multitudes. Desiring to be all for God, I went forward and knelt at the altar. Dr. Caradine said, "Is your life all on the altar?" "Yes," I said without hesitation. "Well, Jesus says, 'The altar sanctifies the gift'; do you believe it?" "Yes," I said, and arose while a divine fire burned within. That's the way into the holy experience—the whole life laid on the altar, Christ. "Whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be made holy."

The Holy Spirit is given to every one that asks him (Luke 11:13). Of course no one will ask him unless his life is on the altar. When one is filled with the Spirit surely he is thereby made holy, having heart purity and will power to win over every foe. still such an one may sin, as St. Peter and Paul did, after being so filled. The door of repentance is open to saint and sinner.

When the Holy Spirit is given he sheds abroad in our hearts the love of God (Romans 5:5); and by his abounding grace we shall be made "perfect in love." Love fulfills the whole law and leads to a perfect life "in Christ." Love is perfect, and "when that which is perfect is come, then the partial shall be done away. One is a child, thinks as a child, and sees through a glass darkly, till love fills his life; then he sees face to face, and knows. He is in the kingdom of heaven without a doubt.

As yet I knew not that spiritual music can spring only from discords set in music; that but for evil there were no good, as victory is only possible by battle.—Carlyle.

WILLIAM LLOYD KNIGHT

Will Knight is not dead. He lived the life eternal here, and he is now living the life immortal, just over the border line of time.

There are certain facts in his life that can be tabulated, but there are moral and spiritual values in his life and character that cannot be weighed or measured by human standards. He will live in his influence upon human society in his generation, in the building of the kingdom of righteousness, when the tabulated facts in his life have long been forgotten.

He was born in Northampton county, N. C., July 3, 1882. In the spring of 1912 he and Mrs. Knight moved to Weldon, and ever since have made a large contribution to the social, moral and spiritual welfare of the community. He attended Trinity College (now Duke University) and studied law at Wake Forest College, and was a member of the Halifax county bar.

He joined the Methodist church early in life and was widely known throughout the North Carolina conference and beyond its boundaries as a leading and oustanding layman. He had been a delegate to the annual conferences of the Methodist Church for many years, and did a great deal of the work of the conferences on boards, committees and in other capacities.

He was a member of the following General Conferences, held in Memphis, Tenn., Jackson, Miss., Dallas, Texas, and Birmingham, Ala. He went as a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in Atlanta, Ga., the Uniting Conference in Kansas City, Mo., the Sesquicentennial Conference in Baltimore, and the Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville, N. C.

He had served as a steward in the Weldon Methodist church for more than twenty-five years, filled the office of church treasurer for a number of years, was district lay leader of the old Weldon, and now the enlarged Rocky Mount district, a long number of years. He was also a member of the board of trustees of Louisburg College, and the conference Board of Lay Activities.

The celebration of his final victory was held in the Weldon Methodist church Saturday afternoon, September 29, conducted by his pastor, Rev. B. P. Robinson, assisted by Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, and two former pastors, Rev. G. W. Perry and this writer, the board of stewards acting as pallbearers The ministers sat in a body. Louisburg College was represented by Dr. Walter Patten, president, and the North Carolina Conference Board of Lay Activities by Dr. W. K. Greene of Duke University, conference lay leader. A combined choir of the churches of the town sang "Nearer My God to Thee," "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned," and a quartet of preachers, Rev. L. C. Larkin, Dr. E. L. Hillman, Rev. P. E. Newton, and Rev. C. E. Vale, sang "The Beutiful City."

Interment of the body was in Cedarwood cemetery, members of Will Knight's Bible Class and the Woman's Society of Christian Service had charge of the flowers. The white cross at the head, with the lettering "God Is Love" and white pillow with lettering "Rest in Peace" were symbolical of the Christian's hope and assurance. The choir sang "Shall We Gather at the River" and, as a parting message, all present were asked to join in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." The large gathering of relatives and friends, with the beautiful floral offerings, bore testimony to the high esteem in which he was held and the sense of loss in the passing of this great and good man.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Carolyn Smith of Rich Square, N. C., his mother, Mrs. J. W. Knight, Aulander, two sisters, Mrs. J. R. Williford, Aulander, Mrs. C. O. Talley, Richmond, Va., and two brothers, Dr. E. W. Knight of the University of North Carolina, and Mr. John M. Knight, Norfolk, Va.

When we come to evaluate the moral and spiritual values of his life and character, there is little danger of exaggeration, for he richly deserves every good thing that can be said about him. He was a good lawyer, and knew nothing of mere expediency, but lived up to the highest ethics of his profession, and would have died before he would have taken a "nigh cut" to win the cause of his client.

The Christian virtues of his character were so harmoniously blended that it is difficult to name any one outstanding virtue, but it can be truthfully said of him that he was "faithful to the end" and has received the crown of eternal life. He had an almost perfect balance of strength, courage, tenderness and gentleness that made his type of religion attractive to every one who came in contact with his life. He was never a coward, and knew nothing of mere expediency when he came face to face with any moral issue affecting the good of human society and the kingdom of righteousness in the world.

Without any children of his own, he loved little children and little children loved him, and if what Bishop Hughes says is true, that the love of little children is the test of character, then Will Knight met the highest test. The little children of his community will miss the tender greeting on the sidewalks of Weldon as he walked to and from his office.

To the writer, the most outstanding element in his life was his spiritual discernment of the deep things of God in the revelation of Jesus Christ. I have touched few lives in a long ministry that sought more earnestly and continuously to "know the power of his resurrection, the fellowship of his sufferings and to be made conformable to his death" than Will Knight. When you looked at Will Knight you saw God's measurement of a man. All the pastors that he ever had, ascended and living, will testify to his unfailing loyalty to his pastor, and his never wavering devotion to all the interests of the church.

This appreciation of him would be incomplete without a much deserved eulogy of his wife, who through the years was a helpmeet indeed, in the highest sense, and who ministered at his bedside with a strength that was almost supernatural, and a devotion that could not be surpassed, through the long weary days and months of his intense suffering, until she saw him fall asleep in the arms of Jesus Christ..

What an immortal legacy to leave to his relatives, his friends, the world and his church.

The readers of this sketch will notice that I have referred so often as "Will Knight," but will readily understand that it is a term of affection by which he was called by all his friends.

What more can be said of a man than that he lived the religion of Jesus Christ in all the relations of his life. Some few of us will never be the same men and women since we had the privilege of standing at his bedside just a few hours before he passed away and heard him sing "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound," and walked silently out of his room with an experience that will never be forgotten. We have not claimed absolute perfection for Will Knight, for this is predicated only of God, but in a relative sense, he had reached a high altitude in the kingdom of God. No, Will Knight is not dead, but has been given a high place among the redeemed in the heavenly world.

Good night, dear Will, you may look for us in the morning, for we shall certainly be looking for you. J. H. Shore.

IMPORTANCE OF TRIFLES

In many respects it is trifles that really count. Leisure hours, the fragments of our time, may be so utilized and are so utilized by successful people as to make for self-improvement whereby character is forged and the entire life enriched and made more fruitful.

The floor of the United States Mint is carefully swept every night for the minute particles of gold that are among the sweepings. The honey bee works from May to October patiently gathering a few drops of honey by which the supply in the hive is built up. Tiny polyps, so small that they scarcely can be seen with the naked eye, in time raise the coral reef above the surface of the ocean.

The small things of life make character. The school child learns through the routine of the fire drill how to behave when a real fire breaks out. The crisis may reveal what is in character, but the character itself is built up through a proper use of seeming trifles day by day. When the emergency comes, having been faithful in little things, the individual finds himself equal to the larger demands that are made upon the resources of his being.—Religious Telescope.

The Renovating Power of Prayer

By FREDERICK A. SHIPPEY

Some men refuse to pray. They refuse because they do not have the courage to give it a fair trial. Before prayer has even begun to become fixed as a habit, they do as a boyhood chum did with the beans he had planted in his garden. He dug up the seeds to see if they were growing. Men do a great deal of this. They pull themselves up by the roots to see how they are growing. That is why prayer never gets a start.

Some men refuse to pray because they do not have the facts. They do not know how important prayer is in religion and in life. The English Bible, a book that has no rival among the world's great classics, makes frequent reference to prayer. Five hundred twenty-three different verses describe some aspect of prayer. The Encyclpedia Britannica devotes no less than six pages of fine print to the matter of prayer. A seminary library contains more than a hundred books on the subject. The great men of history believed in prayer: William James, Sabatier, Loyola, St. Francis, Augustine, Deissmann, Fechner, Chrysostom, Coleridge, Luther, Calvin, Rauschenbusch, Voltarie, Lincoln. And the list stretches on. Daniel prayed three times a day. Luther prayed three hours a day. Ignatius Loyola prayed seven times daily. And on many an occasion Jesus and St. Francis prayed all night long. Luther says, "There is no other way to God except through prayer." Sabatier says, "The history of prayer is the history of religion." Certainly no thoughtful person would say prayer has no value.

Some men do not know how to pray. They bend their knees, carefully shut their eyes, and then pull the trigger on some stereotyped prayer. They "spin" it off as a Buddhist in a hurry spins his prayer-wheel, thus saying all his prayers at once. Here is a woman of my acquaintance whose son was critically ill. The doctor had abandoned hope of the boy's restoration to health. So the mother, turning aside from her superficial life of cocktail parties and bridge, looked to God in prayer. "God," she said, "if you will spare Jimmie, and make him well again, I will give up playing cards . . . during Lent!" Often prayers are well-meant but very poor. Compare this masterpiece with the Gethsemane prayer Jesus prayed twice over. Note the difference in depth, in honesty, in the dignity of its conception of what God is like. Often prayers are well-meant but poor. The troubled mother mentioned above is more to be pitied than ridiculed. She, like many other people, has only the vaguest idea of the renovating power of prayer.

Some men pray to be made wise, to be made connoisseurs of art, music, machinery, philosophy, without even the proverbial "ten easy lessons." They wish to acquire skills without effort, and be counted among the world's great without enduring the pain of undeliberate greatness. Here is a student who prays to pass his examination. Perhaps he needs to study more than he needs to spend the evening in communion with the Deity. The man with a broken leg needs a doctor who knows that his surgical skill is invested with the Spirit of God. The spiritual masters of the centuries did not find prayer a short cut to the attainment of skill in living. They did not get to the point of confusion where they invoked divine sanction upon either personal laziness or devilish activity. They learned that prayer intelligently conceived and regularly used had a renovating power over life.

We do pray under the impact of great emergencies, all of us. Lincoln did when crushed by political dilemma. This is a valid and edifying use of prayer. But its renovating power for most of us lies in another direction. Prayer as a daily habit has cumulative power, and it gives life a thrust and a momentum. It lays up dividends through the years and marks our strivings with spiritual dignity. Here is where the common man feels and appropriates the renovating power of prayer. The habit is the thing.

Habitual prayer reminds one of God. No other habit has such persistently high value here. In the atmosphere of trouble such as the world now knows, we need to grip tightly all things that remind us of God. A mountain woman whose life had been marked by the normal round of hardships and heartaches was questioned about a sprig of rhododendron blossom on her mantelpiece. "It 'minds me of God," she said simply. We need to help the practice of communing with the Divine to get a deeper rootage in our individual lives. We need to protect its small beginning, and to nourish its growth with the facts of religion. We need constantly to refine its expression and edify its form. Thus we may feel its renovating power.

Habitual prayer cleanses the life. It is the occasion for searching the soul periodically. We evaluate the events of the day, the frustration and small successes, and discern what meaning they have for our serving of God. In a few moments of quiet, we win back the inner strength and poise of dignity that we have lost piecemeal during the day. God goes through the inner channels of our minds and hearts, cleansing the dross and refreshing our lives. Willa Cather depicts this process in describing Venice: "The many little sandbars that lie between Venice and the mainland are made fresh and habitble only because each night a foot and a half of tide winds its fresh brine all up and down the network of shining waterways." Habitual prayer carries out this process in human life.

Habitual prayer builds the life. Prayer requires a background of lige against which it can energize. Spurgeon meant this when he said, "Pray to God, but keep the hammer going." Every sentence uttered in the secret chambers of one's rendezvous with God must be backed up by significant living. Upon our shoulders is placed an enlarging concern to promote the emergence of finer social and individual meanings for life. To this responsibility, we must habitually address our efforts and intelligence. We are responsible not only for our prayers but also for providing the background against which prayer can fruitfully energize. Daily life is that background. Prayer sends us from our knees out to meet the world's needs.

If ever there was a time that needed to appropriate the renovating resources of religion, it is fiercely ours. The history of our prayer life is the history of a real and irrefutable sense of our personal religion. Let us get the most out of life by getting the best out of life! "Pray without ceasing," for "prayer changes things."—Zions Herald.

THE COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

The Community Methodist church, Thomasville, will be dedicated on next Sunday, October 26. Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, will preach the sermon and Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent, will have charge of the dedication services.



Dr. G. I. Humphreys

In the afternoon of the same day at 5 p. m. a memorial window in memory of the late Mrs. Lela Dennis Boyles will be presented to the church by members of the Boyles family. Also at the same hour and service two portraits, one of the late Chas. F. Finch, the builder of the church and a gift by him to the trustees of the former M. P. church, now Methodist church, and the other of the late Esther Pickett Finch in whose memory the church was built, will be presented to the church by members of this family.

The Community Methodist church was about two years in building, having been brought to completion at the time of the convening of the N. C. annual conference of the former M. P. Church, meeting in Thomasville October 31, 1923. The late Chas. F. Finch dreamed of a church beauty combined with a section for wholesome recreation for the common man, who was not able to build one for himself. The latter section of the building, namely, recreation center, was never completed. The recent addition to the church did not carry out his dream in this respect, which called for an outlay of some $50,000.

The first organization was made up largely of members coming from the First Methodist church of this city.

While the dream of Mr. Finch was not carried out in the recent construction, yet the beauty of the building has been greatly enhanced, and in addition given some needed rooms. The heating plant has been remodeled, making it modern in every respect. This has been done at a cost of some $14,000.

The church has had the following pastors during its short history: Rev. R. S. Troxler (deceased), Rev. O. B. Williams, Dr. P. E. Lindley (supply), Dr. H. W. Maier (deceased), Rev. L. F. Surratt, and the present pastor, Rev. J. Clyde Auman.

It is to be a great day for the church and the membership extends a most cordial invitation to all its friends to be present.

Let Him care for thee who made thee. He who cared for thee before thou wast, how shall He not care for thee now thou art that which He will thee to be?—Augustine.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

First meetings for the year of Greensboro College junior and senior honor societies received new members. The societies are composed of students outstanding in scholarship and character. Freshmen and sophomores enter the junior honor society, of which Miss Jane Moore, Greensboro, is president, while junior and senior honor students belong to the senior honor society, of which Elaine Causey, Liberty, is president.

Following the society meetings, the old and new members were entertained at a formal dinner in the college dining room.

New members of the junior honor society are Misses Dot Evans, Lexington Trudy Enzer, New York, and Margaret Bunting, Pulaski, Va. The new senior honor society members are Misses Elizabeth Dickman, Florence, S. C., Doris Fowlkes, Danville, Va., Lucinda Lyon, Oxford, Betty Prosser, Greensboro, Carol Snider, Robinsville, Frances Turner, Waynesville, Nell Webb, Cherryville, Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland, and Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury.

The preachers' Kids Club of Greensboro College held its second meeting of the year Monday night at 8 o'clock in the East parlor of Main building. "Bishop" Margaret Nifong, Cherryville, presided while Miss Rachel Hobbs Alexander, Clinton, acted as program chairman. Miss Virginia Hobbs, Hampton, Va., read a selection from "The Rivals" by Sheridan; Miss Alice Ann Fields, Roanoke Rapids, sang "Evening Star" and "Viennese Refrain."

Officers of the club are Misses Margaret Nifong, "bishop"; Louise Peele, "district superintendent"; Alice Ann Fields, "pastor"; Carolyn Albright, "president of Woman's Society of Christian Service"; Janella Kirk, "chairman of board of trustees"; and Frances Wolfe, "chairman of stewards."

Other members are Elva Grace Avett, Mocksville; Hattie Mae Barber, Charlotte; Virginia Clarke, Lynchburg, Va.; Mary Elizabeth Edwards, Graham; Gwendolyn Evans, Burlington; Rebecca Gentry, Hayesville; Marion Graham, Lewisville; Faye Hiatt, Elkin; Laurita Houston, Clinton; Sylvia Ingram. Lexington; Louise Peele, Durham; Vivian Rathburn, Thomasville; Dorothy Smith, Durham; Hilda Thompson, Hallsboro; Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland; Frances Wolfe, Cliffside; Verona Kampschmidt, Greensboro; Doris Davenport, Greensboro; Carolyn Hinshaw, Greensboro; Grace Way, Greensboro; Mary Aileen Barber, Hendersonville; Elizabeth Brown, High Point; Rosamand Critcher, Enfield; Helen Gibbs, Statesville; Isabel Gibbs, Statesville; Doris Hurley, Jackson; Virginia Lane. Roanoke Rapids; Eloise Morris, Greenville, S. C.; Margaret Agnes Moser, Lenoir; Nancy Read, Durham; Pauline Reavis, Henderson; Mildred Nell Rees, Roanoke, Va.; Sybil Sisk, Catawba; Elsie Sisk, Catawba; Mary Ruth Thompson, Winston-Salem; Kate Vestal, Farmington; Yvonne Wall, West Haven, Conn.; Mildred Williams, Woodleaf; Margaret Umberger, Mount Ula; Mamie Gwyn, Ararat, Va.

AYDEN INSTALLS PIPE ORGAN

The Ayden Methodist church has recently installed a new Wicks electric pipe organ. This marks the fulfillment of a long felt need in our church. Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have been working diligently for several years toward this end. They had raised about one-third the amount necessary to purchase an organ like they wanted. Our order was placed about June 1 and before the organ was installed last week all the money was in hand to make a cash settlement. Mr. J. R. Turnage was appointed chairman of a committee to raise this additional money. This committee did a splendid job and the response on the part of the entire membership was very gratifying.

These fine people believe in paying as they go. There is no indebtedness on this charge. We are ready to dedicate our organ and expect to have this service next Sunday, October 26. Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University, who received this preacher into the membership of Walnut Grove Methodist church (Orange county) 27 years ago, will preach the dedicatory sermon. All friends, former members and former pastors who can be with us for this service will find a warm welcome awaiting them here.

Lester A. Tilley, Pastor.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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GROWING

"Mother, do you still grow?"
I let the measuring rod slip closer to my dear child's head,
Three feet two.
Do I still grow Do I still grow?
This afternoon I suffered from unkind words, but I smiled.
Last year I would have been quite proud of making sharp retort.
Last year I would have cried: "I'll have my way, let others yield to me."
Last month I found some beauty in a soul once scorned and told it to another.
"Do I still grow?" Yes, child, but oh, so slowly.

Mary Dickerson Bangham.
(Methodist minister's wife).

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

October 27-31, 1941, a Week of Prayer and Self-Denial will be observed throughout Methodism, the purposes of this important week being to give members of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service, an opportunity for special worship, as well as an opportunity to make a self-denial offering to causes of the missionary work not provided for in the budget.

In the week's observance two needs of the home field and two of the foreign field are being emphasized. The home specials are: An endowed retirement fund for deaconesses and a convalescent home for Negro children at Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla. The foreign specials are: Christian literature in foreign fields and medical equipment around the world. The program for the week consists of two booklets, one composed entirely of worship material suitable for an all-day retreat, the other contains three worship services and four articles or talks.

Both of these programs are inspirational and helpful and we hope may have a 100 per cent observance in our Western North Carolina conference.

A SECRETARY WANTED!

How I do want a secretary of young women and girls' work in each local Woman's Society of Christian Service! If you do not already have this secretary, please ask your nominating committee to include it in the list of your officers for the new year, and if you do have one please send her name to me. I have asked my district secretaries of young women and girls' work to contact each local society and secure this information.

If you know your district secretary of this work send her name in to me, and we'll exchange names and both have a complete list. Do you know about the new plan of work for the young people? I shall be happy to suggest materials which will give you complete knowledge of the subject. Help me to help you.

Mrs. Eugene Lamb, Sec'y
Young Women and Girls' Work,
Cedar Falls, N. C.

A complete list of materials for the promotion of the work of the new Youth Program has been made available and should be in the hands of the leaders of the young women's and girls' groups. A list of these materials with the names of places from whence they may be obtained, with prices, may be secured from the conference secretary of young women's and girls' groups, Mrs. E. A. Lamb, Cedar Falls, N. C. Mrs. Lamb is exceedingly anxious that these helps are in the hands of every Y. W. and G. group in the conference, so please get in touch with her and secure the list and order the necessary material. Lack of space forbids the publishing of this list of materials on our woman's page in the N. C. Christian Advocate.

BETHLEHEM CENTER

An interesting account of the Bethlehem House, recently opened in Charlotte, written by Miss Jean Hendrix of the Charlotte Observer staff, occupied a prominent place on the "Church of the Week Page" in a recent issue of the Observer. Knowing the interest that centers around this institution in our Western North Carolina conference, we quote from Miss Hendrix. She says: "The Methodist Church realized the great need for a character building institution for the Negro children, as well as the Civitan Club of Charlotte realized that there should be a Negro Boys' Club similar to the Red Shield Boys' Club. The Bethlehem Center building is now being used for these two organizations for the betterment of the Negro race. "One side of the building is occupied by the Bethlehem Center, which is supported by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference and the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church. Formerly a 20-room Negro hotel it has been remodeled and redecorated into a modern building. The rooms are many and spacious. Kindergarten classes are held in the morning with an enrollment of 27 with Miss Euline Smith, a returned missionary from Korea, as teacher. There is a library open to anyone of the Negro race and there is a need for more books and magazines. All the books and furnishings of the house are donations. There is a sewing room, recreation room and large play ground for the children, but playground equipment is needed.

Mrs. R. E. Evans is president of the institution, Mrs. Edwin Jones,, first vice president, Mrs. H. L. McCrorey, Smith, secretary, Mrs. John Watson, corresponding secretary, Mrs. Rose Puette, treasurer, and Miss Ruby Berkley is head resident."

The Bethlehem House in Charlotte, the Bethlehem House in Winston-Salem, Pfeiffer Junior College in Misenheimer, the Allen House and School in Asheville are the institutions assigned to the supply department of the W. N. C. Conference Woman's Societies of Christian Service for needed supplies during 1941 in the homeland; and cash to be used for refrigeration in hot countries or for medical supplies in China are the foreign projects from the supply department. Mrs. J. B. Harbison, secretary of supplies of our conference, is very anxious that the goal for the districts of ten per cent of the conference pledge to be given to supplies be reached during this year. Each society is also urged to make some contribution to a needy minister during the year, which is also one of the supply department projects.

ZONE MEETING ON WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Mrs. Stewart W. Burton, Sec.

Zone 2 of the Winston-Salem district of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held at Center church on the Welcome charge, Wednesday afternoon, October 1, 1941. Mrs. Lee McCarn of Lexington, zone chairman, was in charge of the program, the theme being Love and Unity.

After an opening hymn the devotional service was led by Mrs. J. T. Bowman, who used as her subject—Love. Special music was contributed to the program by Miss Elizabeth Zimmerman and Miss Elma Barrier. Words of welcome were spoken by Miss Vivian Bates with Mrs. A. E. Brannon responding. Mrs. T. L. Speas, district president, brought a message of encouragement to the women of the district, and Mrs. L. V. Scott spoke on C. S. R. and L. W. Mrs. Margaret Hire explained missionary education and service, and Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, spoke on the work of the young women, in which she urged the girls to make a study of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, familiarize themselves with its various activities and prepare themselves for future leadership. She also asked that each society appoint a secretary of young women and girls' work. She made the announcement that after 1941 the Wesleyan Service Guild would not be included in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. She also reminded us of the week of prayer which is to be observed this year the last week in October, instead of first week in November as in former years. Mrs. H. C. Nicholson, secretary of literature, made a plea for the use and study of our literature. The spiritual life work was presented by Mrs. J. T. Bowman, and Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district corresponding secretary, explained the filling out of the report blanks, and was followed by closing remarks by Mrs. John Hoyle, conference recording secretary. "God of Grace and God of Glory" was used as the closing hymn, with prayer and benediction by the pastor, Rev. C. O. Kennerly. After the meeting refreshments were served by the ladies of Center church.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MISSIONS AND WARSHIPS

Quoting Dr. E. Stanley Jones' significant statement: "We must go deeper if we would go further," Dr. W. F. Quillian, cultivation secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension added: "Unless the people of America shall begin to think in terms of billions and millions in spreading the Gospel we might as well stop thinking in terms of billions and millions in building battleships and airships."

BUILDING CHRISTIAN HOMES

Around the world millions of adults are stepping out into a new and enriching experience created by their learning to read and the production of readers is very much faster than the production of reading matter, resulting in many who have been to school going home to a bookless world. Evangelism, education, medicine, social service—all these have been the emphases of Christian missions and now there must be an undergirding of another emphasis, namely Christian literature, with especial concern in building Christian homes. In India, Africa, Japan, China, Latin America—everywhere there is a need to put the Christian home at the center of the Christian movement and to build the church around it. How appropriate and how gratifying, then, is the fact that during the last week in October the women of Methodism will be worshipping, studying, praying and giving for Christian literature in foreign lands as one of the four week of prayer projects. To ascertain the type of reading matter that can help to build Christian homes, to get the best writers to produce it, to see to it that it is published and to distribute it among the folk who need it is a tremendous task, but one that will tie us more closely to the women of the farthest nations across the sea. The other projects for the week of prayer and self-denial are: Medical equipment for foreign lands, building a convalescent home for Negro children at Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla., and the establishment of a retirement fund for deaconesses.

A BAZAAR—LET'S HELP

One of the most worth while accomplishments of Miss Priscilla Stegar in her work among the folk of the mill village of East Laurinburg is the organization of a Woman's Community Club, and two of the many plans for civic improvement which these women are hopeful to see brought to fruition are the beautification of the grounds of the new school building which will be erected in East Laurinburg next year and the purchase of equipment for the playgrounds at the school. In order to raise funds for these projects the Woman's Community Club, under the direction of Miss Stegar, will sponsor a bazaar early in November. Articles to be sold at the bazaar will be deeply appreciated, and it is hoped that the women of the N. C. conference will respond generously to this need and this opportunity to aid in a worthy cause. Mail articles to Miss Priscilla Stegar, Laurinburg, N. C.

FROM A LETTER

Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, shared with your editor a copy of The Chinese Christian Advocate which was sent her by Miss Alice Green, one of our N. C. missionaries in China. It is an interesting publication with news and stories concerning the mission work in China vividly portrayed. One item of especial interest to N. C. folk concerns a donation to China from a preacher in the N. C. conference. The item stated that this young North Carolina pastor in charge of rural churches sent drafts representing his entire inheritance from his parents' estate, with the request that it be made a memorial fund to his parents, to be used by a missionary friend for the benefit of the Chinese people. In China the fund will be known as The Dutiful Son's Fund and The Chinese Advocate stated that further accounts of its usefulness will be published in a later issue. Excerpts from the letter of the young pastor to his missionary friend in China state: "Herewith is enclosed the memorial fund. . . . My prayers follow you in your work. . . . It hurts me when I read that our mission board has ordered so many missionaries home. When the evidence is all in perhaps the reason for their action will be made clear. In the meantime, we all must pray that our missionary work will hold. It seems that the great hope is now in the work going on in China and India. Yours is no easy task, but it is a most stragetic and significant one. Again I pray God's blessings upon you. Tell the Chinese for whom the fund may be used that my wife and I give it with love to and faith in both them and our Christ." The name of the donor of this money is withheld, but surely God will reward such love and kindness.

AMERICA MUST LEAD THE WAY

The following pertinent and challenging exerpts from an address by Dr. W. G. Cram on July 29 at the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska are worthy of note. Dr. Cram is executive secretary of the Board of missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church. Said he: "If we make America Christian we must make the world Christian. If we fail in our home missionary enterprise we will fail in our missionary enterprise around the world. . . . The missionary movement has brought with it schools, development of personalities, a spirit that has changed several injustices, has elevated womanhood, etc. . . One of the great developments of all time has been the missionary movement in China and the fact that the war today has scattered the Christian witnesses all over China will make for peace. In Korea, Japan and China, autonomous churches have been established and now when the missionaries have had to be temporarily recalled the Christians in those lands can carry on persistently. . . . In America a string of institutions from north to south, from east to west—churches in places where there were none, Bethlehem houses, and hospitals. The same is true around the world. . . . How are we meeting today the incident after incident that are affecting our missionary movement? We have not withdrawn from China, Japan and Korea permanently and the withdrawal was not done on a basis of retreat."

NORTHERN ZONE MEETS

On October 9 Louisburg College and the members of the Louisburg Methodist Church were hostesses to the women of Northern zone, Raleigh district and others. Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary and former zone leader, presided. Mrs. Smith brought an inspirational message concerning the work of the district and urged the women to go forward with a spirit of enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn that has already been manifested by them and others in the work. She stressed the importance of checking up on the efficiency aim; of reporting properly; student work; supplies; literature; coupons for the orphanage, and other phases of the work. Also speaking were Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, conference secretary; Mrs. Walter Patten, Louisburg, spiritual life; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education, The Fall Topic of Study; Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor Louisburg Methodist church, New Plans for Missionary Education of Youth; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary publicity and publications, New Plans for Missionary Education of Children and our missionary publications; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. S. E. Mercer, Our New Program Materials and Their Use; Mrs. P. W. Smith, Plank Chapel church, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Dr. Walter Patten, president Louisburg College. Rev. F. D. Hedden led the opening devotions and Mrs. R. K. McLean, Henderson, gave the noon day meditation. Mrs. J. A. Hodges spoke words of welcome, to which Mrs. Harris of Bunn responded.

Two other vital features of the meeting were the election of Mrs. A. B. Deans, Henderson, as new zone leader, and the awarding of a baby life membership to Elizabeth Louise Hedden, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Hedden. The life membership was a gift of the Louisburg W. S. C. S. and is the second which has been given to "Beth," the other having been presented one year by the Central zone. Mrs. Smith was given a rising vote of thanks for her fine leadership as zone leader during the past four years. An invitation to hold the spring zone meeting in Henderson was accepted.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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STOCKTON BUILDING DEDICATED

In a lovely and effective service last Sunday afternoon Bishop Purcell dedicated our new Stockton building, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Stockton of Winston-Salem. With the visiting friends seated on the spacious veranda at the south end of the building and our children phalanxed in standing style on the ground below, a beautiful setting was afforded for the celebration. Norman V. Stockton, the oldest son, presented the building in the name of his father and mother. Richard G. Stockton, another son, chairman of our board of trustees, accepted the building in the name of the trustees and of hundreds and thousands of girls who in the run of time will live in it. Bishop Purcell, after words of commendation to the donor and the Children's Home family, used the Methodist ritual for dedicating a home in a very effective way. Dr. W. A. Stanbury, our pastor, and Dr. C. C. Weaver, our district superintendent, joined in prayerful service and benediction. Miss Dorothy Jones, our music teacher, and the double quartet of girls provided the music for the occasion. The Stockton building, along with others on the campus, is a godsend to us.

A NOTEWORTHY MEETING

Recently this scribe accompanied Miss Jones and the singing class to West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro, in fulfillment of a promise to meet with the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the purpose of giving information relative to the Children's Home and its family. A very fine congregation of choice women was present and we had a delightful time with them. Thoughtful and well directed questions were presented and answered. Following the meeting every one present was served with refreshments. Mrs. Charles W. Phillips, president, and Mrs. H. T. Prosser, chairman of the program committee, directed things in fine fashion. This was the first time the Children's Home representaives have ever been invited to present the Home's interests to a woman's missionary society, now called the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Our best friends are among the women.

BRIGHTENING THE CORNER

From away over in the southwestern corner of the state comes a brightening message, forwarded by Mrs. Clifford Monroe, as follows: "We have organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service at Reed's Chapel on the Murphy circuit, Waynesville district, with Rev. C. A. Smith as pastor. We would like to do something for the Children's Home and we would like for you to send us information as to just how we may do so. We thought perhaps we could give some financial aid. This is our first society and we don't know just how we can go about helping the Home. So please let us know as soon as possible just what we can do."

BOW YOUR HEAD

Thoughtful readers will want to bow their heads and give grateful thanks for such a spirit as is herewith exemplified by one of our Methodist ministers who does not prefer that his name be mentioned: "In checking on our tithe I find that there is yet due to go somewhere $46.54, and that



There is more color to these girls than the cut shows

amount I am enclosing to you for use at the Children's Home. My wife and I would like to have this amount directed to the clothing of one of the most prospective ministers of missionaries among the boys. Can you do that for us? If you can, then we would like to have the likeness of his face with the hope of making it an annual affair until he is through high school and ready to go to college. If our daughter makes the anticipated and desired success she will finish at Greensboro College next June. You may draw your own conclusions."

JULIA JOINS

Some of the most heartening experiences connected with our work here come from letters from boys and girls who have finished their courses here and are doing well elsewhere. Miss Julia Conrad, who graduated from us last June, is now a student nurse in the Presbyterian Hospital at Charlotte. The following pargaraph is taken from a recent letter from her: "I have joined First Methodist church here and go to Sunday school and church every Sunday. I also joined the League. Every one is so nice to me and all seem to be proud of the Children's Home, but not half as proud of it as I am. Dr. Jordan seems to mean more to me as the weeks go by and he always says something that gives me new courage. Mr. J. B. Ivey is my Sunday school teacher. He came to see me last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. H. G. Hardin, dean of the nurses, takes the North Carolina Christian Advocate and she lets me have it each Friday when she gets through with it. In this way I keep up with some of the news of the Home."

THE CHEER LEADERS

The picture this week is that of four girls who were elected by our high school students to lead the cheering for the varsity football games. Younger girls lead the cheering for the younger boys but these are the girls who hold the pep meetings and lead the cheering in the big stadium games and the games at home. From left to right they are Hazel Tickle, Margaret Shell, Wilba Stanfield and Mary Templeton.

THE JOY BELL

During the past conference year we have recounted a great deal of joy bell ringing over the ten per cent apportionment raisers. Whenever a congregation forwarded all of its apportionment it was listed in the Advocate and in our minds there pealed forth the pleasing tones of the joy bell. We trust that during the ensuing conference year the bell may continually ring in celebration of good deeds done by the home congregation for the Children's Home.

THE FOOTBALL BOYS

We have four football squads with four sets of reserves for these teams. Each team has a schedule of games and is in process of playing them. We have the 80 pounders, the 100 pounders, the 125 pounders and the varsity. The three younger teams are having exceedingly successful seasons. The varsity has suffered some reverses but is continually gaining ground in morale and effctiveness. The football season is just now at its midway mark. Usually our boys do better during the second half. At any rate, they are playing the game for all it is worth.

ACORN DAYS

All our boys and girls over about nine years of age have assigned duties for which they assume responsibility. For this work they are paid each month a given amount of money, called "honorarium." Half of the honorarium is kept for them in saving against the time they will leave the Home and need it. The other half is paid on the presentment of little checks at the end of each month. Some of the younger children, those too young to have regular work assignments, are now making some money picking up acorns. Some of these acorns are sold to our farmer for feeding to the hogs. Others are bought by friends over town who have squirrels. At any rate, these are acorn days.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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A DELIGHTFUL RECEPTION — Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Glass tendered Bishop and Mrs. Clare Purcell a reception at the district parsonage on Saturday night before Bishop Purcell dedicated the church at Bailey. All the Methodist ministers and their wives who live in Raleigh attended the reception. It was a lovely occasion, and the more than 20 invited guests enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. Glass.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class visited Cedar Cliff church, on the Mt. Herman circuit, at the 11 o'clock hour last Sunday. Rev. R. L. Hethcox is pastor. We had a full representation from all the churches on the charge. The evening service was in Graham, where Rev. J. R. Edwards is pastor. We had excellent congregations for the day, and a very enjoyable day with friends."

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BAILEY CHURCH DEDICATED — On Sunday, October 12, Bishop Purcell dedicated the beautiful Methodist church at Bailey. Brother W. L. Loy is preacher in charge of this lovely church. A large and appreciative congregation was present at the dedication. Bishop Purcell was at his best and preached a great sermon, to the delight and edification of all who had the privilege of hearing him. I was happy to attend the dedication service. I had the privilege of taking Dr. M. T. Plyler to Bailey and enjoyed fellowship with him during the day. It was our happy privilege to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Privette for dinner. Brother Loy is rendering splendid service. The Methodists at Bailey are to be congratulated for erecting such a beautiful edifice.

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SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—Under the progressive leadership of Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, the Women's Societies of Christian Service of the North Carolina conference have undertaken to furnish the Methodist Orphanage battleship linoleum to cover the floor of our large dining hall. This campaign has been under way for several months, but I find that we are short of the desired amount for the battleship linoleum. Here's hoping that all the local societies will redouble their efforts so that we may secure battleship linoleum by the last of the year. If all the local societies will bestir themselves and send us a large collection of Octagon soap coupons, we can reach the desired goal. The cause is most worthy, and the need is imperative. I want to thank all the societies that have enlisted in this campaign, and I want to urge all others to do likewise.

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A NEW PLAN SUGGESTED — There is a widespread feeling throughout the conference that the Methodist Orphanage should have a unified budget, and that all specials from the fifth Sunday collections in the Sunday schools and churches and organized Bible classes, be credited on the apportionment. On Tuesday of last week the conference board of hospitals and homes, and the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Orphanage, met and discussed such a plan, and decided to recommend to the annual conference in Durham that a balanced budget be provided for the Orphanage. If the conference votes to accept the plan specials will be credited on the apportionment. The proposed plan will necessarily call for a larger apportionment than the present ten per cent apportionment. By crediting all specials on the apportionment, it will not be a burden on the churches. It has been twenty-eight years since the conference voted to ask an amount equal to ten per cent of each pastor's salary for the maintenance of the Orphanage. Since then the number of children in the home has largely increased. In view of these facts, it is perfectly obvious that the Orphanage should have a larger apportionment to take care of three hundred children. The cost of living has increased greatly during the past twenty-eight years. I feel confident that the conference will vote favorably to give the Orphanage a balanced budget.

KEEPING FIT

"Of every hundred persons that are now alive, thirty-six will die from preventable diseases before they reach sixty-five years of age." A creed follows for keeping fit suggested by Dr. Thomas D. Woods, which contains some good advice. We reprint it here:

Eat less, chew more.
Smoke less, breathe more.
Ride less, walk more.
Bundle less, bathe more.
Worry less, work more.
Hurry less, read more.
Idle less, play more.
Talk less, think more.
Go less, sleep more.
Waste less, give more.
Scold less, laugh more.
Preach less, practice more.

—Selected.

A DRY JOKE

A tourist traveling through the Texas Panhandle got into conversation with an old settler and his son.

"Looks like rain," remarked the tourist.

"Wal, I hope so," replied the native. "Not so much for myself as for my son. I've seen it rain."—Ex.



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3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
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4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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CADE - ERWIN

On October 14 Miss Alma Louise Cade, who has served as conference director of children's work in the North Carolina conference, became the bride of Rev. W. J. Erwin of Lumber City, Ga. For several years Mrs. Erwin has rendered a most effective service to the children's workers in the conference, and the many friends she has made in her work throughout the conference will miss her.

We regret to lose her from our conference staff, and our best wishes will go with her as she goes to a new "parish" in a neighboring state.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL REPORTS

On August 28 we published on our Advocate page a list of the churches from which vacation church school reports had been received. We are giving herewith the list of churches reporting since that date. We are sure there are other churches that have not sent in their reports and we would like to have these at an early date in order that they may be included in our annual report.

Durham District

Bahama, Mount Bethel.
Burlington, West Burlington.
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove.
Durham, Branson Memorial, Trinity.
Duke Circuit, Duke's Chapel.
Milton, Purley.
Saxapahaw, Concord, Saxapahaw.

Elizabeth City District

Bath, Asbury, Bethany.
Belhaven, Epworth, Belhaven, Hebron.
Columbia, Cedar Grove, Wesley's Chapel.
Gatesville, Gatesville.
Kitty Hawk, Colington.
South Camden, Perkins Chapel, Wesley's Chapel.
Windsor, White Oak.

Fayetteville District

Hamlet.
Troy Circuit, Ophir.
Siler City.

New Bern District

Fremont, Fremont, Yelverton.
Goldsboro Circuit, Daniels Chapel, Ebenezer, Pine Forest, Thompson's Chapel.
La Grange, Hickory Grove, Institute, La Grange, Trinity.
Morehead Circuit, Franklin Memorial, Salter Path.
Oriental, Arapahoe,
Pamlico, Alliance, Bayboro, Stonewall.

Raleigh District

Dunn, Divine Street.
Four Oaks, Antioch, Corinth, Elizabeth, Four Oaks, Sanders.
Louisburg.
Mamers, Mamers, Spring Hill.
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton.
Wendell-Zebulon,, Wendell, Zebulon.

Rocky Mount District

Bethel, Bethel, Shiloh.
West Halifax, Hollister.
McKendree.
Saint Paul.
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, Palmyra, Scotland Neck.
Stantonsburg, Evansdale, Lebanon, Stantonsburg.
Warrenton, Macon.
Wilson, First Church.

Wilmington District

Elizabeth, Purdie.
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, Jacksonville, Richlands, Verona.
Roseboro.
Town Creek, Bolivia, Lanvale, Piney Grove, Shiloh, Zion.

METHODIDST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETS

The Methodist Fellowship of Moore county met at Page Memorial church, Aberdeen, Tuesday evening, September 26, at 8 o'clock.

The worship service was led by Mary Page and the theme "Ways of Worship" was carried through impressively with special music, silent prayer, dramatic-play and scripture by Aberdeen girls and boys.

The sub-district president, Nancy Bobbitt of Aberdeen, presided at the business session, at which time the following new officers were elected:

President—Elmer Bradford, Hemp.
Vice President—Elizabeth Thomas, Carthage.
Secretary—Mary Page, Aberdeen.
Treasurer—Ruth Hern, Pine Bluff.
Publicity Chairman—Hannah Davis, West End.
Counselor — Mrs. Ethelyn Davis, West End.

It was decided that the sub-district would only meet every other month this fall due to the heavy traffic on the highways of Moore county during army maneuvers.

Over one hundred young people and their workers attended this meeting.

ABERDEEN YOUTH ACTIVE IN WORK

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of Page Memorial church, Aberdeen, continues to be one of our most active groups. At the annual election of officers held recently Billie Brooks Pennigton was named president. The chairman of the four commissions have already begun their work. The commission on World Friendship prepared a worship service and missionary skit and presented both for the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The commission is also planning to share in the fall mission study on "Christians and World Order." The commission on community service is co-operating with the church organization in making our soldiers welcome and comfortable in our town during their time here. The Methodist Youth Fund is being studied and will be generously supported.

The Assistant Assists

Roseland Methodist church has a young worker who has a rather unique place in the church. Archie Ferguson, sophomore in Aberdeen high school, has never missed a church service since the church was organized three years ago. He is assistant church school superintendent, assistant church school secretary, assistant teacher of the boys' class, assistant director of the Golden Cross, and Dr. Maxwell, the pastor, says that any time an assistant pastor is needed there he knows Archie is qualified to "carry on."

It is needless to say Archie has something to do each Sunday!

EARNHARDT SUB-DISTRICT

The Earnhardt sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship has a good program each month and through its efficient secretary, Mildred Hearn of Laurinburg, makes a monthly report to the conference office. The following is the monthly report of the organization for September:

The Earnhardt sub-district met in the Maxton Methodist church on September 2. The president told about the sub-district and explained plans for sub-districts.

Miss Annie Mae Adams had charge of the following program:

Hymn: "O Worship the King."
Scripture: Miss Annie Mae Adams.
Prayer: Rev. W. F. Keeler.
Talk: "Character Building," Mrs. James Foster (Gibson).
Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie."

The meeting closed with the League benediction.

A PROPHET'S MISTAKE

It was a great mistake for the prophet to go in the strength of that meat forty days, although it was bread that had come down from heaven. If there is anybody who ought to have meals regularly, it is the man who is trying to do God's work. While the prophet was having "bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh at night," his faith was all right.

Find a Christian who has lost his spiritual power, and has begun to howl and growl about the shortcomings of everybody else, and you can put it down for a very stubborn fact that he has been neglecting his Bible and his closet. The order in the wilderness was that the manna should be gathered fresh every day, and that is still the divine requirement.

Find a preacher whose heart is not in his work, and you find one who is too much occupied with things of sight and sense to find time to study his Bible and pray in secret; and the man who does not pray in secret can never be what God wants him to be in public. When Jesus prayed all night, the multitude sought him in the morning. It may be that one reason why the church has been so long in reaching the masses is that the mass of preachers do not pray half enough. The crying need of the hour is not for more nickel plating on the machinery, but for more steam pressure in the boiler. —Elijah P. Brown.

Carl Sandburg——America's Poet of the People

By LEONARD B. GRAY

I recall hearing Prof. David Lambuth of Dartmouth College describe an experience he had one day in 1915 while riding on a train back to Hanover from New York. He was reading "North of Boston" by Robert Frost, and suddenly he realized that a new voice had appeared in American literature.

Something like this, although a bit more exciting, was the experience of many people early in 1914 when "Potry" issued a group of poems by a stranger named Carl Sandburg. It was suddenly evident that a new poet with a vigorous personality and an original technique had appeared. His unconventional style and brutal realism created a sensation. Such poems as "Chicago" jarred the sensibilities of the polite literary world, and incited not a few to exclaim, "What right has any man to be so brutal in print!" Anyway, before the end of the year the new sensation was awarded the Haire Levinson prize of two hundred dollars for "the best poem written by a citizen of the United States during the year," and Sandburg at the age of 36 had arrived.

Carl Sandburg was born of Swedish immigrant parents at Galesburg, Ill., in 1878. At 13 he left school to work on a milk wagon. During the next few years he worked as porter in a hotel, scene shifter in a theater, truck driver at a limekiln, member of a railroad construction gang, dishwasher in hotels in Denver and Omaha, and haypitcher in the wheat fields of Kansas.

This adventurer experienced active service in the Spanish-American War, and at its end he was mustered out of the army with one hundred dollars in his pocket. With this money he went back to Galesburg to enter Lombard College. At Lombard he paid his way by ringing the college bell, acting as janitor, and tutoring, and started his literary career by editing the college paper.

Leaving college he roamed the West as newspaper man, salesman, and advertisement writer. He worked at such varied jobs as organizer for the Social-Democratic Party of Wisconsin, secretary to Mayor Seidel of Milwaukee, labor editor on the Milwaukee Journal, associate editor of The World, and member of the staff of The Day Book in Chicago. All the time the young man was reading, seeing many sides of the great industrial and agricultural Middle West, and improving the power of expressing the natural poetry of his mystical nature. During these formative years Whitman showed him the way, although the free verse he finally adopted is quite different from Whitman's. From Emily Dickinson he learned the effectiveness of the unusual image. And he got hints from Stephen Crane. But chiefly he listened to the people. Their speech and song cadences, their picturesque turning of phrases, and their homely language and slang become the stuff of his poetry.

Since startling the literary world with "Chicago Poems" Sandburg has published "Cornhuskers," "Smoke and Steel," "Slabs of the Sunburnt West," "Good Morning America," and "The People, Yes." Besides these six volumes of poetry he has compiled "The American Song Bag," a collection of songs he gathered on many travels, and written six volumes of prose on "Abraham Lincoln, the Prairie Years," and "Abraham Lincoln, the War Years," the latter winning the Pulitzer Prize.

The poet started the four-volume work on the war years of Lincoln at the age of fifty. He thought Lincoln night and day, and saturated himself with the spirit of his hero. He talked with people who knew Lincoln and with people who knew the great President. He gathered source material from libraries, private collections and family archives. He sorted and classified material into three hundred odd pouches. Often he worked ten hours steadily, and now and then he said, "This son-of-a-gun Lincoln grows on you." And at the age of sixty-one he had completed the most monumental piece of historical research and biographical writing ever done by one American about another, and had won for himself the reputation of being one of the great biographers in American literary history. In this biography Lincoln is alive. "Time is pushed back for me," said one reader, "I am not reading a biography, but seeing an actual person, hearing his voice, seeing him move and act," while the biographer himself finished his amazing task with the claim that he had learned humility and patience from Lincoln.

And what sort of man is this great poet-biographer? Those who know him best say that he is intensely alive and human, modest, lovable, a delightful companion who loves to sit with his friends until dawn, spinning yarns, singing, roaring with laughter. At other times he will scoff at those who strut and preen themselves, or go white with anger over injustice to the helpless. Like Lincoln he has about him a homespun, earthly quality, an air of the prairie rather than that of the library. He has a childish love of childish things, and has the uncanny directness and simplicity which children possess. He is humble and reverent, and has written reverentially of prayer, industry, and obedience. His hair is steel gray. His granite eyes glow. His face is gnarled and furrowed, brooding, beautiful as the faces of strong men are beautiful, with a cleft chin and mouth that loops itself into smiles. His conversation is direct and simple, his voice a singing drawl.

Sandburg lives with his wife and three daughters at Harbert, Mich., on the shores of the blue lake. His hobby is resurrecting American songs and singing them to his own guitar accompaniment. His typical program at clubs and colleges, at which he averages 30 appearances a year, and where he is exceptionally well received, is half poetry reading and half folk song recital.

And what shall we say of the poetry of this man who loves Lincoln and Lincoln's West, and the great wheat fields and factories and cities of the modern Midwest? It is poetry of the common life, full of folk-idiom, simple and homely things, free from book language, vibrating with the strong strings of life and with the great singing heart of America, distinctively American poetry expressed in a distinctively American speech with hard and powerful words. It is poetry written out of the stuff of everyday life, out of what the poet himself said poetry should be written, namely, "tumults and paradoxes, terrible reckless struggles and glorious lazy loafing, out of blood, work, and war, and out of baseball, babies and potato blossoms." It is poetry that is even closer to the people than Whitman's, that loves and pities and exalts the people, that endeavors to carry on Whitman's and Lincoln's crusades for democracy, that cries out belief in the future of democracy in such works as these:

> Ai! Ai! the people sleep
> Yet the sleepers toss in sleep,
> And an end comes to sleep,
> And the sleepers wake;
> Ai! Ai! the sleepers wake.

It is poetry full of passionate hatred for shams and injustice, that sympathizes with the tortured slaves of industry, that voices the poet's dissatisfaction with the drabness and sordidness of Midwest industrialism, that more often celebrates the vigor, usefulness and supremacy of American commerce in such words as these:

> Omaha, the roughneck, feeds armies,
> Eats and swears from a dirty face;
> Omaha works to get the world a breakfast.

It is poetry that brawls and roars at times and is infinitely tender and exquisitely sweet at other times, that is full of the rough energies of life and of athletic beauty, that probably combines brutality and gentleness as no other American poetry combines them, that calls Chicago the "city of the big shoulders" and "hog butcher of the world" and contains that beautiful little six-liner "Fog," which whispers along as stealthily as the fog itself and which was recently pronounced by Alexander Woollcott the most widely-read poem of our generation. It is poetry full of the tragedy and adventure and romance of the poet's West, of the inarticulate idealism of the masses of belief in the worth of man, of virile and wholesome outlook, of courageous optimism and hope. It is poetry of a great poet and a great man, of America's poet of the people.—Christian Leader.

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 26

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By Rollin H. Walker

Civic Responsibility Regarding Beverage Alcohol

Deut. 5:32, 33; 11:26-28; Isaiah 28:1-6; Habakkuk 2:12

The picturesque pertinency of the passage from Isaiah which is a part of our lesson, can only be seen when we understand the circumstances under which Isaiah wrote it.

One imagines the popular leaders had just been engaged in a kind of Fourth of July celebration of their determination to throw off the yoke of Assyria by the aid of their new allies, the Egyptians. They had all gotten uproarously drunk; the tables were full of vomit. And the reverend gentlemen, the priests and the popular prophets, had soared in super-patriotic religious oratory inspired by liquor, and not by the Lord. And Isaiah, with the audacity of the true prophet, had come into their feast and sternly warned them that Egypt would fail them at the crisis, and Assyria would come down and shave the country as with a razor (Isaiah 7:20). "Your salvation," said the prophet, "is not in revolt, but in repentance; if you get right with God, and reform your national life, there may be hope of deliverance."

"Ah," said the company, "we have heard that before. You make us sick by your everlasting repetition. Do you take us for a kindergarten?" Then the prophet utters the fiery retort, "If you will not hear my plain repeated warnings of the sure fate that awaits you, then the Almighty will cause you to hear in a foreign language the repeated curses of your conquerors."

Isaiah shrewdly puts at the head of this section of his prophecy an oracle he had uttered more than twenty years before against northern Israel, and which had been terribly fulfilled. "I was not mistaken then," Isaiah would say, "for Sargon the Assyrian emperor came up and laid Samaria low. And you will find that I am not mistaken now." And sure enough, shortly after this, another Assyrian emperor came up, devastated the whole land, and cooped up the king and his nobles in Jerusalem like a bird in a cage. Then they turned to the despised prophet in repentance, and through his prayers and his wise guidance they held their ground; and some alarming report from another part of the empire caused Sennacherib to lift the siege (Isaiah 36:37). But alas! this deliverance from a foreign foe did not usher in a new day for Israel, for King Hezekiah's son Manasseh gave Judah a long, heathenish and bloody reign under which conditions were worse than when they had been compelled to pay tribute to the Hitler of that day (2 Kings 21:1-18).

How obvious the application of all this is to our day! Drunkenness is increasing in America at an appalling rate. The flower of our glorious beauty is fading. Like the Jews, we are chiefly afraid of the oppression of a foreign foe, and not concerned over those vices which are disintegrating our national life, and will tend to make us food for totalitarian buzzards.

What shall we do? Let us learn from the devil, said old Bishop Ridley, for he is diligent in his business. Let us have fifth column men everywhere among the minions of the liquor power.

"Light Hurts Beer"

The writer recently noticed a discarded beer carton on which was printed in big letters, "Keep the cover on. Light hurts beer." This is true in a sense the brewers did not intend. The more light we throw on the results of beer drinking, the worse it appears. A distinguished German physician has said, "Nothing is more absurdly untrue than to say that the consumption of beer tends to temperance or is good for the health."

We can also unite to keep the "stooges" of the liquor power out of office. As one goes along the asphalt roads he frequently comes to the sign, Slippery when wet. How true that is true of a wet politician!

If we do not repent the dire results of our national folly will be used by the good God to bring our nation to its senses. As Isaiah says, In proportion as we swallow wine, wine will swallow us, and the severe penalty of subserviency to the liquor power will be God's terrible way of saying Amen to the temperance propaganda.

But like a true prophet Isaiah follows his stern warning by a bright vision of a nation restored and built upon the unshakable foundation of righteousness. Let us like him keep our hope radiant and our faith firm in that God whose gracious purposes after all the intervening tragedy are sure to prevail!

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GRAN'S BIBLE

Gran was all excited, probably for the first time in her calm, composed life. There was reason enough, however, for plenty of excitement.

She had got up early, as usual, tiptoeing about so that she would not wake June. She always had breakfast alone, even when June was vacationing with her. This morning she had dressed, humming softly to herself. Sometimes she even talked to herself. June always teased her about it, said that Gran was one person that preferred her own company.

When her coffee pot was boiling with an aroma delicious enough to pull any sleepy head out of bed, and she had sliced the coffee ring, nibbling a few nuts off the top, she had gone to get her Bible.

Strange—how she was thinking this very morning that she had been reading that same Bible for forty years. Every morning she read a couple of chapters while she ate her breakfast—she called it her morning tonic. So you can imagine how shocked Gran was when she reached her hand out, almost mechanically, to get it and it was gone! Gone—from the top of the teakwood table where it had reposed unmolested, except by Gran, for forty years.

June was just over turning for a second snooze when she heard Gran running up the stairs. She thought in a sleepy-headed way, "Gran has always been awfully spry, but never thought of her running up and down the stairway for pastime. She'll be sliding down the bannisters next." Just then she began to realize that something was really wrong, for Gran had pushed open the door and her face was an ashen hue.

"June, it's gone. My Bible's gone," she repeated as if she couldn't believe her own words.

June was speechless. Without a word she grabbed her robe and slippers and bounced down the stairs two at a time, with Gran right at her heels. But Gran was right; it wasn't there!

They both sat down on the divan, just as if the search had ended right where it had begun. Neither offered a single suggestion for several minutes, then June said, "Gran, some one has stolen it. I'll bet it was some one that saw it at the fair on display and knew that old Bibles are valuable."

"Any Bible is valuable, June; but you know why I treasured this one so." Gran's voice was quivery. "Why, it's been in my family for years; it was my mother's Bible."

June knew there were other reasons why Gran cherished it; she recalled its soft leathery back, its yellowed pages, and pressed flower smell. Of course the flowers all looked dried and shriveled alike to her but Gran knew the story that accompanied each flower. Some of the stories were sad, others were romantic and brought lovely visions of fragile brides clinging to lovers' arms and bouquets of dainty sweetheart roses. June knew the sentiment attached to Gran's Bible, and she knew that she must find it for her.

"Gran, you just cheer up, and as soon as I can get on some clothes, I'll scout around and see what I can find out," June said, more cheerfully than she really felt.

All the time June was taking a shower and dressing, she kept humming over and over, "It's just like looking for a needle in a haystack."

Downstairs, although nothing had happened to raise Gran's spirits, she was feeling better already. She decided it was due to June's influence. June had a way of making any complication seem so trivial. Although June was 13, to Gran she was just a starry-eyed, golden-haired child, but Gran knew that June's judgment could be trusted.

Gran was still sitting out in the hall by the Bible's table when June came down, fully dressed, and looking as fresh as a white-washed daisy.

June patted her on the shoulder. "I'll find the culprit that took your treasure, darling."

It was easier said than done, for after several hours of inquiring of every one in the neighborhood, June was back where she started. Not a soul had seen any strangers around Gran's place, June had to report to her crestfallen grandmother.

Gran roused from her reverie. "Wonder why Mandy hasn't come yet? She usually starts lunch long before this time."

June hadn't thought of lunch or Negro Mandy. Everything had been so topsy-turvy all morning. Gran was right, though; something must have happened to Mandy.

"I believe I had better go see about Mandy. Maybe one of her children is sick. I never knew her to be so late," June said thoughtfully.

June ran through the cotton patch at the back of Gran's house, snatching at the lovely white bolls of cotton as she ran, until she reached Mandy's shack. It was a hot day, and Mandy's door was swinging wide open. It was quieter than June had ever seen it before. Mandy's children usually managed to keep things plenty lively.

June peeped in the open door and the sight she saw fairly took her breath. Negro Mandy was sitting on the edge of the bed, with two children on either side, completely engrossed in the unfolding of a story from Mandy's lips and Gran's treasured Bible! Her eyes were like two shining lights when she looked up in dismay and saw June.

June was the first one to mutter anything coherent. "Mandy, why did you take Gran's Bible? We have looked everywhere for it."

Mandy shook her kinky head patiently. "I meant to bring it back this morning, Miss June, but sho' forgot when I go to readin' 'bout Jonah and de whale and Noah and de awk. My chilluns kept sayin', 'Please, Mammy, read just one mo'.' Miss June, I didn't mean no harm; I just thought Mrs. Parker wouldn't miss it fo' a little while and I would sho' return it."

June couldn't restrain her happiness. She was much too happy at finding Gran's Bible to be angry with Mandy. She ran every step of the way home and called out to Gran before she got there, "Look, Gran, I told you I would find it."

Gran's joy knew no bounds. She and June laughed about how excited they had been, when all the time Mandy and her children were having the time of their lives.

June couldn't forget the bright, happy look in the Negroes' eyes when she had found them reading Gran's Bible. It meant so much to them, they must have a Bible, so with Gran's permission, she took one of the Bibles from the bookcase and carried it over to Mandy. Mandy and her children thanked June no less than 20 times. June told Gran, "It was really worth being all scared and everything, for it showed us how to make some others happy."—The Sentinel.

A LETTER FROM A CAT

I hereby take
My pen in paw to say,
Can you explain a curious thing
I found the other day?
There is another little cat
Who sits behind a frame,
And looks so very much like me
You'd think we are the same.
I try to make her play with me,
Yet, when I mew and call,
Though I see her mew in answer,
She makes no sound at all.
And to the dullest kitten
It's plain enough to see
That either I am mocking her
Or she is mocking me.
It makes no difference what I play,
She seems to know the game;
For every time I look around,
I see her do the same.
And yet no matter though I creep
On tiptoe lest she hear,
Or quickly dash around the frame,
She's sure to disappear.

—Oliver Herford.

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Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30	31
	November
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Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30	2
Four Oaks, Elizaebth, 7:30	3
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Marvin, 7:30	27
Nashville, 7:30	30
West-Halifax-Bethesda, 3	31
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Fairmont, Trinity, 11	2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30	2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8	5
Town Creek, 11	9
Southport, 7:30	9

THE CHRISTIAN HOME

The parents of a boy whose home was hundreds of miles from the sea, and who had never even looked upon a great body of water, were surprised to discover that their son had an insistent yearning for shops and the sea. Seeking a reason for this longing, it was at last discovered that a beautiful picture of a ship at sea had hung in the boy's bedroom just where his eyes would look upon it when he woke each day. With persistent eloquence the picture had made its daily appeal to the boy's imagination until there was forged a bond between him and the sea which drew him unresisting toward it as his life's objective. How true it is that "a boy's will is the mind's will, and the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts." Does not this suggest that in every Christian home there should be objects which in their turn would center the minds of children upon great and holy things. The wise father of a young, and now very son's attention that amid the many things he had placed in his newly furnished home there were few if any things to remind the visitor that it was a Christian home. There should certainly not be the slightest hesitancy about finding place in the home for pictures and other objects which have a distinctly religious significance.—Dr. G. T. Savery, in Religious Telescope.

It is my opinion that on the last day an honest schoolmaster will be more honored than all the popes.—Luther.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(Resolutions of the board of stewards of Edgar Long Memorial Methodist church concering the death of James Anderson Long, member of said board, formerly chairman).

Resolved first, That seldom, so we believe, has any church had a more devout and effective member than Edgar Long Memorial had in James Anderson Long. He was interested in the church not only as an institution, but he was deeply concerned for its Christian precepts, and sought earnestly to find therein the guiding principle of his daily life.

Second, That as James Anderson Long served Long Memorial church faithfully and loyally, so he was in turn conspicuously honored by his church, having been for a number of years chairman of the board of stewards, a position from which he retired voluntarily on account of the condition of his health, but remained a member of the board until the day of his death. His leadership was recognized by all, and his counsel had great weight, not only with the official boards but with the entire membership of the church.

Third, That while we bow in humble submission to the divine will, we are conscious that we shall sorely miss his genial presence and his constructive counsel, and it is with a sense of great loss that we think of his untimely passing.

Fourth, That the life of James Anderson Long, so active as it was, with so great and numerous demands on his time and attention, so much time and energy freely given in useful public service; yet always ready and eager, as he was, to give without stint to the service of his church his best, both of his talent and his means; such a life challenges every one of his associates to more single-hearted consecration to the cause in which he was so devoutly interested.

Fifth, That we extend to every member of his bereaved family our deepest sympathy.

S. G. Winstead,
R. L. Harris,
F. O. Carver.

A TRIBUTE

After an illness of two years, on October 14, 1940, Mrs. Fannie E. Jarrott, wife of the late Joseph M. Jarrott, left her earthly tabernacle, bidding friends and loved ones goodbye, and went out into the great beyond to meet her God whom she loved and trusted.

Two days later, on October 16, amid a wealth of lovely flowers typical of the fragrance and beauty of her Christian life, the funeral services were conducted from the late home by her pastor, Rev. R. L. Jerome, assisted by Rev. C. D. Barclift.

Her body rests in Oak Dale cemetery and her sweet spirit awaits the home coming of those she loves.

Fannie Southerland Jarrott was born in Wilmington, N. C., October 29, 1854. She was the daughter of the late Joel and Serena Southerland. She spent most of her life in and near Wilmington. She joined the Methodist church in early life, then being on Middle Sound. The church was called Prospect.

She was happily married in her 28th year to Joseph M. Jarrott. They then lived near Scott's Hill, to which she moved her letter and remained a member until moving back to Wilmington. She placed her letter in Trinity Methodist church, of which she was a member the rest of her life.

To this union six children were born, all of whom are living except one daughter, Alberta, who died at the age of three and a half years. Those who survive are: Joseph F. Jarrott, Mary E. Jarrott, Elizabeth Jarrott, Mrs. D. W. Lockey, Mrs. R. B. Gornto; six grandchildren, Mrs. Ralph F. Johnson, Jr., Lester J. Gornto, R. B. Gornto, Jr., Ward Lockey, Mildred Jarott, and Joseph F. Jarrott, Jr; one great-grandchild, Evelyn Irene Gornto. They too share the sadness of farewell so deeply felt by all the members of her devoted family.

While crushed with sadness we are grateful for the memory of her beautiful life. Her going brings us closer to Jesus, whom she served faithfully and to whom she still points as the Way, Truth and Life eternal.

Mrs. Jarrott was earnest in her prayer life, patient in her suffering, and loyal in her friendship. She was gracious in her home, being a devoted wife and as a mother displayed her greatest gift.

Her children can earnestly pay this tender tribute to her memory. She loved us before we were born. She took God's hand in hers and walked through the valley of shadow that we might live. She held our hands when we learned to walk. She shared our sorrow and joy. While we knelt at her knee she taught our lips to pray. She was our friend when other friends were gone. She prayed for us through the days when flooded with sunshine or saddened by shadows. Though we lay down our lives no one can ever pay the debt we owe to our mothers. God bless the mothers of men. They are still our mothers living or dead, and the memory touches our hearts with tenderness and fills our eyes with tears.

Her Children.

Written by her daughter, Mary E. Jarrott.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our loving heavenly Father has seen fit to call from earth one of the most faithful and loyal members of Shady Grove Methodist church and chairman of the church and parsonage board of trustees, Mr. Robert W. Duncan, be it resolved:

First, That we express our deepest appreciation of his devotion and long years of faithful service to our church and to the work of these boards.

Second, That we recommend his life lived at all times in the spirit of good cheer and encouragement to those about him.

Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the quarterly conference, a copy be sent the family, and a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Yanceyville Quarterly Conference Committee: John O. Gunn, J. B. Turner, H. H. Page, Robert Conner, H. L. Cobb.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Youth Fellowship of the Yanceyville Methodist church, wish to pay loving tribute to our departed president, Ruby Powell. It was with genuine regret that we and many others gave her up September 24, 1941. She was a faithful member of our church and its various organizations ,and will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

To her parents and relatives we extend our greatest sympathy.

Resolved, that copies of this tribute be sent to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Powell, the Caswell Messenger, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

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In Memoriam

NORRIS—The little town of South Mills was saddened when Charles Norris, one of its first citizens, suddenly passed away August 13.

His mother was left a widow during Reconstruction days with several small children; he had a terrific struggle with poverty. He had practically no educational advantages, but learned well the lesson of hard work and honest labor.

For many years he had been one of the leading merchants of his town. He represented his county in the State Legislature, was on the board of county commissioners two separate times, and was also very active in church work, being at the time of his death a district steward and a steward in his local church.

He loved his church and was faithful to it; his own business was never so important that he could not leave it at the call of his church.

Charles Norris, as he was familiarly known, was a Christian gentleman. Being on the popular side mattered but little with him when it came to a question of right and wrong. He was a man who could differ with you and even oppose you and still be your friend.

He was 74 years old. Survivors are his wife; Mrs. P. M. Matthews, Gladys and Gilford Norris, all of South Mills; three grandchildren, and Mrs. Bill Jones of Gilmerton, Va., a daughter by a former marriage. A. Friend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of Rose Chapel Woman's Society of Christian Service, desire to record the passing of one of our beloved members, Mrs. W. T. Hedrick, who went home to be with Jesus on August 6, 1941. She was a faithful member of Rose Chapel church.

Her genial presence was a help in any meeting or undertaking of the church or society. We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and the sweet smile she had for everyone.

Mrs. Hedrick was patient in her suffering, loyal in her friendship, gracious in her home. She was a devoted wife, a faithful friend, but it was as a mother that she displayed her greatest gift.

Her passing has caused deep sorrow to the members of the society. We sorrow, not as those who have no hope, for we know that our loss is her eternal gain.

Therefore be it resolved, that we extend to her husband and children our heartfelt sympathy, and that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, a copy to be sent to the family, and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. I. C. Eidson,
Mrs. W. J. Reves,
Mrs. L. R. Harris.

PARSONS—David Alexander Parsons, the son of Mr. William S. Parsons and Mrs. Rebecca Ewing Parsons, was born July 18, 1860, at Covington, N. C. Mr. Parsons took advantage of the educational opportunities which his days offered. He enrolled at Ellerbe Springs and was a diligent student. From Ellerbe Springs he went to Mt. Gilead high school and became a student of Professor Skein.

Having received a good offer from his father, Mr. William S. Parsons, and Mr. Pleasant Capel, Mr. David Parsons took over a large store at Covington. He later bought the store and operated the same until his death February 12, 1941. He proved to be a good business man as well as a good neighbor to both the white and the colored.

Mr. Parsons was married in 1889 to Miss Rebecca Baldwin. To this union were born three children, Dr. W. H. Parsons, D. J. Hunter Parsons, and Mrs. W. H. Howell. Mrs. Parsons passed away in 1896. In 1902 Mr. Parsons married Miss Corinna K. Kearns. To this marriage was born one son, Clarence Parsons.

Mr. Parsons was one who believed in education for all. He was a vital factor in securing a school for his community. Through this small school he was able to help children receive an education who would have been deprived of that privilege. He believed the best investment he could make was in the children of the community. He was directly responsible for the education of many. His interest in education attracted the attention of the outstanding citizen of Richmond county. As the results of his sacrificial interest in education he was appointed to the Richmond county board of education in 1903. He served as a member of this board for 36 years.

He was a faithful member of the Concord Methodist church for more than three score and ten years. He was as much interested in his church as his business. He served as a steward for something like 55 years and was the chairman of the board for many years. He took a keen interest in seeing that his church met all its financial obligations. He was a staunch friend to all preachers. District superintendent, Rev. W. V. McRae, who had spent some two years in the home of Mr. Parsons as a teacher in Covington, said, "David Parsons was a saint and did not know it. He was not conscious that he was a private saint of his Master. He was a man who kept faith with God and man." The passing of Mr. Parsons will be felt not only by his church and community but by the county as well.

DUNCAN—On September 1 Mrs. Thomas Duncan, better known as "Miss Laura," went from us. Named Laura Closs Nelson for "Old Dr. Closs" of our conference, she was brought up in the Methodist tradition, joined the church at 15 years of age, and was a loved and respected member for more than 65 years.

"Miss Laura" was active in all departments of the church. There are grandmothers in Beaufort today who first learned the joy of helping in civic and religious activities through the Willing Hands, and organization of children she founded years ago. "Miss Laura" taught Sunday school until recent ill health prevented; she attended all the services of the church. She was a charter member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society when it was formed in 1878, and also of the new Laura Duncan Society of Christian Service founded in 1940.

For more than a quarter of a century "Miss Laura" was blind. However, she gallantly shouldered all of her responsibilities, never asking to have them lightened because of her deprivation, and lived a life that was enviously full and rich. Through her personal charm, kindness, intelligence and uncompromising integrity, she left an imprint for good in the community that has probably never been excelled.

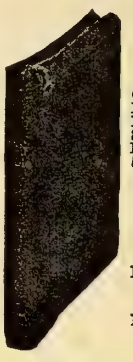
"Miss Laura" is survived by seven sons and daughters: Mrs. William Sellers and Mrs. William Kennedy of Norfolk, John and E. E. Duncan of Raleigh, G. W. Duncan, Mrs. N. F. Eure, and Mrs. Lena Duncan of Beaufort.

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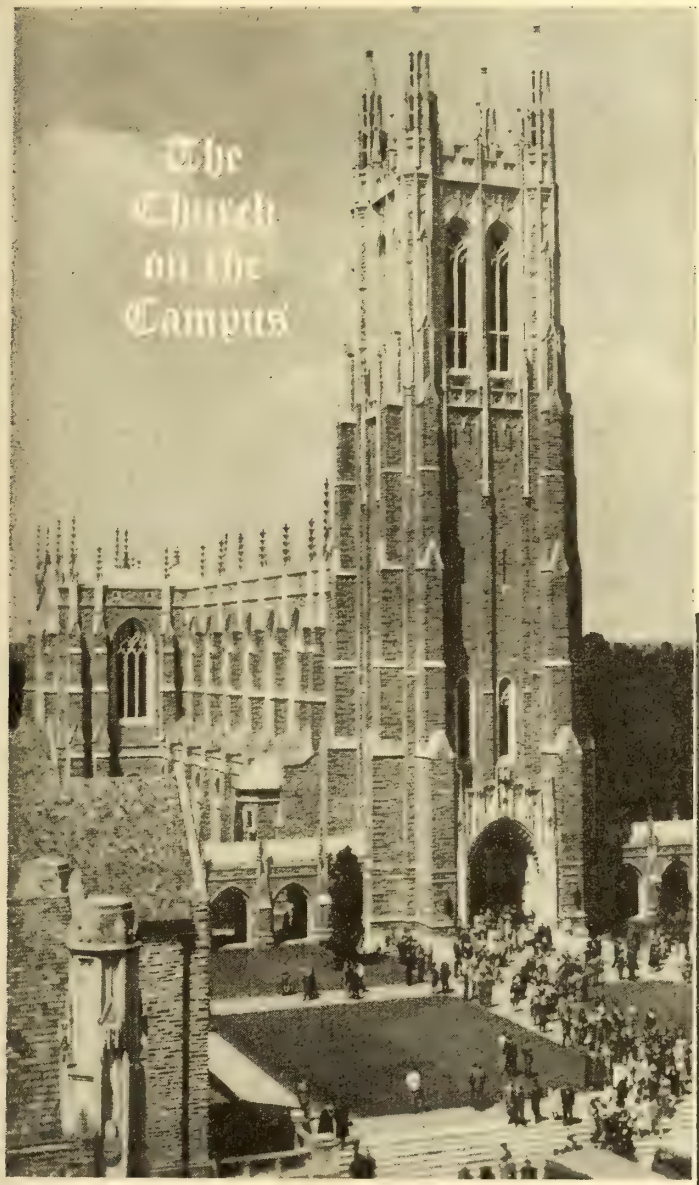
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Duke University Church, by its program and by the influence it exerts, strives to lead every member of the University Community into a realization of the function of religion as a practical force in every day living. By work and by worship in connection with others, he may grow and develop spiritually, as he matures physically and intelligently, so that in this way he may prepare himself for capable participation in the religious life of the society which he enters upon leaving college.

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A LAYMAN DISCUSSES SALARY OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

In the October 16 issue of the Advocate there appeared an article by Rev. C. T. Thrift of Warsaw, calling attention to the fact that the annual conference, which will soon convene, is vested with the power to fix the annual salary of the seven district superintendents, and to this there can be no possible objection.

It must be admitted that the present basis of pay for our district superintendents is fairer and more nearly commensurate (considering their responsibilities) than the salaries paid to some of our preachers. They and some of the pastors in our city churches are the best paid group in the conference. With this admission, what have we to boast of in paying a fair wage to men holding responsible positions in our church? What will be gained by lowering our present standard?

A cut of $200 on the annual salary of the district superintendent will save the average church paying member less than two cents a year in the Wilmington district. A reduction of $1000 will effect a savings of less than 10 cents for each church member in the district.

Assuming a reduction is made—who will benefit? Would these funds go to the underpaid preacher or open the way for just another "cut in the church budget?"

It is generally known that our conference leaders, including laymen, district superintendents and preachers, have given and are now seriously considering the question of more adequate pay for preachers. Preachers get less for their services than any other profession on earth. The ever increasing demand upon them and the high cost of transportation exacts a heavy toll upon their time and income.

The wives and children of our beloved preachers must share in these sacrifices. We must recognize these injustices and raise the salaries of our preachers to meet present day conditions. However, this important matter cannot be settled or expedited by "tinkering" with the salaries of the district superintendents. It is a matter that should be settled honestly and on its merits.

I am not at all interested in what method the conference may adopt in voting upon the question of salaries for the superintendents, but like many other laymen, I would regret to see the standard lowered in this conference.

Brethren, the church has been taking the crumbs for a long time and it is high time that we are showing an increase in receipts, as well as disbursements, "all down the line."

A fine spirit of co-operation and brotherly interest is being manifested by all churchmen from the bishop down. Opportunity knocks as never before. With God's help we will unite to meet the challenge.

If there be any prejudices, may we bury them, and in the spirit of the Lord, unite and press forward to higher ground. W. A. McGirt.

JESSE G. WILKINSON LEADS

On the first Sunday after conference Jesse G. Wilkinson, the alert pastor at Dallas, led his officials and also leads in the Advocate campaign for the new year. Every pastor certainly has a right to expect much of his officials and it belongs to him to tell them so. To take the church paper and be informed is an obligation every official owes his pastor and owes himself. A successful pastor of city churches was accustomed in beginning his pastorates to say that he expected each officer of his church to take the church paper and know what the church was doing. Why not?

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"I presented the Advocate cause in two of my churches Sunday in connection with the installation of new officials for the coming year. I preached on the subject, 'What a Pastor Expects of His Church Officials,' and among other things stressed the need for subscribing to and reading the North Carolina Christian Advocate, with this fine response. Next Sunday the same plan will be followed in the remaining church on the charge and we hope to exceed our quota. It seems a good time to do it as other previous appeals had failed to get the desired response."

N. C. CONFERENCE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING MEETS AT DURHAM

The Board of Ministerial Training of the North Carolina Annual Conference will meet in the room assigned in Trinity church, Durham, November 10, at 3 p .m. for an half hour discussion of the work for the new conference year. The members of the classes, those seeking admission on trial and the accepted supply pastors, are asked to meet the board to report on their work in their respective courses of study at 3:30 p. m. Let all meet promptly for there will be much to do.

I. S. Richmond, Chm.
C. D. Barclift, Registrar.

N. C. CONFERENCE ASSEMBLES AT DURHAM MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 10

North Carolina Conference will be organized Monday, 7:30 p. m., November 10, immediately before meeting of historical society. Clara Purcell.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT PASTORS AND DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING

The pastors and district stewards of the Winston-Salem district will meet at Centenary church, Monday afternoon, November 3, at 2:30.

Chas. C. Weaver, D. S.

SALISBURY DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING

The district stewards of the Salisbury district will meet at First church, Salisbury, Friday, Novembre 7, at 3:30 p. m. C. N. Clark, D. S.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING

The Charlotte district stewards' meeting will be held on Thursday, November 6, at 10 a. m., First church, Charlotte. G. T. Bond, D. S.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING

Pastors, district stewards, lay leaders and recording stewards will meet at Broad Street church, Statesville, Thursday, November 6, at 1:30 p. m.

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Most encouraging is the way that many of the brethren of the Western North Carolina conference hit the line on the first Sunday. Some of the most active preachers did not wait to catch their breath. They let the people know that a man of God with a mission and a message was on the field.

Almost every plea for money, for enlarged production on the farm, for greater output of factories and for all else of human endeavor, is urged in the interest of defense. Let every preacher and layman remember that the church in its spiritual mission has the biggest work for defense—and stick to his job.

The many churches paid for and dedicated the past year, the advances made by our colleges and orphanages, the good year enjoyed by our church paper and the favorable financial reports made should certainly enable North Carolina Methodism to rejoice. Why not gird ourselves for larger conquests?

The list of appointments in this issue of the Advocate with its more than three hundred pastors, to say nothing of other leaders scattered over the conference, is such as to stir every thoughtful man. Think of what these can do for God, for righteousness, for human welfare—for all that makes for the coming of the kingdom of heaven!

The Bible goes before us. Many other books we leave behind because we have outgrown them. Others get out of date. Still others that one time interested and helped us are no longer able to render such service. But the Word of God is eternal. The Bible never fails. It is a staff for weary pilgrims, a guide through the wilderness, and an oracle divine. It is the Book of books.

Air, water and sunshine are three of the most common blessings of life and the least appreciated until they begin to fail us. Then the situation soon becomes desperate. The recent rain in North Carolina was hailed with joy because of the parched earth, the failing wells and the serious need of rain on the farms and unploughed fields. Water, air and sunshine are treated among the commonplaces of life until they begin to fail us. Truly the best blessings of our heavenly Father are the most abundant and the most essential.

The Rev. George Carstairs writes from Edinburgh, Scotland, thus: "There are not many communists in Scotland but among the Clydeside workers there are a few." There are thousands of communists around the coal mines of Fife, so many thousands that they are able to send William Gallacher to the House of Commons to represent them, the same harmless Willie Gallacher that the highly virtuous, pure city of Chicago, under orders from that exalted army of Christians known as "the Nash-Kelly gang," refused entry into the holy precincts of the Windy City.

The wise pastor, whether he goes to a new charge or returns to his last year's circuit or station, will use the fresh enthusiasm engendered at the annual conference to set off the work of the new year. It is not true that a good beginning makes a bad ending, but the reverse is true in the work of a pastoral charge. A good beginning makes a good ending. In the Western North Carolina conference a very large part of the year's work should be planned, and no little accomplished before the Christmas holidays. The pastor must set the pace. The enthusiasm of a good steward is frequently chilled by the slowness and indifference of the man whom the bishop appointed leader of the charge.

The Start and the Finish

THE Western North Carolina conference has closed an interesting session at Winston-Salem; the North Carolina conference will open its annual session at Durham in about two weeks. The one is entering upon the work of a new year; the other is at the close of the past year's labors. Both of these periods are of more than ordinary concern, for in them are linked up the past and the future.

Every alert pastor and interested layman in all of western North Carolina will be much concerned about the start made for the new year. Each hour of each day will tell for much in the plans formulated for the months ahead in this new year so fraught with destiny. A fine start will tell mightily for success in every line of endeavor. A week frittered away on the threhold means the loss of many victories during the coming summer and autumn. The wise man ever more has a care for the start on any journey and for the plans of life's undertakings.

Equally as important are the closing days in the North Carolina conference. These days well spent will have much to do with the report made at Durham. No one should loiter in these last days of the year. They do more than make rosy the report for the year; they lend encouragement for the year ahead. A job well done always makes easier the work of future days for the finish is always closely linked up with the start and the start likewise with the finish.

So just at this time these are most crucial hours for both the conferences in this state. We scarcely know for which the hours count for most. Every one in both should be on his toes eager to go so as to be an inspiration to all others associated with him in the start and in the finish.

At Home in God's World

THE genuine Christian is at home in God's world. The man without God and without religion is simply an orphan in a godless universe. He knows nothing of the confidence and the assurance of one at home in his Father's house—one able to live and move and have his being in a friendly world in fellowship with Him who said "I and the Father are one" can be joyful and free as the bird on the wing.

The bird is at home in the air, the animal in the forests and the fields, each in his element. So it belongs to man to be at home in two worlds, the natural and the spiritual. He has a body; this makes him akin to the animal, able to live and move in this earthly realm; also he is a spirit, akin to God. Thus man is related to the whole of God's creation and is related to two worlds, both of divine origin.

Man is essentially a spiritual being, Religion, the deepest and most all embracing thing in life, is therefore man's first essential for being at home in God's world. So, of first concern in the life of man is a church—the spiritual institution—that nourishes and keeps fresh and strong the soul of man. The church most assuredly is more than a social institution devoted to reforms and earthly schemes. It is spiritual and charged with bringing men to God. The Prince of Peace is the head and front in it all. Ultimately Jesus shall be crowned Lord of all, and then men will be able to live in peace and good will together, fully at home in their Father's world. How perfectly absurd is it for the church of Jesus Christ to be giving itself to earthly schemes in which the sword is made the instrument of conquest! Such is the way of death; for "they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

Family Unity

UNITY of family life, whether considered in its narrow or its broader aspects, is of first concern in all constructive efforts of the race. On the threshold of the record of the race is the account of the man who murdered his own brother. Family ties counted for nothing with Cain. In the smaller family circle and in the larger circle of a family of nations this disregard of one's brother ends in ruin. This severance of family unity reaches back into the past and extends forward into the future.

Jesus had more to say about divorce than anything else. This severs the marriage ties and rends the family unity asunder. Children are the chief victims of divorce which mars the present and extends into the past and violates the chief hopes for the future. The family group gathered in harmony around the family board is the symbol of family unity in which paternal love and fraternal good will hold sway. Had these dominated Eden and continued among the nations through the centuries the record of the race would have been far different. Truly our dreams of the coming brotherhood of man would have been a reality. But instead we know only the lust and blood and murder of a broken and desolated world.

A Call for Weather Prophets

FOR the editor of the New York Times to write of goose-bone prophets and the hang of the horns of the new moon and other weather signals that can run ahead of the United States Weather Bureau, leads one to suspect that this workman of Times Square was reared far from the white lights and the skyscrapers of New York City. However, this may be he speaks as one versed in weather lore. Read the following from last Sunday's Times:

"Where are the weather prophets? Here it is practically November, and we don't know yet what to expect of the winter. We know it will be reasonably warm indoors, for Mr. Ickes has called off his oil shortage; but what about the outdoor weather? It's high time we had some light on the subject from the goose-bone seers.

"The 'signs' are already with us. The squirrels are fat, sassy and full of the hoarding instinct. The chipmunks are remaking their winter beds with grass and milkweed fluff. Acorns and black walnuts litter the fence rows —what there are left after squirrels and small boys have taken their pick. Cattails are ready for measurement and analysis. Ducks and geese are on their way south. Corn shucks can now be counted, layer by layer. Blue jays are in full and raucous autumn cry. Dogwood buds, preparing for next June's display, are fat upon the bough. The katydids have had their say and the crickets are having theirs.

Is the remainder of our autumn going to continue the drought which blankets the countryside? There's a new moon, a singularly splendid scimitar of a moon, there in the western sky of an evening. Could Dan Boone hang his powder horn on that crescent? And if so, is it a dry moon or a wet one?

Sunday Amusements Attacked

IN some of our towns and cities the pastors have joined in preaching sermons urging the observing of Sunday as a holy day given over to rest and worship. Durham is one of these. Last Sunday Rev. David Yates, rector of St. Phillips Episcopal church, discussed Sunday amusements in an unusually convincing sermon. Finely and effectively presented was this warning against the perils of our civilization in this day of Sunday amusements.

Quoting Emerson, who called Sunday the backbone of our civilization, Dr. Yates pointed out two dangers to our civilization from which we can be saved only by Sabbath observance. He also referred to certain abuses that violate the commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Those that crowd in upon us in this day threaten both our spiritual and physical welfare. In discussing Sunday movies and other movements he urged the bigger question of keeping the Sabbath holy to save our civilization. We shall lay this sermon before our readers at an early day.

The Roman Hierarchy

SOME people seem to think that opposition to the Roman Hierarchy is opposition to those devout and obedient souls who belong to the Roman Catholic Church. But nothing is farther from the truth. There are both good and bad people in the Roman Church just as there are in the Methodist Church or any other church. The controversy is not with the people who belong to the Roman Church but with the system. A clear and comprehensive thinker has expressed the case as follows: The Protestant mind sees a vast and mighty organization extending over the heads of these multitudes, controlling them, and utterly beyond their control, a self-contained and self-perpetuating hierarchy, an undemocratic oligarchy, with no root in democratic soil and therefore, save as it may itself elect, irresponsible and unresponsive to a progressive enlightened public will. Moreover, it sees that this mighty overhead system of government has its political center in a foreign land, from which center absolute authority runs out to the ends of the self-enclosed heirarchy and is passed down to these multitudes of faithful and trusting worshippers. The American Protestant envisages all this and the soul of democracy in him shudders with apprehension at the possibility of this system becoming dominant in this land, all of whose political and social institutions rest upon the doctrine that all government derives its just powers from the intelligent consent of the governed. This makes full tolerance difficult. Tolerance of ideas believed to be erroneous, or of practices believed to be superstitious, or of theories believed to be dangerous—tolerance here is an achievement of grace—but tolerance of a vast organization for human control, whose every genius lifts it above the possibility of being controlled by human consent—to plead for tolerance is like asking the American conscience to turn itself inside out.

People and Things

N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Our bishop authorizes the transfer of Paul Hamilton from Draper-Wayside to Flat Rock.—L. B. Hayes, D.S.

Rev. and Mrs. McMurry S. Richey announce the birth of a son, Russell Earle, at Biltmore Hospital, Asheville, Sunday, October 19.

It takes seven figures to write the total raised by the W. N. C. conference for all purposes. The figures are rather impressive, as follows: $2,696,838. These Methodists of Western North Carolina were once poor, but this is not true at the present time.

E. H. Nease, secretary W. N. C. conference, showed his usual capacity for keeping the records as they ought to be. A conference with a good president and a capable secretary, as was the case at Winston-Salem, cannot do otherwise than move like a new, well oiled machine.

Rev. G. A. Stamper, whose health has not been the best for more than a year, retired at this conference expecting to be restored to his usual good health. His address will be 1345 W. Fourth Street, Winston-Salem. He will be missed in Greensboro, where he has lived and served the West Greensboro charge.

Through our hospital ministry committee at Duke we offer our services for hospital visitation and the like to anyone who desires it and informs us of the fact. There are a great many people within reach of the Advocate who at various times are either here in the hospital themselves or have friends here. All interested will please contact William B. A. Culp, Box 4472, Duke Station, Durham, N. C. The committee feels that through such a practice they serve our friends and they also serve God.

Launching a new series of jointly sponsored lectures, the Wofford College Lyceum and Converse College have engaged William L. Shirer, Leslie Howard, and Dr. Gerald Wendt for addresses at the two colleges during the coming season, officials of the two colleges have announced. This will make the first time when the two local institutions have pooled their resources to bring lecturers to the city, it was pointed out. Shirer and Howard will come under the joint auspices of the two colleges, officials stated, and Wendt is being brought to the city independently by Wofford College.

On October 18 we moved from Raleigh to Hartford. We are studying in the Kennedy School of Missions of the Hartford Seminary Foundation. I came early in September, but it was three weeks before I could find a suitable place for the family. We are now comfortably located at 96 S. Quaker Lane, Hartford, Conn. This fall the School of Missions has the largest enrollment in its history—over half of them Methodists, also many Methodists in the Seminary and in the School of Religious Education. Henceforth will you please send the Advocate to Box 238, Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford, Conn.—J. Doane Stott.

An exchange declares that a student evangelist whose term of service was over received from the church a call to continue his work, provided: first, he stopped pounding the pulpit; second, he stopped using indiscreet language; third, he stopped correcting his wife during the services; fourth, he stopped clapping his hands for attention during the sermon; and fifth, he stopped neglecting the children. Well, whether he accepted the call with those conditions, we do not know, but no doubt they made him think a lot, and that was the important thing. Probably it will prove to be easier for the church to select a new man than to make this man over.

In a preaching mission at the Raeford Methodist church Dr. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen delivered a gripping and powerful series of sermons on the theme, "Religion in Life." Step by step, in eloquent and masterful fashion he prepared the way through the week for a great dedication service Sunday morning.—E. C. Crawford.

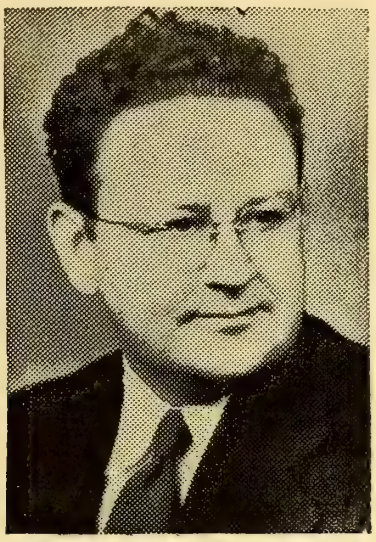
At least three American preachers are now on tour in England, Drs. Daniel A. Poling, Joseph Fort Newton, and J. Frank Norris. Just what credentials they bear is not stated. Dr. Norris is reported to have visited Winston Churchill to tell him that Mrs. Norris prays for him every night. Whereupon Mr. Churchill, with tears in his eyes, is said to have thanked the Fort Worth-Detroit pastor.

Marcus Caleb Setzer died October 20 at his home near Newton, age 88. He spent his long useful life in Catawba county. He first married Miss Ellen Carpenter, who died in 1908. They reared four sons and nine daughters, one set of twin sisters. About 1911 he married Miss Rebecca Howard of Lincoln county. She died early in October this year. He is survived by four sons, D. Lee, M. L. and Austin of Newton, and Lell Setzer, Alexandria, Va.; six daughters, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His oldest daughter, Mrs. Perry Deal, and her husband were killed in a car-train wreck near Charlotte, New Year's day 1921. Brother Setzer joined the Methodist church in his youth. For many years he was a faithful steward of our church at Newton. I once lived near him; his children were my pupils. He was a kind, obliging neighbor and a loyal Methodist.—A. C. Sherrill.

Palestine, Flat Rock Charge.—Our pastor filled his last appointment the third Sunday for this conference year. This is Pastor Houck's first year. Our people have learned to love him and his family, and I do not believe Palestine has ever had a more likable pastor and family. I am sure Pastor Houck has put his best into his work this year. Owing to sickness and death in their families they have had to spend a part of their time away from the parsonage. Palestine has had a good year. Pastor's salary paid in full; all other claims paid. We appreciate the faithful service Pastor and Mrs. Houck have given us and we are hoping they will be returned. Palestine has lost by death Uncle "Dick" (R. J. Sharron) the oldest member of the church. Uncle "Dick" was a faithful membre, always at church until health failed him. And Paul Parrish, one of the promising young 20-year-old boys of our church, lost his life in an automobile accident in August. We greatly miss these.

Dr. Channing A. Richardson of New York, superintendent of city work in section of Home Missions of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, met last Tuesday evening, October 21, with the ministers and a group of laymen of the Durham district to discuss the advisability of forming a city missionary society in Durham. The meeting was called by Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, and was held at Duke Memorial church. On the program other than Dr. Richardson were Dr. J. M. Ormond, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, and Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary. It was decided to form such an organization. An initial group was named consisting of the pastors, chairmen of boards of stewards, Sunday school superintendents, presidents of woman's societies of Christian service. These are to formulate plans to be presented soon to a larger group to be called together, at which time the organization will be perfected. It is the purpose of this society to promote the matter of church location, building enterprises, forming of new congregations where advisable, and to work together in the general advancement of the donominational interests.—S. J. Starnes.

Rev. B. P. Murphy, Ph.D., of Louisville, Ky., who recently became assistant secretary to Dr. T. D. Ellis, one of the executive secretaries of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension. Before coming to the Louisville office Dr. Murphy was pastor of the West University Place Methodist church, Houston, Texas. Dr. Murphy took his college work at Southern Methodist Univeristy, his graduate degrees, B.D. and Ph.D. at Yale University. He is a member of the Texas conference.



Rev. B. P. Murphy, Ph.D.

A good year has just ended on the Granite Quarry charge. Successful revivals were held at each of the four churches. During the year 65 members were received into the churches on profession of faith and 18 by letter. Daily vacation Bible schools largely attended were held at each church. During the year also a beautiful church building was dedicated at Granite Quarry, and an attractive brick structure costing $10,000 was completed at Providence. It is hoped that during the year now beginning new church buildings will be begun at Bethel and Mt. Tabor, and building committees have been appointed at both churches. The outlook for the coming year is bright and we are expecting a good year.—C. G. Isley.

We are having a series of evangelistic services this week under the leadership of our pastor, Dr. F. W. Paschal, which will continue through Wednesday night. He is doing some marvelous preaching and our church has been practically filled for every service. Dr. Paschal truly is a man who walks daily close to his Lord and Master and he has a deep passion for lost souls. We are praying and believing our entire church will be brought closer to the Lord and many souls saved as the result of these services. We have had a most successful year—a wonderful way in which to close our year's work. We hope to be able to support the Advocate in a much greater way in the new conference year than we have in the past.—Mrs. Joe Holmes.

Friends of the Glenwood Methodist church in Greensboro will be happy to know that on Friday morning, October 22, the dirt started moving from the ground for a parsonage. The contract has been let and work is under way for a modern seven-room brick veneer building. The two upper rooms will be left unfinished for the present. The building will be located on Glenwood avenue, one block below the church on a beautiful lot. The building commiittee headed by Lee B. Coltrane has worked faithfully to get this parsonage under way. Much credit is due to the Wesley Williams class and the kind friends of Greensboro who made donations for the purchase of the land for a down payment. The building when completed will cost a little more than $5000 and will be a credit to the people of the church and to the community. Those serving on the committee are: Lee B. Coltrane, William P. Zink, W. C. Lambeth, D. S. Gray, R. W. Stanley, J. G. Richardson, H. C. Waynick, W. L. Moser and V. M. Kirkman.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Elliot O. Watson, professor of history at Greensboro College, will discuss world affairs when the local chapter of the alumnae association meets Tuesday afternoon, 3:45 o'clock, in the alumnae room, Main building. Mrs. Wallace Taylor, president of the chapter, will preside during the program, arranged by Mrs. Roy Smith, program chairman. Following Mr. Watson's discussion, alumnae will entertain members of the G. C. Daughters' organization at a weiner roast by the college lake.

"Life is a Trust" was the theme of the address by Dr. Henry G. Sprinkle, Jr., pastor of West Asheville Methodist church, to Greensboro College students and faculty yesterday at the college chapel services in Odell auditorium.

In pointing out the basis truth at the heart of the Gospel, "God is our Father who divides the talents among his children. Realize that, and understanding his righteousness, make the most of what he gives you," Dr. Sprinkle encouraged students to "live that one day we may hear the words of the Just Juror, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.' "

The Greensboro College school of music presented in a student recital Wednesday afternoon, October 29, at 4:30 in Odell auditorium Miss Juanita Coppedge, Greensboro, and Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury. Miss Coppedge, formerly of High Point, a freshman, but for several years a student of Mark Hoffman of Greensboro College, played Clair de Lune, by Claude Debussy. Miss Woodson, a junior piano student, played Concerto No. 1 in B flat minor, Andante non tropo e molto maestoso, and Allegro con spirito by Tschaikowsky. Mr. Hoffman was at a second piano with Miss Woodson.

"You are going to be in the midst of examinations every day you live—some will send you home with sobs, and some into the world with a zest for living," Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of the national Christian Advocate of the Methodist Church, counseled Greensboro College students October 21 when he spoke at the noon assembly.

Dr. Smith, outstanding religious leader of the Methodist Church, used as his theme "Examination Days," explaining that college examinations are entirely different from examinations in life. "If you flunk in life, you stay flunked."

Stressing the importance of choice of attitudes and the fact that it is the attitudes which one takes in life that count, Dr. Smith concluded, "Every day you come face to face with the examination of your attitudes toward friends, toward school, toward life."

VICTORY DAY AT SILER CITY

Last Sunday was a day of gracious inspiration and heartfelt rejoicing for the Methodist people of Siler City. This is the first year of the married life of the Methodist Protestant church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. They are still in love and going on to perfection.

At the 11 o'clock hour Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, spoke to us on the vital theme of "Work as a Ministry." Dr. M. L. Matthews, lay leader of the Fayetteville district, delivered a most interesting message on "Making Religion Vital." Mrs. H. F. Makepeace of Sanford charmed us with her singing of the Holy City and other selections.

Five fine young people were received into the fellowship of the church on profession of faith. More than $500 was paid on the church budget and about $45 was contributed for the Golden Cross.

There is a most cheering and encouraging refrain running through the community. Many are volunteering the statement that they purpose to make the incoming year even better than this one has been. No music is quite so sweet to a pastor with a soul sympathetically sensitive as that refrain.

C. B. Culbreth.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF N. C. CONFERENCE

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina Conference will hold its regular fall meeting on Thursday, November 13, during the session of the conference to be held in Durham. It is important that those who wish plates reserved send their names to Mrs. George Perry of Durham. Plates will be fifty cents. All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Secretary.

Highlights, Facts and Figures of the Western North Carolina Conference

The indebtedness on churches has been reduced $1,521,120 during the past year, which leaves a remaining indebtedness of only $633,738. This is a remarkable showing in the clearance of debts on church property.

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The total membership of this conference is now 201,865, an all time high. But this is no time for boasting when the statistical secretary's report reveals that the additions of church members on profession of faith is 1359 fewer this year than last. The pastors, especially, should take note of a loss so vital as these figures show.

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There has been an increase of thirty churches. And the total valuation of the 1137 churches is placed at $14,845,659.

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The class admitted to membership into the conference after an admirable address by Bishop Purcell were: F. W. D. Bangle, G. W. Bumgarner, A. J. Clemmer, Jr., J. R. Hamilton, C. L. Heckard, G. A. Hovis, J. A. Lindsay, R. V. Martin, R. W. McCully, McM. S. Richey, C. B. Ross, G. M. Schreyer, H. H. Wood, C. D. Stokes, M. B. Shives and M. A. McLean, who came from the Congregational Church.

The following were advanced to the fourth year: C. W. Avett, E. D. Brewer, J. W. Fowler, Jr., H. D. Garmon, J. J. Holmes, L. H. Lowman, J. E. Rink, W. G. Sides, Jr., A. W. Wellons.

The following were ordained elders: J. M. Brandon, Jr., Charles Wesley Clay (already ordained), A. J. Cox, H. Grady Hardin, Jr., N. A. Huffman, H. E. Jones, D. B. Mullis, and M. C. Reese.

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Bishop Purcell

Bishop Purcell guided the affairs of the conference wisely and well. Without any semblance of haste he can dispatch the business of a conference as few men can do. He never utters a word that is not needed in his work as presiding officer. It requires great self-mastery for any man not to talk, and talk too much, when presiding over a Methodist conference. His ability to command himself explains why he can control a conference so admirably. This fact accounts largely if not entirely for the people crowding the church during the business sessions as well as the public addresses of the afternoons and evenings. So far as we are informed at this writing the appointments have given satisfaction as fully as anybody could expect.

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Among the things that contributed to this delightful conference was the unusually fine behavior of the weather man. October amid these foothills of the Appalachian mountains did its best for these Methodists who were busy and happy as they enjoyed the fellowship of their great annual gathering. Those preachers assembled on the front lawn of Centenary church morning, noon and night for social fellowship and to discuss matters of mutual interest.

The conference raised this year for conference claimants $54,485. To this fund for retired ministers the conference trustees added $800. The Duke Foundation gave the usual $5,000, and the Publishing House added a neat sum of $3,745.99.

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A unique incident for the Western North Carolina conference was a debate on the conference floor. This conference rarely gets into an argument over anything. A report, however, from the board of education, and strange to say a unanimous report of the board, set off the fireworks for a few moments, all of which was in fine humor and quite interesting while it lasted. This is mentioned here solely because it was so unusual.

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The North Carolina conference of the Central Jurisdiction was in session in Winston-Salem at the same time that our conference was in the city. These brethren sent a committee headed by Dr. R. N. Brooks, editor of the Christian Advocate of the Central Jurisdiction, to bring greetings from their conference to our conference. Dr. Brooks made a pleasing address and received a cordial welcome from the conference. It was a pleasant episode amid the work of the conference.

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Among the members of the conference who retired this year from active service were: J. S. Williams, G. A. Stamper, O. P. Ader, T. J. Huggins, A. G. Dixon, J. B. Trogdon, and R. S. Trusedale, who was the only man that delivered a valedictory, and he did it to the queen's taste. There was no moaning when he turned aside to rest awhile. Among many other fine utterances he said: "After 42 years I ask for the retired relation. I have never been presiding elder, or district superintendent, or editor, or secretary of any sort. These forty-two years I have been a pastor, just as old Doctor Carlisle, president of Wofford College, advised when I entered the conference." This pastor said that he had nothing to regret and like Bishop McDowell when he retired as active bishop said, "I have worn a red necktie so there would be no suggestion of mourning, not even in the clothing that I wore."

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Dr. Fred B. Stone, publishing agent, represented the Publishing Interests of United Methodism. Upon the completion of a timely and appreciated address Dr. Stone handed the bishop a check for $3,745.99, which was a gift from the Publishing House to the retired ministers of the conference and the widows of deceased preachers. The check was received with thanks by Bishop Purcell and applause by the conference. Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of the Christian Advocate, Chicago, represented his paper at the conference session, spoke at the laymen's luncheon, and delivered the address Wednesday evening at the anniversary of the board of missions and world service. The people greatly enjoyed these addresses of Dr. Smith. Dr. Harry C. Smith, pastor of Memorial church, Durham,

delivered the ordination sermon Thursday evening, which was followed by the ordination of deacons and elders. On every hand one heard the people complimenting Dr. Smith's sermon to the young ministers. The conference was fortunate to have these three distinguished visitors whose preaching and speaking was so greatly enjoyed.

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The statistics of church membership show 181,180 resident members and 20,685 non-resident members. It seems to us that the number of non-resident members is entirely too large. Efforts should be made to get these people to put their church membership where they make their residence. Generally when a man or woman lives at one place and keeps his or her membership elsewhere, the kingdom of God receives very limited service from such church members. It would be well for pastors to insist that people be resident members of the church.

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The bishop appointed C. S. Kirkpatrick district superintendent of the Marion district. This was the only change made in district superintendents. Dr. Kirkpatrick is experienced in this work and has never failed to give a good account of himself as leader of a district. We expect him to live up to the standard that he set for himself on the Salisbury and Gastonia districts. He loves the work and is popular with his pastors and the people whom he serves. A man who measures up to the demands of this office at the present time must have gifts of leadership to a marked degree. But we expect the superintendent of the Marion district to measure up.

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There are 450 orphan children in the Home at Winston-Salem and the welfare of these children command the attention and support of our Methodist people. O. V. Woosley, the superintendent, is a zealous leader of this important work which is so dear to the hearts of our people.

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Winston-Salem left nothing undone that could contribute to the entertainment of the great body of Methodists that tarried in the Twin-City from Monday afternoon till Friday afternoon of the same week. Dr. W. A. Stanbury and his corps of assistants were capable, thoughtful and alert. Their one thought seemed to be to care for their guests and visitors. Even the police force was kind and accommodating and glad to excuse all sorts of traffic violations on the grounds of ignorance and thoughtlessness. The conference will be glad to return to Winston-Salem whenever an invitation is extended.

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This conference with 492 clerical members and 390 pastoral charges with one delegate from each charge totals a membership of 882, which makes it one of the largest conferences in American Methodism. It has, therefore, the advantage of an inspiration of numbers. The entertainment of this great body of Methodists so far as we know did not test Winston-Salem severely. Last year this conference met in High Point and the year before in Greensboro, and at neither place was there any trouble to find entertainment. So it seems that the plan for those within 30 miles of the seat of the conference to go from home has solved the problem of entertainment. Problems may arise in the future but the committee with the matter in hand will without trouble find a solution. Or so it seems at present. There are decided advantages in having a big annual conference. In addition to the inspiration of numbers it becomes easier to make an adjustment of the appointments of pastors. Then it saves the conference from the misfortune of having a conference boss, or ecclesiastical dictator, if you choose to call it that. It serves another good purpose in keeping men humble because one appears small in the midst of hundreds of men who are his equal. This writer is wholeheartedly in favor of a big conference and this has grown out of an experience of the last three years as we saw the workings of the united annual conference of Western North Carolina. Other people also seem to like it. From all parts of our Methodism they try to get into the Western North Carolina conference, and if a member strays off he invariably returns.

CONDENSED STATISTICS

1. What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges, and of societies in this conference? Districts 11, pastoral charges 390, societies ——.

2. What is the number of members? How many have been received on profession of faith? How many have been licensed to preach ,and what is the number of local preachers? Active members 181,180, non-resident 20,685, total 201,-865. Received on profession of faith 5410, licensed to preach 23, local preachers 172.

3. How many infants and how many others have been baptized during the year? Infants 1311, others 3499.

4. What is the enrollment in the church school? Children's division 37,724, youth division 44,252, and adult division 57,975.

5. What is the total enrollment reported this year? 165,-924.

6. What was the total enrollment reported last year? 150,124.

7. How many church school pupils were received into the church? 4127.

8. What amount was raised in the church school, on Methodist Student Day, Rally Day, World Service, Lesson Material, and all other purposes? Methodist Student Day 194, Rally Day 2438, World Service 25,952, Lesson Material 79,370, other purposes 117,811.

9. What is the number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, and what is the number of members, the amount sent to conference treasurer, and the amount spent for local work? Societies 702, members 24,811, conference treasurer 58,871, and local work 112,287.

10. What are the educaitonal statistics? Institutions 5, teachers 567, students 7780, value of property $32,732,961, endowment $36,326,107, indebtedness $274,875.

11. What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages 1, officers and teachers 58, children in orphanages 450, money expended $142,543, value of property $1,178,875, endowment $490,000, indebtedness none.

12. What are the hospital statistics? Hospitals 1, officers and nurses 28, beds 70, patients 1438, money expended $54,-411, value of property $200,000, endowment none, indebtedness none.

13. What amount has been raised through the Golden Cross? $9,521.

14. What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? Preacher in charge $650,825, district superintendent $57,009, bishops $14,447, conference claimants $55,174.

15. What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in the conference this year? $2,696,838.

16. What is the number of houses of worship, their value and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship 1137, value $14,845,659, indebtedness $535,889.

17. How much has been paid on church indebtedness this year? $634,832.

18. What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Parsonages 361, value $1,650,987, indebtedness $72,276.

19. What is the number of superannuate homes and what is their value? Homes 1, value $4000.

20. District parsonages 9. Value $123,500, debt $4555.

21. Churches destroyed 9. Parsonages damaged, destroyed 4. Amount damage $34,389, collect (loss) $20,674.

Western North Carolina Conference Appointments
1941-1942

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, District Superintendent

Acton ..... H. E. Bolick
Asheville—Asbury Memorial ..... R. H. Taylor
Biltmore ..... E. J. Harbison
Central ..... W. A. Lambeth
French Broad Avenue ..... G. E. Keeler, Supply
Haywod Street ..... A. C. Swafford
Hillside-Merrimon Avenue ..... H. S. Williams
Oakley ..... E. O. Peeler
West Asheville ..... H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.
Asheville Circuit ..... J. J. Wood
Bald Creek ..... C. B. Way
Barnardsville ..... A. D. Dennis, Supply
Black Mountain ..... M. F. Moores
Brevard ..... E. P. Billups
Burnsville ..... J. S. Folger
Candler ..... C. W. Bates
East Flat Rock ..... C. Moody Smith
Etowah ..... Luther A. Bennett, Supply
Fairview ..... K. G. Holt
Fletcher ..... N. G. Bethea
Hendersonville ..... D. E. Camak
Hot Springs ..... Z. V. Arthur
Ivy ..... L. W. Hall, Supply
Leicester-Bell ..... To be supplied
Leicester-Grace ..... A. F. Phibbs
Marshall ..... H. L. LaFevers
Micaville-Tipton ..... M. A. Lewis
Mills River ..... J. D. Morris
Pisgah ..... C. M. White
Rosman ..... J. R. Bowman
Saluda ..... D. L. Earnhardt, Supply
Sandy ..... J. D. Pyatt, Supply
Swannanoa ..... W. H. Benfield
Tryon ..... G. M. Schreyer
Weaverville ..... F. O. Dryman
Weaverville Circuit ..... J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Wolf Mountain ..... To be supplied
Dean Emory University ..... H. B. Thimble
Missionary to Isle of Pines ..... M. B. Stokes
Chaplain Oteen Hospital ..... L. W. Colson
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... W. F. Beadle
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. S. Williams
Retired: A. S. Beaman, G. C. Brinkman, M. B. Clegg, Homer Casto, A. B. Dennis, D. L. Earnhardt, T. A. Groce, G. D. Herman, G. A. B. Holderby, W. F. Sandford, R. A. Swaringen, R. B. Templeton, and J. S. Williams.
Supernumerary: W. C. Clark.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, District Superintendent

Ansonville ..... I. R. Miller
Big Spring ..... L. R. Akers, Jr.
Charlotte—Belmont Park ..... J. W. Fitzgerald
Brevard Street ..... D. V. Howell
Calvary ..... S. M. Needham
Central Avenue ..... C. C. Benton
Chadwick ..... M. G. Ervin
Derita ..... E. O. Cole
Dilworth ..... H. P. Powell
Duncan Memorial ..... P. F. Snider
First ..... G. Ray Jordan
Hawthorne Lane ..... E. H. Nease
Myers Park ..... E. H. Blackard
Oakhurst ..... To be supplied
Spencer Memorial ..... C. E. Murray
Wesley Heights ..... W. B. Davis
Hickory Grove ..... R. L. Young
Homestead-Pleasant Grove ..... C. F. Womble
Huntersville ..... J. O. Cox
Indian Trail-Stallings ..... J. R. Warren
Lilesville ..... H. R. Cornelius
Marshville ..... R. C. Kirk
Matthews ..... W. Douglas Corriher
Monroe, Central ..... J. H. Armbrust
North Monroe ..... E. D. Ballard
Morven ..... P. T. Dixon
New Hope-Bethel ..... T. G. Highfill
Peachland ..... C. J. Winslow
Pineville ..... J. L. Rayle
Polkton ..... J. L. Trollinger
Prospect ..... A. Mitchell Faulkner
Thrift-Moores ..... J. H. Carper
Trinity ..... E. H. Brendall
Unionville ..... E. W. Mills
Wadesboro ..... C. P. Bowles
Waxhaw ..... H. C. Byrum
Weddington ..... A. B. Bruton
Zoar ..... T. A. Plyler, Jr., Supply
Professor Wesleyan College ..... N. A. Huffman
Missionary to Japanese ..... S. A. Stewart
Missionary on Furlough ..... N. S. Ogburn
District Missionary Secretary ..... J. W. Fitzgerald
Retired: O. P. Ader, J. A. Baldwin, H. K. Boyer, R. P. Fikes, J. A. Fry, W. J. Hackney, T. J. Huggins, T. M. Johnson, D. M. Litaker, C. L. McCain, C. M. Pickens, T. A. Plyler, C. M. Short, A. R. Surratt, and B. A. York.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, District Superintendent

Advance ..... P. L. Smith
Ararat ..... To be supplied
Bryant Memorial ..... T. W. Bryant, Supply
Boone ..... E. K. McLarty, Sr.
Cooleemee ..... F. J. Stough
Creston ..... J. R. Short
Davie ..... G. W. Fink
Dobson ..... J. W. Parker
East Bend ..... G. A. Hovis
Elkin ..... H. F. Duncan
Farmington ..... J. W. Vestal
Green Valley ..... W. C. Eastridge, Supply
Helton ..... R. J. Starling
Jefferson ..... H. D. Jessup
Jonesville ..... C. G. Graham
Laurel Springs ..... S. G. Ferree
Millers Creek ..... J. L. A. Bumgarner
Mocksville ..... R. M. Hardee
Mocksville Circuit ..... F. A. Wright
Moravian Falls ..... J. M. Green
North Wilkesboro ..... A. C. Waggoner
Sparta ..... C. R. Allison
Saint Paul ..... To be supplied
Todd ..... H. E. Jones
Trap Hill ..... R. M. Dellinger, Supply
Warrensville ..... J. C. Wooten, Jr., Supply
Watauga ..... M. A. Osborne
West Jefferson ..... H. H. Wood
Wilkesboro ..... J. C. Stokes
Yadkinville ..... W. J. Huneycutt
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. F. Duncan
Conf. Miss. Sec. and Director Golden Cross ..... L. B. Abernethy
Retired: S. N. Bumgarner, M. L. Chappell, T. J. Houck, R. P. Jones, H. C. Sprinkle, and D. F. White.

GASTONIA DICTRICT
E. M. Jones, District Superintendent

Belmont—Main Street ..... J. B. McLarty
Park Street ..... J. F. Wyatt
Belwood ..... J. M. Morgan
Bessemer City ..... G. W. Vick
Boger City ..... H. E. Stimson
Cleveland ..... J. H. Green
Cherryville ..... D. M. Nifong
Cherryville Circuit ..... J. E. B. Houser
Concord-El Bethel ..... C. D. Brown
Cramerton ..... I. T. Barnett
Crouse ..... W. F. Eaker
Dallas ..... J. G. Wilkinson
Ebenezer ..... R. H. Stamey
Fallston ..... G. W. Clay
Gastonia—Bradley Memorial ..... P. W. Tucker
East End ..... E. W. Needham
Main Street ..... Claude H. Moser
Maylo-Smyre ..... J. N. Wise
Trinity ..... F. R. Love
West End ..... J. C. Grose
Kings Mountain—Central ..... J. G. Winkler
Grace ..... S. W. Johnson
Lincoln Circuit ..... D. H. Rhinehardt
Lincolnton—First ..... L. D. Thompson
Rhyne Heights ..... J. W. Combs
Lowell ..... C. E. Price
Lowesville ..... C. L. Grant
McAdenville ..... M. E. Leftwich
Mount Holly ..... W. O. Goode
Polkville ..... W. L. Scott
Rock Springs ..... A. W. Lynch
Shelby—Central ..... G. B. Clemmer
Lafayette Street ..... J. S. Gibbs
West Shelby ..... T. be supplied

Shelby Circuit ..... R. M. Hauss
South Fork ..... R. C. McClamroch
Stanley ..... A. L. Rayle
Vale ..... E. P. Greene
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... Paul Townsend
Student Duke University ..... A. W. Wellons
Missionary to Japanese ..... I. L. Shaver
District Missionary Secretary ..... G. W. Clay
Retired: D. F. Carver, L. S. Helms, W. L. Sherrill, J. E. Thompson, and B. Wilson.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, District Superintendent

Danbury ..... J. L. Love
Draper ..... Paul R. Rayle
Draper-Wayside ..... E. P. Hamilton
Flat Rock ..... T. H. Houck
Gibsonville ..... A. L. Aycock
Greensboro—Bessemer ..... R. M. Laughlin
Bethel-Battleground ..... R. M. Andrews
Calvary ..... P. L. Shore, Jr.
Carraway Memorial ..... J. P. Hipps
Centenary ..... G. R. Combs
College Place ..... R. M. Courtney
Glenwood ..... E. M. Avett
Grace ..... E. K. McLarty, Jr.
Midway-Burnett's Chapel ..... Gilbert E. S. Miller
Newlyn Street ..... A. L. Latham
Proximity ..... R. C. Goforth
Saint Paul ..... B. A. Sisk
West End ..... B. W. Lefler
West Greensboro ..... W. Kenneth Goodson
West Market Street ..... J. B. Craven
Guilford ..... Fred H. Shinn
Haw River ..... T. V. Course
Jamestown-Oakdale ..... C. M. McKinney
Leaksville ..... J. E. Carroll
Lee's Chapel ..... To be supplied
Madison ..... O. J. Jones
Mayodan ..... Walter Thompson
Moriah ..... J. F. Cagle
Mount Pleasant ..... P. L. Shore, Sr.
Mount Pleasant Circuit ..... R. P. Gibbs
Mitchell's-Vickery ..... W. Herman Yokeley
Oak Ridge ..... P. R. Taylor
Pleasant Garden ..... T. F. Higgins
Reidsville—Lindsey Street ..... E. L. Ballard
Main Street ..... R. L. Ownbey
Reidsville Circuit ..... Byron Shankle
Ruffin ..... J. W. Fowler, Jr.
Sandy Ridge ..... T. G. Williams, Supply
Spray ..... T. R. Wolfe
Stokesdale ..... A. D. Shelton
Stoneville-Boulevard ..... W. B. Shinn
Summerfield ..... C. W. Russell
Tabernacle-Julian ..... O. C. Loy
Professor Duke University ..... P. N. Garber
Professor Duke University ..... G. T. Rowe
Professor Greensboro College ..... R. A. Smith
Asso. Professor Emory University ..... M .B. Stokes, Jr.
Editor N. C. Christian Advocate ..... A. W. Plyler
Missionary to China ..... C. D. Stokes
Florida Latin Mission ..... R. J. Parker
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. L. Pittard
District Missionary Secretary ..... E. K. McLarty, Jr.
Retired: W. F. Ashburn, A. R. Bell, J .W. Bennett, J. A. Burgess, W. M. Curtis, A. G. Dixon, C. P. Goode, J. R. Hutton, J. W. Kennedy, J. W. Long, W. D. Reed, G. A. Stamper, J. B. Trogdon, S. B. Turrentine, and W. A. Wilson.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, District Superintendent

Archdale ..... G. E. White
Asheboro—Central ..... J. W. Braxton
First ..... Paul Hardin, Jr.
Asheboro Circuit ..... E. A. Lamb
Coleridge ..... J. H. Trollinger
Denton—Central ..... M. Wilson Nesbitt
First ..... Wade Johnson
Farmer ..... J. O. Ervin
Greer's Chapel ..... Atlas Ridge
High Point—Calvary ..... O. L. Brown
First ..... W. A. Jenkins
Highland ..... T .C. Smith
Lebanon ..... O. L. Easter
Oak View ..... R. E. Ward
Main Street ..... N. C. Williams
Main Street, Associate Pastor ..... S. B. Moss
Rankin Memorial ..... Edward Suits
Ward Street ..... J. E. McSwain
Welch Memorial ..... J. D. Williams
Wesley Memorial ..... C. E. Rozzelle
Wesley Memorial, Associate Pastor ..... J. A. Lindsay
Liberty, First ..... G. R. Brown
Liberty Circuit ..... C. G. Hill
Linwood ..... O. E. Croy
Mount Vernon ..... T. E. Strickland
Pleasant Grove ..... C. E. Ridge
Ramseur-Franklinville ..... J. E. Pritchard
Randleman-Union ..... I. L. Roberts
Randleman Circuit ..... Y. D. Poole
Randolph-Gray's Chapel ..... H. L. Isley
Richland ..... J. A. Howell
Seagrove ..... J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
Shiloh ..... T. G. Madison
South Davidson ..... J. C. Gentry
Trinity ..... R. F. Huneycutt
West Randolph ..... C. B. Ferree
Why Not ..... To be supplied
President High Point College ..... G. I. Humphreys
Professor High Point College ..... P. E. Lindley
Professor High Point College ..... P. S. Kennett
Promotional Secretary High Point College ..... N. M. Harrison
Conference Evangelist ..... J. W. Groce
Asso. Director, Department of Adult Work, General Board of Education ..... F. L. Gibbs
District Missionary Secretary ..... I. L. Roberts
Supernumerary: A. O. Lindley, W. F. McDowell, D. A. Bailey.
Retired: W. M. Pike.

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, District Superintendent

Avery ..... J. L. McGalliard
Bakersville ..... G. L. Lovett, Supply
Bostic ..... Van B. Harrison
Broad River ..... J. B. Fitzgerald
Burke Circuit ..... G. R. Stafford
Cliffside ..... E. L. Kirk
Connelly Springs ..... J. N. Randall
Elk Park ..... J. N. Snow
Forest City ..... W. H. Groce
Gilkey ..... McRae Crawford
Glen Alpine ..... T. B. Huneycutt
Henrietta ..... M. C. Reese
Linville Falls ..... M. B. Shives
Marion—Cross Mills ..... F. R. Barber
First ..... J. H. Barnhardt
Marion Mills ..... J. O. Banks
Marion Circuit ..... H. W. Bell
McDowell Circuit ..... G. L. Wilkinson
Mill Spring ..... M. W. Edwards
Morganton—First ..... Fletcher Nelson
North Forest ..... R. C. Nimon
Morganton Circuit ..... F. W. Dowd Bangle
Old Fort ..... R. M. Varner
Old Fort Circuit ..... C. R. Ross
Pleasant Grove ..... C. H. Peace
Rutherford College ..... J. R. Duncan
Rutherfordton ..... F. C. Smathers
Spindale ..... R. L. Bass
Spruce Pine ..... M. T. Hipps
Sunshine ..... E. H. Spencer
Table Rock ..... V. P. Crowder
Valdese ..... W. J. Plint
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... G. F. Hood
District Missionary Secretary ..... F. C. Smathers
Retired: J .E. Abernethy, E. N. Crowder, D. W. Haga, W. I. Hughes, D. A. Lewis, J. I. Spink, and J. T. Stover.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, District Superintendent

Albemarle—Central ..... R. D. Ware
First Street ..... G. N. Dulin
Main Street ..... J. E. Yountz
Tabernacle ..... S. B. Biggers
Albemarle Circuit ..... E. A. Bingham
Badin-New London ..... E. C. Widenhouse
Bethel-Boger ..... E. M. Graham
China Grove ..... Wilson O. Weldon
Concord—Ann Street ..... R. J. Barnwell
Central ..... F. B. Jordan
Epworth ..... J. L. Ingram
Forst Hill ..... C. C. Herbert, Jr.
Harmony ..... J. T. Bowman
Kerr Street ..... R. B. Shumaker
Roberta ..... W. E. Rufty
Rocky Ridge ..... E. B. Edwards
Westford ..... T. W. Hager
East Spencer-Yadkin ..... F. L. Setzer
Friendship ..... W. C. Sides, Jr.
Gold Hill ..... L. S. Furr
Granite Quarry ..... C. G. Isley
Kannapolis—Bethpage ..... R. W. McCulley
Jackson Park ..... A. M. Smith
Midway ..... R. A. Taylor
Mount Mitchell ..... E. A. Cook
North Kannapolis ..... G. L. Curry
Trinity ..... W. A. Kale
Landis ..... C. W. Avett
Midland ..... C. L. Heckard
Mount Olivet ..... F. W. Kiker
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs ..... H. L. Creech, Jr.

Norwood ..... R. C. Stubbins
Norwood Circuit ..... J. E. Rink
Pfeiffer ..... C. B. Ross
Salem ..... L. R. Spencer
Salisbury—Coburn Memorial ..... W. G. McFarland
First ..... W. B. West
Main Street-Rowan ..... W. R. Bustle
Park Avenue ..... T. H. Swofford
Spencer, Central ..... C. W. Kirby
Stanfield ..... J. R. Hamilton
Woodleaf ..... G. W. Williams
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... A. A. Lyerly
Executive Secretary Board of Education .... Carl H. King
Ext. Secretary Board of Education ..... E. D. C. Brewer
District Missionary Secretary ..... W. G. McFarland
Retired: Brooks Jerome, R. L. Melton, H. H. Robbins, and J. M. Varner.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, District Superintendent

Balls Creek ..... R. L. Forbis
Catawba ..... W. Q. Grigg
Cool Springs ..... H. M. Wellman
Davidson-Fairview ..... C. F. Tate
Elmwood ..... D. T. Huss
Grace-Rhodhiss ..... J. Max Brandon, Sr.
Granite Falls ..... Reid Wall
Harmony ..... R. V. Martin
Hickory—Bethel ..... Elzie Myers
First ..... W. A. Rollins
Highlands ..... J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr.
Westview ..... H. C. Freeman
Hiddenite ..... E. H. Lowman
Hudson ..... R. E. Hunt
Lenoir, First ..... J. C. Cornett
Lenoir Circuit ..... W. L. Harkey
Maiden ..... J. C. Auman
Mooresville—Broad Street ..... V. R. Masters
Central ..... J. W. Moore
Jones Memorial ..... R. P. Waugh, Supply
Mooresville Circuit ..... H. L. Powell
Mount Zion ..... W. L. Smith
Newton ..... M. Q. Tuttle
North Newton ..... C. A. Morrison
Olin ..... H. E. Jones
Shepherds ..... A. G. Lackey
Statesville—Boulevard ..... J. E. Hipp
Broad Street ..... H. G. Allen
Race Street ..... F. H. Price
Statesville Circuit ..... G. F. Houck
Stony Point ..... L. F. Strader
Taylorsville ..... O. L. Robinson
Troutman ..... J. C. Reichard
Union Grove-Zion ..... R. H. Kennington
Whitnel ..... H. L. Nicholson
On Sabbatical Leave ..... D. A. Oakley
District Missionary Secretary ..... Reid Wall
Retired: D. C. Ballard, J. H. Bradley, P. H. Brittain, W. S. Cherry, B. M. Crosby, E. W. Fox, H. O. Huss, J. G. W. Holloway, J. C. Keever, M. A. Matheson, E. Myers, J. A. Peeler, L. L. Smith, D. P. Waters, and E. E .Yates.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, District Superintendent

Andrews ..... R. T. Houts
Beaver Dam ..... W. H. Pless, Supply
Bethel ..... J. W. Blitch
Bryson City ..... C. O. Newell
Canton—Central ..... W. R. Kelly
First ..... J. B. Tabor
Rockwood ..... V. A. Morton
Clyde ..... C. C. Washam
Crabtree ..... W. H. Nease
Cullowhee ..... McM. S. Richey
Dellwood ..... L. C. Stevens
Fines Creek ..... To be supplied
Franklin ..... J. L. Stokes, II
Franklin Circuit ..... P. L. Green
Hayesville ..... A. J. Clemmer, Jr.
Highlands ..... J. S. Higgins
Jonathan ..... G. M. Carver
Junaluska ..... Miles McLean
Macon ..... J. C. Swaim
Morning Star ..... G. W. Bumgarner
Murphy ..... C. B. Newton
Murphy Circuit ..... Alfred Smith, Supply
Pigeon Valley ..... E. M. Hoyle, Jr.
Robbinsville ..... H. D. Garmon
Shooting Creek ..... D. H. Dennis
Sylva ..... R. G. Tuttle
Waynesville ..... J. C. Madison
Webster ..... B. C. Moss, Supply
Whittier, ... W. E. Andrews
Missionary to Brazil ..... C. W. Clay
District Missionary Secretary ..... W. R. Kelly
Retired: J. J. Gray, J. B. Needham, Z. Paris, W. H. Pless, W. M. Robbins, J. L. Teague, W. G. Warren, and E. K. Whidden.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
C. C. Weaver, District Superintendent

Concord-Sharon ..... F. R. Heffner, Jr.
Davidson ..... W. R. Jenkins
Hanes-Clemmons ..... J. M. Barber
Kernersville ..... W. A. Barber
Kernersville Circuit ..... C. E. Coble, Supply
Lewisville ..... O. B. Williams
Lexington—Erlanger ..... F. E. Howard
First ..... John W. Hoyle, Jr.
Trinity-Mt. Carmel ..... L. E. Mabry
Maple Springs ..... J. J. Holmes
Marvin ..... John H. Melzer
Mount Airy—Central ..... W. J. Miller
Rockford Street ..... C. E. Williams
Mount Airy Circuit ..... M. W. Heckard
Mount Carmel-Pine Grove ..... S. Byron Nifong
Mount Tabor ..... A. J. Cox
New Hope and Oak Summit ..... A. C. Kennedy
North Davidson ..... W. T. Albright
Pilot Mountain ..... R. Odell Brown
Pinnacle ..... O. B. Mitchell
Rural Hall ..... I. L. Sharpe
Thomasville—Community ..... E. E. Snow
First, West End ..... C. D. White
Main Street ..... L. F. Tuttle
Trinity-Bethel ..... W. M. Rathburn
Thomasville Circuit ..... C. O. Plyler
Unity and Fair Grove ..... W. L. Lanier
Walkertown—Love's ..... A. P. Ratledge
Morris Chapel ..... D. B. Mullis
Walnut Cove ..... W. Reid Harris
Welcome Circuit ..... C. O. Kennerly
West Forsyth ..... A. Burgess
Winston-Salem—Ardmore ..... J. H. Brendall
Burkhead ..... W. M. Smith
Centenary ..... W. A. Stanbury
Centenary, Associate Pastor ..... H. G. Hardin, Jr.
Central Terrace ..... A. A. Kyles
First ..... H. M. Robinson
Green Street ..... Cecil G. Hefner
Ogburn Memorial ..... R. E. Hinshaw
Sedge Garden ..... W. B. Thompson
Winston Circuit ..... Joe T. Shackford
Winston-Salem City Mission ..... B. A. Culp
General Evangelist ..... J. R. Church
Sabbatical Leave ..... R. A. Hunter
District Missionary Secretary.
Retired: T. B. Johnson, J. T. Mangum, P. E. Parker, H. L. Powell, R. S. Truesdale, and J. M. Wall.

Transferred

IN: J. H. Barnhardt, Elder, from the N. C. Conference.
A. M. Smith, Elder, from the N. C. Conference.
C. O. Plyler, Elder, from the N .C. Conference.
OUT. J. G. Huggin, Jr., Elder, to the N. C. Conference.

CHANGES IN DISTRICT AND CHARGE BOUNDARIES

Asheville District

From the Acton charge, take Reeves' Chapel and Sardis churches and place them on the Asheville circuit.

From the Marion district, take the Bald Creek, Burnsville, and Micaville-Tipton Hill charges, and place in the Asheville district.

Charlotte District

From the Prospect charge, take Smyrna church and place on the Marshville charge. From Union charge, take Grace church and place it on the North Monroe charge. From the North Monroe charge, take Oak Grove church and place on the Union charge. Place Salem church with Ansonville.

Elkin District

Take Ebenezer from Trap Hill charge and place on Jonesville charge.

From Winston-Salem district, take Baltimore, Stony Knoll, Union Hill and Blackwater and place on East Bend charge in Elkin district.

Gastonia District

Take Concord church from the Bessemer City charge, take El Bethel church from the Shelby circuit, and take Mary's Grove church from the Cherryville circuit, and constitute them a new charge to be called Concord-El Bethel.

Take Ebenezer church from the Lowell circuit, and form a new charge to be called Ebenezer.

Take West Shelby from Lafayette Street charge, and form a new charge to be called West Shelby.

From McAdenville charge, take Bessemer Citv (former M. P. church) and Mount Olive church, and add to Bessemer city.

Take Bess Chapel from Lincoln-Bess Chapel charge, and add it to the Cherryville circuit. Change the name of Lincoln-Bess Chapel to Rhyne Heights.

Greensboro District

Take Liberty Grove from Midway-Burnett's and place with Liberty, High Point district.

Place Brown Summit with the Haw River circuit, and place Whitsett with Gibsonville and Shady Grove with Moriah, thus absorbing the Brown Summit charge.

Take Saint Andrews from the Bethel-Battleground charge and place with West End.

Take Muir's Chapel and make a station, with the remaining churches of Friendship and Groome's placed with Guilford circuit.

From Guilford take Vickery and place with Mitchell's Grove and make a new charge to be called Mitchell's Vickery.

From Stoneville-Mayodan take Mayodan and make a station. Add a new mission church known as Boulevard to the remaining churches of Stoneville, the charge to be called Stoneville-Boulevard.

Divide Lee's Chapel-Newlvn Street and make two stations.

From Winston-Salem district take Ai and place in Greensboro district.

High Point District

Take Love Joy and Macedonia churches from Seagrove-Love Joy charge and place them in the North Carolina conference. Discontinue Seagrove-Love Joy charge, and form a new charge to be known as Seagrove, composed of Seagrove, Fairview, and Pleasant Hill churches.

From the Winston-Salem district take Yadkin College from Erlanger charge, and Reed's church from Reed's-Mt. Carmel charge, and attach them to Shiloh charge.

Discontinue Hillsboro in list of churches.

From Greensboro district take Liberty Grove and place with Liberty station, High Point district.

Marion District

Take Bethel, Bethlehem and Zion churches from the Morganton circuit, and form a new charge to be called Burke circuit.

Salisbury District

Take South China Grove from the Landis circuit and place with Mount Mitchell.

Take Oakboro from Stanfield circuit and place on Albemarle circuit.

From the Charlotte district take Bethel-Boger charge and place in Salisbury district.

Waynesville District

Take Liiberty and Brown's Chapel from the Rockwood charge and make a new charge to be called Beaver Dam.

Winston-Salem District

From the Winston-Salem district take Baltimore, Stony Knoll, Union Hill, and Blackwater, and place in Elkin district.

Take Reeds and Yadkin College and place in High Point district.

Take Ai and place in Greensboro district.

From Winston circuit take Elm Grove, and from Rural Hall take Mount Pleasant and unite with Pleasant Hill and Tabernacle to form the West Forsyth circuit.

From Doubs take New Hope and unite with Oak Summit to make a new charge.

From Doubs take Brookstown and Doubs and unite with Lewisville.

From Oak Summit-Shiloh take Shiloh and unite with Hickory Ridge and Mount Pleasant to form Winston circuit.

From Winston circuit take Pisgah and place with Sedge Garden-Crews.

From Forsyth circuit take Mount Tabor and make a station; also make Marvin a station. Take Pine Grove and unite with Mount Carmel to form a new charge.

From North Davidson take Bethesda and place with Erlanger. Add Shady Grove to North Davidson. From North Davidson take Spring Hill and place on Thomasville circuit.

From Thomasville circuit take Unity and Fair Grove to form a new charge.

From Lewisville take Concord, Union and Sharon and combine with Harmony Grove from the West Forsyth circuit to form a new charge to be called Concord-Sharon.

From Reeds-Mount Carmel take Bunker Hill and place with Kernersville circuit.

From Kernersville circuit take South Winston and place with Hiatt on the WinstonSalem City Mission.

Place Mount Olive with Morris Chapel.

Make Maple Springs a station.

Take Pilot Mountain, Whitakers, New Hope, Pilot and Fairview, and form Pilot Mountain charge.

Take the two churches in Pinnacle, Mount Zion, Chestnut Grove, and Shoals, and form Pinnacle charge.

PASTOR RELEASED WITH RELUCTANCE

With a feeling of deep regret the members and friends of the First Methodist church of Thomasville bow to the will of the Western North Carolina annual conference that our beloved pastor, Rev. James T. Bowman, and family should move away to take up work in another city.

During the four years the Bowmans have become very dear to many people, not only in the church but throughout the city. Under their leadership the church has grown, the membership has been enlarged, and we feel that the spiritual life has been deepened. The past year, however, has witnessed the greatest growth. Much improvement has been done in the way of beautifying and enlarging the church building. Several new rooms have been added for the use of the church school and other improvements are under way. The main auditorium is being much improved. The walls have been covered over with insulating bevel boards, and when the painting and other repairs are finished it will look like new. A new up-to-date heating system has been installed in the basement and all who desire to worship with us during the winter months may be assured of a "warm" welcome.

Mrs. Bowman has meant much to us in our work. She is very talented and we are going to miss her much. And the twins, James T. and Edith Marie, how sorry we are to part with them! But as they go we pray God's blessing upon the entire family, and we hope that each of us may be able to say in the words of St. Paul, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

And to our new pastor, Rev. Charlie White, and family we extend our hands in welcome and pray that their stay among us may be a pleasant one, and that we may all be a blessing to the church and to each other. Reporter.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Last week end was observed as home coming at the college. About 150 alumni returned to the compus for the occasion. Saturday afternoon in the town armory the varsity teams in basket ball played teams chosen from the alumni. At 6:30 a banquet was held in the college dining room for the ex-students, at which time Dr. Walter Patten addressed the group. This was followed by a dance in the college social hall. Music was furnished by an orchestra directed by Mr. James Byerly, head of the music department of the college. The week was concluded by a joint alumni-student dinner Sunday at noon.

Louisburg College was represented in the fifth annual student legislature in the state capitol by Riley Rowe, Jean McKinnon, and Clarence Bass in the Senate; and Troy Barrett, Jane Sanderlin, Virginia Hedgepeth, and Ed Smith in the House. Mr. Bass was elected majority leader in the Senate, and Misses McKinnon and Hedgepeth were time-keepers in their respoctive houses.

The first issue of Columns a publication of the journalism class of the college, was published last Friday. Columns is a four-page, five-column paper, containing news of the campus activities as well as news of more general interest. It is published tri-weekly by the journalism class of the college, and management is rotated among the various members of this class so that all may have opportunity to gain valuable experience from actual practice, acting in the capicity of different staff officers.

"It is a msystery to me how those American Chinese can respond so frequently to the demands of their government, to the special demands of their friends, relatives and particular churches of China, and so graciously to the world service and other conference demands, and then keep up their current expenses in the amount they need to pay," says Dr. E. S. Lyons, superintendent of the California Oriental Mission. "My Chinese group here in Los Angeles is without any place of worship, but we took a collection for Overseas Relief."

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

AN EVENT OF INTEREST

A most delightful affair of the past week was the luncheon tendered the conference officers and district corresponding secretaries of the Woman's Society of Christian Service by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, at her home in Winston-Salem, on Wednesday at one o'clock. The luncheon tables were tastily decorated in early fall flowers and were most attractive. With two exceptions all of the officers and secretaries were present to enjoy the hospitality of the hostess, and additional guests were Mrs. Clare Purcell of Charlotte, Mrs. W. A. Stanbury and Mrs. B. S. Womble of Winston-Salem, Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, and Mrs. Charles Weaver, Jr., of Elkin. Following the luncheon an executive meeting was held, at which time several matters of important business were discussed.

ON INTERESTING MEETING

The October meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of West Market Street Methodist church of Greensboro was featured by the presence of Mr. O. V. Woosley of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem, and 20 or more of the children from the institution who had been invited as special guests for the afternoon. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. C. W. Phillips, president of the society, who led the opening devotional, with prayer by Mrs. A. W. Plyler. Mr. Woosley was presented by Mrs. H. T. Prosser of Greensboro College and gave a most interesting talk in which he, after expressing his appreciation of the opportunity to attend the meeting, traced the progress of the Children's Home from its beginning to the present, showing much that had been accomplished during these years of the institution so highly valued by the Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference. Several selections were sung by the double quartet composed of children from the Home, and were thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by those present. At the conclusion of the program tea was served by the ladies of West Market and a social hour enjoyed.

A STUDY CLASS OF EXCEPTIONAL INTEREST

From October 14-17 a most interesting mission stoudy class was conducted at Central church in Asheville, with Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary, as leader. The text book used was "A Christian Imperative" by Dr. Roswell Barnes, and proved most informing and interesting. The first day's study opened with an introduction of the topic and text book by Miss Hackney, followed by biography of the author. A devotional prologue, "The Spirit of the Early Christians," was in charge of Mrs. Clarence Bishop and Mrs. C. S. Brown.

"A View of the World Today" was discussed by Mrs. M. T. Smathers, followed by Mrs. Fred Manchester, who spoke on "What Was Christ's Teaching?" and Mrs. Lloyd Jarrett, who answered the question, "Should We Be Concerned with All World Problems?" The second day's program was featured by a panel discussion on "What Is Wrong with the World?" by five members of the young women's circle as diagnosticians and five as experts, who brought out much of value and interest. Miss Hackney closed the meeting with devotional. The third day's program was in charge of circle number 2. Mrs. M. B. Tilson, chairman, who presented Work of Methodism in Foreign Lands through a radio broadcast. The devotional on "Measuring Myself" was led by Mrs. R. H. Latham.

The closing afternoon program was a discussion of "The Church a Leaven in National Policy" and "The World Problem in a Local Community" by Mrs. S. H. Bryan, and "The Christian Way" by Mrs. W. R. Harris, followed by song by Mrs. Melvin B. Tilson and devotional by Mrs. G. A. B. Holderby.

GIFT TO MISS KELLY

As an expression of love and appreciation of the splendid services of Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa from the W. N. C. conference, she was presented with a beautiful watch by the executive committee, at the meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, with presentation by Mrs. Weaver. Miss Kelly plans to leave for the Congo on the S. S. 'City of New York," American South African Line, sailing from New York November 20, going back with almost the same party with whom she came to America. Since it is probably a six weeks' trip she may have the unusual experience of spending Christmas Day en route. Miss Kelly says, "It will be a happy privilege to celebrate the birthday of our Lord by going with him to his 'other field' to tell them about his love for them." Our prayers and best wishes will go with Miss Kelly.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE

A recent issue of the Asheville Citizen carries an announcement of significant interest to the former pupils of Brevard Institute (now Brevard College), stating that as an honor to Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, former president of Brevard Institute, vice president, assistant registrar, professor of chemistry and religious leader of Brevard College, the alumnae of Brevard Institute plan the erection of a $100,000 library on the campus of Brevard College, which will bear his name. The writer of the announcement of this deserved honor to Professor Trowbridge calls him "a man who lives his religion" and adds that "Brevard's beloved Mr. Trowbridge meets and transcends the Golden Rule." Recently the Transylvania Times conducted a poll among citizens of Brevard to learn who they considered the most valued asset to the community and Mr. Trowbridge was among the six named being singled out "for his practice of religion in his every day life."

In the days of the Brevard Institute, which was from 1895 to 1923, the propery of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, Mr. Trowbridge served as president for a number of years with efficiency and marked ability, resigning his work there to become president of Weaver College.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Trowbridge on this honor on the part of appreciative students and hope for a splendid consummation of their plans in the erection of the Trowbridge library building.

A ZONE MEETING

Mrs. James Moffitt, Secretary

Hopewell and Trinity churches on the Trinity charge, High Point district, were hostesses to zone number one at its meeting October 7 with Mrs. C. A. York, chairman, presiding. A musical program of hymns which opened the meeting was followed by a devotional by Miss Lena Davis.

A roll call of societies showed 14 were represented with 76 in attendance. A number of inspiring and interesting talks were given, the first on missionary education by Mrs. L. R. Peacock, who gave helpful suggestions for presenting study courses. Mrs. J. W. Lindsey as district director of church schools and children's work, gave valuable information as to what could be done for the missionary education of children from six to eleven years.

The conference secretary of young women and girls' work, Mrs. E. A. Lamb, discussed the new youth program, urging the election of a secretary of young women and girls' work in every society, and explained the society's share in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Special music was rendered by Mrs. J. H. Allred, with Mrs. W. B. Hall as accompanist. An offering of $7.22 was received.

The district corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. T. Powell, urged the prompt and accurate filling of report blanks and the sending in on time to the proper persons. She requested the presidents of the societies to check the efficiency aim and see if it had been reached. She urged the organization of Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the churches of the district not yet organized, and also emphasized the importance of the election of secretaries of student work and young women's and girls' work in each society. Miss Sarah Beth Smith gave a report of the Wesleyan Service Guild and told of its relation to the society. An interesting report on the seven phases of work included in the Christian social relations and local church activities was given by Mrs. H. W. McCain. Mrs. J. A. Eshelman's inspiring message was fittingly illustrated by a minature fishing village with lighthouse.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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TOWARD A DEFINITE GOAL

At the 59th annual convention of the N. C. Woman's Christian Temperance Union in session at the First Methodist church, Elizabeth City, recently, Mrs. T. H. Plemmons of Charlotte, president, brought a message so vital and so challenging to all Christian women that your editor is sharing with you some excerpts from it. Having chosen as the subject of her address "Let Us March Toward a Definite Goal," Mrs. Plemmons stated in part: "Our task as we face a new convention year is to redefiine, restate and re-emphasize the goal and purpose of the W. C. T. U. That purpose is to create sentiment in that locality for the total abstinence of liquor and against sales of liquor. This calls for an increased army. . . . There should be an extra effort made to mobilize the mothers of growing children into our ranks and to organize our youth and our children. . . . Let us get a new realization of the goal toward which we are pressing, march on, looking to our Captain who leads us." Surely as members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the largest woman's organization in the world, and as Christian women we should accept this challenge from the past president of another Christian organization and use our influence in every possible way to abolish this evil. It is an important portion of the work of our department of Christian social relations.

JURISDICTIONAL MEETING

The first annual meeting of the Southeastern Jurisdictional W. S. C. S. will be held at McKendree Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., on January 27-30, 1942. The Southeastern Missionary Council will meet at the same time and in the same church. However, there will be separate business sessions for each body. Joint sessions of the two organizations will be hours of inspiration with outstanding speakers. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, N. C., is president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. and Dr. H. P. Myers, Danville, Va., is president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Missionary Council.

DID YOUR SOCIETY REPORT?

The reports of the conference officers to the jurisdictional officers have been mailed and the records of the conference secretary of publications reveal that only 227 of the 485 or more W. S. C. S. in the N. C. conference sent reports in that department of work—less than one-half. Many of the reports were sent to other conference officers than the conference secretary of publications, thus causing delay and inconvenience and some were received too late to be counted—all in spite of the fact the conference secretary of publications sent instructions to all local secretaries of literature and publications or to presidents. We are wondering what story the other conference officers have to tell concerning reporting in their departments, and we are wondering when all our local officers will awaken to the great importance of reporting to the proper conference officers and reporting on time. A total of 1515 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and 1389 subscriptions to World Outlook were reported for the third quarter. Rocky Mount district led in number of societies reporting with a total of 49; Wilmington district was second with 47, and Raleigh district third with 38. The other districts and their number of societies reporting were: Durham 30, Elizabeth City 29, New Bern 22, and Fayetteville 12. These facts and figures are given for the purpose of reminding us of our responsibility in the matter of seeing to it that our conference reports represent true facts and figures of work accomplished. Let's change the story of the fourth quarter's reporting and it a more cheerful one—100 per cent reporting in all departments.

A NEW GUILD

A new Wesleyan Service Guild has been organized at Whiteville with 24 members and with Mrs. C. D. Raper as president, according to announcement from Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds. There are now 43 Wesleyan Service Guilds in the N. C. conference with an approximate membership of 1000. In every church where there are as many as four or six business and professional women there is a potential Wesleyan Service Guild and in every church where there is that organization the work of the church is enriched. There should be many more Guilds in the conference.

SOUTHERN ZONE MEETS

On Friday, October 10, the beautiful new Methodist church at Angier was the scene of the fall meeting of the Southern zone, Raleigh district. Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, zone leader, presided Highlights of the sessions were the message of Mrs. T. R. Smith, the district secretary; the presence and contributions of Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary of spiritual life groups, who talked on spiritual life groups and led the noon day devotional, which set the tempo of the spiritual atmosphere of the meeting to a high degree; the opening meditation led by Rev. I. S. Richmond; the forum hour in which many questions were asked and problems discussed; the encouraging reports given by local presidents; the vocal solos by Mrs. Tom Ward and Miss Marie Gregory, and the delightful fellowship luncheon served by the members of the Angier society. Other conference officers present were Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, who spoke on several phases of woman's work, and Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary of publications, who talked on the new plans for missionary education and our missionary publications. An invitation to hold the spring meeting at Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, was accepted.

OUTLOOK COVERS USEFUL

World Outlook readers use the covers of the magazine in various ways. Sometimes they frame favorite ones for their own homes; often they are used in settlement clubs of girls and kindergarten children, where they are preserved with a coating of shellac and a frame of passe partout; perhaps their most popular use is in vacation church school activities; sometimes high school students study the ones that are reproductions of great artists. And the covers are only a small beginning of the great wealth of enrichment material which is on its every page. Every Methodist should read WorldOutlook—the magazine with a world outlook, and every Methodist woman should read The Methodist Woman—the trade journal of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

MISSION STUDY CLASS

The W. S. C. S. of Person Street Methodist church held a mission study class with Mrs. D. M. Sharpe at the parsonage, meeting two nights each during the first two weeks in October. The class was conducted by Mrs. H. R. Williamson, secretary of missionary education and service. Roswell P. Barnes' book, "A Christian Imperative," was used for the text and the chapters, previously assigned, were presented by several members. Contributing to the interest and helpfulness of the class were the inspiring meditations preceding each study period and several unique and informative posters displayed. At the close of the class the members received an invitation to the dining room for fellowship and refreshments, this surprise having been arranged by Mrs. Williamson and brought forth added expressions of approval from the group which had already pronounced the class one of the most successful and helpful ever held by the society. —Mrs. V. M. Alsobrook.

NEW LITERATURE PRAISED

Many comments from the presidents of local W. S. C. S. indicate that the general opinion is that the new program materials are more interesting and more vital than ever before. That fact is gratifying. It is well to remember, however, that in the event that some societies find that the program material prepared by the department of education and cultivation of the Woman's Division of Christian Service is not interesting to them or that it seems too lengthy it is possible to make it interesting. In other words, the new program material may be shortened, it may be dramatized, it may be divided among several women for presentation or may be given by one woman or may otherwise be made more interesting. It should never be read.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE NEW SET UP

The Western North Carolina Conference Commission on World Service and Finance in its report to the annual conference recommended the following apportionments for raising funds for the Children's Home during the ensuing conference year:

"That the apportionment for the Children's Home at Winston-Salem remain at an amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the pastor's salary for the current year; and we urge that additional fifth Sunday and special offerings be contributed in securing not less than the following total charge quotas, including the ten per cent apportionment:

12% for charges paying the pastor less than $1,500.
15% for charges paying the pastor $1,500 to $2,500.
18% for charges paying the pastor $2,500 to $3,500.
21% for charges paying the pastor $3,500 to $4,500.
25% for charges paying the pastor over $4,500."

MORE MONEY NEEDED

Bishop Purcell was eminently right when he stated to the annual conference that the Children's Home needed more money, that there are more children to be provided for and that the cost per child has increased, and, consequently, more appropriation must be provided. We feel sure that our friends will rally to the needs of the Children's Home and help their orphan children more bountifully this year than ever before. As a matter of fact, the contributions to the Children's Home have been gradually increasing for several years. Now that the need is more manifest and the way of meeting the need more definitely outlined, it would seem that our friends would do even better during the ensuing year than ever before. The Children's Home is not asking for an exorbitant amount. If everything asked were paid the amount would not go beyond fifty cents per member per year.

SUGGESTED PROCEDURE

In the following the recommendation of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance our friends will do well to raise their ten per cent apportionment as heretofore. Doubtless many charges will want to raise more than the apportionment through the congregational effort. Some have been doing this for years. With the apportionment raised, encouragement can be given to the church school and to classes in the church school to increase their fifth Sunday offerings and special cash contributions for clothing children. Such a procedure will set more people at raising money for the Children's Home than the pastor and the finance committee of the board of stewards. In getting more people interested in the Children's Home project no new organization or procedure is necessary, but simply a stimulation of that which is now more or less in operation.

METHODIST MEASURE

The suggested quotas outlined by the Commission on World Service and Finance are not as high in some instances as the congregations have been paying to the Children's Home. Such congregations will not drop down to the suggested level. Their interest in our boys and girls is such as to make them want to continue to give Methodist measure, heaped full, pressed down and running over.

RINGING AGAIN

The ten per cent apportionment bell has already begun to ring for the new conference year. O. A. Swaringen, Salisbury district lay leader, handed us a check at conference for the apportionment for Cold Springs, on the Mount Pleasant-Cold Springs charge, for the new year, stating as he did it that since the pastor's salary had been increased for the new year the check was larger than last year. Rev. C. F. Womble also handed in a check for the complete apportionment for Homestead, on the Homestead-Pleasant Grove charge, in the Charlotte district. An up-and-going district lay leader and an energetic pastor who keeps a step ahead have pulled the cord for another year's joy bell ringing. Let others follow.

THANKSGIVING SEASON

After conference comes Thanksgiving, and after Thanksgiving comes Christmas. These are fine seasons for encouraging gifts to those who particularly need them. Many of our congregations will raise their ten per cent apportionment, and more, around Thanksgiving. Others will use Thanksgiving as a cultivation period and secure funds all along through December. A constantly increasing number of charges have been meeting their Children's Home obligations early in the conference year, using the money months of November and December for securing funds. This season offers a fine opportunity for presenting sensible sentiment and securing the results therefrom.

IRON MAN STUFF

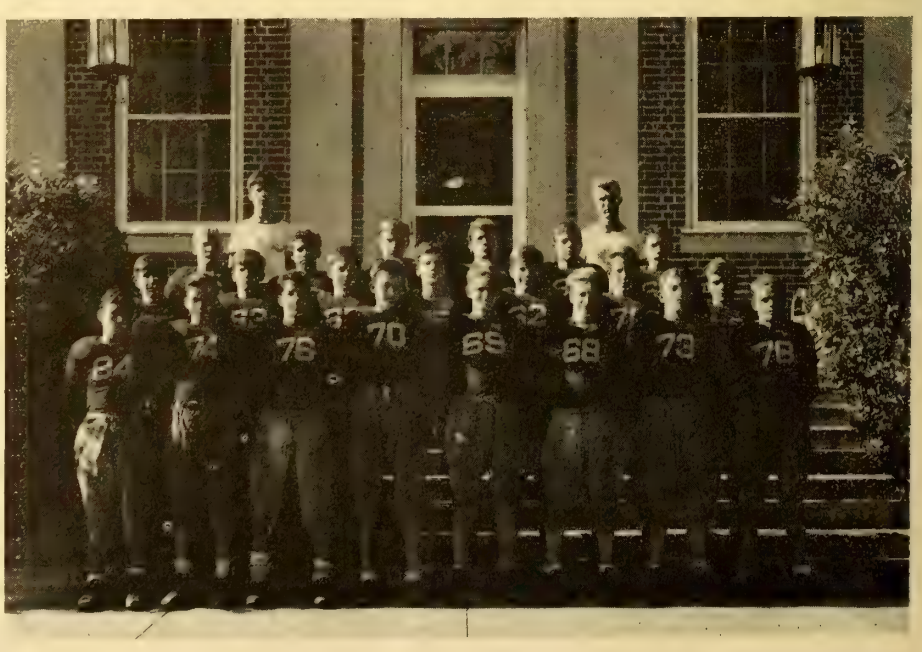
The picture this week is that of the varsity reserve football team, a team that won two games last week, winning over Gray high school, Winston-Salem, reserves by a score of 69 to 6 and Mount Airy high school reserves 21 to 0. These boys expect to play two games this week. Our teams were fortunate last week with their scores, the varsity winning over Gaffney, South Carolina, high school at Gaffney by a score of 13 to 0, the reserves winning their two games by the stated scores, the 100 pounders winning over Oxford Orphanage 100 pounders 20 to 0 and the 80 pounders over Oxford Orphanage 80 pounders 20 to 0.

OUR FRIENDS CAME

We were mighty glad to have many of our friends visit us while our annual conference was meeting in Winston-Salem. They came continually but by far the greatest number came on Thursday afternoon when we were having open house, the number at this time totaling some 450. The Children's Home belongs to the Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference and we were mighty happy to have these friends come see their property and visit with their children.

THE WAITING LIST

There were many requests for the admission of new children by those who came to see us during the recent conference. Some of these requests have been before us for weeks and months. Others are new. We will be busy during the ensuing weeks in trying to serve in some way all those children who have a right to look to us for help.



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STATE FAIR—All the children of the Orphanage who were 13 years of age and older attended the State Fair on Tuesday. Through the kindness and courtesy of the World of Mirth Shows management, they enjoyed the riding devices on Midway and saw all the sights, having the time of their lives. This kindness is appreciated very much by the superintendent and each child in the home. They returned home late in the afternoon tired but happy.

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DROUGHT—Last July, after having had some good rains, we prepared about 20 acres of ground on the campus for the sowing of grass. During the later part of September we sowed the grass, but so far as we have not had a sufficient amount of moisture to cause the seed to germinate. We have not been able to prepare any of our farm land for the planting of cover crops, because of the extremely dry weather. We are hoping that we will have good rains in the near future, so that we may get our fall planting done before it is too late.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives write as follows: "On October 19 the singing class was with Rev. C. P. Morris, in Efland, where a splendid congregation greeted us. Without an appointment we went with him to one of his churches near Hillsboro, Union Grove, and gave a concert for his afternoon service. The evening hour was spent with Rev. C. L. Spencer and his congregation at Central church, in Mebane. Rev. W. T. Phipps of First church, Mebane, and many of his members worshipped with us. We enjoyed the day."

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A DELIGHTFUL VISIT—On my recent visit to New York I had the great pleasure and privilege of spending the week end as guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Allen. Their summer home is at Scarsdale their winter home is on Fifth Avenue. It is known throughout the bounds of our conference that Mrs. Allen gave $30,000 for the erection of the Burwell cottage. In addition to this large amount she spent several thousand dollars in furnishing the cottage. Mrs. Allen built and furnished the cottage in memory of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Burwell. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are deeply interested in the welfare of our home, and they have demonstrated their interest by substantial contributions over a period of many years. It does my heart good to know that these friends are 100 per cent orphanage minded. My week-end visit at their lovely country estate was a rare privilege and I enjoyed it immensely. I have never visited any home where I have been more cordially and wholeheartedly received.

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A BETTER FINANCIAL PLAN—The board of hospitals and homes and the executive committee of the board of trustees, whose responsibility it is to devise ways and means of providing adeqaute support for the Orphanage, will submit a new plan to the conference to give the Methodist Orphanage a balanced budget. The plan in operation at present lacks $33,000 of providing adequate support for the institution. It is perfectly apparent that something must be done to relieve the Methodist Orphanage of its financial embarrassment. The present financial plan has been in operation for nearly thirty years. During that long period the Methodist Orphanage has grown by leaps and bounds, and the cost of living has greatly advanced; but the ten per cent apportionment has remained as it was nearly thirty years ago. I do not believe for a moment that the North Carolina conference will turn a deaf ear to the needs of the orphan children it has obligated itself to support. There is no cause that our conference has ever espoused that is so appealing as that of our fatherless children. The success or failure of the Methodist Orphanage is in the hands of its pastors and the one hundred and forty thousand church members. I rest the claims of our children in the hands of their friends.

APPRECIATION OF MRS. SLAUGHTER

We, the ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district, wish to express our love and appreciation to Mrs. B. B. Slaughter for the valuable service and guidance she has given us during the six years she has "mothered" the wives of the district. Her cheerful disposition, untiring effort to serve and her capable leadership have been an inspiration and a great source of comfort to us.

We shall miss her; but as she goes into another field of labor, may she be conscious of the love and prayers of the "wives" of the Elizabeth City district. May she be as happy in her new work as we have been in having her lead and inspire us to higher and nobler ideals of Christian service.

Mrs. W. J. Watson, Chm.
Mrs. L. B. Jones,
Mrs. M. W. Maness.

"Yes, sir, I believe that big wars often are caused by the smallest matters," ruminated Old Man Jones. "Why, just the other night my wife was working a cross-word puzzle, and she looked up at me and said, 'What is a female sheep?' and I replied, 'Ewe.' And there was another big war on."—Ex.



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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The purpose of this report is to present the main achievements of the year and to offer a few suggestions for the future. During the past twelve months the staff has striven diligently to be of service to each of our 1138 church schools.

New Methodist Literature

With the new church school literature available, the three historic branches of Methodism are now united in practically all phases of the work. Every effort is being made to get Methodist literature used in every Methodist church.

Meeting With Bishop Purcell and Cabinet

It is the purpose of the staff to work in complete harmony with Bishop Purcell and his cabinet. Early in February a meeting was held with this group at Sunny Acres to discuss plans and to consider the work of the Board of Education for the year. The discussions were most worth while and it is hoped that a similar meeting may be held again during the coming year.

Training for Service

The training program is basic in the total program of our church. The departments of religion in our colleges are making excellent contributions here. We also have a continuous educational procedure for discovering and developing persons in our retreats, camps, assemblies, Epworth training conferences and training schools. One hundred and fifteen training agencies were held during the year—an average of more than two each week, 6574 enrolled in these schools and in college courses in religious education, and 5050 completed the work for credit.

Accredited Instructors

We now have 125 accredited instructors in the conference. Here again our colleges and universities provide excellent teaching service. The majority of our teaching, however, is done by our own ministers and lay workers. These instructors might well be considered members of our conference staff. Wherever they are called upon to serve they represent the work of our board in a fine way.

Visitation by General Board of Education

Miss Mary E. Skinner, department of children's work; Dr. F. L. Gibbs, department of young adult work; Dr. W. J. Davidson, department of schools and colleges; Dr. Corliss P. Hargraves, secretary, department of missionary education; Dr. W. F. Quillian, department of missionary education and promotion of the board of missions and church extension; and Miss Ruth Wheaton, field secretary, WSCS, visited our conference during the year. These contacts and contributions of service by our general board staff members are always helpful.

National Conference on Christian Education and Leadership School

The conference staff works in close co-operation with the general board of education. The national conference, held in Nashville, and the leadership school, Junaluska, afford excellent opportunities for co-operation, exchange of ideas, and for constructive planning. These contacts are invaluable in our work.

District Directors

No more valuable service is rendered anywhere in our program than that given by our fine corps of district directors. Throughout the year they have given valuable assistance in meetings, camps, assemblies, vacatoin schools, institutes, and in the general program of the local churches. The service rendered by these persons is a fine contribution to our conference program.

Student Conference, Methodist Youth Fellowship

In February approximately 200 delegates from the colleges of our state met at College Place church, Greensboro, for a three-day conference. Plans are under way for this conference to be held in Chapel Hill this year. This annual student gathering is sponsored by the boards of education of the two N. C. conferences.

Vacation Church Schools

Interest in this phase of work with children continues to grow with the largest number of schools reported this year than ever before. There is no finer opportunity for increased time for Christian education than vacation church schools.

The Young Adult Fellowship

The most significant development in adult work for a number of years is the excellent contribution to the churches in our conference and throughout Methodism.

Assemblies, Camps, Caravans

Interest in and attendance at assemblies, camps and caravan activities were at a high peak this year. The number of Christian Adventure camps was the largest ever. Attendance at assemblies was the best for a number of years. The caravan idea has slowly but surely won a permanent place in the loyalties of youth.

Church School Rally Day

Only 251 churches out of 1138 in the conference observed this special occasion with a program and reported an offering to October 4. The total offering received to this date is $2,238.94, which is an increase of $43.51 over last year, but there were nine less churches participating. If the other 887 schools in the conference had observed this day and sent in their offering they could easily have wiped out the deficit mentioned in the paragraph above.

World Service in the Church School

Our educational and promotional work of former years in connection with the fourth Sunday program and offering has been continued for World Service with encouraging results. Five hundred and seven church schools of the conference gave a total of $22,601.92 to October 4 of this year.

Financing Our Program

The financial outlook of the board of education presents the darkest picture faced since the present executive secretary has been connected with the work. Not even during the depression years did the situation become quite so grave.

For the first time in 14 years Greensboro College will receive less than $5,000. For the past six years Greensboro College has received an average of $5614. This year, if all acceptances are paid in full, it will receive $4732.88, a decrease of $927.79 in in comparison with last year. The same is true of Brevard College.

The local church section suffered a decrease of $1636.96 in its income as a result of the discontinuance of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise.

Members of Board of Education

This report would be incomplete without a word of appreciation for the service rendered by members of the board of education, and especially of the executive committee. The Hon. D. E. Henderson has given considerable time in conenction with the affairs of Rutherford College. As treasurer of our board, Mr. H. A. Dunham continues to give time throughout the year. Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Dr. W. A. Stanbury, W. A. Kale, J. G. Huggin, Jr., and Mr. Dunham have attended meetings of the executive committee. Other board members have taken the lead in observing church school rally day with an adequate offering and in sponsoring our total program. All such responses help to promote the cause of Christian education which is of mutual concern to all of us.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl H. King, Exec. Sec'y.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Due to lack of space on this page, we are delayed in reporting the many vacation schools that have been held this summer. Following are some which have not been previously reported:

Elkin District

Elkin, Herman F. Duncan.
Mocks, P. L. Smith.
Advance, P. L. Smith.
Dulin, W. C. Sides, Jr.
Friendship, W. H. Tyte.
Pleasant Valley, Clark W. Benson.
Cranberry, Clark W. Benson.
Miller's Creek, W. H. Tyte.
North Wilkesboro, A. L. Lycock.
Maple Springs, D. B. Mullis.
Ronda, D. B. Mullis.
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis.
Mocksville, E. M. Avett.
Siloam, Mrs. S. H. Atkinson.
Cox's Chapel, Mrs. Charlie Phipps.

Gastonia District

Ivey, D. H. Rhinehart.
Pisgah, D. H. Rhinehardt.
McKendree, D. H. Rhinehardt.
Marvin, D. H. Rhinehardt.
Sharon, Sidney Boone.
Friendship, George W. Clay.
Double Shoals, George W. Clay.
Sulphur Springs, Sidney Boone.
Park Street, E. H. Brendall.
Central, Kings Mountain, Mrs. E. W. Griggin.
Kadesh, Mrs. Monroe Dixon.

Greensboro District

St. Andrews, A. McKay Brabham, Jr.
Muir's Chapel, Mrs. Chester Rose.
Draper-Wayside, E. Paul Hamilton.
Lee's Chapel, Miss Marjorie Scott.
Mayodan, P. L. Shore, Jr.
Stoneville, P. L. Shore, Jr.
Joyner Memorial, A. McKay Brabham, Jr.
Mt. Pisgah, A. McKay Brobham, Jr.
Pleasant Union, Rollin P. Gibbs.

High Point District

First, High Point, Miss Annabel Thompson.
First, Asheboro, Mrs. C. L. Cranford.
Center, J .O. Ervin.
New Hope, J. O. Ervin.
Farmer, J. L. Stone.
Franklinville, J. E. Pritchard.
Ramseur, J. E. Pritchard.
Old Union, I. L. Roberts.
Naomi, I. L. Roberts.
St. Pauls, I. L. Roberts.
Bethany, H. L. Isley.
Shiloh, H. L. Isley.
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge.

Marion District

Borings Chapel, J. N. Snow.
Zion, J. P. Moorman.
Glen Alpine, Mrs. R. L. Young.
First, Marion, Mrs. J. H. Tate.
Valdese, O. B. Mitchell.
Cliffside, T. R. Wolfe.
Avondale, T. R. Wolfe.
Bethel, G. L. Wilkinson.
Nebo, G. L. Wilkinson.
Pinnacle, G. L. Wilkinson.
Trinity, G. L. Wilkinson.
Cross Mill, F. R. Barber.
Old Fort, R. M. Varner.
Rutherford College, J. R. Duncan.
Bethel, J. P. Moorman.
Alexander, J. L. Etone.
Rutherfordton, Mrs. W. S. Harrill.

Salisbury District

Westford, T. W. Hager.
Palestine, Sherrill Biggers.
Tabernacle, Sherrill Biggers.
South River, I. R. Miller.
Gay's Chapel, I. R. Miller.
Unity, Clegg W. Avett.
Harmony, A. A. Lyerly.
Roberta, H. W. Bell.
Rocky Ridge, H. W. Bell.
Midway, J. F. Wyatt.
Friendship, H. L. Creech, Jr.
Cold Springs, H. L. Creech, Jr.
Mt. Pleasant, H. L. Creech, Jr.
Mt. Tabor, Mrs. H. E. Shoak.
Main St., Albemarle, Mrs. J. W. Whitlock.
Providence, Mrs. W. M. Daniel.
Shiloh, Mrs. Catherine Brown Kirchin.
Long Street, Mrs. R. H. Dennis.
Richfield, A. J. Cox.
Wesley's Chapel, A. J. Cox.
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Misenheimer, A. J. Cox.
Forest Hill, Jack Cooke.
Coburn Memorial, Miss Caroline Rink.

"SIMPLE STUFF"

Here is something fresh and vigorous on the subject of human freedom. It is said to have been written by Hazel Parker, a new-comer on the staff of the Louisville Courier-Journal. Her philosophy is that "freedom is made of simple stuff," and we think her dissertation is worthy of a wide reading. It may not go quite far enough but it is thought-provoking as far as it goes. She says:

"From the archives of broken peace we are bringing out old words and dusting them off for use again as shining lanterns to lead us through the darkness of another war.

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You cannot say what freedom is, perhaps, in a single sentence. It is not necessary to define it. It is enough to point to it.

"Freedom is a man lifting a gate latch at dusk and sitting for a while on the porch, before he goes to bed.

It is the violence of an argument outside an election poll; it is the righteous anger of the pulpits.

It is the warm laughter of a girl on a park bench.

It is the rush of a train over the continent and the unafraid faces of people looking out the windows.

It is all the howdys in the world, and all the hellos.

It is Westbrook Peglar telling Roosevelt how to raise his children; it is Roosevelt letting them raise themselves.

It is Lindbergh's appeasing voice raised above a thousand hisses.

It is Dorothy Thompson asking for war; it is General Hugh S. Johnson asking her to keep quiet.

It is trying to remember the words in 'The Star Spangled Banner.'

It is the sea breaking on wide sands somwhere and the shoulders of a mountain supporting the sky.

It is the air you fill your lungs with and the dirt that is your garden.

It is the absence of apprehension at the sound of approaching footsteps outside your closed door.

It is your hot resentment of intrigue, the tilt of your chin and the tightening of your lips sometimes.

It is all the things you do and want to keep on doing.

It is all the things you feel and cannot help feeling.

Freedom—it is you."—Religious Telescope.

An old gentleman was a trifle bewildered at the elaborate wedding.

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By Rollin H. Walker

Sin and Its Consequences

Sin is an infectious germ disease. Take heed, says Jesus, and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. It spread itself as subtly as leaven.

Modern psychology has enormously reinforced Jeremiah's assertion that the human heart is deceitful above all things. It has demonstrated to us that the pious motives we allege to ourselves as the reason for our actions are often not the real motives at all. The driving forces come from our lower natures. Well does the Psalmist exclaim, Who can discern his errors? Clear thou me from hidden faults (Psalm 19:12; Matthew 6:23; John 12:35, 36).

Sinful tendencies like soft concrete also harden into immobility. That is what the Revelator means when he says ominously, He that is unrighteous, let him do unrighteousness still, and he that is filthy let him be made filthy still.

Jesus exhausted human language to warn us of the serious consequences of sin (Matthew 7:27, 28; 18:32-36; 25:24-30, 41:46). Nothing could be more contrary to Jesus than to say, If you have sinned, don't be morbid, try and forget it! Call it an error of mortal mind. Smoke a psychological cigarette. The deadliest heresy of the superficial liberalism of the last generation was to call moral tuberculosis a common cold, and hence to neglect the immediate and thoroughgoing treatment required.

Jesus calls attention especially to the sins of the respectables. The drunkards and the harlots knew they were sinners; they were down and out. But the scribes and Pharisees were down, but still up. They had been to the devil's beauty parlor, and had been treated with so much cosmetic that they were able to deceive the people, and soon deceived themselves (Matthew 7:22, 23).

But while the only true attitude in this fight against the deadly pestilence of sin is one of sheer desperation, we should never despair. For the Son of God was manifested to destroy the works of the devil. When we turn to the Gospels the thing that strikes us strongest is the repeated and glad assurance that God will forgive sins.

Jesus roused the ire of the scribes by saying to the paralytic, Thy sins be forgiven thee (Mark 2:5-11), and he horrified Simon the Pharisee by his gracious attitude toward the repentant woman who washed his feet with her tears (Luke 7:36-50). This man, said the respectables, actually receiveth sinners, and eateth with them! But Jesus retorted, They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick. It behooved the Christ to suffer, said the risen Saviour, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations (Luke 24:45-47).

The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin, says the apostle. If it were announced that a sure cure for cancer had been found, how excited we would be! It is tragedy that we are so gospel-hardened that we are not still more excited over the fact that through the cross of Christ an antitoxin for the infinitely more serious disease of sin has been found.

The cross says two things: Sin is unspeakably serious, and God is unspeakably anxious to save us from sin. The one fatal condition is such a failure to realize the infinity of God's love that we do not mourn over our ingratitude and our lack of love. The sin that will damn us is a well-dressed and perfumed self-satisfaction. That is as though one were drinking tea and chatting merrily in a fashionable garden party at the foot of Golgotha with the body of Christ still hanging on the cross.

Apparently at the opposite extreme from self-righteousness is the theory that sin is inevitable because we are born into a social order that forces us to sin. But that is really self-righteousness in a garment of sackcloth. It throws back the respeonsibility upon God.

But Jesus says, Fear not, little flock, it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. He means that God by his mighty power will enable you to overcome your evil environment and set up the kingdom of God anywhere. And ere long he will institute a social order where states and nations, instead of being compelled to act on principles beneath the standards of the best citizens, will act on standards higher than that of the individual, just as soldiers manifest a courage when massed together that they would not show if put to test singly and in isolation.

BUSYBODY

When Peter asks, "Lord, and what shall this man do?" Jesus replies to him as if he were a busybody, medling with matters with which he had no concern. And, indeed, busybodyism was one of Peter's faults. He was fond of looking after and managing other people; he tried once and again to manage the Lord himself. Curiousenough, it is from this apostle that the church gets the needful warning against the vice just named. "Let none of you," he writes in his first epistle, "suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's affairs"; literally, as a bishop intruding into another's diocese. Evidently the frequent rebukes administered to Peter by his Master had made a lasting impression on him.—Alexander Balmain Bruce, D.D.

Boy: "Say, dad, what does it mean when the paper says some man went to a convention as a delegate-at-large?"

Dad: "It means his wife didn't go with him, son."—Ex.

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CIRKO: A STRANGE WOLF-DOG OF THE BALKANS

By Albert Payson Terhune

His name was Cirko. He was a great hairy beast with yellow lights in his eyes. He looked more like a wolf than like a dog. Indeed, he was one-quarter wolf, and that gave him his title of "wolf-dog."

With a description like that, one would imagine him risking his life among shells and shrapnel in a first-line trench, or "going bad" and slaughtering cattle on the plains. But Cirko had a much more peaceful and more prosaic job.

Far up in the hills of the Balkan country which in those days was known as Servia, there is a little settlement clustered around a monastery. The settlement is Sichevo. The monastery is the center of the local grape-growing industry. Its monks, for centuries, made wine from the yellowish-pink grapes. And, for several years, big Cirko guarded the vineyards.

It was not always as peaceful a task as it might have been. For the vineyards attracted petty thieves, and it was Cirko's duty to drive these marauders away.

Also, in the winter, wolves were wont to slink down from the mountain caves to raid the monastery's sheepfold. Again and again Cirko's strength and courage and fighting power were called into use for the combating of these four-footed raiders.

Never was there a human grape-thief who dared face his attack. Nor was there a wolf fierce enough to withstand his whirlwind charge. The monastery snuggled safely amid its hills, with the mighty wolf-dog to protect it.

The monks made a pet of Cirko and fed him well. They even winked at a queer tendency of his. I have said he guarded the ripe grapes from human marauders. But he did not do so free of charge. He paid himself for the service by eating great quantities of grapes, picking them daintily from the vines with his terrible jaws.

(Often, dogs are fond of grapes. I have had several collies here at Sunnybrook which would eat them from the vines by the hour, and seemed to relish grapes almost as much as meat).

On the other hand, the average dog won't eat grapes at all. But Cirko was not an average dog. He was a grape eater. And the monks allowed him to eat all the grapes he wanted.

There were others besides Cirko whom the kind monks allowed to wander unmolested through the vineyards, devouring all the grapes they could hold. These others were the pupils and teachers of the British Orphanage, far down the valley, some miles below the monastery.

In the early autumn, by arrangement with the monks, the parentless Balkan children and their English preceptors used to make a pilgrimage up the mountainside, and spend a whole day among the grapes, as guests of the monastery. There they had a grand picnic, bringing along their own lunch, but adding to it a tremendous quantity of grapes.

One year, Cirko was allowed to run loose on the day when the orphanage held its picnic. The monks knew they could trust him not to hurt the children. Besides there had been a gang of local boys, the year before, who had "crashed the gate" of the vineyard and had not only stolen quantities of grapes but had annoyed the orphans and their teachers.

The monks knew these boys would not dare molest the guests if Cirko were on guard. And they were right. The prowess of the giant wolf-dog was enough to keep all gate-crashers away, the moment it was known he was to be left at large.

The dog had a wonderful day. Not only did the orphans and the teachers pet him and talk to him, but they gave him quantities of food from their lunch baskets. Never before had Cirko had such a glorious feast. Never before had he tasted so many kinds of delicious foods.

Hitherto, he had known only the very simple fare of the monastery. Now he was reveling in cakes and pies and in dozens of sandwiches. It was a new experience for Cirko. Being clever, he associated the marvelous food with the people who gave it to him. If that was the kind of fare the orphanage kept in stock, then the orphanage must be a splendid place to live.

In the late afternoon when the children and the teachers started homeward Cirko followed them. Being part wolf, he was able to creep along among the roadside underbrush without any one knowing he was there. The dog was following that heavenly food to its source.

As the children got out of the wagons at the orphanage door and began to march into the building, two by two, Cirko ranged alongside them and marched in with them. He made it as clear to everybody as he could that he was there to stay.

The superintendent had him hoisted into a wagon and took him back to the monastery. Inside of an hour Cirko was scratching at the orphanage front door, demanding to be let in.

Again and again he was sent back to the monks. Again and again he made his escape and galloped to the orphanage. At last the monks told the English superintendent that Cirko could stay with the children he loved.

Immediately the wolf-dog was adopted as the chum of the whole orphanage. He had all the petting and all the food he wanted. He was perfectly happy, and he earned his keep, too, as winter came on and sinister wolves lurked at the edge of the orphanage grounds while the children were at play.

Savagely the dog drove the wolves away. Savagely he guarded the orphanage storehouses from the nightly depredations which formerly had resulted in the loss of so many provisions.

Yes, Cirko was earning his keep. With the mighty wolf-dog on guard, the children were as safe on their daily walks as if a machine-gun company was in charge of them.

Then, just a year after he had come to the orphanage to live, Cirko disappeared. Loud were the wailings of the children who had grown to love him and whose cherished playmate he was. The teachers and the superintendent missed him almost as much. They grieved for him and searched for him in vain.

At last word came from the monks that Cirko had returned to the monastery. He had not gone back to his old home for the sake of seing the monks themselves, but because it was the height of the grape season. From morning to night, the dog wandered around the vineyard, stuffing himself with the ripe fruit. All he wanted was grapes—all the grapes he could eat.

When the grape season was over, he returned eagerly to the orphanage. He lived for many years after that. But every autumn he would steal away from his orphanage friends to gorge himself for a week on the monastery's grapes.

THE TRAVELER

There was a smiling little girl,
They put her on a train
And said: Until you get to Bath,
Now don't get out again.

The guard he was a great grand man,
In blue with buttons gold.
He said: I'd better guard this girl,
She isn't very old.

Now she got out a little purse,
With ticket tucked inside.
(For such a tiny ticket, oh!
It seemed a great big ride).

She had two pennies all her own,
And, as was only right,
She tipped the guard with one of them
When Bath town came in sight.

And then (she wasn't quite, quite sure,
If people did do this),
She lifted up her little face,
And gave the guard a kiss.

—Selected.

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FOURTH ROUND

November
Plymouth, 11 2
Kitty Hawk, 11 9

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
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October
Maxton, 7 31

November
Roberdel, 11 2
Mt. Gilead Ct., Melton's Grove, 3 2
Mt. Gilead, 7 2
Biscoe, 7 3
Sanford, 7 4
Siler City, 11 9
Siler City Ct., 3 9
Goldston, 7 9

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FOURTH ROUND

November
Jones, Foys, 11 2
Dover, Bethany, 3 2
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 2
Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

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October
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 31

November
Tar River- Plank Chapel, 11 2
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 2
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 5
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9
Henderson, First Church, 11 9

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October
Nashville, 7:30 30
West-Halifax-Bethesda, 3 31

November
Tarboro, 11 2
Robersonville, Pamele, 3 2
Bethel, 7:30 4
Elm City, 7:30 3
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington.
FOURTH ROUND

November
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 2
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 2
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 5
Town Creek, 11 9
Southport, 7:30 9

Western North Carolina Conference

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November
Elk Park, Montazuma, 11 9
Avery, Fairview, 3 9
Linville Falls, 7:30 9
Spruce Pine, 11 16
Bakersville, Bakersville, 3 16
Marion Mills, East Marion, 7:30 16
Old Fort, 11 23
Old Fort Ct., Carsons, 3 23
Cross Mills, 7:30 23
Connelly Springs, 11 30
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 30
Rutherford College, 7:30 30

December
Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November
Crews-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 2
Central Terrace, 7:30 2
Burkhead, 11 9
Thomasville, Main St., 7:30 9
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 16
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 16
Rockford Street, 7:30 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Erlanger, 3 23
Ardmore, 7:30 23
N. Davidson, Union Ridge, 11 30
Hanes-Clemmons, at Bethel, 3 30
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 30

December
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3 7
Marvin, 7:30 7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 7:30 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 21
Lewisville, 11 28
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

KEYS

Keys, metal instruments used for operating locks; these instruments used daily and carried with one constantly, denote more than mere instruments of metal. They are symbols of power, treasured possessions, and opening of doors, to many scenes of life. When we start the engine of an automobile, a key is used to release power, so too, many modern devices require a key to open the switch that releases power.

One's treasured possessions are protected by keys. For what we value greatly of material posessions are usully placed in safety vaults, and keys are again used to protect against loss of those treasures. Doors, entrances to all buildings of various kinds are kept safe from intruders by keys. Security seems to be the symbol of keys. No home would feel safe unless his doors were protected by keys. True, indeed, there are sections of the country where doors are never locked, yet most of the civilized world places much value on the security that keys signify.

As in the material realm we value keys as protection, so in the spiritual realm we need keys to keep us secure while we travel on over the road of life to our appointed destiny—Life Eternal. Those keys are only to be had by accepting God as our Master key. Then will we be given the keys of faith, hope, and love; and if we use those keys daily to open the portals to the great power that will unfold to us, by using the power of faith, and then keep hope ever before us and have that love in our hearts that will forgive all and practice true Christ-like living, nothing can defeat us.

Then when we reach the end of life's road the gates of heaven will open to welcome us to that eternal home where the keys to all mysteries of life will be given us and we shall have revealed all that was so difficult for us to understand on earth.—Elva M. Raezer, in Religious Telescope.

POINTED PHILOSOPHY

By Hezekiah Hinkle

I once heard a debate on the subject, "Which Is Mightier, the Pen or the Sword?" I don't remember which side won out, but I've been a thnikin' it might be a good thing to debate, "Which Does the Most Harm, the Tongue or the Sword?" I've a notion that the sword wouldn't a been used lots of times, if somebody's tongue had been kept quiet.

But I'm a thinkin' chiefly about that thing we call "Gossip." That pesterin' festerin' thing where some woman—or mebbe some man—blabs a lot of things that ain't so, or that's only half so, causin' ill-feelin' an' misunderstandin's and heartaches, and breakin' friendships and so forth.

And even if the thing really is so I've often wondered why on earth some folks are so terrible anxious to go and tell the thing, and seem to take a relish in doin' so. One would think it was the sweetest morsel that ever touched their tongues, instead of bein' rank poison, as it actually is.

Mebbe when we're tempted to tell things we'd better remember that if it was about ourselves we'd want it hushed up. Then perhaps we's practice the Golden Rule a bit more, and bridle our tongues and sweeten our speech. I'm sure that lot's of unpleasant things would just die a natural death, if we didn't keep fannin' them into life by our waggin' tongues.

Don't be in a hurry to repeat that thing
That will injure a fellowman;
But if there's a kind, or a helpful word
Spread it broadcast if you can;
For there's enough to make folks sad,
Let's you and me help to make them glad.

"Why is George Washington described as 'first in war and first in peace'? "

"I dunno," replied Senator Sorghum. "I suspect somebody was trying to square him with both the preparedness people and the pacifists."

A TRIBUTE

Minnie Edney was born in Edneyville, North Carolina, April 11, 1872, the daughter of Thomas and Eliza Edney. She died at her home in Rosman, N. C., October 15, 1941, aged 69 years, 6 months and 4 days.

She was united in marriage to James Zebulon Stroupe August 6, 1905. To this union were born four sons, all of whom survive: Claude, Paul and Thomas of Rosman, and Fred of Brevard.

She is also survived by two brothers, Clarence Edney of Hendersonville and Fred Edney of Birmingham, Ala.; two sisters, Mrs. Hood Jones of East Flat Rock and Mrs. Ernest Guice of Flat Rock; four step-sons, William Stroupe of Canton; Volney Stroupe of Hendersonville; Robert and Nelson Stroups of La Plata, Md.; one stepdaughter, Mrs. G. W. Maxwell of Hendersonville; and one grandson, Jimmy, aged 2, son of Fred Stroupe.

Mrs. Stroupe gave her heart to Christ in early girlhood and united with Edneyville Methodist church. After moving to Rosman she transferred her membership to the Methodist church there.

Hers was a life of devotion to her Master, of loving ministration to her family, of loyalty to her church, her neighbors and her friends. Her death has left an aching void that only God can fill; and yet, in the face of her going, her children, her loved ones, her friends rise up to call her blessed. Truly, "Her own works praise her in the gates."

Funeral services were conducted at Moore's Grove Methodist church Friday afternoon, October 17, at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. J. R. Bowman, assisted by Rev. C. Moody Smith, pastor of the Moore's Grove church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Now that her day is ended,
Its round of duties done,
She watches at heaven's windows
By the light of heaven's sun.
Her heart that had been unquiet,
Its longings unbeguiled
By the day's vexatious trials
At last is reconciled.
Above earth's tallest mountains,
Beyond death's chilling sea,
She lives in that beautiful city,
Waiting for you and me.

Her voice was hushed in a moment
As night fell, tender and sweet,
And her spirit crossed the river
To kneel at the Master's feet.
She rests in shade that falleth
From trees that with healing are rife;
They shadow the bank of the river
Where flows the water of life.

And sometime, our days also ended,
The duties He gave us done,
We shall watch at life's western windows
The gleam of the setting sun.
We shall fall asleep in the twilight
To sleep as we haven't before,
And dream of the beautiful city
Till we waken to sleep no more.
There will fall on our restless spirits
A hush so wondrously sweet;
We, too, shall cross over the river
To rest at the Master's feet.

EDWARDS—Robert B. Edwards was born July 13, 1877, and was called to his heavenly home July 19, 1941. Early in life he joined the Methodist church and remained a faithful mmeber until his death. His devotion and loyalty to the church was beautiful in its simplicity and modesty. He was a steward and a teacher of the Sunday school for a number of years. For the past 22 years he has been superintendent of the Buncombe County Training School for Boys. He has also been their Sunday school teacher. He requested his family "to give some of his savings to his church every year in his name; that by so doing it might cause some to live a better life."

The deceased leaves to mourn their loss his wife and four children, Robert B. Edwards, Jr., Mrs. Elmer DeBruhl, Miss Joy Edwards and Miss Rose Edwards; one grandson, Bruce DeBruhl; three brothers and two sisters.

The beautiful flowers, the great company of friends gathered, the tears of sorrow and sympathy and the kind expressions heard on every side were in evidence of the hosts of friends to say farewell. Surely from heaven's heights he would assure us who follow after that our real home awaits us there, and that an all wise heavenly Father will some day explain the meaning of every bitter tear.

"We cannot say, and we will not say,
That he is dead; he is just away.
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be since he is there.
And we, oh we, who the wildest yearn
For the old time step and the glad return,
Think of him faring on, as dear
In the love of there as the love of here.
Think of him still as the same, we say,
He is not dead; he is just away."

The funeral was held at Weaverville Methodist church. Rev. A. B. Dennis officiated, assisted by A. C. Reynolds, Sr., Seth Perkinson and E. E. Wheeler. Burial was in West Memorial Park.

His Family.

To Adam, Paradise was home; to the good among his descendants, home is Paradise.—Augustus Hare.

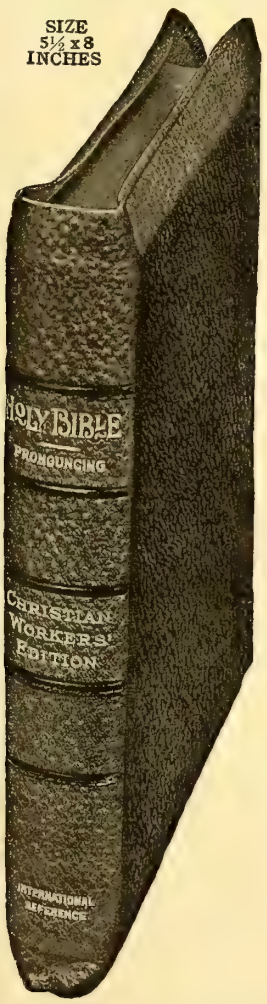
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[a] Lu. 3, 23 | [b] Ps. 132,11 Isa. 11, 1 ch. 22, 42 Acts 2, 30 Rom. 1, 3 | [c] Gal. 3, 16 | [d] Ruth 4,18 1 Chr. 2,

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A TRIBUTE

Ida Patrick Weston was born February 12, 1860, and went to her heavenly home September 22, 1941, in her 82nd year. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Jabez Grey Weston and Martha M. Weston.

On February 27, 1884, she was married to Willliam Timothy Berry, who preceded her in death on February 10, 1934. To this union were born three children—one, Barnhill Barbara Berry, died when four years of age. Mrs. Pearl Smith of Pantego, N. C., and Mrs. Lucy Langston of Swan Quarter, N. C., survive. Two grandchildren, Dr. Clyde Timothy Smith of Aberdeen, Washington, and Miss Eunice Smith of Pantego; one brother, S. W. Weston of Swan Quarter; one sister, Mrs. Gertrude Shavender of Pantego, and four nieces and one great-grandchild, Timothy Berry Smith, also survive.

Mrs. Berry united with Soule Methodist church in early girlhood; after her marriage to Mr. Berry she transferred her membership to Providence Methodist church in Swan Quarter, where she remained a member until death.

Mrs. Berry lived a simple, quiet, unassuming life, always ready to extend a helping hand to those in need. She was always interested in the welfare of the town and community, and in the uplift of humanity. For the past 10 or 12 years Mrs. Berry was not able to get away from home very much, and for the past nine months she had been confined to her room.

In all of her affliction and suffering she was so patient and cheerful, never complaining, always greeting her friends with a smile. She was always intensely interested in the work of her church. She numbered her friends by the score, as was attested by the profuse floral offerings. Her pastor used this poem at her funeral:

MOTHER

"She has come to the end of her journey,
Her sickness and sorrows are o'er;
She has entered the beautiful city,
She dwells on the golden shore.

Beholding the face of her Saviour,
The one whom she loved so dear,
Oh, I know that her joy is unequaled
By any who journey down here.

Her spirit is hovering o'er us,
Her memory dwells in our hearts;
For I know that some day we shall meet her—
Never, no never, to part.

Now Jesus, we pray that you help us
Tread in her footsteps so grand,
And finally, dear loving Saviour,
Meet us all in that heavenly land."

Her funeral was conducted at Providence church in Swan Quarter Tuesday, Septembr 23, by her pastor, Rev. E. G. Cowan, assisted by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent of Elizabeth City district, and Rev. W. J. Watson of Elizabeth City. Her body was laid to rest in Soule cemetery by the side of her husband beneath a beautiful mound of flowers, there to await the great resurrection morn.

The family have our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of sorrow.

Brother Slaughter used this poem as a fitting climax of the great life that Mrs. Berry had lived:

OTHERS

"Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray
My prayer shall be for others.

Help me in all the work I do
To ever be sincere and true,
And know that all I'd do for you
Must needs be done for others.

And when my work on earth is done
And my new work in heaven's begun,
May I forget the crown I've won
While thinking still of others.

Others, Lord; yes, others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others,
That I may live for thee."

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On Thursday, June 12, 1941, Mr. J. Frank Sawyer died suddenly at his home near South Mills. He was 69 years of age, having been born November 8, 1872. His funeral was held at Sharon Methodist church.

Mr. Sawyer gave his life to Christ when he was just a young boy, and united with Sharon church, to which he remained active until death. He was Sunday school superintendent for several years and a faithful steward for the past 53 years. He loved his church and was always ready and willing to serve where duty called.

He will be missed not only by his devoted wife, Mrs. Mary B. Sawyer, and sons, John O. and William A., but the whole Sharon community is saddened at his passing. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we hold in our hearts the memory of his bright Christian life. Though he is greatly missed, we know our loss is heaven's gain.

Second, That a copy of this memorial be sent to the family of our departed loved one, that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be spread upon the permanent record of the board of stewards.

Bessie Abbott, Sam Whitson, F. W. Brothers, J. J. McCoy, T. L. Morris, W. N. Vaughan.

Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of Trinity Methodist church and the citizens of South Mills township, will greatly miss the presence of our friend and brother, Charles H. Norris, who passed from our presence August 13 at 10:55 p. m. at the age of 74 years.. A great host of friends were his, as evidenced at the funeral service which was conducted at the church he loved. Not only a faithful member of the church, Mr. Norris served on the board of stewards many years and also served as district steward.

In his community he was one interested in the betterment and welfare of all. He served several times as county commissioner and also was representative in the house of delegates in 1922.

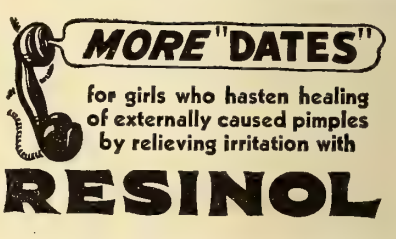
To his wife, son and daughters, we extend our sympathy and want them to know we consider it a privilege to have known such a good man.

Resolved, That a copy of this tribute be spread on the minutes of the Trinity Methodist church, that one copy be sent to the family, and that a copy be sent to the Christian Advocate for publication.

F. N. Mullen, J. T. Ethridge, T. L. Norris, W. S. Fowler, W. N. Vaughan.

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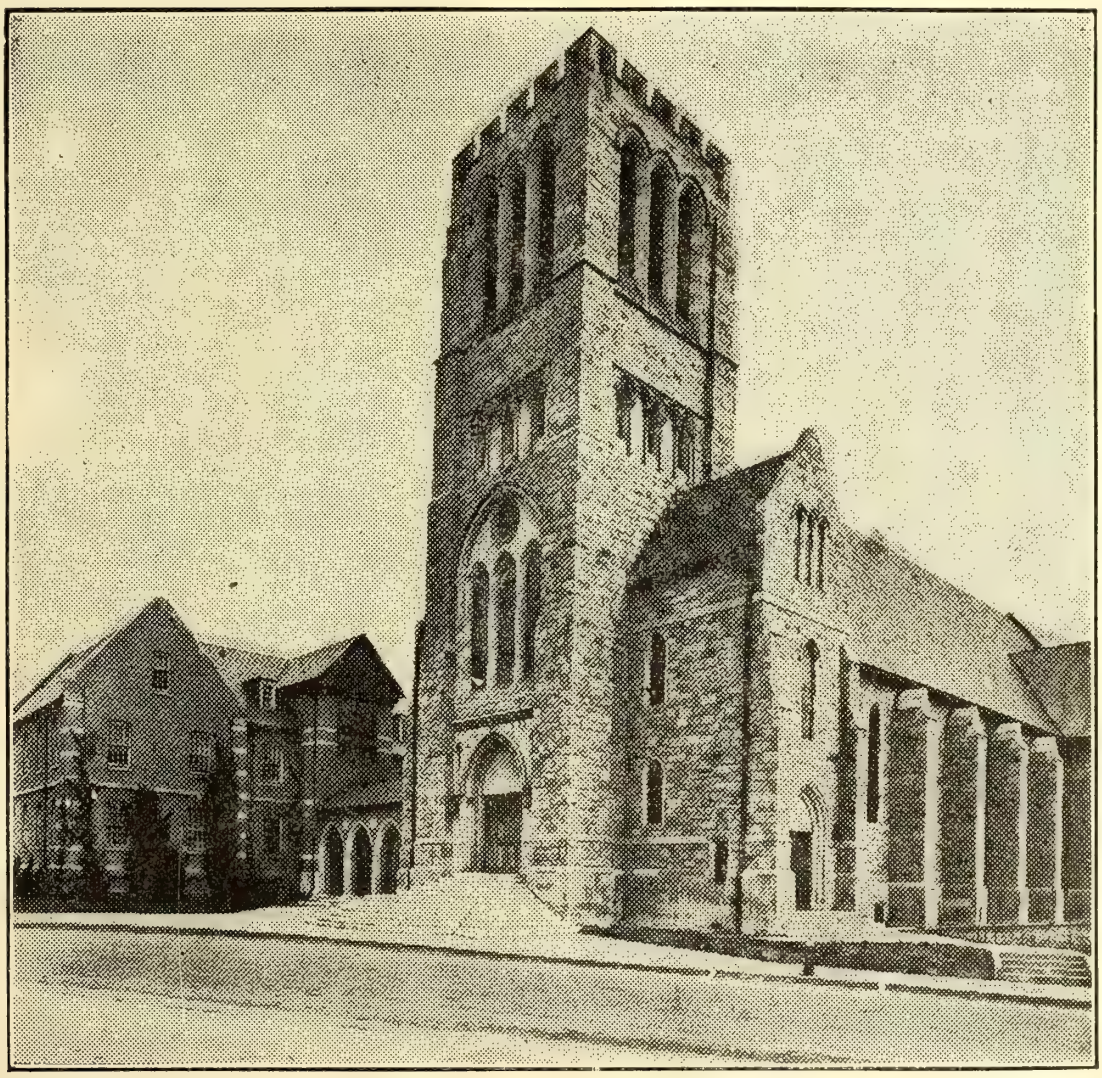
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North Carolina Conference to Convene in Durham on November 10th



The Trinity Methodist Church in Durham, N. C. Where the 3rd Session of the North Carolina Conference Will Be Held November 10-14

PROGRAM OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Monday, November 10

4:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

7:30 p.m. Meeting Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Dean Paul Neff Garber of the Duke Divinity School. Subject: "The Moral Code of Early Methodism."

Tuesday, November 11

9:00 a.m. The Holy Communion, administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the District Superintendents. Organization of the conference.

11:00 a.m. Pause for Armistice. Prayer by Chaplain T. G. Vickers.

12:00 m. Memorial Service. Address by Dr. H. E. Spence.

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards and committees.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Rev. John H. Shore.

4:00 p.m. Conference Brotherhood.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor The Christian Advocate, Chicago.

Wednesday, November 12

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn.

9:20 a.m. Reception of class into full connection.

10:00 a.m. The Christian Advocate. Address: Dr. Roy L. Smith, Chicago.

11:00 a.m. The Laymen's Hour. Address: E. T. Welch, president General Board of Lay Activities.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Rev. T. J. Whitehead.

5:00 p.m. Duke banquet.

7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions. Address: Dr. T. D. Ellis.

Thursday, November 13

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn.

10:00 a.m. The Duke Endowment's Aid to the North Carolina Conference. Speakers: President R. L. Flowers and Dr. J. Marvin Ormond.

3:00 p.m. Worship. Sermon by Dr. Frank S. Hickman.

6:00 p.m. Methodist Orphanage banquet.

7:30 p.m. Ordination service. Sermon: Dr. R. M. Andrews, pastor West End Church, Greensboro.

Friday, November 14

9:00 a.m. Devotions. Dr. John C. Glenn. Business session. Reading of appointments. Adjournment.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

COMMITTEE ON ACCEPTED SUPPLIES

The committee on accepted supply pastors will meet next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All members of the committee, and all local preachers who wish to be placed or contined on the list of supply pastors, are urged to attend this meeting.

J. Herbert Miller, Chm.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The North Carolina Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet at 3 p. m., Trinity Methodist church, Durham, Monday, November 10. Every member of the board is urged to be present.

S. J. Starnes, Sec.

BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The Board of Hospitals and Homes will meet at 2 p. m. on Tuesday, November 11, in the room designated at Trinity Methodist church. Every member of the board is urged to be present for this meeting.

S. A. Maxwell, Chm.
A. L. Thompson, Sec.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS

The Committee on Ministerial Qualifications will meet at 2:30 Monday, November 10. All candidates for admission on trial and for full connection will appear at that time.

R. F. Munns, Sec.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

A meeting of the Board of Conference Claimants is called for Wednesday, November 12, at 2:30 p. m. Dr. Charles W. Tadlock, executive secretary of the Board of Pensions, will meet with us. A full attendance is requested.

J. A. Staton, Chm.

DUKE BANQUET AT CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Conference Duke Alumni Banquet will be held Wednesday, 5:30 p. m., November 12.

J. R. Edwards, President.

THANKSGIVING APPEAL

By Rev. Fred W. Paschall

The pitiful cry of the oppressed and homeless people across the sea makes a stirring appeal to our hearts. But it is still true that the helpless, dependent, orphanaged child makes the stronger appeal. The cry of a child made homeless and dependent through no fault of his own makes us ready and willing to give liberally in order that he may have a comfortable home, adequate food and clothing, and the advantages for social, educational and religious growth and development which rightfully belong to every child.

The gift given in the support of the dependent child is one of our best investments. The gift may save a life from the evils of poverty, from degradation and shame, from a criminal career, from a social outcast, from the wages of sin which is death. Such a gift not only ministers to the dependent child, but it is a service rendered unto Christ, for he said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

One of the great incentives for giving is the marvelous things God can do with our gifts. It always thrills the soul of the giver to know that his gift will feed the hungry, provide clothing for the needy, make it possible for the gospel to be preached unto every creature, and advance the kingdom of God among men.

Thanksgiving Day will soon be here. During the Thanksgiving season we are asked to give at least one day's wage to the dependent child. Every Methodist in the North Carolina conference should do this and more. Let us send to our Methodist Orphanage the largest Thanksgiving offering in the history of this great institution. The cause is entirely worthy of our best support.

Fred W. Paschall.

FULL REPORT OF ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN IN N. C. CONFERENCE

On page 13 is the report by charges of the new annual subscribers secured in the North Carolina conference. Leaders in the seven districts are as follows:

Durham—F. B. Peele, 22.
Elizabeth City—H. F. Surratt, 18½.
Fayetteville—A. P. Brantley, 12.
New Bern—L. E. Sawyer, 37.
Raleigh—Mrs. W. B. Hight (Henderson), 20.
Rocky Mount—P. H. Fields, 41.
Wilmington—C. T. Thrift, 58.

Three others run Brother Peele a close race in the Durham district. These are: J. V. Early, 21½; Mrs. J. W. Holmes (Davis Street), 21; and S. J. Starnes, 20½. Doubtless others with fewer subscribers are equally as worthy of honor. The character of the field has something to do with such campaigns as well as the type of man engaged. Our grateful thanks in this hour is extended to all who have aided in any way in the work of our church paper. A careful study of this report by charges and by districts would be most illuminating as well as interesting to all who promote the Advocate.

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This earth that is round like a ball has a rugged surface with mountains like the Alps, the Andes, the Rockies, and deep dark caverns of ocean where the waters are miles in depth. Yet if this old earth should be reduced in size to that of a baseball its surface would be as smooth as a baseball fresh from the umpire's pocket.

Two drunken men were driving recklessly down the highway and one said to the other, "Shay, be sure to turn out for the bridge that's comin' down the road toward us." "What do you mean, me turn out?" retorted the other. "I thought you were drivin'." These are the fellows who get into court for drunken driving and the police judge says, "Let him pay $25 fine and costs in the case."

The other day we ran across another Abraham Lincoln story, which is as follows: On one occasion, having failed to make a stubborn opponent see the error of his reasoning, Lincoln said, "Well, let's see. How many legs has a cow?" "Four, of course," came the ready answer. "That's right," said Lincoln. "Now suppose we call the cow's tail a leg, how many legs would the cow have?" "Why, five, of course." "Now that's where you're wrong," said Lincoln. "Simply calling a cow's tail a leg doesn't make it a leg."

Russia once was a land of literature with its Tolstoys, but that was before the Bolshevik Russia. Germany at one time could boast of its universities, its cathedrals, its music, its paintings and its literature, but that was before the days of Hitler. An enslaved nation can produce few things really worth while. A nation to flourish must be free. A people that will take orders from a dictator is already damned. And whenever Americans import the ideas of European dictators, though it be under the euphonic name of a "new deal," they are taking vipers to their bosoms.

The Methodists had a great time at Winston-Salem as the crowds from all sections of Western North Carolina assembled. Why not repeat this at Durham as they come from all the flat lands of the East? Eastern Carolina has much to be thankful for. The Lord has been good and the churches have won fresh victories.

The Methodist preachers in the heroic days of the pioneers put the emphasis upon the conquest made in new fields and the triumphs won at the camp meetings and the log meeting houses. Now we talk much of the new churches built, the money raised and the salaries paid. Does not the peril of modern Methodism lie in the the stress put upon material advance rather than on the spiritual triumph? In much of the present discussion as to the methods for making proper adjustments of salaries, the tendency is to put the emphasis at the wrong place. Men do not become jubilant over money in the church of God; shouting belongs to spiritual victories won. At any rate, that has been true in all the Wesleyan movement.

A fresh and appealing plea comes to the friends and former students of Greensboro College in the present effort to restore and enlarge the facilities following the tragic fire at the opening of the present session. This plea should get an early and liberal response from the Methodists of the state in the restoration of the burnt building and in caring for the library facilities. The trustees are moving with dispatch and we feel sure that both conferences will give full support to this present effort to enable the old college to carry on in a larger way during the second century of its noble career. This situation comes as a new challenge to the thousands of friends scattered over the state. Now is the time to act. We should brook no delay. Loyal friends do not hesitate when the hour comes for them to take their stand.

**Wealth Or Worth—
Which?**

WE Americans, in theory, have exalted individual worth above fortunate birth, holding to the doctrine that every boy may become President! This has been counted the common man's country, allowing rail-splitters, tanners and tailors a chance. The Englishman may boast of ancestors who came in with William the Conqueror, but the American has been content to glory in a family of brawn and brain able to conquer the new world.

With forests to fell, fields to plough, cities to build, homes to foster, birth has counted for little compared to real worth in the youth of America, youth born for conquest. This conviction has done much to make us worthy to be classed with the vast company that speaks the tongue of Shakespeare and Milton in all this broad land.

In this land of the magnolia and the mocking bird social and industrial changes have taken place since Lee laid down his sword and the maimed and broken Confederate soldier returned to his wasted fortunes. But just now we are face to face with still greater and more grave rents and breaks in the old form and structure. New ideals dominate the people. Other voices are heard in all these southern parallels calling for still more rash and daring reforms.

If once the common man reaches the conviction that the rich alone are happy and the poor must be miserable, we are destined to conclude that life is a miserable failure. The great majority must remain poor with only an empty blank, bleak sky overhead. A healthy optimism is out of the question. Noble ambitions must die in the soul of youth, honor and kindred virtues depart from the people and man's uncurbed greed make the countless thousands mourn.

Let the South—the conservative South, boasting noble breed—come to make wealth and not work her guiding star, then her glorious day will become only a memory.

"Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates and men decay."

From this point we are far from being free. Speculation, with its rash ventures, in the hope of making a fortune by some streak of good luck, is widespread. Too often safe and conservative business methods are cast to the winds. Get money, get money, with little regard to the drain it makes on life and character, is the cry. One trembles to think of the end of an age drunk with greed for gain. Are we as a people doomed to reach the depths of ancient Rome when "to be poor," says Mommsen, "was not merely the worse disgrace and the worse crime, but the only disgrace"? A cloud larger than a man's hand is in our sky.

Dreamer and Doer

ONE who brings vision into life is not to be despised. A large place must be granted the dreamers of the world—men who have caught a vision of what is to be. But a large sphere should be allowed the doers—a thousand are needed to make actual the vision of one. The great common mass of men are doomed to toil. They have no alternative. No wonder Jesus dignified toil. He was a worker even as the Father had worked hitherto. The world admires a worker and wants men that can bring things to pass. To become lotus-eaters, dreaming life away with voices thin and bodies limp in the languid air, is not to meet the demands of either God or man. Utility is the cry of the times in matters both sacred and secular. Men that can and will do something are asked for. Drones and deadbeats are not worth their room. Doers only are of value in realizing the visions of men. "Something turns up" only when someone lends a helping hand. Young men loll and dream of success that never comes because the dreaming is not followed by doing. To catch a vision of the sunlit peak and struggle towards it would be wiser. Preacher and people dream of the prosperity of Zion, only to be sorely disappointed. Proper efforts are not made to bring their airy vision down to the dead level of actual life, to the solid land of material fact—so it ever remains in thin air. Many churches have been hindered by indolent preachers, and no fewer have been crippled by unfaithful official boards. An official board was not made to mourn but to move. To mourn over a sad plight is not near so refreshing as to move on to success. To bring vision into life, and then with stout heart and steady hand set about making it a reality, is the part of wisdom. Thereby one sails unknown seas and opens up new continents to actual life, which before had been nothing more than the visions of dreamers. This means toil. It also means a better and larger life above, after these weary hands are folded across a tired heart that has ceased to labor here below. Such achievements are for the ages.

The Spirit of Youth

MEN talk glibly about the spirit of youth and even old men say that a man with the spirit of youth will never grow old, no matter what the calendar may say of his days and years. But do we stop to think how much is contained in the spirit of youth which is, indeed, the hope of the world?

The November issue of Advance carries the following:

"What is the Spirit of Youth?
'Tis the Spirit of the Lover, who sees and glorifies the beauty in another's life;
'Tis the Spirit of the Crusader, who goes forth to champion some high and holy cause;
'Tis the Spirit of the Explorer, who never feels so much at home as in unfamiliar territory;
'Tis the Spirit of the Prodigal, who spends generously of strength and substance on some enterprise of grand desire:
'Tis the Spirit of the Troubador, who brings poetry and music into the drabness of human existence;
'Tis the Spirit of the Dreamer, who dares to look forward to wondrous things yet to come.
At four score and ten, yours is still the Spirit of Youth.
May you spend your years as a tale that is yet to be told."

A Grave Charge by the Warren Record

THE News and Observer says that so far not a single white boy of the town of Warren, N. C., has been drafted under the selective service act. This fact leads the Warren Record to say:

> We refuse to believe that all the young white men of draft age in this town are physically unfit for army duty, and we attach little importance to the claim that "he is essential to his business" or "his parents are dependent upon him."
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> While it might work a hardship on boys of this town to take them away from their business or their job, we don't believe that there is anybody in this town of any age who cannot be replaced, and we seriously doubt if it works any greater hardship on the boy living in town to serve his country during the emergency than it does on the boy in the country to take him away from his work and his pleasures.

It seems to us that the local draft board should be required to show that the charges by the Record are not in accord with the facts, and if unable to do so the board should receive the attention it deserves from the federal authorities. The selective service act in itself is not very popular and with a dishonest administration thereof it will become even more unacceptable to the people.

Arise and Shine, O Youth!

THERE is enough social, mental and moral force among the youth of North Carolina Methodism to make our Zion arise and shine could it be utilized. For this favored class to do their work and to use the resources at their command will require an outlet of energy and more than an ordinary degree of perseverance. Discouragements will come and rugged steeps of difficulty must be scaled. This will never be done with the ease an ocean greyhound mounts the tempestuous surges of the stormy main. Toil is needed—which is well—for one who has no higher conception of life than to pass an idle existence or to be amused will never bring anything to pass, for no people with whom amusement is the chief concern can ever amount to much.

Remember, in every line of life a good deal of drudge work must be done—a labor for God and for humanity is no exception. Back of every great actor, preacher, poet, stretch a long line of drudge work. Only those willing to pay the price are able to kindle and blaze and burn in the face of the world. Less gas and more go would crown with success many a lagging career. God does not intend for man to mourn over miserable failure; rather would he have us to move on to the goal of high endeavor. Even though the goal is never reached, go down with face set to this end.

The young Methodists of North Carolina ought to do some great things for God this new year by enlisting soul and body in the enterprise at hand. A few young people in each church ready for some noble undertaking and determined to keep at it to the end will not only employ their own talent but they will also enlist much talent about them now going to waste. Have a little talk with God each day alone—yes, alone where in the silence you can feel your own pulse beat and heart throbs as God speaks. This will get great things done for God—it will also guarantee success.

Dr. S. Pakes Cadman once said: "Just now the people need to be heartened, not by clerical clowns but by cheerful ministers. St. Paul is their exemplar. He laughed at bonds, persecution, and imprisonment."

People and Things

N. C. Conference, Trinity, Durham.....Nov. 11-14

Russia now has the largest Jewish population in the world, estimated at five million persons.

Bishop Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. Arthur L. Stephenson to the pastorate of Fines Creek charge. —W. L. Hutchins, D.S.

Laymen who expect to attend conference at Durham should bear in mind the laymen's luncheon to be held at the Washington Duke hotel Wednesday noon. The conference lay leader, Dr. W. K. Greene, is expecting this to be a valuable as well as enjoyable occasion for the laymen.

Please say that our address is now 324 N. First Street, Albemarle, N. C. We have changed houses since our arrival here and are very favorably situated two blocks from our church in one of the finest parsonages anywhere. The lines have fallen to us in pleasant places.—G. N. Dulin.

I was assigned to the Elmwood charge at the last conference but was changed to Olin charge by the superintendent. Please tell Advocate readers that our address will be Olin, N. C., instead of Elmwood. We are well pleased with the outlook at this place and look forward to a good year. —D. T. Huss.

The campaign for new subscribers has begun early this year. J. W. Moore, pastor of Central church, Mooresville, since the annual conference has sent to this office 16½ yearly subscribers, E. K. McLarty of Boone sends five new yearly subscribers, and A. A. Kyles of Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, sends four new ones. This is prompt action on the heels of the annual conference.

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension is called to meet with district superintendents and district missionary secretaries in joint session in Statesville Methodist church, Monday, November 10, at 10:30 a. m. The purpose of this meeting is to correlate our plans for district missionary institute.—Thomas F. Duncan, Secretary.

Rev. Geo. W. Blount informs us that the parsonage at Spring Hope is under new management with the arrival of Susan Hill Blount. The young lady, weighing nine pounds and two ounces, arrived early the morning of All Saints' Day, November 1. Mother and daughter are doing nicely. Mrs. Blount was the former Miss Evelyn Hill of Spartanburg County, S. C.

The Hayes-Barton Methodist church at Raleigh continues her development in growth and service. One hundred and twenty-nine members have been received during the conference year, which gives a total net membership of 525. Thus closes the fifth year of existence as an organized church with a record of which she has just right to be proud and which lends great hope for a bright future.—E. D. Weathers, P. C.

World Government Day is November 11. This is an attempt to give new significance to Armistice Day being made by the National Peace Conference, the well known association of 39 national and state peace organizations with headquarters in New York. It has designated November 11 as "World Government Day" with the purpose of getting churches, forum groups and other assemblies small and large to discuss American participation in world organization. The conference, whose address is 8 West 40th St., New York, has prepared a kit of materials containing some of the findings of important groups and other information useful to discussion leaders. The kit may be secured for ten cents.

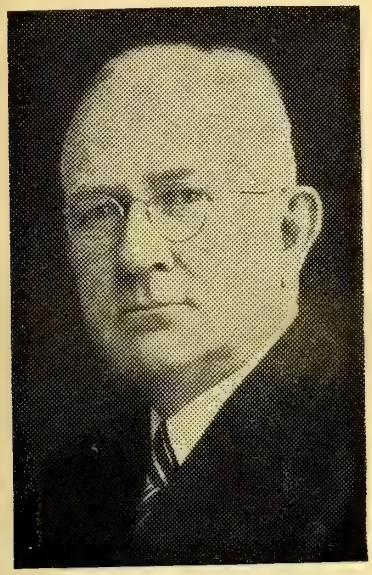
Rev. Bryan M. Crosby of Hickory, who has been in ill health for several months, plans to leave Friday for Atlanta to enter a veterans' hospital, where he will undergo extensive treatment. Former pastor of Westview Methodist church here, the minister was retired a year ago because of a heart ailment. He was state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars last year, and served with the air corps overseas in the first World War.—Hickory Record.

We would like to state some of the things we have been able to accomplish this year at the Webb Avenue church in Burlington. In October of last year a new piano was bought for the church auditorium and one for the hut, and both have been paid for this year. One hundred and thirty-eight copies of the new Methodist Hymnal were dedicated for church use the second Sunday in August of this year. The ladies of the church have spent $266 on the interior of the parsonage. Last but not least, the church paid every item of its budget more than a week before conference. That is nothing unusual for some churches, but it is for Webb Avenue. As we recall, it is the first time this has happened here in more than 15 years. We are happy and ready to begin the new conference year greatly encouraged.—The Board of Stewards; D. N. Webster, Chm., J. F. Idol, Sec.-Treas.

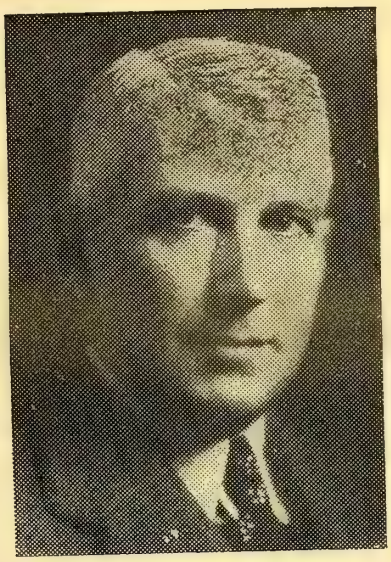
Installation of colored windows of ecclesiastical design in the Federated Church, Nome, Alaska, is reported by the pastor, Rev. Wilbur P. Wood. The windows arrived in Alaska on the S. S. Sutherland and are now in the sanctuary. The women of the church have presented a new pulpit drop to the church. The congregation participated in the observance of World Communion Sunday on October 5. Activities are being organized for the fall and winter and include the entertainment of soldiers stationd in Nome. The Federated News, which contains items of interest to the parish members, is mailed biweekly throughout the constituency of 180 families. The actual membership of the church is about 80 members. The church is the only Protestant church in the town of 1500 people, and while members of other denominations co-operate, they seem reluctant to transfer their membership into the church. The Methodist mission nearest the church at Nome is the Unalaska Mission on the Aleutian Peninsula, 700 miles distant.



DR. A. J. HOBBS
Durham District Superintendent



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL
Conference President



DR. W. K. GREENE
Conference Lay Leader



REV. G. W. PERRY
Conference Pastor-Host

Dr. Roy L. Smith of Chicago will address a Davidson county Methodist rally in Main Street church, Thomasville, Monday evening, November 10, instead of Tuesday, as originally announced. All ministers and laymen are invited.—Lee F. Tuttle.

"Reverend and Mrs. Charles Richmond Ross request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Helen, to Mr. Vance Efird Huneycutt, Friday, the twenty-first of November, at half after four o'clock, First Methodist church, Salisbury, N. C. At home after December first, 160 South First Street, Albemarle, N. C."

The closing of this conference year finds Basnight Memorial church in Ahoskie finishing its work in fine shape. The pastor will go to conference with a full report and the assurance from the board of stewards that he will have their full co-operation in making next year a still better year. At the last meeting of the board the pastor's salary was raised $250 for next year and he was assured that the parsonage would be refurnished during the next few weeks. Already an electric range has been installed and a high grade linoleum rug has been inlaid in the kitchen, breakfast room and bath room. The bed rooms and living room will be completely refurnished and the building will be painted throughout. The year is having a happy ending for the parsonage family.—A. L. Thompson, Pastor.

IN APPRECIATION OF REV. G. W. PERRY

The end of this conference year marks the close of five years of a most fruitful ministry on the part of our beloved pastor, Rev. George W. Perry, to the members of Trinity Methodist church. During these years he has given his time, strength, and ability unreservedly to the promotion of the spiritual life of his church and community.

We, the members of the official board, wish to express to Mr. Perry our deep gratitude for his faithful and dedevoted service to our people. As pastor and preacher, he has not only won the love and esteem of the congregation of Trinity church, but has gained the friendship and affection of a host of people throughout the city of Durham.

We are grateful for the inspiration of his life and work among us and we pray that God's richest blessing may rest upon him and his good wife as they continue to labor in the Master's cause.

Secretary Board of Stewards.

CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

During my 20 years as a Methodist pastor I have never received an appointment which was not better than I deserved. Each pastorate has afforded a great field of opportunity, and now that I have been appointed conference evangelist I pray that I may prove myself worthy, and wish to thank the commission on evangelism for recommendation, the conference for the unanimous vote, also Bishop Purcell for the appointment.

"The world is my parish." I am now making up my evangelistic slate for this conference year. I have a house-car in which I sleep and have my breakfast while in meetings. It is better for me and helps to solve the problem of entertainment. I shall be happy to serve any of my brother ministers in either of the conferences. Thanks to the Advocate for carrying my evangelistic slate, which will also have my address. J. W. Groce.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT STEWARDS

The district stewards are hereby called to meet at Central church, Asheville, at 9:30 a. m. on Wednesday, November 12. All pastors, all charge lay leaders, all church school superintendents, and as many other church officials and church members as can be induced to attend are cordially invite to be present—and on time.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT LEADERS CALLED TO MEET

The district stewards of the Waynesville district are called to meet in Sylva, November 13, at 10 o'clock. All others interested in the full program of the Methodist Church are cordially invited to attend the meeting. W. L. Hutchins.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT MEETING

The set-up meeting of the High Point district will be held at Wesley Memorial church, High Point, November 13, at 2 p. m. Pastors, stewards, lay leaders, church school superintendents and all others who will are urged to attend.
S. W. Taylor.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT STEWARDS

Greensboro district stewards' meeting will be held at West Market Street church Monday (10th) at 2:30. Pastors, district stewards, lay leaders and church school superintendents are expected to attend. L. B. Hayes.

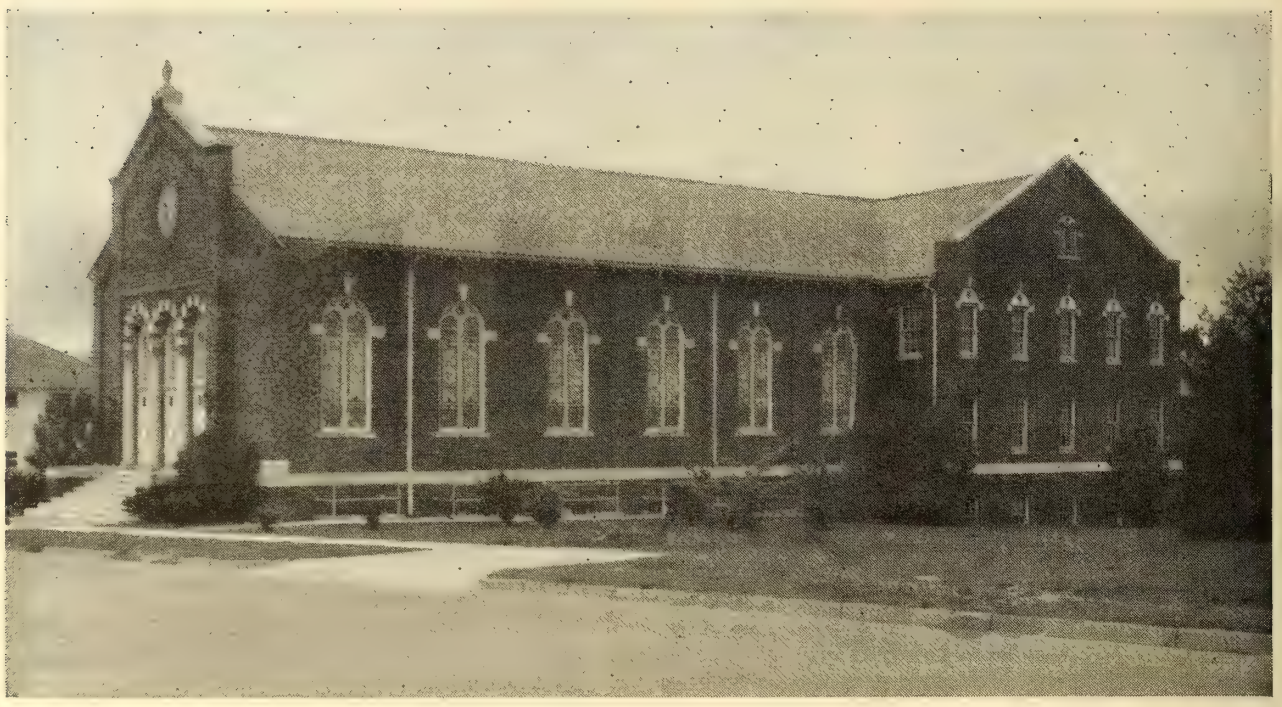
MARION DISTRICT STEWARDS

The district stewards and pastors of the Marion district are called to meet in First church, Marion, Tuesday, November 11, a t2 p. m. C. S. Kirkpatrick, D. S.

BEWARE

H. H. Honeycutt of Forest City, a roving magazine salesman, is now an irresponsible man and should not be trusted. To accommodate him I subscribed a year ahead for several magazines three months ago. To date no label has been changed on any of them. W. L. Hutchins.

West Durham Methodist Church Dedicated Last Sunday



WEST DURHAM METHODISTS REJOICE

Last Sunday morning Bishop Clare Purcell, pastor W. L. Clegg, the official board and a full house of Methodists and their friends joined in a religious service of more than ordinary import. The radiant sky overhead on this glorious November morning furnished favorable externals for the gladness within—ministered to by the choir in which children's voices blended with those of mature years.

This Sunday, November 2, was the long looked for day by the congregation of West Durham Methodist church. On this day Bishop Clare Purcell dedicated their church. The present church was erected in 1925 at a cost of $95,-000. On June 1 this year when the final payment of $10,-000 was made the debt that had burdened the church for years was paid in full.

A rather remarkable history belongs to this church. While the first building of the Erwin Cotton Mill Company was being constructed, Mr. Benjamin N. Duke asked Rev. R. Hibberd, a local preacher, to do religious work in this area. Mr. Hibberd immediately organized a Sunday school. Through the generosity of Mr. Duke, the first church was built on the corner of Main and Ninth streets. At the annual conference in 1894 Main Street church, now Duke Memorial, reported a mission at West Durham. The same year the conference made an appropriation for the work and the first regularly appointed pastor was sent to West Durham. He was Rev. R. W. Bailey. Late in 1898 Mr. Duke again gave his assistance, making it possible to enlarge the church and build a parsonage. The parsonage was erected on Main street next to the church.

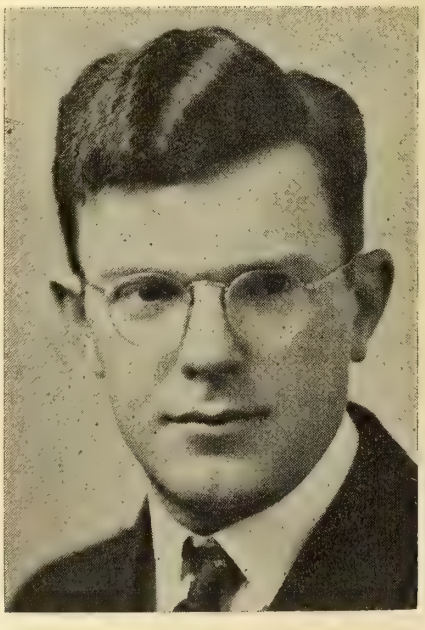
When the North Carolina conference sent the first preacher to West Durham there was a Sunday school enrollment of 50.

The church received assistance from the conference until 1907. Since that date the church has been self-supporting. The church has never failed to pay its budget in full.

The present church building was built during the pastorate of Rev. J. A. Martin, who was pastor 1924-1927. When the church was moved from the old location there were 718 members. The membership of the church is now 887.

Other ministers participating in the program were Revs. W. L. Clegg, pastor of the conggregation; A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent of the Durham district; and J. H. McCracken, former pastor of the West Durham congregation. Rev. Mr. Clegg presided, District Superintendent Hobbs led the prayer, and Rev. Mr. McCracken read the Scripture lesson.

We congratulate the pastor as leader and the devoted membership in this hour of their notable victory. Their fidelity and liberality should prove an inspiration to all other congregations that have been loaded with a heavy debt. West Durham feels wonderfully free just now.



Rev. W. L. Clegg, Pastor of the West Durham Methodist Church

THE ESSENCE OF MODERN WAR

By Charles W. Clay

The entire world is justly horrified at the execution of fifty or a hundred French hostages in revenge for the murder of one German officer. Such wholesale slaughter of innocents is utterly revolting to mankind, a gentle reminder of the barbarism that is descending upon us. What guilt had those hostages, that they should be punished so ruthlessly?

And yet isn't that the very essence of modern warfare? We are horrified when fifty innocent hostages are executed, but we rejoice when the bombers of our own side destroy a hundred residents of Berlin—even if no military objectives are hit. Are we so sure that the individuals of the first group are innocent and those of the second are not? We are shocked when eleven men on one of our own destroyers are killed, but delighted when we hear of the success of the allied blockade with its consequent maiming for life of thousands of innocent children.

The armies themselves are not made up of criminals, on one side or the other. They are composed mostly of young men inducted into the service against their own will, or else willingly, after being subjected to propaganda that is more efficient than truthful. The majority are blameless as regards the causes and the methods of war. One group of relatively innocent young men murders another group of relatively innocent young men; the women and children of one side are bombed as surely as are the women and children of the other side. All too often the really guilty ones escape entirely. That is war.

It all reminds one of the robbers who entered a man's house and murdered his wife; the man sought to kill the robbers but failed, so he went to their own homes and succeeded in murdering their wives, children, and grandmothers. That's what we do in modern war—murder a million innocent victims, and let the robbers secape. It's just too bad that is the case, but those are the cold facts. And that's one of the reasons some of us are willing and anxious to give our lives in a really constructive policy for world peace, but are unwilling to join in the wholesale slaughter of innocent people. You can't put out a fire by throwing on more gasoline; you can't promote justice by still greater injustices.

Is not the method of Jesus always to overcome evil with good, hatred with love? Is not that the redemptive way? Has it ever been tried on a national scale? Some of us believe it offers the only solution, however unrealistic it may sound. And if we wait till we get to heaven to try it, it loses all its significance.

JULIAN S. CARR BIBLE CLASS UNDERTAKES A LAUDABLE TASK

1. Julian S. Carr Bible Class, Trinity church, has taken the Raleigh Orphanage as a class project for the year 1941-42. An Orphanage Project committee of the class has been named with B. G. Childs as chairman of the committee and E. M. Herndon, the class president, A. M. Briggs and W. A. Biggs as other members of the committee.

2. It is the purpose of the project to arouse and stimulate interest in the work and place of the Orphanage among the members of the Julian S. Carr Bible Class and the entire membership of Trinity church. It is also hoped that any activities and undertakings of this class in connection with the project may be of some assistance to other men's Bible classes throughout the conference who may be looking for some avenue of helping such a worthy cause as our Orphanage happens to be.

3. One of the first activities of the Julian S. Carr Bible Class will be its sponsoring a dinner next Thursday night, November 13, to be held at the City Auditorium-Armory during the annual session of the North Carolina conference in Durham. It is expected that some 500 or 600 persons will be present at this dinner, including all the lay and clerical delegates of the conference, as well as members of the Orphanage faculty, members of the Julian S. Carr Bible Class, and others. The Orphanage Glee Club will present a brief concert and other events will add to the enjoyment of the dinner program. Other activities in the interest of the Orphanage will be undertaken during the Christmas holidays and immediately after the beginning of the new year. One of the most promising of the proposed activities will be "On to Raleigh" caravan which will be sponsored for next July, when, it is hoped, several thousand North Carolina Methodists will visit the Orphanage children at their home in Raleigh.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE SEEKS $150,000 FOR RESTORATION AND EXPANSION

The recent fire renders urgent the plan to meet present needs at the college. So the authorities of Greensboro College will undertake immediately to raise $150,000 to supplement insurance funds for the restoration of Main building, which was partially destroyed by fire September 4, and to erect a new library building, made necessary by the fact that the old library quarters and art studio were destroyed by the fire. This decision was reached at a joint meeting of the executive committee, the building committee, and the committee on finance and investment, held in the private dining room of Jefferson Roof Restaurant, Monday afternoon.

The executive committee will meet again on Monday, November 10, at 10:30 o'clock in President Luther L. Gobbel's office for the purpose of perfecting plans for fund raising. It is contemplated that the college will call to its assistance the services of the general board of education of the Methodist Church. Dr. Frank H. West, secretary of the department of financial service of the general board, Nashville, Tenn., will meet with the executive committee.

At the present time the college library and art studio are being temporarily housed in the student activities building, which, as soon as possible, will be used for its original purposes. Decision not to return the library and art studio to Main building came after a careful study of the college buildings and needs by the college authorities, assisted by Philip N. Youtz, consulting architect of Middlefield, Mass., who recently spent ten days on the Greensboro College campus under the auspices of the Carnegie Corporation of New York. J. Burton Wilder, local architect, is engaged in preparing the details and specifications for restoration of the damaged portion of Main building.

Since this college belongs to both of our North Carolina conferences this appeal is to the Methodists of the state. Then, too, the old students and friends of Greensboro College are such as to make the more effective this appeal.

Laws do not act upon anything. Apparently it cannot be too abundantly emphasized that laws are only modes of operation, not operators themselves.—Drummond.

Steel that loses its temper is worthless—so with man.

Sabbath Observance and Sunday Amusements

By Rev. David Yates, St. Phillip's Episcopal Church, Durham

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" (Ex. xx, 8).

Many of you remember a moving picture that was produced some years ago called "The Ten Commandments," which showed very vividly that the Ten Commandments were not out of date but applied very closely to our own age. This is very true of the Fourth Commandment, of which we have quoted the leading sentence.

The observance of Sunday as a holy day has always been a vital part of the Christian religion. No religious duty is more imperatively taught in the Bible than the keeping of the Sabbath. Since Christianity changed the holy day from the seventh to the first day of the week to commemorate Christ's resurrection, it has become a universal custom wherever the influence of the gospel has extended.

When the Roman Emperor Constantine after his conversion proclaimed in 321 that Sunday should be a public holy day and day of rest, Christianity gave to civilization its strongest foundation. Not only has Sunday civilized mankind by setting aside one day a week when God could be the object of his worship and study and human life could be lifted to a higher spiritual plane. Secular life as well as religious life has been enormously benefited by having one day out of seven in which to be refreshed and renewed for better living in the week to come. A person's physical well-being and his economic efficiency are greatly enhanced by a regular day of rest. In the time of Napoleon an effort was made to abolish Sunday in France, but it was found necessary to go back to it. Voltaire, whose interest could scarcely be considered religious, once said that "whether Englishmen know it or not, it is the English Sunday that has made and keeps England great." Emerson called Sunday the backbone of our civilization.

Especially is that true now. There are two particular ways in which Sunday if kept can be not only the backbone but even the savior of our civilization today. There are two great dangers threatening people and society that are peculiar to our time and against which the observance of Sunday seems our only protection. One is the fast pace at which we live. Doctors join in an ominous warning that we must slow down or there will be dire consequences. We see the results already. Nervous breakdowns are multiplying in number. There has been a vast increase in cases of mental illness, and the rate is constantly accelerating. A well known psychiatrist said not long ago that if mental illness continues to increase at the present rate, by 1960 the tax burden of caring for the patients will be unbearable. And to this the many instances of physical sickness that can be traced to the rapid rate at which we live. All of this is due in large part to that cause. Here is where Sunday if kept as a day of rest and relaxation can be the salvation of many people.

Another danger to our civilization is the decline in family life. Sociologists consider the disintegration of the family as the most alarming symptom of our times. Home has been called a place where we change our clothes to go somewhere else. Families do not spend enough time together. Even meals are often eaten in relays. As a result the influence of the home has been greatly weakened, and there is no substitute for it in people's lives. Without it they can not be as strong or as good or as happy.

The keeping of Sunday can greatly strengthen family ties and go far toward preserving the home. If people would declare a recess on this day from always going somewhere or doing something, and would allow themselves to enjoy some leisurely companionship with those whom they hold dear but whose company they keep all too seldom, it would be a blessing in many ways. The remembering of the Sabbath day to keep it holy, would meet the ongoing needs of men in all ages and also the special needs of our own civilization today.

How, then, should Sunday be observed, in order to keep the commandment and obtain its inestimable benefits? Obviously the first thing to do is rest. The doing of any work is specifically forbidden. This has always been taken not to mean work that is necessary to man's physical and spiritual welfare. Christ permitted his disciples to break the customary Sabbath observance of his day by relieving their hunger as they went through a grain field.

He taught us another way of keeping the Sabbath, again contrary to contemporary custom, by the doing of good works. He healed on the Sabbath. Works of mercy, acts of kindness such as visiting the sick, are in order on Sunday.

He showed by his example that we should always worship on Sunday. The gospel says, "As his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day." Our church teaches us this through the Offices of Instruction in the Prayer Book where it is said that our bounden duty as members of the church is "to worship God every Sunday in his church."

What should we do during the rest of the day? Christ said, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." By this he meant not that man is to do as he pleases on that day, but that he is to use it to make of himself a better servant and child of God. That is his true destiny and in its fulfillment he will find his highest well-being and happiness. That this is the object of Sunday observance is stated in the Offices of Instruction, where the Fourth Commandment is declared to mean in terms of our duty towards God that we should "serve him truly all the days" of our lives.

Besides the ways we have already mentioned, we should spend Sunday in a manner that will make us better servants of God the other six days in the week; that is, in ways that will recreate us spiritually, mentally and physically. To this end we should do things that we don't have the opportunity of doing the rest of the week. Sunday should be different. This is indicated by the original meaning of the word "holy" which was "separate." We often say that we would like to do a certain thing and ought to, but we never have time. Sunday is the time to do many of these neglected activities.

The most important of these activities, both in themselves and because they are most neglected in the week, are spiritual. Nothing should be allowed to interfere with going to church and studying God's Word through the classes provided. It would not hurt to go to church more than once. Reading the Bible and other helpful books is a good thing to do. Going to see people who need our sympathy or encouragement or friendship is in keeping with the nature of the day.

Our minds may need refreshment and stimulation that come only from worth while reading and thoughtful conversation, for which there is all too little time during the week.

Perhaps our bodies need exercise and open air. Some people are confined inside an office all through the week, especially at certain times of the year. They would do well to use some part of Sunday in obtaining physical renewal and enjoying nature by getting outdoors.

The social side of a person may possibly need expression. Perhaps we have insufficient time during the week for visiting relatives and friends and for keeping alive relationships that mean much to us. Maintaining these contacts would seem a rightful activity on Sunday.

With the purpose of the day kept in mind we can follow our Christian conscience in choosing the ways that will best enable us to develop as children of God. There are some activities that people engage in that our consciences cannot approve. These abuses often come from the mistaken notion that if we go to church it doesn't make any difference what we do the rest of the day. But the Commandment says to keep not an hour or two but the Sabbath day holy. A railroad executive was accustomed to attend Sunday school religiously, and then just as regularly he went to his office and worked, forcing his secretary to do the same. There are more people working on Sunday now than formerly, and some cause others to work. This is not in keeping with the Christian observance of the day.

Another abuse of the Sabbath that has begun to appear is entertaining on Sunday. Social affairs have always been banned and rightly, because the rest of the week offers adequate opportunity for these activities, and they are part of the mad rush from which we need a rest on Sunday. It is not good for people to have parties and other social functions, or for conventions to have banquets and meetings. It is a use of the day that is contrary to its true purpose and opens the flood gates to week-day activities that may blot it out.

One other practice with regard to Sunday is to be condemand. It is Saturday night dissipation that unfits a person for Sunday morning worship and for otherwise properly observing the day. Sometimes the night's pleasure extends into the early hours of Sunday morning, but even if it does not, if the way we spend Saturday night makes us unable to keep the Sabbath day properly, it is wrong. Sunday is not to be used for recuperating from Saturday night excesses, which are doubly wrong if they have that effect. Such practices are against the spirit even if not against the letter of the law.

Anything said about Sunday observance at this time would probably be thought by many to be incomplete without dealing with the question of moving pictures. The subject is much bigger than that. The important thing is to keep the Sabbath day holy.

Yet this question is uppermost in the minds of many. It has been clarified by the removal of two factors that have obscured it. One is the giving of part of the proceeds to charity which even when it was in effect had little bearing

on the rightness of Sunday movies. The other is the suggestion that action be postponed until December 1, when the abnormal factor of week-ending soldiers from the maneuver area will no longer be present.

It may be well to refute briefly the argument against legislating on the subject to the effect that you can't legislate goodness into people. Of course you can't, but you can and should legislate conditions that are conducive to goodness and thus control the powerful influence of environment in the interest of good rather than otherwise.

There are reasons in favor of Sunday movies. A moving picture often relaxes a person. It provides recreation of the artificial sort on which unfortunately many have grown to depend. This seems more of a reason against them than for it, because if it is a lost art, we should reserve at least one day for learning to amuse ourselves. Many say it is better for people to attend the movies than to do something worse. This begs the whole question. If Sunday moving pictures are not good for other reasons, then people should not be offered a mild form of evil as a means of keeping them from engaging in worse forms. Even if it worked, they couldn't go to movies in all of their spare time. Again, a reason alleged is that some people can't go at any other time. Yet few people today can not attend movies during the week. Those who go on Sunday are usually those who go during the week.

There are reasons against moving pictures as a Christian observance of Sunday. They cause people to do work of a form that is certainly not necessary. It threatens the institution of Sunday by opening the way for the commercialization of the day. The bowling alleys have with justification said that if movies are open they also should be allowed that privilege. The same right could not very consistently be refused other businesses that cater to people's entertainment and pleasure. Soon the day would be obliterated for many by commercialization.

Moving pictures tend to make Sunday like any other day. Attendance upon them is doing on Sunday something that could just as easily be done in the week. That time could much better be spent in some of the ways that have been mentioned as important to our all-round personal growth for which we never have time during the week. Going to a movie on Sunday is wasting an opportunity.

These briefly are the two sides of the question, and the reasons against Sunday movies seem to outweigh those in favor of them.

There is a story of a spider family that dropped a thread down from the limb of a tree and built a web. One day a young spider of the new generation came by the thread that extended upward. He said, "What is this good for?" and yanked it down, whereupon the whole web collapsed. The Christian Sunday is the cord reaching to heaven that holds up our lives and our civilization. Let us obey God and serve mankind by keeping it intact.

PORTRAIT OF A GOOD AMERICAN

The real strength and security of any nation depends upon the character, the integrity and the intelligence of its citizens.

A Good American is a good citizen.

A Good American believes in freedom of thought, freedom of speech, and freedom of religion—exercised with due regard for the rights of others and the good of all.

A Good American believes in fair play—in being a good sport—he does not stoop to sharp practices nor hypocrisy.

A Good American practices the Golden Rule instead of worshipping the Golden Calf.

A Good American recognizes his responsibility to take a sincere interest in community problems and public affairs; that his own welfare depends finally upon the welfare of others.

A Good American votes—he places his country's welfare ahead of his party—ahead of mere personal attachments. He favors sound principles and the candidate best fitted by character and ability to faithfully seek the greatest good for the greatest number.

America can never be safe from the dangers of hypocrisy and stealth within, nor from propaganda and aggression from without, unless and until we all become "Good Americans."—The Blind Fiddlers of Democracy.

THOMAS C. HARRELL CHOSEN BUSINESS MANAGER GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Thomas C. Harrell, Greensboro business man, has been chosen as treasurer and business manager of Greensboro College to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of H. G. McEntire, according to Dr. Luther L. Gobbell, president. Mr. Harrell began his work at the College Monday morning.



Thomas C. Harrell

A native of Gates county, Mr. Harrell attended the Durham and Sunbury schools, Trinity College, and the University of Nottingham, England. He has had extensive banking and business experience, serving as cashier of the Farmers' Bank of Sunbury for a year and of the Biltmore-Oteen Bank nine years. For eight years he was with the state banking department as liquidating agent and bank examiner. Mr. Harrell came to Greensboro as liquidating agent of the North Carolina Bank and Trust Company when the liquidation was taken over by the banking department, and retired from the banking department at the close of that liquidation aid to operate a wholesale business in Greensboro.

Mr. Harrell, member of a prominent eastern North Carolina family, spent two years in the regular army during the last world war and saw service with the infantry in France. He is a steward in West Market Street Methodist church and a member of the Civitan Club.

Mr. Harrell, Mrs. Harrell and two daughters,Mary Sue, 15, and Agnes, 13, make their home at 708 Cypress Avenue, Greensboro.

EDENTON STREET CHURCH, RALEIGH

Dr. John C. Glenn is closing his third year at Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, with a most successful record. In many respects it has been the most outstanding of the three years of Dr. Glenn's ministry. While figures cannot adequately represent a clear picture of a church, since its work is in the domain of the spirit, they at least indicate the efforts and prayers and loyalty of both pastor and people. The membership is now 3,134; this includes 275 members received during the current year, and represents a net gain of 130. The annual budget of about $26,000 was raised in advance of the annual conference. In addition, the original inedebtedness on the church property has been reduced from $15,800 to $5,900. In fact, there is only $2,250 not covered with good pledges. (Edenton Street church owns two rental houses, in addition to the parsonage and church plant). The Sunday school raised $4,596.92 for all purposes; the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild have a budget of $3,722.63.

The official board has unanimously requested the return of Dr. Glenn for his fourth year. Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., has been re-elected director of religious work. Under the leadership of Mr. Overton the Sunday school, junior church and other activities of the church have made great progress.

DEAN SHALER MATHEWS DEAD

Death has a second time within a month taken from the city of Chicago one of its leading churchmen. Shailer Mathews, dean emeritus of the University of Chicago divinity school, suffered a stroke on October 18 and died last Wednesday. He was a good administrator. He brought the divinity school from quarters in the Haskell museum to its present home in Swift hall with Bond chapel adjoining it and gave it international standing as a school of religious research and professional training. He was a former president of the Chicago church federation, the Northern Baptist Convention and the Federal Council of Churches, and was a familiar figure in world conferences and every work for welfare and world peace. He was a creative scholar but, most of all, he was a choice friend. Dean Gilkey, at the memorial service in Bond chapel, said that some 3,000 students had passed through the school in his time to become pastors and teachers around the world. The number of those who by his vibrant personality and thought had been set on fire with the passion for religious realism both in action and in thinking must have been multiplied by many times that number. Though he trained thousands of minsters, Dean Mathews was never ordained.—The Christian Century.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

The board of trustees of the college met Tuesday morning, October 28, at the college. Dr. W. A. Cade, chairman, presided over the meeting. Routine business was transacted and reports were heard of the various departments of work of the college. The financial report revealed that the condition of the college is being increasingly improved under the administration of Dr. Walter Patten, president.

Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial fraternity, entertained the members of Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary liberal arts fraternity, and the honorary members of both organizations at a Hallowe'en party Tuesday, October 28. The room in which the party was held was decorated in seasonal style, and the traditional games, complete even to the ghost, were enjoyed along with some novel innovations. Following the games, refreshments were served to the 22 persons present for the party.

MARGARET SMITH, WYATT DAVID BODDIE; RUTH SMITH, JACK COOKE JOINED IN A DOUBLE MARRIAGE

Miss Routh Smith and Jack Cooke, Minden, La.; Miss Margaret Smith and Wyatt David Boddie, New Orleans, La., were bridal couples in the wedding ceremony at eight o'clock October 30 in Duke Memorial church. Dr. H. C. Smith, father of the brides and pastor of the church, read the nuptial service.

The wedding music was rendered by the vested choir of Duke Memorial church under the direction of Dr. K. Brantley Watson and Mrs. Ernest Theiss, organist. Ushers were William J. Erwin of Lumber City, Ga.; Allen Lindsay, Pelahatchie, Miss.; Leon Gray, Jacksonville, and Paul Carruth of McComb, Miss. Charles E. Jordan and Ralph Barker of Durham were the vestibule ushers. Mr. Cooke had as his best man Philip Shore of Greensboro; Mr. Boddie's best man was Howard Wilkinson of Katy, Texas.

Attending the brides as bridesmaids were Miss Alice Fleming, Miss Dorothy Edwards and Miss Lucile Cole of Durham and Mrs. Glen Titus of Roxboro. The matron of honor was Mrs. William J. Erwin, formerly Miss Alma Louise Cade of Goldsboro, and the maid of honor was Miss Dorothy Smith, sister of the brides.

The brides entered the church, one on the right aisle and the other on the left. They wore identical gowns of original design in Duchess satin with full flowing skirts.

Following the wedding the brides' parents entertained at a small reception at the parsonage for the bridal guests, and the choir of Duke Memorial church.

Jack Cooke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Earle Cooke of Minden, La. He attended Centenary College and received the degree of bachelor of divinity from the Divinity School of Duke University in June. He will join the Louisiana conference of the Methodist Church at their meeting in Shreveport, La., November 11.

Wyatt David Boddie is the son of Rev. and Mrs. David Baker Boddie of Morgan City, La. He attended Centenary College and received the degree of bachelor of divinity from the Divinity School of Duke University in June. Mr. Boddie has been appointed as pastor of Felicity Methodist church, New Orleans, La.

The Misses Smith are daughters of Dr. H. C. Smith, who has been pastor of Duke Memorial church, Durham, for nine years. These charming young women were educated at Greensboro College and Duke University, having spent most of their lives in Durham.



ADMITTED ON TRIAL 1941 INTO WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Front (L-R) J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr., S. B. Moss, J. H. Melzer, and W. R. Thompson. Second (L-R) G. M. Carver, G. E. S. Miller, R. H. Nicholson, and W. D. Corriher. Third (L-R) A. M. Faulkner, M. W. Nesbitt, W. F. Heffner, M. A. McLean, who was admitted into full membership from the Congregational Church, F. A. Wright, and R. H. Stamey. I. R. Miller was absent when the protograph was made.

Advocate Campaign Report

Below follows the full exhibit of new subscribers secured for the present year in the North Carolina conference. The figures opposite each charge indicate the full year; the 1-2, six months subscribers. No mention is made of the charges that sent no remittance.

Durham District

Person Ct., F. B. Peele	22
Yanceyville, J. V. Early	21½
Davis St., Mrs. J. W. Holmes	21
Durham Ct., S. J. Starnes	20½
Duke Mem., H. C. Smith	12
Mt. Hermon Ct., R. L. Hethcox	9½
Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt	9
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	8½
Cedar Grove, J. C. Williams	8½
Graham, Mrs. A. C. Wilkinson	8
Orange, Mrs. R. B. Nichols	7½
Front St., F. S. Love	6½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	6
Orange (Hebron), Mrs.H.J.Kinley	6
Roxboro, W. C. Martin	6
Graham, J. R. Edwards	4½
Branson, John Cline	4½
Webb Ave.-Fountain, C.J.Andrews	4½
Alamance, G. L. Reynolds	4½
Hillsboro, S. F. Nicks	4
Trinity, G. B. Perry	4
Mebane, First, Mrs. D. A. Pender	3½
Bynum, K. F. Duval	3
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	3
Calvary, Mrs. A. I. McKay	3
Duke Ct. (Duke's Chapel) Mrs. J. W. Kennedy	1½
Alamance, Bessie Coble	1
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton	1
Eno, W. J. Neese	1
Orange Ct., Mrs. E. H. Sykes	1
Mt. Tirzah, E. L. Hill	1
Mebane (Central), Mrs.W.S.Dixon	1
Swepsonville, T. B. Hough	1

Elizabeth City District

Windsor, H. F. Surratt	18½
Manteo, M. W. Maness	8
Columbia, A. L. Chaplin	4½
Kinnakeet, J. D. A. Autry	4
Hatteras, A. J. McClellan	3½
S. Quarter-Fairfield, E. G. Cowan	3
Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton	2
N. Gates, T. J. Whitehead	2
Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick	2
Ahoskie, A. L. Thompson	2
City Road, L. B. Jones	2
S. Camden, C. K. Wright	2
South Mills, W. N. Vaughn	1½
Washington, D. A. Clark	1½
Pasquotank, W. J. Watson	1½
Kitty Hawk, J. C. Harmon	1½
Winfall, Mrs. J. L. Nixon	1
Edenton, W. C. Benson	1
Wanchese, J. W. Sneeden	1
Columbia, Mrs. A. B. Hopkins	½
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	½
Aulander, J. R. Poe	½
Elizabeth City, Mrs. N. H. O'Neal	½
Chowan, J. T. Stanford	½
Currituck, M. E. Cotton	½

Fayetteville District

Sanford, A. P. Brantley	12
Raeford, E. C. Crawford	8
Parkton, A. E. Brown	7½
Laurinburg, H. K. King	5½
Person-Calvary, M. W. Warren	5
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette	4
Troy, O. P. Fitzgerald	4
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	3½
Pine Bluff, Wm. A. Parsons	3
Stedman, I. L. Strawbridge	2½
Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore	1½
Jonesboro, D. L. Fouts	1½
Hay St., Mrs. J. A. Gathrop	1
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	1
St. John-Gibson, W. F. Keeler	1
Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer	1
Hamlet, J. H. Lanning	1
Siler City, C. B. Culbreth	½

New Bern District

Marshallburg, L. E. Sawyer	37
Aurora, Graham S. Eubank	21
Mt. Olive Ct., J. L. Joyce	14
Straits-Harkers Island, C.B.Harris	7
Fremont, C. W. Robbins	6
Seven Springs, Mrs. W.E. Howard	5½
Mt. Olive, R. G. Dawson	4½
Grifton, E. M. Hall	4
Pikeville, Mrs. S. D. Collier	3½
Dover, H. L. Harrill	3½
Morehead Ct., M. O. Stephenson	3
Morehead City, J. H. Miller	3
Pink Hill, R. E. Waiston	2½
Kinston, Mrs. John Shute	2½
Snow Hill, B. O. Merritt	2
Pamlico, H. H. Cash	2
Grimesland, W. A. Crow	2
Vanceboro, H. B. Lewis	2
Snow Hill, Mrs. Emma F. Jones	2
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.	1½
St. Paul, W. A. Cade	1½
Newport, C. S. Boggs	1
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	½
Oriental, J. Kern Ormond	½

Raleigh District

Henderson, Mrs. W. B. Hight	20
Fairmont, E. C. McLamb	15
Vance, A. M. Smith	15
Tar River, J. A. Martin	9
Benson, Mrs. W. O. Rackley	8
Edenton St., Mrs. Jas. M. Godwin	7
Oxford, C. F. Heath	5½
Erwin, I. S. Richmond	5
Smithfield, J. J. Boone	4½
Franklinton, S. E. Mercer	4
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3½
Moncure, O. W. Mathison	3
Person St., D. M. Sharpe	2½
Knightdale, M. M. Walters	2½
Cary, W. C. Massey	2
Mt. Zion (Moncure) Lizzie B. Clegg	2
Four Oaks, J. T. Green	1½
Oxford Ct., L. C. Brothers	1½
Princeton, J. W. Bradley	1
Raleigh, Mrs. S. T. Thorne	1
Fuquay, R. G. L. Edwards	1
Louisburg, P. D. Woodall	½
Hayes-Barton, E. D. Weathers	½

Rocky Mount District

Rosemary, P. H. Fields	41
Halifax, O. I. Hinson	10½
First, E. L. Hillman	9
Littleton, H. L. Davis	8
Bethel, J. G. Phillips	7½
Tarboro, E. C. Durham	6
Wilson, H. B. Porter	3
W. Halifax, W. F. Elliott	3
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2
Middleburg, T. W. Lee	2
Marvin, Mrs. Wm. Towe	2
Sandy Cross, C. B. Peacock	2
Clark Street, R. E. L. Moser	2
Elm City, W. M. Howard, Jr.	2
Conway, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson	1½
Robersonville, Daniel C. Boone	1½
Seaboard, Mrs. R. R. Barrett	1½
Kenly, G. B. Starling	1
Conway, J. L. Smith	1
Warren, E. R. Shuller	1
Spring-Garysburg, J. E. Garlington	1
Spring Hope, G. W. Blount	1
Northampton, W. L. Maness	1
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall	1
Littleton, D. D. Broome	1

Wilmington District

Warsaw-Magnolia, C. T. Thrift	58
Grace, J. F. Herbert	24
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness	13
Whiteville, L. V. Harris	11
St. Paul, Chas. A. Jones	7
Fifth Ave., C. D. Barclift	4
Bladen, R. L. Vickery	3½
Wesley Mem., W. A. Tew	3½
Wallace-Rose Hill, C. T. Rogers	3½
Pembroke Parish, D. F. Lowry	3
Southport, R. S. Harrison	3
Garland, O. C. Melton	2½
Swansboro, G. C. Wood	2½
Lumberton, E. B. Fisher	2
Lumberton Ct., M. D. McLamb	2
Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee	2
Maysville, H. L. Harris	1
Fairmont, Mrs. C. A. Floyd	1
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Epworth, C. N. Phillips	1
Lumberton, Mrs. R. E. Wilkins	1
Carver's Creek, J. F. Starnes	½
Tabor City, N. P. Edens	½

A VISIT TO CHEYENNE, WYOMING

It was the high privilege of your correspondent in the early 30's, as a retired Methodist minister of the South Carolina conference, to spend two delight filled weeks in the charming mid-west city of Cheyenne, in the prairie region of Wyoming, where dwelt his son-in-law and family, the Rev. Edwin A. Bell, pastor of the local Baptist church, the largest congregation of worshippers in the city. In a suburban chapel of this church the writer conducted revival services for a week with graifying results. The churches of this beautiful city are very fraternal and commune together when the Lord's Supper is celebrated. On the last Sabbath of his stay the visiting minister preached to a huge congregation and conducted the sacramental service at the request of the pastor. In a rack on the back of each pew were small glasses of the unfermented fruit of the vine, and a group of deacons passed down the aisles bearing plates of broken bread to the communicants. When the minister had recited the brief ritual concerning "the body of the Lord," the morsel of bread was eaten simultaneously. Likewise was the token of "His shed blood" partaken. Thus briefly and orderly was the hallowed communion administered. In holy quietness the large congregation retired from the sanctuary. It was indeed an impressive and edifying service and worthy of imitation. The singing led by a small choir was hearty and inspiring.

Located in this attractive city are several Masonic lodges, which exert a very helpful influence socially. Here also and in the environs was a large contingent of Uncle Sam's soldiers under direction of General Johnson Hagood of old Palmetto State. The general cordially invited the writer to join himself and aides, as they stood in front of headquarters, in returning the salute of the marching companies at the maneuvers held there.

W. A. Betts.

LOYAL SUPPORT

When seven-year-old Ray Benton returned to church school at the Methodist church in Richmond, Calif., after a six-month absence, due to illness, he carried a paper bag containing thirty envelopes, each filled with his regular weekly subscription, one for each week that he was absent. Ray belongs to the primary department and was so happy to be back that he arrived fifteen minutes early, according to the superintendent and pastor, the Rev. L. L. Loufbourow, who greeted him.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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FORMER CONFERENCE OFFICER HONORED

Mrs. Onilee R. Brown of Waxhaw, who for seven years (1929-1936) was superintendent of Christian social relations in the former Woman's Missionary Society, W. N. C. conference, was elected president of the North Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at the annual meeting held in Elizabeth City recently. We congratulate Mrs. Brown on this honor which has come to her, and knowing the splendid service that she rendered as an officer in our conference we feel sure that under her leadership the work of the Temperance Union, which is so important, will go forward. Mrs. Brown attended the national meeting of the W. C. T. U. at Grand Rapids and reports a good and a great meeting.

NEWS FROM SCARRITT COLLEGE

A letter from a returned missionary to a friend says: "School at Scarritt opened with a bang; we have a full house; all tables occupied and so far as we know everying moving along smoothly." There are among the students a group of returned missionaries; 19 foreign missionaries, only three of whom are former Southern Methodists. These missionaries are distributed as follows: Algeria, 2; African Congo, 2; Brazil, 1; Burma, 1; China, 6; Japan, 2; Java, 1; Korea, 2; Philippines, 1. The nationals represent: Brazil, 2; China, 2; Cuba, 4; Chechoslovakia, 3; Mexico, 1—altogether 12 countries are represented. American is represented with six home missionaries.

ZONE MEETING AT PFEIFER JUNIOR COLLEGE

Mrs. J. D. Bivins, secretary of the Stanly county zone, sends us a most interesting account of the recent zone meeting held in the main auditorium of Pfeiffer Junior College, Thursday, October 15. A piano prelude played softly by Miss Helena Burke, a student in the college, opened the program, and was followed by a hymn and a cordial welcome extended by Dean W. H. Tolle, to which Mrs. Price of New London graciously responded. Routine business was dispensed with and the time given to Miss Stone of the faculty, who had spent eleven years as a missionary in Korea. Dressed in native wedding costume, she spoke first of the location of Korea, a peninula between China and Japan; then of the crowded population of 20,000,000 people, 82 per cent being rural. She stated that great strides had been made because of the simplicity of learning to read followed by the distribution of numerous pamphlets. She told an appealing story of a shy little "Song Book Girl," who, through the presentation to her of a song book by a minister, and which she used in the day and kept under her pillow at night, aroused the interest of her family, which resulted in forming the nucleus of a splendid church. Miss Stone stated that Christtianity has done much for the Koreans in raising the level of womanhood through kindergartens and hospitals. Elder missionaries in the States, with college degrees, have no country to which to return, but she believes leaders will rise and carry on in spite of the war. Splendid reports were given by the societies represented, one, New London, reporting that for four consecutive years they had presented an annual life membership. Reports of courtesies extended the soldiers within the maneuver areas were heard. Mrs. Z. V. Moss, district corresponding secretary, stated there was much work to be done in the last quarter; displayed numerous pamphlets helpful in the promotion of the work; stressed the new department of student work and urged representatives to appoint a secretary of student work in their societies.

The young women and girls' work was presented by Mrs. George Moore, who enlarged upon the plan given in the July issue of The Methodist Woman, and urged that free leaflets explaining the youth movement in detail be ordered.

It was voted to place a copy of the book written by Mrs. W. R. Harris, "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," in the Pfeiffer Junior College library. Mrs. Ira Smart, treasurer of the Salisbury district, reported $14 sent to Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, for the Kate Hackney Room at Scarritt College. A most interesting feature of the meeting was a talk by Mrs. W. H. Tolle, wife of the dean of the college, who with her husband spent the past summer supervising recreational activities in the Jessie Lee Home in Seward, Alaska. She described the beauties of the country and the climate, noted the fact that she saw neither dog teams or igloos, and presented the outline of a child's day including pleasures and duties. She closed her remarks with a poem on Alaska, composed by a boy from the Home. An invitation from Central church, Albemarle, for the spring meeting was accepted. Following the meeting several groups of women were taken on a tour of the college by some of the students.

THE WELFARE SCHOOL FOR REFUGEES IN CHINA

By Miss Nina W. Troy, Missionary

In the old Laura Haygood primary school building with its broken doors and windows, and floors, a tragic reminder of the destruction of 1937, is located the welfare school for 60 refugee children from the poorest, most needy homes in that section of Soochow or from no homes at all. In this building which suffered the most from war, looting and destruction, only three rooms needed for the 60 children have been repaired; the rest of the house is a tragic reminder of those days when the school was emptied of all worth while materials including victrolas, piano, radio, and all equipment for work and play. We have only boarded up broken doors and floors, filled in window openings with matting to keep out the rain, and are using patched up chairs, tables, desks and other equipment. In this building is going on a work which will, I hope, prepare 60 of China's most needy and destitute children to go out and take their places in the working world. For two years we have had these children who were selected by the doctors as those most in need of the nourishing food and loving help given in such a school. Seventeen of these children have completed the required two grades and will "graduate" to something else; 11 of those who have proved their ability to go forward will, this fall, be given scholarships to our Laura Haygood primary school. Those who can work better with their hands than with their heads must be provided for.

In China the street cobbler is one of the interesting sights to be seen, sitting on the little three-legged stools at the doors of business houses, mending or making shoes. We found one who was willing to do his work at our school (for a price of course). Around him sit a dozen of our largest boys learning to make or mend shoes, and after they have learned to do the work well, we will have them make the shoes for the school next year. The larger girls are learning the button hole stitch, and when learned will do the work on material sent by a shop for which they will receive pay. The smaller children are making fly swatters, baskets, fans, etc., from wheat straw, scraps of wire screening and bamboo from our own bamboo grove. In the kitchen four children, changing every two days, help prepare the food, tend the fire, get the wood and cook the food. All cleaning inside and outside is done by the children, and we have thriving gardens from which we gather potatoes, greens, corn, beans, etc. Dried grass and dead wood from our trees furnish the fuel for cooking our noon meal. Our curriculum this summer consists of Bible study hour, singing period and game period. The emphasis this summer is on the hand work period and Bible hour—an adapted daily vacation Bible school. The whole neighborhood is interested in this venture which at first was thought a huge joke. A school schedule in China is a sacred thing and to have a street cobbler teach seemed a funny thing, but I hope to be able by next summer to introduce our carpenter, blacksmith and tailor. Miss Kau, Soochow Hospital Bible woman of the Methodist Church, whose work is "endowed" by a group of Sunday schools in North Carolina, comes to our school and besides teaching Bible in the school she goes into the homes taking relief to those who suffer—the sick of heart or spirit or body. All over war-torn China, both "free" and "occupied" hands are being held out, hearts and doors are being opened, the churches, the Red Cross, the relief associations, private individuals and groups are carrying on these schools.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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"YE ARE A CHOSEN PEOPLE"

" 'But ye are—that ye should.' Conversion is always purposeful. Christ does not redeem us that he might have another sinner in the heavenly choir, but that he might help others. He saves us that we might help save others. The evangelistic passion is something that is an inevitablie and authentic expression of Christian experience. Whenever a Christian breaks down there he fails at the main business. Evangelism is not only the business of the Christian church but it is the main business. Methodism has found no effective substitute for this evangelistic passion. What our church needs now is not more of us but a better brand of us who are witnessing for Christ."—Bishop Arthur J. Moore, speaking to a large congregation of folk at Lake Junaluska during the missionary conference last summer.

TWELVE AND MORE DELEGATES

Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, states that thus far twelve societies have reported having sponsored a delegate to the Negro leadership school at Winston-Salem last July and that others have done so in co-operation with churches of other denominations. Each of these delegates is better prepared to serve his or her race and has gained more incentive for service in the kingdom for having had the opportunities afforded at the leadership school.

A JURISDICTIONAL CLASS

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church has recently completed a most interesting and successful jurisdictional mission study class, using the topic "Christianity and World Order" and the text book "A Christian Imperative." The sessions and assignments were under the able leadership of Miss Daisy Bailey Waitte. Leading the devotions were Rev. Jas. H. Overton, Jr., Miss Frances Burkhead, Mrs. John C. Glenn and Mrs. Vera Tart Marsh. Taking part in the discussions were Miss Waitte, Mrs. H. I. Glass, Mrs. E. D. Weathers and Mrs. Milton Howell. At one of the sessions a beautiful and impressive candle light service, under the direction of Miss Flora Thompson, was observed. This service depicted the truth that even in a world fraught with war, strife and turmoil there is still prevalent a spirit of fellowship among Christian folk and that Christians are drawn closer together by this fellowship, which is a fruit of the formation of the World Council of Churches. Representing the World Council of Churches are 14 denominations ,70 churches in 27 countries. Around the altar of the Joseph G. Brown Room in which the candlelight service was held were one large candle representing the World Council, 14 other large candles representing the 14 denominations in the Council and 27 smaller ones representing the churches in the Council. Miss Thompson made a brief statement of the purpose of the service, and as she called the name of each denomination a representative came forward and lighted the candle of that denomination and the smaller candles of the churches. In addition to Miss Thompson others taking part in the service were Mrs. Godfrey Stallings, Mrs. Emily Miller, Mrs. Avis Knight, Mrs. Myrtle Banks, Misses Gladys Black, Helen Yates, Minnie Hornbuckle, Mary Lee Vaughn, Dillie Dixon, Anna Green, Lallah Betts, Mamie Speas and Agnes Wilson.

SUGGESTIONS AVAILABLE

Within the next two months missionary institutes will be in progress in the North Carolina conference. The women have a large part in these meetings. The Methodist Woman is announcing that a pamphlet containing helpful suggestions for these missionary institutes has been published and that they are available to preachers, laymen, church school workers, women and various officers. It is a good plan for the president of every W. S. C. S. to have one of these pamphlets, since one section contains a dozen questions of vital interest to women. The pamphlet may be ordered from Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, 150 Fifth Ave., New York.

THE JAPANESE SITUATION

During the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska last summer many missionaries brought messages of interest and encouragement. Speaking upon the situation in Japan, Dr. W. K. Matthews, missionary, stated that in view of the fact of the strained relations between Japan and America the church has decided to cut off from the mission board in Japan and that all missionaries serving in churches and schools in Japan should not do so unless independently. However, a hopeful note was sounded when Dr. Matthews told of the uniting of 42 Protestant denominations in Japan, this step having been taken for the good of the cause of Christianity and not because of orders from the Japanese government. Said Dr. Matthews: "We have a new era in Japan. Large Japanese leadership has been developed and now that the missionaries have left the work in the safe hands of Japanese Christians. The future depends upon the turn of events that are now taking place. The hand of God is over all the nations. God will care for his own. If we build a new order it will not be a new order of Germany or Japan but a new order of Jesus. There will be a great day."

IF I HAD FIVE DOLLARS

A missionary in China expressed the wish that she might have five dollars to do with as she pleased. A friend in America sent her that modest sum, little knowing how many human needs it would cover when exchanged into Chinese currency and administered in the light of missionary wisdom and understanding. Here are some of the things that five dollars bought: For an old servant who had no warm clothing for winter, $10; for his little son not able to go to school because he had no warm clothes, $10; a long warm garment for an old rickshaw coolie who was cold and utterly miserable, warmth for his body and courage for his spirit, $5; a rice ticket for food to be gotten three times a week for a faithful coolie, $10; and after his death rice for his widow until she found work, $5; medical care for a needy mother, $8; X-ray for an orphan child with T.B., $5; injections for a little girl refugee, $5; oranges for one who needed them but was unable to get them, $2.20; food for a staving family, $1.80; Christmas treat for 60 children in refugee school, $4; medicine and X-ray for a little girl of seven, $8. A total of $75. Was there ever such a stretchable five dollars, and were there ever such missionary souls as those we have on every front where there is human need and spiritual hunger, and what an adventure for an American five dollar bill!

BEAUFORT-HYDE ZONE MEETS

At the fall meeting of the Beaufort-Hyde zone held in Fairfield recently Mrs. E. G. Cowan led the opening devotional, using as her subject, "A Charge to Keep I Have." After the address of welcome by Mrs. J. T. Simmons and the response by Mrs. M. O. Fletcher of Washington the meeting was called to order by Mrs. L. H. Swindell in the absence of Mrs. Charles Spruill, zone leader. Reports were given from the eight societies represented. Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary children's work, presented new plans for missionary education of children. Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, talked on the fall mission study book and gave suggestions concerning conducting a successful study class. Mrs. Pendleton, Mrs. Slaughter and four other women presented a skit depicting several doctors' diagnosis of the world's ills and cures for these ills. Mrs. J. L. Simmons and Mrs. Leigh Mann sang "Yes, I Would Know Him." Rev. J. R. Regan led in prayer.

After a delightful lunch served by members of the Fairfield society the afternoon sesion opened with a devotional led by Mrs. Leigh Sheep of Elizabeth City. Mrs. Pendleton talked on various phases of the work of the W. S. C. S. and told of some experiences of Dr. E. Stanley Jones. Mrs. Ben Kirk of Bath was elected zone leader and Mrs. Carl Credle of Belhaven was chosen secretary and treasurer. The meeting was dismissed by Rev. E. R. Brownley of Bath.—Mrs. Clyde Smith, Secretary.

Tears express joy as well as sadness.—Amiel.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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STATION IDENTIFICATION

In the midst of our continued broadcast appeals for financial help for providing for our 450 children we wish it were possible to have time for the various station identification messages from those who have done so well in helping us during the past conference year. About the best way we find for getting over our disappointment in not receiving the entire apportionment at a time when we needed it ever so much, lacking $3,057 of receiving this coveted goal, is to begin a celebration in our midst for the hundreds of congregations that did pay their entire apportionment, and then some. During the past year we have received more money from our friends than ever before, not more on a per capita basis, since our friends have been increased, but more on an aggregate basis. Doubtless in the hearts of many liberal givers there has come the message from on high, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

ANNUAL CONFERENCE ACTION

The new conference year brings a new challenge. Our friends will meet it. This is no time to stop doing a good thing. Our Western North Carolina Conference Methodists are interested in their orphan children. They are not going to let them be deprived of the necessary sustenance of life. With this general assurance in the background, let us remember that our recent annual conference outlined a definite way of attaining this desired result. It placed an apportionment on each pastoral charge at an amount equal to ten per cent of the pastor's salary for the current year and urged additional minimum amounts through fifth Sunday offerings and special contributions as follows:

2% for charges paying the pastor less than $1,500.

5% for charges paying the pastor from $1,500 to $2,500.

8% for charges paying the pastor from $2,500 to $3,500.

11% for charges paying the pastor from $3,500 to $4,500.

15% for charges paying the pastor above $4,500.

THE FIRST OBJECTIVE

To our way of thinking the best procedure in obtaining these goals would be the raising of the ten per cent apportionment as early in the conference year as possible. Now is the money time of the year. Now is the best sentimental time of the year for helping under privileged people. In going after the ten per cent apportionment it may be possible to exceed it and thus be on the way towards securing the requested additional quota. Then, throughout the year through the church school organization and class participation the additional quota can be raised on the installment plan. The financial burden, if it is a burden, can thus be distributed to various groups throughout the year. It will be too bad to let the matter go over and all of it accumulate at the close of the conference year. Now is a good time to begin.

NOVEMBER SURPLUS

November not only brings us the Thanksgiving celebration but a fifth Sunday elevation. On this occasion the church school can make its first installment contribution on the added quota for the charge. A good way to get at this matter would be to select a Children's Home representative in the church school whose duty would be to arrange for a liberal contribution from the various groups in the school. Some forethought in this regard will double the usual amount and bring double the usual pleasure, Methodist method may bring Methodist measure on the next fifty Sunday.

DID AND DIDN'T

The following district percentage of payments on the Children's Home apportionment is a matter of record for the conference year just closed:

Winston-Salem	**107%**
Salisbury	**102%**
Gastonia	**100%**
High Point	**98%**
Statesville	**97%**
Charlotte	**94½**
Greensboro	**94%**
Asheville	**90%**
Waynesville	**90%**
Marion	**89%**
Elkin	**88%**

LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES

For the past two weeks much time has been given in planning for our Children's Home family on a conference wide scale. We have had our friends and what they can do for us very much in mind. One cannot live with 450 children and keep very long removed from their problems and their challenges. Something will happen or a series of somethings will happen causing one to give strict attention to the local situation. Youngsters cannot be catalogued for any particular line of action for a very long period of time, no more so than can adults. So we continue to have our local challenges. We get alarmed for a while and then we get happy for a while. What a challenge we have and what a joy in trying to meet it!

A BIT OF THOUGHTFULNESS

This scribe listened to the reading of report number one of the Conference Board of Missions during our recent annual conference by Rev. J. L. Stokes II with a great deal of satisfaction and edification. The report was well worded and well read. That seems to be a Stokes characteristic. The following note was recently received from this talented young pastor of Franklin station, a Ph.D., if you please: "I am taking this manner of expressing my very sincere appreciation for the kind hospitality shown me by the Children's Home during the recent annual conference. It was a real treat to be housed in one of your buildings and to get something of an 'inside' picture of the splendid work you are doing."

BETHLEHEM BLESSING

Bethlehem, on the Pleasant Garden circuit, through its pastor, Rev. T. F. Higgins, forwards us its entire ten per cent apportionment for the present conference year. This is an annual Bethlehem custom. Those good people seem to love to help our children. Their fifth Sunday offerings are liberal, and in addition they sponsor two children. Added to the foregoing is the filling of 150 jars of canned fruit. Our Bethlehem friends will not be bothered by the added apportionment. They have been doing more than that through the years.

LONG DISTANCE

The telephone bell has just rung. A voice from the other end of a long distance call said, "My wife and I want to provide for the entire annual expense of a boy at the Children's Home. What will it cost?"

The answer was "$325."

Then came the reply, "Select us a boy. We are mailing you a check today for the entire amount, with the understanding that you will not locate us in any possible remarks as to name or location."

But on our books is lised that choice couple and doubtless the Lord's private secretary is making a similar recording.

ANOTHER CALL

The telephone rings again. A good lady is at the other end of the long distance line. She wants to know when the little seven-year-old boy, born out of wedlock and whose mother is now severely ill in a hospital, can be admitted into the Children's Home. She reminds the listener that the matter has been before us for several months, that the little lad is ineligible for an ADC grant, that his mother is irresponsible when well and that the community is tiring in having to provide for him. The good lady wants to know what the Children's Home is going to do about the matter.

QUILTING PARTIES

For the first time in a decade the Children's Home is short on quilts. Our added beds have called for added covering. It has been a little embarrassing on the part of some of our home mothers to have to report that they have a too limited amount of covering. Such reports have caused us to make a careful survey of the covering in the various cottages, and we find that more is needed. Some of the good ladies in various areas have been sending us some quilts. They really are comforters. Let more quilting parties be held and through this labor of love there may come to liittle children comfortable and envigorating rest at night.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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A WORD OF COMMENDATION—For the past two or three weeks I have expressed my appreciation for the fine response that our pastors and churches are making to pay their Orphanage ten per cent in full. Every mail brings several letters containing checks on the apportionment. It makes me very happy to know that our friends are bending every effort to meet their obligations to our dependent children. I am hoping and praying that all pastoral charges in the conference will report one hundred per cent paid on their Orphanage ten per cent apportionment. It looks now that my expectations are going to be fully realized.

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LAY LEADERS—I have a feeling that the church and charge lay leaders stand ready and willing at all times to render assistance to every cause that our church is undertaking. In the past these outstanding laymen have rendered efficient service to the Methodist Orphanage, and during this year's Thanksgiving season they will have another splendid opportunity to render worth while service for our beloved Methodist Orphanage, by co-operating with their pastors and church school superintendents in securing free will offerings for our children. A short, timely exhortation before the assembled Sunday school and the assembled congregation in behalf of our home would result in untold good to the cause of our fatherless children. I am counting on these devoted friends of our fatherless children. I am counting on these devoted friends to give the Methodist Orphanage their support and co-operation during the Thanksgiving season.

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A FULL DAY—The last Sunday in October was a full day for the superintendent of the Orphanage. It was my happy privilege to visit the Page Memorial church in Aberdeen on that occasion. Brother A. L. Burney, superintendent of Page Memorial church school, asked me to speak to the entire school, to the women's Bible class and to the men's Bible class, which I gladly did. Dr. S. A. Maxwell, pastor Page Memorial church, asked me to speak for him at the 11 o'clock service. I was happy to meet many of the devoted and staunch friends of the Orphanage. I was delighted to have the privilege of taking dinner with Brother and Sister A. L. Burney, where I had delightful fellowship. In the afternoon I called to see Mrs. R. N. Page, whose husband was president of our board of trustees for more than a third of a century. I also had the pleasure of visiting Miss Mary Page and Mrs. Thomas Wilder. Dr. Maxwell received me most cordially, and I appreciate his kindness very much. It is known throughout the conference that Dr. Maxwell is one of our very best preachers. I returned home late in the afternoon, and preached at the evening hour in the Hayes-Barton Baptist church for Dr. Carl M. Townsend. It was a crowded day, but a very joyous one for me.

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BOOSTERS — The trustees of the Methodist Orphanage are counting on the superintendents of church schools and pastors of every charge in the conference to roll up the biggest Thanksgiving offering this year that has ever been raised in the history of the Orphanage. Conditions are more favorable for the accomplishment of big results this Thanksgiving season than we have ever experienced before. If all the pastors and superintendents of church schools will boost the Thanksgiving offering we can put our Methodist Orphanage on a good financial basis. A short exhortation by the superintendents of church schools, church leaders and pastors before the assembled Sunday schools and congregations will accomplish marvelous results for our Methodist Orphanage. I do not believe that there is a church school, or a congregation that will turn a deaf ear to the urgent appeals that are coming from our dependent children, if the Sunday schools and churches are given an opportunity to make free will offerings. While other denominations and fraternal orders are boosting generous Thanksgiving offerings for their respective orphanages, I feel confident that our pastors and superintendents of church schools will do likewise for our Methodist Orphanage.

A PRAYER

Lord, make me kind!
The world is full enough of needless tears,
And hungry hearts are full of nameless fears.
To these no vision of thy humanness appears.
Lord, make me kind!

Lord, make me think!
For thoughtlessness has ceased so much of needless woe,
That thoughtless word of mine may grow and grow
Until, like torrents mad, no thing can stay its flow.
Lord, make me think!

Lord, make me love!
And place love's sign upon the face of me,
That loveless men may pause and turn and see
A little of that love that comes from thee.
Lord, make me love!

—Fred W. Hoyt, Jr., in Christian Observer.

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THE METHODIST YOUTH FUND

What It Is

"Tremendously important strides are being taken in youth work in the Methodist Church. This progress is affecting missionary education and missionary giving and significant changes have taken place.

"Representatives of all interests concerned acting through the Interboard Committee on Missionary Education under instruction from the General Conference have agreed upon, and have now set up a unified organization for youth missionary endeavor.

"The girls' missionary groups of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the youth missionary activities in Sunday school and Epworth League have been combined into new unified groups called the Commission on World Friendship, under the joint sponsorship of the Church Board of Education, the Church Board of Missions and Church Extension, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This calls for an accompanying unification of youth's missionary giving. Here are the details:

"In addition to missionary giving through World Service, youth in the former Northern church had two youth funds which were predominantly for missions: (1) The World Comradeship Fund and (2) funds raised by the girls' groups of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Youth in the former Southern church gave through the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. Youth in the former Methodist Protestant Church had no special missionary fund. General Conference discontinued the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise, leaving the united church with two youth financial projects largely for missions: (1) the World Comradeship Fund and (2) the funds raised by the girls' groups of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. These two have now been combined. And the combination is of such a nature as not to disturb the purposes of either.

"This is occomplished by merging them and calling the combination The Methodist Youth Fund, to which all the Methodist youth will be asked to give instead of giving separately to the old funds; then the money will be divided and applied to the causes represented in the two old funds. Thus united Methodist Youth will give unitedly, but the causes that have been supported separately in the past continue to be supported under the unified plan of giving.

"Within the local church there is to be in each department in the youth division a youth treasurer of the Methodist Youth Fund, who will receive the offerings of youth for the Methodist Youth Fund. At the end of each month this treasurer will divide the money he has received during the month. One-half he will mark for 'World Comradeship' and will send it to the treasurer of the annual conference, who will handle it according to the plans already in effect for the World Comradeship Plan. The other one-half he will give to the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service, who will handle it just as the offerings of the girls' missionary groups were handled in the past. World Service credit is not given for this part.

"The reason for the fifty-fifty division is that during the last year before unification the amount raised by Sunday school and Epworth League youth on World Comradeship and Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise almost exactly equaled the amount raised by the girls' missionary groups of the Woman's Society of Christian Service."

Pledging

Pledges for the Methodist Youth Fund will be requested from each local church group, just as in the past pledges were made to the two funds separately. The pledge will be made to the Methodist Youth Fund. Pledge cards for this purpose will be sent to each local church prior to January, at which time pledges to this fund will be sent to each local church prior to January, at which time pledges to this fund will be made in the North Carolina conference. Full information on this will be sent at a later date.

Deciding Ratios

"The portion (one-half) of the Methodist Youth Fund which, after being divided by the youth treasurer in the local church, is sent on for the World Comradeship Fund, will be handled just as it has been in the past with the ratios of the World Comradeship Plan remaining in full effect—that is:

A minimum of 40 per cent for missions.

A minimum of 30 per cent for general work in America through the Board of Education.

A maximum of 30 per cent to be returned to the conference or district youth organization with which the contract exists.

District or conference youth organizations desiring to designate to a special project the missions 40 per cent of the World Comradeship portion of these gifts to the Methodist Youth Fund, may do so within the limits of the projects available, just as in the past.

Similarly, the portion (one-half) of the Methodist Youth Fund, which is given to the local treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, will be used for the same missionary purposes to which the girls' missionary groups gave in the past."

More About Pledges

Pledges for the Methodist Youth be made by every department in every youth division throughout the church. Where there is only one department in the youth division, there is, of course, only one pledge.

Pledges should be made on the official pledge blank which the conference board will furnish each church.

Pledges should be made on a monthly basis.

Pledges should be made in January.

Individual Envelopes

"Paying the pledge is of course as important as making it. Regular weekly or monthly payments are the best plan. As soon as possible after the department pledge is made (or at the time the amount is agreed upon) each member should indicate the amount he will pay each week or month on the pledge. Even though the amount is only a few cents a week or month, urge each member to make regular offerings. The individual envelope system is strongly advised. Methodist Youth Fund individual envelopes may be obtained from the Nashville office at a price of 10 cents per set of 52; 9 cents per set for 100-300; 8 cents per set when over 300.

"Remember that the spirit in which the pledge is made is as important as the amount. How much does the work of Christ's kingdom, represented in the objectives of the Methodist Youth Fund, really mean to you? Let your pledge measure your dovotion, your willingness to serve with your money and above all, do you wish to give only out of your surplus?"

The pledging service should be a rich and hallowed experience. Materials and suggested program may be obtained from the Youth Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

The Whole Body of Youth Enlisted in One Project

"In the Methodist Youth Fund, the united body of all Methodist youth will be enlisted for the first time in one great financial project. This is an important achievement, for youth, for missionary support, for the church.

"For youth it will achieve unity. And the common purpose, common task, common effort, and planning, provided by a single, definite goal of endeavor which all youth groups can and will engage in, will serve to weld them into a unity otherwise unobtainable."

Do These Things

1. Use the pledge card which the confernce board will send to each local church.

2. Inspire your group in your local church to pledge an amount worthy of this great cause and of their Christian conviction that they must share 5 cents per person per week? Is that the gauge of your group? Write down the total your group will pledge.

3. Fill the pledge card out in January and mail it in promptly. The cost of the work goes on while you wait.

4. Work out a systematic plan for keeping your group reminded of their pledge and keep individual contributions from your group paid up to date.

5. Every month, without fail, send in the amount raised that month. The pledge card gives you full directions for this.

6. Pray and work for the success of the work of the Methodist Youth Fund.

HARRY (BLACK HARRY) HOSIER

J. W. Golden, in Tidings

Harry Hosier, who was affectionately called "Black Harry," was the servant of Frances Asbury, who became the first bishop of American Methodism. When Asbury was in the state of North Carolina on a preaching mission in 1780, he was divinely directed to "Black Harry," who later played an important role in early Methodism. And well did he identify the Negro in this Methodist movement.

He was short in stature, small, very black with keen eyes, and possessed great volubility of tongue. Although illiterate, he was a lay preacher of unusual gifts and graces. He was humble, but confident and at home in the pulpit.

Black Harry was so gifted as a preacher, he was allowed occasionally to accompany Bishop Asbury on his preaching tours, and when Asbury felt tired or otherwise incapable, he would have "Black Harry" fill his preaching engagements, and always to the delight of the crowd. "Black Harry" made an outstanding impression for the Negro group in early American Methodism. And in June, 1780, Asbury wrote in his journal: "I have thought, that if I had two horses, and Harry (a colored man) to go with me to meet the black people, and to spend about six months in Virginia and the Carolinas, it would be a blessing." This statement does indicate the confidence that Mr. Asbury had in "Black Harry."

When Dr. Coke came to America to share in the responsibility with Mr. Asbury in 1784, he heard "Black Harry" preach, and said of him that he was the best preacher in the world. And when Mr. Asbury went to Barrett's Chapel, Delaware, with "Black Harry," and plans had been made with Dr. Coke, Wesley's representative, to hold the Christmas Conference in Lovely Lane Chapel, Baltimore, for the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, "Black Harry" was there and in attendance upon the conference, and received his appointment. The first Negro to receive an appointment in Methodist Episcopal Church directly from Dr. Coke. He was appointed to take the new superintendent on a thousand-mile tour through the peninsula.

It was in 1787 that "Black Harry" made the long journey with Asbury through the North Carolina and Virginia conferences to Baltimore. And notwithstanding the fact that Asbury was really a good preacher, he found that the best way to draw a crowd was to announce that "Black Harry" would preach. Bishop Asbury was holding a meeting at the Asbury Chapel in Wilmington, Delaware, when he sent "Black Harry" to the pulpit to preach. The crowd packed the house until all available space was completely taken and hundreds stood outside, many of them thinking that they were listening to the bishop preaching. One of them said: "If all Methodist preachers could preach like the bishop, we should like to be constant hearers." Another replied: "That was not the bishop; it was the bishop's servant." Some expressed their thoughts that if such was the servant, what must the bishop be. Dr. Benjamin Rush, making allowance for the fact that "Black Harry" could not read, pronounced him the greatest orator in America. John Ledman in his history of the Rise of Methodism says: "The truth was that Harry was a more popular preacher than Mr. Asbury or anyone else in his day."

When Asbury organized his first Sunday school in 1786 in the house of David Crenshaw in the state of Maryland, "Black Harry" was with him. There both Negroes and whites attended and one of the first converts of the school was John Charleston, a Negro, who became a great preacher of Jesus Christ.



TENS OF THOUSANDS of the above Red Cross poster have been distributed throughout the country to keynote the organization's annual drive for membership support. Aid to the Army and Navy forces is giving the Red Cross its busiest year in more than two decades.

REJUVENATING LIFE

The happiest home is the one where the elements of youth predominate, which is a state of mind that needs cultivation. Here are a few suggestions: Think of tomorrow as being better than yesterday and that there is a way out of every difficulty and a solution for all problems; expect the best from others and express the best to others; seek those things which make for harmony everywhere; be so optimistic as to believe that graft will be destroyed by honesty, intolerance by knowledge, fear by faith and hatred by love.

One needs to see the flowers and not the weeds and think more about the things that are lovely than of those which are ugly. One needs to exercise the spirit of conquest which triumphs over difficulties, traditions and habits. Faith, hope and love are the three lights that must be kept burning if the beauty of life is to be maintained—D. Carl Yoder.

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Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 9

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By Rollin H. Walker

Repentance and Faith

The prodigal did not repent until he was hungry. Conscience works better on an empty stomach. We can cocaine our conscience at the country club, but it begins to work when we are excluded for non-payment of dues; and when bad turns to worst and we are put out of our lodgings, and know not whence the next meal is coming, it works still better.

We often hear modern Pharisees give out the impression that they do right not for fear of the consequences of sin, but because their noble natures impel them to idealism. That talk is never very impressive, especially to their wives. Idealistic motives develop later through the influence of grace, but at the beginning we turn from sin because sin has brought suffering and we fear that it will bring more.

The prodigal was not worrying over the disappointment and heartache he had given to his father, but because he was starving. Well it was for him that he knew that his father was a kind, good man. And well it is for us when the misery resulting from our sins overtake us, if some one has taught us in our childhood that God is merciful, and a reminiscence from the Sunday school brings back some such promise as, Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

The father in the parable saw the returning reprobate while he was yet a great way off. Blessed are we, and blessed is that church if it can see the returning prodigal while he is yet a great way off. The Christian church should be a kind of organized detective force quick to discern when any reprobate begins to be sick of his sins and yearn for the Father's house. But, alas! it often happens that good people do not stage a celebration when the man who has disgraced himself musters up courage to come back again to the church. They hold him off with suspicion, and seem to say, "You have got to prove yourself by good behavior for a considerable time before we do any gushing over you." There are stiff and formal church members that have so little use for the fatted calf that it grows up into an old steer and should be sent to the Chicago market.

But the true Christian attitude is hilarity and overflowing affection for any reprobate that returns to his Father's house. There is joy in heaven over a sinner that repents, and there should be joy on earth. It is hard enough to break up old habits even when we are surrounded by the warmest welcome in the church. And one might be allowed to say also that those of us who urge the sinner to repent have hardly the right to do so unless we ourselves are constantly making new and difficult starts into higher realms of living.

We notice that the Father did more than joyfully receive his son back. He actually called for the best robe, and a ring on his finger, and shoes on his feet. Think of it, a ring! Jewelry for such a selfish, silly fool! But that is like the grace of God. Of course he was not to be given a share in his brother's heritage; he had already had his portion of the inheritance, and thrown it away, and he must endure the consequences. But nevertheless he was welcomed back home with overflowing affection. And there was music and merrymaking. This is an essential part of the life of the true church. We are all returned prodigals, and we should all continually rejoice with one another. If the music and the merrymaking die down, some poor wretch is apt to fall away and start again for the far country.

And what is the source of the music? It is Jesus Christ himself. He brings in the festive mood. He turns the water into wine. His resurrection makes us certain that in spite of the terrible hold of evil habits God will raise us from the death of sin and give us power to walk at liberty from all our old besetments. In Christ there is inexhaustible vitality, and an unfailing well-spring of joy. Let us then forever keep him in the center, and forever remind ourselves that if we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

THE CALL OF THE CHURCH

I am the best friend you ever had. I am hung about with sweet memories —memories of brides, memories of boys and girls, memories of angels as they walk in the shadows.

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I safeguard man through all his paths. I lift up the fallen. I strengthen the weak. I help the distressed. I show mercy, bestow kindness and offer a friendly hand.

I am good fellowship, friendliness, love. Some time—some day in the near future, you will yearn for the touch of my friendly hand.

I am calling you—NOW. I am YOUR CHURCH.—Selected.

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—Marvin Newman Hildebrand.

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MARJORIE'S TUBE OF PAINT

By Alta Halverson Seymour

"Do you want to walk up Eagle Hill with me, Marjorie? There's going to be a gorgeous sunset, I'm sure, and I want to try to get it down on canvas."

"Oh, yes, I'd like to go, Miss Payne," assented Marjorie eagerly, for she was always glad of an opportunity for a walk with the young art teacher. I'll get my things on and be ready in a minute."

"How is school going this year, Marjorie?" asked Miss Payne as they tramped up the path.

"Oh, not so very well." There was an edge of discontent in Marjorie's voice. "I had hoped I'd have a good part in the senior play, and I have only a very small part. And I'm not getting as good grades as I did last year. Somehow I just can't settle down to work. And now that Eleanor Dodd has moved to town Jane doesnt' seem to want me for a chum any more. As a matter of fact, I don't care much." But Marjorie's expression showed that she really did care.

"That doesn't sound like a particularly happy combination of circumstances," said Miss Payne thoughtfully.

"Oh, I have plenty of troubles I could trot out if you care to hear about them," sighed Marjorie.

"And aren't there any pleasant things to tell about at all?"

"I don't believe so. I can't think of any. I don't know why—things seem awfully drab. Everything is so different with you, Miss Payne. You have so many friends and always seem to be having such good times."

"Perhaps," said Miss Payne, smiling a little, "that's because I've learned to paint with bright colors."

"Oh, I wasn't even talking about painting." Marjorie looked puzzled. "Of course, I don't even expect to be able to paint as you do. I'm not a painter, though I'd like ever so much to be one."

They had reached the top of the hill, and Marjorie helped Miss Payne choose a good location and set up her easel. "I like to think that all of us are painters," said Miss Payne as she got out her tubes of paint, "and that we have a good deal to say about the kind of paint we use and the pictures that result from our work."

"That's an interesting idea," said Marjorie, "but I don't see—"

"Suppose we say that envy and jealousy and discontent and all those unpleasant things represent the dark colors; while happiness and generosity and industry and good humor and friendliness and all those pleasant things represent the rich, gay colors."

Marjorie nodded, pleased with the whimsical idea.

"Now I want to paint a sunset," went on Miss Payne, smiling. "Suppose I had only brought up tubes of black and blue—"

"I see," broke in Marjorie eagerly. "You could never get those gorgeous reds and golds into your picture if you didn't have the right tubes of paint."

"That's it exactly," agreed Miss Payne. "And if you want to bring out a beautiful and pleasant picture in your own life, one that other folks will enjoy looking at and living with, and one that will keep you happy, too, you mustn't forget the bright tubes of paint."

Marjorie was smiling as she watched Miss Payne apply the rich colors to her canvas. "I'll never look at a sunset without remembering this talk, Miss Payne," she said, "and the next time we take a walk together I intend to have only pleasant pictures to show you."—Selected.

MOTHER

Mother is a little girl who trod my path before me,
Just a bigger, wiser little girl who ran ahead—
Bigger, wiser, stronger girl who always watches o'er me,
One who knows the pitfalls in the rugged road I tread.

Mother is a playmate who will always treat me kindly—
Playmate who will yield me what true happiness demands.
She will never let my feet stray into brambles blindly—
Mother's just a bigger little girl who understands.

Mother is an older little playmate who'll befriend me—
Yesteryear she traveled in the path that's mine today!
Never need I fear a foe from which she might defend me—
Faithful little pal who ran ahead and learned the way!

—Strickland Gillilan.

Teacher—What makes you late this morning?

Erring Student—Y-you see—there are eight in our family.

Well?

And the alarm was set for only for seven.—American Boy.

Mother—What did daddy do downtown?

Five-year-old (returning from a visit to the bank with her father)—Oh, he went to the bank, talked to the lady working there, and she smiled, and then daddy gave her all his money.

BEES IN WINTER

By Lois Boyd

Bumblebees, yellow jackets, hornets and wasps die at the first frosts, leaving only the young mated queens who merge in the spring to lay their eggs and hatch new broods.

Among honey bees it is only the drones who die in the fall. Bees will die from the effects of cold before the temperature reaches freezing; in fact, they seldom fly when the thermometer is below 45 degrees. Activities within the hive cease early in the fall; the queen lays no more eggs, the rearing of the brood is ended.

Food for the winter has been stored during the spring and summer. Adult bees live on honey which is made from the nectar gathered from the flowers. Because the nectar contains a great deal of water when it is collected which would cause fermentation if it were stored in this condition, this excess moisture is removed by a well organized system of fanning. Nectar is often reduced one-fourth in volume before the bees add the enzymes which change the raw nectar into simple sugar. An average bee colony will consume from 30 to 50 pounds of honey during their dormant season. When you consider that a bee travels 43,770 miles to gather enough nectar to make one pound of honey, you will see the "little busy bee" hasn't been misnamed.

During the summer the bees use the whole hive for their various activities, but in the winter they gather in a spherical, compact cluster, with the queen in the center. Those on the outside are crowded so closely together as to make an insulation shell and thus prevent the loss of heat. Those on the inside of the ball are not so crowded and maintain enough muscular activity to keep the entire group comfortably warm. The bees on the inside of the cluster are constantly changing places with those on the inside. At no time do the bees allow the temperature on the outside of the cluster to fall below 57 degrees.

Because of the warmth of their hives and the presence of food, mice often enter the hives and make themselves at home, eating the wax and honey and making their nests on the floor. The bees pay no attention to them until warm weather comes and then they promptly sting them to death. The bees are not strong enough to carry away their dead enemies, so they cover them with a sticky secretion which hardens like cement, thus forming an air tight coffin.—Our Dumb Animals.

It happened at a summer camp. One small boy asked another: "Is this the first night you ever slept in a tent?"

"I don't know—yet," was the uncertain reply.

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November

Ayden, 11 9
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 9

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FOURTH ROUND

November

Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 7
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 9
Henderson, First Church, 11 9

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FOURTH ROUND

November

Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 9
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 9

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FOURTH ROUND

November

Town Creek, 11 9
Southport, 7:30 9

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FIRST ROUND

November

Bald Creek, Bald Creek, 11 16
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Red Hill, 3 16
Burnsville, Higgins Mem., night 16
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 23
Marshall, Walnut, 3 23
Asbury Memorial (Asheville), night 23
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 11 (Saturday) 29
Pisgah, Brown's View, 11 30
Missionary Institute, Central, 2:30 30
Biltmore, night 30

December

Wolf Mountain, 11 7
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 7
Brevard, night 7
Tryon, 11 14
Saluda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

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FIRST ROUND

November

Duncan Memorial, 11 9
Matthews, 2:30 9
Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 7:30 10
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30 12
Dilworth, 7:30 14
Big Springs, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
North Monroe, North Monroe, 7 16
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 7:30 19
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 21
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 11 23
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3 23
Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 23
Wadesboro, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 7:30 26
Calvary, 11 30
Trinity, 7:30 30

December

Central, Monroe, 7:30 1
Central, Avenue, 11 7
Zoar, 3 7
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7:30 7
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 8
Weddington, Weddington, 7:30 10
Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Brevard Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

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FIRST ROUND

November

Elkin, 11 9
Yadkinville, 3 9
Jonesville, night 9
Boone, 7:30 12
Sparta, 11 16
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 3 16
Jefferson, night 16
Dobson, night 19
Watauga, 11 23
Green Valley, 3 23
Creston, night 23
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 26
Wilkesboro, 11 30
N. Wilkesboro, District Missionary Institute, 2 30
Moravian Falls, Beulah, night 30

December

Mocksville, night 3
Helton, 11 7
Warrensville, 3 7
Todd, night 7
West Jefferson, night 10
Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
Farmington, night 17
Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Cooleemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Mitchells-Vickery, 10 9
Guilford, Hickory Grove, 11 9
St. Pauls, 7:30 9
West Market, 7:30 12
Sandy Ridge, 7:30 15
Stoneville, 11 16
Haw River, 3 16
Newlyn Street, 7:30 16
Centenary, 7:30 19
College Place, 11 23
Pleasant Garden, 3 23
Bessemer, 7:30 23
Proximity, 7:30 26
Reidsville Ct., 11 23
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 11 29
Danbury, 3 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point

FIRST ROUND

November

Oak View 7 15
Pleasant Grove, 11 16
Greer's Chapel, 7 16
Denton Central, 7 17
Welch Memorial, 7 17
Ward Street, 11 20
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 22
Highland, 11 23
Randolph-G. C., Shiloh, 1:30 23
Richland, W. B., 7 23
South Davidson, L., 1:30 24
Calvary, 7 26
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7 28
Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 11 30
Coleridge, Coleridge, 7 30

December

Trinity, H., 7 1
First Church, H. P., 7 3
Asheboro St., C, F., 7 4
Seagrove, S., 7 6
Randleman-Franklinville, F., 11 7
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Main Street, 7 10
Why Not, N. H., 7 11
Linwood, 7 12
Denton First, D., 11 14
Liberty Ct., R., 2 14
Archdale, 7 14
Asheboro First, 7 17
Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Elk Park, Montazuma, 11 9
Avery, Fairview, 3 9
Linville Falls, 7:30 9
Spruce Pine, 11 16
Bakersville, Bakersville, 3 16
Marion Mills, East Marion, 7:30 16
Old Fort, 11 23
Old Fort Ct., Carsons, 3 23
Cross Mills, 7:30 23
Connelly Springs, 11 30
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 30
Rutherford College, 7:30 30

December

Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 2
Jones Memorial, 6:30 2
Broad Street, Mooresville, 7:30 2
Granite Falls, night 3
Catawba, night 4
Mooresville, Central, 11 9
Shepherds, Vanderburg, 2:30 9
Troutman, night 9
Statesville, Race Street, night 12
Harmony, night 14
Taylorsville, 11 15
Stony Point, night 16
Hiddenite, night 17
Cool Springs, Providence Church, night 18
Statesville, Boulevard, night 19
Lenoir, First, 11 23
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 2:30 23
Whitnell, night 23
Elmwood, night 24
Balls Creek Ct., Mt. View, 2:30 29
Maiden, night 30

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28

Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Morning Star, 7:30 6
Rockwood, Rockwood, 11 9
Beaverdam, Liberty, 3 9
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 9
Clyde, 7:30 12
Bethel, 7:30 13
Delwood, 7:30 14
Sylva, 11 16
Webster, Love's Chapel, 3 16
Cullowhee, 7:30 16
Whittier, Whittier, 7:30 ..... 6 18
Robbinsville, 12, luncheon 19
Andrews, 7:30 19
Murphy, 7:30 20
Shooting Creek, 11 23
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 2:30 23
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 23
Canton, Central, 7:30 26
Canton, First, 7:30 27
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30 28
Franklin, 11 30
Junaluska, 7:30 30

December

Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11 7
Waynesville, 7:30 7
Bryson City, 7:30 10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30 14
Highlands, Highlands, 11 21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30 21
Franklin Ct., 11 28
Macon Ct., 3 28
District stewards' meeting, Sylva, Nov. 13, at 10 a.m.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Burkhead, 11 9
Thomasville, Main St., 7:30 9
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 16
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 16
Rockford Street, 7:30 16
Lexington, First, 11 23
Erlanger, 3 23
Ardmore, 7:30 23
N. Davidson, Union Ridge, 11 30
Hanes-Clemmons, at Bethel, 3 30
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 30

December

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3 7
Marvin, 7:30 7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 21
Lewisville, 11 28
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

MORE SCOTCH JOKES

Do you know: The Scotchmen are trying to put a stop to Scotch jokes; they are all at the Scotchman's expense. The wrist watch must have been invented by a Scotchman, because he never could bear the idea of taking anything out of his pocket.

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Ikey invited only married people to his wedding because he figured in that way all the presents would be clear profit. The Scotchman preferred blonds to brunettes because he likes a light overhead.

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A Scotchman sent the surgeon's bill to his father-in-law when he heard that his wife's tonsils really should have been taken out when she was a little girl.

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A Scotchman sent his sweetheart a package of flower seeds with these directions; Plant these now and you will have a nice bouquet for your birthday."

Mother—Johnny, how is it you have lower marks in January than December?
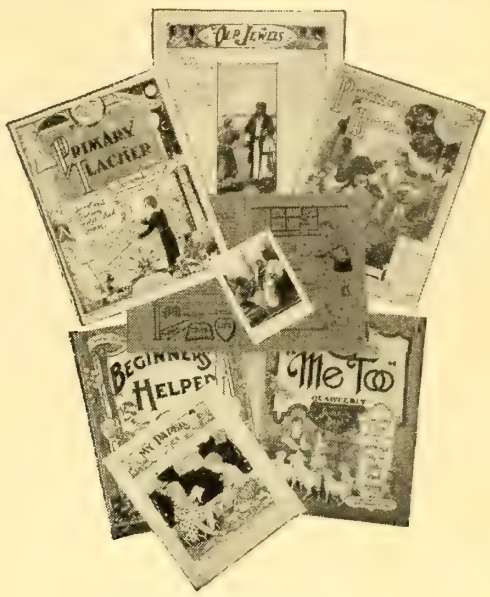
Johnny—Oh, everything is marked down after the holidays.—Exchange.

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In Memoriam

BAILIFF—The Glenwood Methodist church and the Glenwood community in Greensboro shall hold dear the memory and the life of Mrs. Lillian Zink Bailiff, who passed from our midst on September 17, 1941.

Mrs. Bailiff was the daughter of Mrs. Augusta Zink and the late J. W. Zink. Her father helped to organize the old Zink Chapel and for years was the first Sunday school superintendent, and lived to see the little church grow and moved to the present site.

Mrs. Bailiff loved her church, her home and her friends. She was always present for the services and the quiet influence of her life is inspiring to all who knew her. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Augusta Zink; one brother, William P. Zink; three sisters, Mrs. C. C. Oakley, Mrs. W. C. Lambeth and Mrs. W. T. Purgason; and three children, Jack, Bryant and Rose.

She is not dead; she is alive in heaven and in the hearts and lives of all who knew her.

Robert M. Hardee.

BERRIER—Mr. George Alexander Berrier passed away at his home October 7, 1941. He was born May 9, 1880, in Davidson county. He was the son of Philip and Laura Leonard Berrier. In his early youth Mr. Berrier joined Bethesda Methodist church and remained a member there until the organization of Canaan church in 1911. He was one of the pioneers of Canaan church, having driven many miles to get finances and material to erect it.

On October 25, 1902, Mr. Berrier was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Etilka Kindley, who survives with 11 children—seven sons and four daughters, and 16 grandchildren. The children are Albert F., Lloyd, James and G. A. Berrier, Jr., near Winston-Salem, Howard Berrier of High Point, Norman and Grady Berrier of the home; Mrs. Clarence Bailey, Mrs. Holland Craver, Mrs. Gurney Tuttle of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Howard Green of Thomasville; also his father and stepmother, and three brothers and two sisters, all of Winston-Salem and Thomasville.

Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

LOWRY—On Sunday, October 12, 1941, Mrs. D. F. Lowry of Pembroke passed to her reward. She had been in poor health about a year and had been confined to her room eight weeks.

Mrs. Lowry was born near McColl, S. C., 53 years ago and her name was Jessie Mae Hatcher. In 1960 she was married to Rev. D. F. Lowry, who is a member of the North Carolina conference and director of the Pembroke parish. She was a member of the Methodist church more than thirty years.

She was of rather quiet disposition. With her husband she was greatly interested in giving their children the best religious and educational advantages. Means were rather meager and encouragements were few, but five of the children have attained degrees from high grade educational institutions. Earl Cranston is assistant genral surgeon in the government hospital in Atlanta, where he is kept busy performing major operations. Kermit and Frances, each with a well earned M.A. degree, are teaching, he in his native county and she in Moline, Illinois. Lessie is chief nurse in a government health service in Oregon. Lorrane, also a graduate nurse, is married and is keeping house in Nashville, Tenn. The three younger children, Fred, Cynthia and Bruce, are still in the home at Pembroke.

Mrs. Lowry was aware that death was approaching and faced the event calmly, stating that she was prepared. Her husband will carry on bravely as he has done and will continually prove himself worthy of the confidence and consideration of his brethren. The community, the church and the home have suffered loss, but Mrs. Lowry has passed from the region of shadows and uncertainty to that of the realities.

ROBBINS—On Monday, October 6, 1941, Miss Viola Robbins, age 33, passed at her home near Canaan church. She had been in declining health for the past two months and in a serious condition for three days. She was born in Davidson county February 24, 1908, a daughter of J. A. and Zella Sing Robbins. She was a member of Canaan Methodist church. She leaves to mourn her passing her parents, six brothers, I. R. and Troy F. Robbins of High Point, L. H. Robbins of Santa Monica, Calif., J. A. Robbins, Jr., of Newport News, Va., Eldred and Bartley Robbins, near Winston-Salem; two sisters, Mrs. Esther Wood of New York City and Mrs. Bessie Smith of Fernandina, Fla.

Funeral services were conducted at Canaan church with Rev. O. B. Willians and Rev. Bynum Nifong officiating.

Her testimonies that she gave of her flight she would soon take before she was taken seriously ill, leaves no doubt in our minds but that she is now singing with the angels in heaven, "Glory be thy great Name."

Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Welch Memorial church, wish to pay tribute to our departed sister, Mrs. J. D. Williams, wife of our beloved pastor.

So quiet and unassuming was her life that we did not fully appreciate her worth until now that she is no longer with us. But her influence lingers as a benediction.

On Sunday night, September 21, several organizations of the church tried to show their love and respect for her by having a service in her memory. At that time they presented to the church a beautiful painting which is to remain as a memorial to her.

Eternity only can reveal the good she wielded over the church and community.

Be it resolved, that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. Earl Shoaf,
Mrs. J. W. Greenway,
Mrs. J. T. Morgan.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his wisdom has seen fit to take from us our beloved secretary and treasurer, Edith Sutton; and whereas, by her death we are deeply bereaved, being deprived of her radiant personality, her enthusiasm and her joyous Christian spirit.

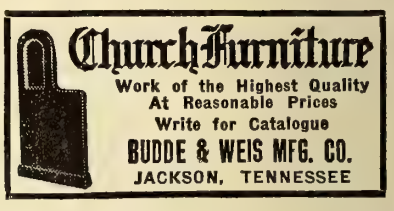
Be it resolved, that we, the members of the Duplin County Young People's Union, express to her family our sympathy and love and assure them of the high regard and esteem in which we held her and of our own bereavement in her death.

J. W. Lineberger,
Howard D. Merritt.







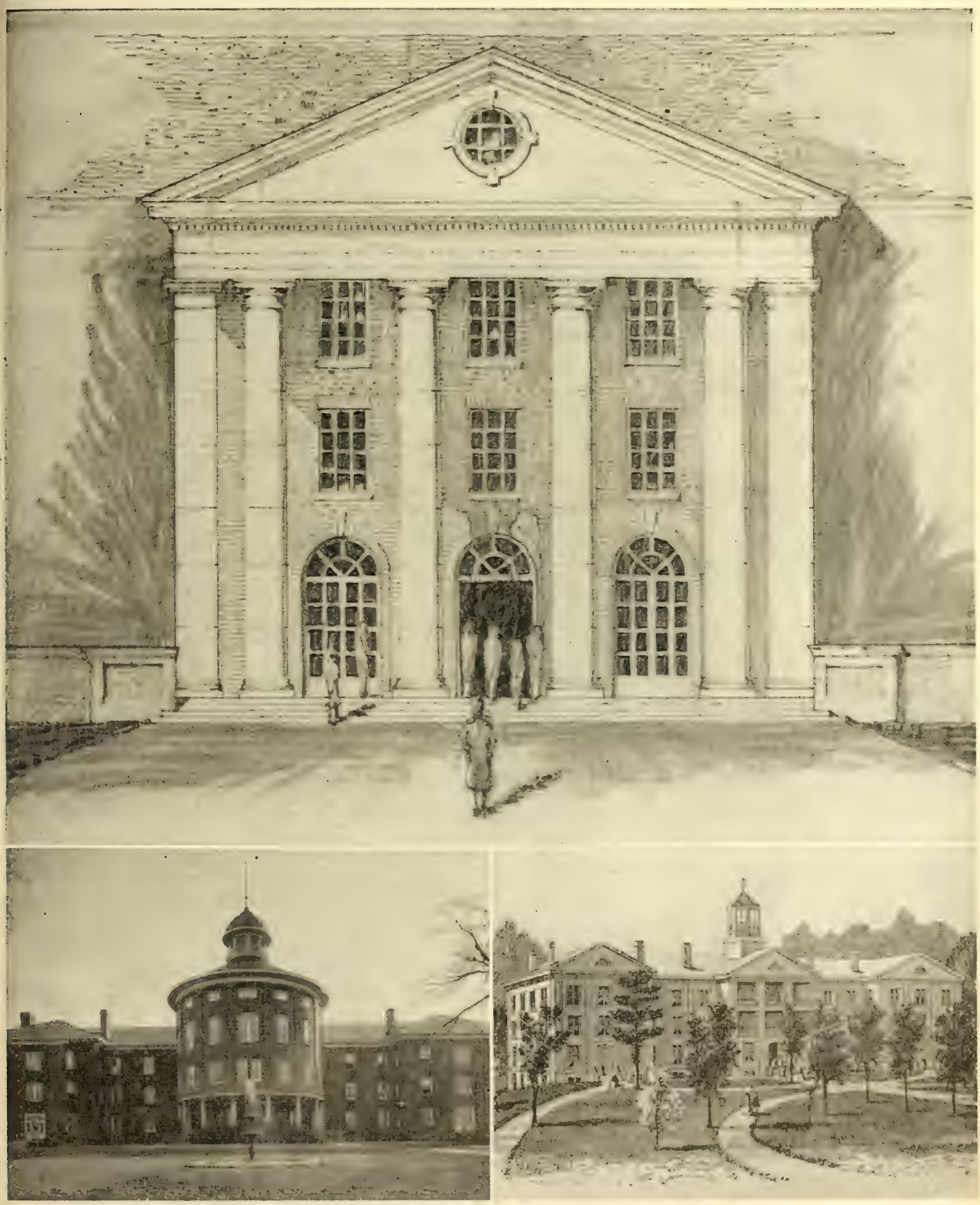




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Top: Proposed facade of the new unit planned at Greensboro College. Lower left: Old rotunda which was partially destroyed by fire Sept. 4. Lower right: Main building before it was destroyed by fire in 1904, similar to the new plan of restoration.

SECRETARY OF WAR KNOX'S FOREIGN POLICY

Does the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, speak for the President in his increasingly frequent pronouncements on foreign policy? It is about time that this point is cleared up. Three times within recent weeks the bellicose naval secretary has made declarations which, if they represent official policy, have important bearings on the future course of this country. Yet no one knows with certainty whether, in these statements, Colonel Knox was reflecting the mind of the President or whether he was merely taking advantage of opportunties to parade his vaunted super-masculinity. On the first occasion, as already reported in these columns, the secretary foretold a hundred years of world policing by joint Anglo-American naval action, with the United States providing "both the major power and the dominant leadership." Soon after that, at a ship launching, he promised that never again would the United States participate in any naval disarmament. Others may disarm, but we never will. For us there is never to be any repetition of the Washington Conference. We are to administer a world policy of force, and the rest of the world can accept it as benevolent or suffer the consequences. And now, in a speech so truculent that it has had to be watered down before the official text was released, he has stated that a "collision" with Japan is "inevitable," and may even come on twenty-four hours' notice. Does this represent American foreign policy? If it does not—and we hope it does not—why is this cabinet member permitted to go on talking in this chip-on-shoulder fashion?—The Christian Century.

CULTIVATE CURIOSITY

Learn a lesson from the children. How curious they are It is by curiosity that they grow. The little girl digs up a plant because she wants to discover the mystery of the flower. The little boy takes an alarm clock apart to find out why it "goes." Curiosity! The child is born into a vast world of buzzing confusion. Only by asking countless questions, only by wondering, observing, listening, can he find his place in his strange surroundings and begin to understand life. As old age comes on, men lose their curiosity. They have seen all. They know all—that is, all that they think it is possible for them to know. Life for them becomes a monotonous routine. Inspiration is gone. they are disillusioned. They have lost their curiosity. Here is the tragedy of life. After threescore and ten there is nothing new. Everything is old, old. Curiosity is vitally connected with growth. When curiosity dies, we cease all progress.

Curiosity stimulates our minds and stretches them to the comprehension of new facts. Curiosity takes one out of oneself and prevents the development of morbid introspection. It is the foe of that subjectivism which is so deadly to right thinking and noble doing. Curiosity can be cultivated. It grows with what it feeds upon. The study of such a commonplace thing as coal tar and its multitudinous by-products can lead to such an enthusiasm for larger knowledge as will take one far afield into the science of chemistry. A man of ninety who throughout his years had cultivated his curiosity and penetrated deeply into many fields of learning turned at the evening time of his life to a very thoroughgoing research on the subject of—typewriters! Needless to say, this man always thirsty for knowledge gave the impression of youth in the company of his friends, old men and women at forty and fifty.—Zions Herald.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE PLANS RESTORATION OF MAIN BUILDING

Restoration of Main building, Greensboro College, partially destroyed by fire September 4, will begin as soon as as specifications of architect's plans are made, necessary funds to supplement insurance coverage are raised and bids are secured, Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, has announced.

Tentative plans drawn by J. Burton Wilder, local architect, and Philip N. Youltz, consulting architect, Middlefield, Mass., provide for replacing the old rotunda with a rectangular, three-story unit which will not project quite as great a distance as the rotunda. The new portion of Main building, however, will be made more spacious than the old structure by the removal of the senior parlor and the creation of one large student center on the ground floor, measuring approximately 48 by 54 feet ,and flanked by the two drawing rooms now located in the east and west wings of the building.

One group of fireproof stairs enclosed in masonry and running from the ground to the roof will replace the two front stairways which rise on each side of the present social center. Six dormitory rooms will be built on each of the other two floors of the unit. Plans also include the extension of the automatic sprinkler system throughout the proposed structure.

Although no detailed description of plans will be available until Mr. Wilder submits specifications to the building committee appointed by the board of trustees the proposed facade probably will be in classic Greek tradition, reminiscent of architecture of the old south, with eight columns rising from the ground floor to the third floor. Members of the committee, J. G. Hanes, Winston-Salem; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville; W. Y. Preyer, New York and Greensboro, and Dr. Gobbel who will meet to make further arrangements in the next few days, emphasized that the proposed unit, although entirely different from the old rotunda, will be more in keeping with the traditional architecture of the college. They noted, in particular, the similarity of tentative plans to the building which stood from 1873 until the fire of February, 1904.

Discussing campus building needs, Dr. Gobbel pointed out the necessity of a building for the library and art studio, formerly housed in the old rotunda and now temporarily located in the student activities building.

CONFERENCE JOURNAL

On Tuesday, October 28, your conference secretary delivered to the printer all of the material for the journal with the exception of two reports, and these have gone in since. However, with most of the material in hand the printer promises us the journal in less time than in past years. The date of delivery will be given later. It is not too early to make the following statements and requests:

First, journals for the retired members of the conference and for wives of deceased brethren will be sent direct to them.

Second, the number of journals sent to each charge this year will be the number for which that charge paid last year plus two free copies—one for the pastor and one for the charge lay delegate to the annual conference.

Third, a letter of suggestions will be enclosed in each package of journals. Please read this letter and act on the suggestions.

Fourth, OPEN YOUR PACKAGE OF JOURNALS AT ONCE and read the letter of suggestions.

Fifth, if for any reason the number of journals to your charge should differ with the number for which your charge paid last year, notify the conference secretary at once.

E. H. Nease, Conf. Sec.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

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The birds know the freedom of wings and the flowers grow best in the open. Some of the statesmen would regiment the nation and not a few churchmen would put religion in the hard and fast limits of a rigid ecclesiasticism. Jesus said consider the birds and the flowers. We follow him in preference to the doctrinaire of regimentation.

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Brother, if you do not have a silver trumpet, blow a ram's horn. Stop playing a jews-harp or picking a banjo. You cannot lead the hosts of God to glorious conquests with any such instruments. One Elijah is better than all the hirelings of Baal. Herod cared not a whit about the Pharisee that stood on the street corner of Jerusalem mumbling long prayers, but John the Baptist made him sit up and take notice.

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Dr. Richard Cabot, professor of medicine and social ethics in Harvard University, picks four things that are necessary to make life whole, wholesome, full-orbed and holy. These four are work, play, love and worship. It takes all of these, declares Dr. Cabot, "to make life solid, sensible, four-square and fruitful." That sounds good, but who can qualify? Yet one and all of these qualifications are in reach of every man and woman. Think on these things.

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More Bibles and other religious books are being bought in Germany today than ever before, according to the Swiss Kirchenzeitung, a Catholic paper. A traveler's report, quoted by that paper, says that church services are crowded and that preachers are bold in their pulpits. "Their preaching," says the report, "is right up to date and deals exclusively with the fundamental truths of Christianity; and they courageously defend the rights of personality and uniqueness of the Christian faith over against the exaggerated nationalistic theories."

To call people by hard names is a deplorable sort of argument. Interventionists are not "bloodthirsty war mongers" and isolationists are not "cowardly betrayers of America," simply because you say so. Generally they are good honest American citizens with some opinions of their own.

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The bishop of Aberdeen, Scotland, has been on a visit to English troops in Iceland and he tells an interesting story of his visit. He tells that Iceland is one-fourth larger in territory than Scotland. In speaking of the reserved and undemonstrative Icelander the bishop says: "Compared to him, a Scot from Buchan is an effusive chatterbox." Then the Aberdeen bishop adds: "The behavior of the troops, both American and British, has however been so excellent that much more cordial relations now exist. The Icelanders soon realized that it had to be the British or the Germans—and they prefer the British. Money has poured into the country, as everything has been adequately paid for. Troop pay has also added to the general prosperity. Iceland may be the one well-to-do country left in Europe after the war."

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We Americans have a way of overworking certain terms. We convert a simple word into a hobby and ride it morning and night. Several years ago it was the word "challenge." Everything one met was a challenge. Jobs great and small served as a challenge. If a preacher went out to build up a poor little country church it served as a challenge. It was challenge this and challenge that. The poor word died from overwork. But now we have another, or a sort of compound word, "national defense." Whatever we do is in the interest of national defense. If a man kisses his wife, or fails to kiss his wife, it is in the interest of national defense. If a group of people attend light opera for an evening's entertainment, it is in behalf of national defense. If a man eats turnip greens, it is for national defense. All of which is very funny.

Ministers' Opposition to Our Entering This War

THE Christian Century in its issue of November 5 observed among other elements that the failure of the churches to support American entrance into the war had been a shock to some. To quote two sentences: "The result of the poll of Catholic clergy, which showed 91.5 per cent against engaging in a shooting war outside of the Western Hemisphere must have brought an unwelcomed shock to the White House. The unwavering opposition of so large a part of the Protestant ministry has all along been one of the principle hurdles across the path of a war policy." Be that as it may, we do know that here in the more militant South the opposition to war has been most marked compared with the situation in 1916-1918.

In the first world war the churches and the ministry were enlisted in all sorts of war work. But not now. For the most part the preachers have stuck to their main work as the spiritual leaders of the people. They have not consented for their churches to become agencies of the military forces of the land or even agencies for collecting money by selling bonds as they did twenty-five years ago.

Much advance has been made in favor of world peace and the ministers count themselves as messengers of the Prince of Peace. Then, too, we all know the failure of the last "war to end war" has been most disappointing. A like disappointment awaits all who rely on the victory of arms. The end of Hitler is certain; but what about our going to war to end Hitlerism?

The Mystical in Religion

THE mystical element in religion—the sense of a present, active, vital God as disclosed in the Bible, in the lives of the saints and also in the experiences of ordinary men and women—would do much to make effective present day Methodists in this hour when the sense of God has been dismissed and well nigh lost in the worship of things. With a fresh thrill of God in the soul of all classes and conditions of Methodism, we could with evangelistic fervor and passionate concern for the neglected masses of industrial centers and of unchurched populations proclaim with overwhelming conviction the familiar doctrines that all men are sinners; that all men may be saved; and that a man when he is saved he will know it. Such a message of conviction, flowing from a Christian experience, will minister in a fine way to the eager longings of desolate souls in city pews and in country meeting houses.

Modern day Methodists able to preach, to pray, to sing and to rejoice after the fashion in the days of old, will comfort believers and rescue the perishing by winning lost men to the One mighty to save. Then the weak will grow strong and the faint-hearted will take courage as the dynamic power of the gospel is made known in family groups, in church schools, in youth crusades, in missionary societies and in the many and varied efforts for social betterment. Under this inner urge the pulpits will flame and the pews in the spiritual wastes of city and country will testify afresh, leading to a new turning to God. Methodist saints will then break forth shouting the glorious good news, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

"I Lay in Dust Life's Glory Dead"

REV. O. P. ADER in his valedictory on another page of this paper employs with fine effect the pathetic words which have been placed for the caption of this little editorial. And many are the sensitive spirits, both men and women, who from experience have made them the mournful refrain of the darkest hours of life. And these refrains carry their sorrowful music along the pathways of life.

Just a little while ago a heartbroken wife with her fatherless children about her knees said to us as she looked into the face of her dead husband, "He was such a kind, good man, who loved the children and me so devotedly. I was so proud of him and we were all so happy, but now he is gone." Then overcome with grief she poured out the anguish of her broken heart while the little children could not understand the full meaning of it all. Life's glory was being laid in the dust.

And this is the oft repeated story of broken family circles. It may be when a child in whom are centered the prospects and hopes of a brilliant future is snatched away by some mysterious providence, or when the clouds gather before the sunset with an aged and devoted couple who have in loving companionship walked the long journey, by one being taken and the other left. In all such sorrows the sensitive, poetic spirit is led to exclaim, "I lay in dust life's glory dead."

The Main Rather Than the Incidental

TOO often the main issues are lost sight of as the incidental crowd upon us. Men in all lines of life fail at this point. They are not able to keep first things first. The incidental elements of one's career may crowd out the finest and best of the soul. So the life lived becomes secondary to material gains as though life consists in the abundance of the things a man possesses.

The doctor who puts his fee above the welfare of his client; the lawyer who is more concerned about his fee than the service rendered his client; and the preacher who puts his salary above the work of bringing men to God are men doomed to failure in their dreamed of professions. The incidentals of life have been exalted above the essentials that enter into the making of a noble physician or a saintly man of God.

Of course the preacher suffers most when material gain takes the place of spiritual ministry. People will tolerate a worldly minded doctor and a selfish lawyer, but never such a minister. The farmer, the business man, the ordinary citizen are expected to be engaged in the secular lines of worldly endeavor, but not so the one who stands between man and God. He speaks for God and leads men to God.

As we Methodist preachers go away from another session of conference to begin another year's work we should be careful to escape the snares of the devil at this point. Be sure to keep first things first. Let the incidentals not supplant the main issues.

The Wife Who Confessed for Her Husband

THE Methodist Recorder, an esteemed exchange of ours from London, England, tells of the woman who was more inclined to confess other people's sins than her own. There are a great many people who belong to this class, which adds to the interest of the following story:

Bridget Doolan seldom went to confession and when she did she found it extremely difficult to remember any shortcomings of her own, but had an excellent memory of her husband's sins. This is what she told the priest:

"It's Moike, me husband, that's the bad one, father. It's three weeks that Moike nivver confesses, an' Hiven knows his sins is scarlet. He drinks like a baste an' shmokes like a flue. He swears that hard Saint Patrick would trimble; and shure ye should see Moike smash the dishes an' break the furniture an' fling the stove lids."

"Six Hail Marys every day for a week, and three fast days, Bridget," said the priest sternly.

"Och, fwat de ye mane, father?" asked Bridget, protestingly. "Shure, Oi nivver confessed a sin."

"But ye confessed Moike's," he replied, "and so long as you made the confession for him I think you had better do his penance, too!"

The New Year Begins With a Bang

REPORTS drifting into this office from different sections of the Western North Carolina conference indicate that the work of the new conference year is beginning with unusual promptness and enthusiasm. We do not base this conclusion upon formal resolutions that consist of "whereas and be it resolved," which means little or nothing. On the contrary we hear of numerous parsonages being made specially attractive for the new pastor, salaries are being increased, and from all directions come reports of an enthusiastic welcome for the new preacher. These first scattered returns indicate that when all precincts have reported there will be a landslide for progress and a great new year in the Western North Carolina conference. "So mote it be."

When Will the American People Learn Better?

THE Robesonian in one of last week's issue says:

"John L. Lewis, boss of the United Mine Workers, seems in a fair way to win a victory over the President, the U. S. Mediation Board and U. S. steel. Organized minorities are kicking the elected rulers of the majorities around pretty recklessly, but they are getting away with it for the present."

Yet the American people continue to bow down to the golden image which they have set up for themselves.

Fools and saints may be classified after this fashion: "The fool hath said in his heart there is no God"; the saint has said in his heart there is a God. The one follows wishful thinking; the other statement springs out of a personal spiritual experience.

The North Carolina Conference at Durham

First Day's Session

The third session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church convened at Durham November 11, 1941. This was Armistice Day, twenty-three years after the memorable Armistice Day of the World War, the war to end war and to bring in ultimate world peace. That day was pronounced by some as the first day of the first month of the year one of the new era. It was a day of high jubilation and of glorious rejoicing. But not so was this first day of conference in Durham on Armistice Day twenty-three years after. Many of our fond dreams of peace had vanished and the sorrows of a crushed, broken world crowded upon us. We were reminded once more of the folly of war and the disappointments that come with the efforts for world peace by conflict.

The unusually quiet and solemn assembly gathered in Trinity church for the Holy Communion when ministers and laymen partook of the elements in remembrance of Him who is the world's Redeemer and the Prince of Peace. This quiet hour was in striking and strong contrast with the noise and tumult of the nations in this bloody world of slaughter. The ritual and songs and prayers and the aspirations of the devout men and women of the conference told of the long looked for and earnestly desired age when war would give place to the gospel of the Son of God.

At 11 a. m. Bishop Clare Purcell asked the vast assembly to stand in silence, following which Chaplain T. G. Vickers led the prayer. During this solemn pause a deathly silence fell as the memories of that first Armistice Day crowded in upon those who knew the horrors of the first world war. Many prayed that the next effort at peace may soon come so that we may be relieved of this present effort to substitute the dominance of force for the rule of love and good will.

In his address of welcome at the opening of conference Hon. W. B. Umstead gave a most appropriate and stimulating address of welcome in keeping with the spirit of the day and the demands of the occasion.

The largest and most carefully considered paper known to this conference for a number of years came with a report of a special committee appointed one year ago dealing with provision for an adequate support of the ministry. Dr. W. K. Greene, chairman, presented the report and guided the discussion. After a number of efforts to amend and to refer the paper passed just before the order of the day for memorial services at 12 o'clock. The report follows:

Pursuant to the action of the North Carolina Conference, in its 1940 session, the special committee appointed to study the problem of adequate support for the pastors of this conference and to present its findings and recommendations to the North Carolina Conference at this session begs leave to present the following report:

The General Board of Lay Activities, at its annual session in July, 1941, made the following declaration of policy concerning an adequate support of the ministry:

"To the Board of Lay Activities has been given the responsibility of promoting an adequate support of the ministry. What is adequate ministerial support? Do we mean by adequate financial support just enough and no more? We should mean not a mere living of about one jump ahead of the bread line for the minister and his family, but enough to give sufficient security to make for efficiency on the part of the minister. Of course, the necessities of life should be included, such as food, shelter, clothing, heat, water, lights, telephone, insurance, and taxes; but we must go the second mile and include other needs which make for efficiency. An automobile has become an absolute necessity for the minister. The minister must have books, magazines, and religious periodicals. These cost money. He must attend conferences, schools, and assemblies. Then, the salary should be large enough to enable the minister and his family to be well and neatly dressed. In an adequate financial support, room must be provided for the minister and his family to give to every worthy cause. No congregation becomes liberal in the support of the benevolences by lessening its financial support to the minister. In solemn truth, true liberality in the support of the minister is a real step in liberality in all kingdom purposes."

Your committee heartily endorses the foregoing declaration of the General Board of Lay Activities and earnestly hopes that this conference will give its unqualified approval to the following plans which seek to accomplish this purpose.

Taking into account the salaries of ministers on charges paying less than $1,500 a year, the annual aid of some $9,000 to $10,000 which the conference has provided out of conference benevolences and administered through the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and the annual appropriation by the Duke Endowment of approximately $10,000 for ministerial support, your committee is convinced that further aid is necessary in order to secure an adequate support of the ministry; therefore, it makes the following recommendations:

(1) That the conference adopt as a goal the following minimum schedule of salaries:

Unmarried ministers	$1,200
Married ministers without children	1,350
Married ministers with children	1,500

(2) That the amount heretofore appropriated by the Conference to the Board of Missions and Church Extension for ministerial support be discontinued and that a proportionate reduction be made in Conference Benevolence askings.

(3) In order to maintain the above minimum salary scale, that a sustentation fund be provided by making an apportionment of two per cent of all money raised during the past conference year, exclusive of funds raised for building purposes and for the payment of debts, upon every charge in the conference that paid its minister a salary of $1,500 or more.

(Note: Reaching the recommended goal of minimum salaries for ministers depends upon: (a) an expected yield from the apportionment of not less than $22,000, plus the supplement of the usual Duke Endowment appropriation; (b) a total yield of not less than $8,000 in salary increases from the charges that pay their ministers a salary of less than the minimum set forth respectively for those charges in recommendation No. 1).

(4) That the administration and distribution of the sustentation fund be made through the Conference Board of Missions and Cuurch Extension.

(5) That the conference create a conference committee on adequate support of the ministry, consisting of the chairman and missionary secretary of the Board of Missions and Church extension, the chairman of the Board of Lay Activities, and the chairman and executive secretary of the Board of Education.

W. K. Greene, Chairman.
Gurney P. Hood, Secretary.
J. M. Ormond,
E. L. Hillman,
W. C. Chadwick.

The memorial address of Dr. H. E. Spence at the memorial service received a careful and attentive hearing. He dealt with certain essential issues of the gospel and laid needed stress on the gospel of the changed life. He

put his finger on the weakness of our present gospel. The Duke professor plead for a gospel sufficient to change men and to grapple with this present day. He certainly touched upon the gospel preached by those men whom the conference honored on this occasion.

The memorial service began at 12 o'clock noon. The men memorialized were Rev. John T. Gibbs of Warrenton, Rev. James M. Rhodes of Bartow, Fla., Rev. Frank M. Shamburger of Oxford, Rev. N. H. D. Wilson of Chapel Hill, Rev. G. T. Adams of Sanford and Rev. William H. Townsend of High Point.

The Conference Board of Lay Activities, along with the seven district superintendents and a dozen visitors, gathered at the Washington Duke Hotel Tuesday noon for laying plans for the year's work. Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, presided. Mr. Edgar T. Welch, president of the General Board of Lay Activities, was the honored guest and chief speaker. Deep regrets were expressed over the absence of Prof. F. S. Aldridge on account of sickness. Not for forty years had he missed a meeting of the N. C. Conference.

(Continued next week)

HIDDEN MANHOOD

The leaders of Israel met to elect a king. The lot fell upon a young farmer. He had beeen present at the beginning of the count, but during its progress had hidden himself in terror among the baggage. The prophet of God had told him that the lot would fall on him, but as the count proceeded the realization of the responsibility which it carried overwhelmed him.

In a measure his action commends himself to us. If he had come proudly forward to accept the honor, we would have resented his egotism. He was facing staggering difficulties. He was to establish and organize a kingdom. When Moses was called to a similar task he acted in a similar way. So did Jeremiah. After his ordination to the ministry, Gregory Nazianzen fled to the wilderness and hid himself. Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, tried to turn the choice of the people from himself by threats. Evidently Saul was not unique among those chosen to great positions. Such modesty may be carried too far. A sense of unworthiness may become unwillingness to assume responsibility. Whom God calls, he qualifies. It is wrong to hide our powers, in such a measure as to defeat the work God has fitted us to do. To feel humility in the face of a great task is commendable, but to make it an excuse for not doing the thing which God commands is sin. There were in Saul sleeping powers which would fit him for the task to which God had called him, and his hiding showed lack of faith in God. It is a very familiar illustration that in the quarries of Baalbec lies a magnificent block of marble, so great, so fine that it could have been intended for nothing else than a position of honor in that city's wonderful Temple of the Sun. But for some reason it was never lifted to its place and for centuries it has lain among the rubbish and debris, a failure, because it did not occupy the place for which it was intended. There it lies, a glorious "might have been." Alas, how many people there are among the wastes of life who by natural endowment and divine choice were fitted to occupy exalted positions but, for some reasons, failed to heed the divine call and so forever lie among the wastes of life, failures—"might-have-beens."

Someone has said that the saddest death is that of a little child because we do not know how much died with it. There may have been the elements of a mighty Reformation sleeping in it. A world may have died with that babe. But a sadder thing is to die in later years without having accomplished the things which God intended us to do. Alas, how many lie amid the wastes of life because the possibilities within them were not developed. Oftentimes it is because, like Saul, they have "hidden themselves among the stuff." They have allowed material things to supplant the immortal things. A bird's nest containing four eggs was found enclosed in the trunk of a large tree in England. The sap rings around it indicated that nearly 100 years had lapsed since they were laid there. The sweet song-birds which should have gladdened the air with their music were thus shut up and the earth was poorer for lack of their song. In too many of us, the sweet song-birds of sympathy, of love and helpfulness, which would have gladdened and strengthened others, are hidden under the accumulated habits of selffishness and indolence.

People are divided into the untrained, the half-trained and the well-trained. The difference is merely the matter of development. To live with powers undeveloped is to "hide ourselves among the stuff." Many hide themselves within weak bodies which, by proper care, would have been carriers of splendid spiritual achievement. There is a tremendous amount of concealment in the world. More people fail to develop the mind than the body. Our chief value to the world is in trained minds and regenerated spirits. There is a vast amount of manhood and womanhood hidden in unused or undeveloped mental or spiritual powers.

We hide among the stuff by failing to use our powers as often as by failing to develop them. Many live unknown and unfelt because they fail to express themselves in some form of service to others. The energy and ability that might have conducted some great business enterprise, led the activities of the church, or decided the course of some great movement for mankind is hidden because unused, and the world is left unenriched. Alas, how many are "hidden among the stuff" who could be leaders in the young people's society, in the church service, in the state.—The United Presbyterian.

DIFFERENCES IN RELIGIONS

Margaret Seebach's "Equations of the World's Religions" states: "Every religion has in it some great truth, some fine quality; but all except one have some deficiency. We may indicate them by minus and plus signs, and the answer to the equation gives the result in character. Only one shows the plus sign."

Islam equals zeal for God minus love for man equals Intolerance.

Confucianism equals morality minus compassion equals Coldness.

Hinduism equals search for God minus service to man equals Selfishness.

Buddhism equals resignation minus aspiration equals Pessimism.

Animism equals belief in the unseen minus trust equals Superstition.

Christianity equals love to God plus love to man equals Service.

ORPHANAGE THANKSGIVING LETTER

By Dr. S. A. Maxwell, President Board of Hospitals and Homes

Thanksgiving is a red letter day in the life of our people. The splendid custom of presenting gifts to our Orphanage in Raleigh prevails in our conference. Again we will do it but in a different way. We will make a radical innovation in these times of tension. We will do it in a bigger and better way! We are determined to make it a sufficient response. What an engaging institution we have in our Orphanage. What remarkable administration by which we spend less per capita than any other such institution in our state. But even so year by year our response has been inadequate to meet the most conservative budget known among all of our orphanages It is not needful that this wonderful institution be operated under stress and embarrassment. It is imperative that we educate and inspire our people that they share enough to eliminate the shortage. Let it not be recorded of us "too little and too late." There is a way to do this job successfully. Let each pastor share with his leaders the facts and the needs. Having served on the faculties of two colleges for eleven years ,I understand how easy it is for the appeals to grow stale. But here the need is vital, personal, urgent. We should persist in educating our congregations to the fact that this institution ministers to children within our conference for whom we are obligated. By an intensive and inclusive appeal directly through our 245 pastors to our 787 churches and 143,432 Methodists in this conference we ought in a delightful and interesting way give at least $30,000 in an unprecedented offering. We are no longer in the adversity of a depression. Everything is increasing, advancing, growing. There can be no pruning, no shrinkage, without disastrous impairment. It is needless that the financing of this noble institution become burdensome to anyone. It must be made interesting, engaging, joyous throughout the membership of the conference.

Let's rally! Let's live! Let's give! In this momentous year we must lead our people in a democratically motivated offering worthy of our reputation as a church, worthy of our consecrated ministry, and fail not in macthing fully the size of the need. Pastors, it will do us good to feel the fires of enthusiasm; it will do the people good; it will ennoble the entire life of the church to make a great cash gift of $30,000 to our Orphanage on Thanksgiving.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

The Curriculum committee of the Methodist Church adjourned a two-day session in Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday evening, November 5. During the sessions, held at McKendree church, the committee set up courses in religious education for every age group in the denomination's membership reached by the literature and texts and general program of the board of education. Bishop H. Lester Smith, chairman, presided. The next session of the committee will be held during the spring, preceding the meeting of the board of education.

Curriculum materials authorized will go into effect in 1942 and thereafter. Among the proposed emphases for youth were studies covering the meaning of courtship and marriage and problems of choosing a life partner, including the place of religion in building a satisfactory family life; studies in bases of a permanent peace designed to help young people understand the problem of achieving a peaceful world; the part of the church in bringing about conditions for such a peace and the position of the Methodist Church with regard to war. Another study designed to help young people to be intelligent and active Christian citizens in a world at war was recommended as an elective for periodical publication.

GOOD BYE, GOD BLESS

My blessings on the marching men of Methodism as I step out of the line at the command of the calendar and conference—not to retire, but to join in the battle at another front.

With sad delight I step out; mixed emotions easy to understand. Without grudge, grouch or grievance I give place to younger men. My brethren have been kind and my church has been good to me, giving me choice appointments; none so big that I had to use a microphone to build out my personality and let a machine get between me and my audience; none so heavy as to create a strain upon me to fill the place and die an early death under the burden. My choice has been small towns; and I have had some of the best. Sweet is the memory of my very dear friend, Bishop Atkins, who was often in my audience at Waynesville and cheered me with his prayers and gracious words of commendation; and of my good, kind elder and friend, Rev. L. T. Cordell, who at the end of his quadrennium asked me to follow him on the district. Without blinking I said, "No, I cannot"; for Mrs. Ader, for ten years an invalid, was then at the point of death.

"I lay in dust life's glory dead,—"

I make no complaint at churches I served on what some call small salaries; for I have been able to give seven children a college education without a cent of debt, and to have at retirement a most comfortable home with my son, Dr. Olin Blair Ader, teacher of math at Wofford College. My regret is that I could not preach better and do more efficient work for my Lord and his church. My motto has ever been, "Not promotion, but better preparation for my life work." I am still trying to prepare for better service somewhere.

It was a real pleasure to see at our conference so few young preachers violating the law of our church which forbids the use of tobacco; and a real joy to feel that we have a holy band of true men of God marching to battle against all evil in an age of sin and in an hour when Satan fills the world with the black shadows of death.

My last word to my brethren is an appeal to all to steer clear of covetousness that made Judas betray his Master and made church leaders cry for his crucifixion. As Methodism grows rich she is in great peril, lest by her lust for pelf she lose her power.

When strong men in the church seek promotion and big salaries as their chief concern, they do unspeakable injury to the cause of Christ and bring the life of the church into extreme peril. Covetousness is the chief sin of the world, the cause of her wars and her woes; and when this venomous serpent winds its coils about the heart of a minister, he betrays his trust and brings the good name of the ministry down to dust. Laziness and lust for gold cancel any man's capacity for any good in the kingdom of God.

Beware of covetousness. "Covet the best gifts."

Please write us or visit us at our new address, 492 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, S. C.

In the classical atmosphere of old Wofford College we find ourselves delighted.

Good-bye, and God bless you every one.

Affectionately yours, O. P. Ader.



The above picture is a group of 27 of the smaller children in the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. These children make a silent, but powerful, appeal to the churches and church schools for a large Special Thanksgiving Offering during the Thanksgiving season. It is confidently believed that there will be a generous response to their appeal.

THREE YOUNG PASTORS BEGIN THE NEW YEAR IN GREENSBORO

Rev. W. Kenneth Goodson, for the past three years assistant pastor of West Market church, is now pastor of Muir's Chapel church, which becomes a station with the official name "West Greensboro." It is one of the historic churches of Guilford county where camp meetings were held in the long ago when Greensboro was little more than a village. It is now a city church that will pay its pastor $2000 to begin its work as a separate pastoral charge.

The church is admirably located on a sort of middle ground between the court house and Guilford College. The years ahead will witness large growth in this church with Kenneth Goodson in charge of the church. In every particular he is admirably adapted to the work.

Rev. Philip L. Shore, Jr., for four years pastor of the Stoneville-Mayodan charge and for some time before that, after completing his work at Duke, he was with the Wesley Foundation at Chapel Hill, where he was very popular with the Carolina students, has been appointed pastor of Calvary church, Greensboro. That congregation is more than pleased, they are enthusiastic over their new pastor and they have good reason to be.

Rev. Emmett K. McLarty, Jr., is the new pastor of Grace church, diagonally across the street from the Advocate building on Gaston street. This writer last Sunday morning heard Mr. McLarty preach an admirable sermon on "Peace." We wish it could be delivered in every church of our land upon this annual return of Armistice Day.

The people of Grace are happy in the appointment of their new pastor and are looking forward to a most successful pastorate. Mr. McLarty comes from Walkertown to Greensboro. Mrs. McLarty and the dear little daughter will be a charming addition to Greensboro society.

NEW COLERAIN CHURCH OPENS

The attractive new Colerain church building was opened Sunday morning, October 26. Behind the building of this church is a story that will challenge and encourage any congregation. It has been the privilege of the present pastor to lead this congregation in two building programs. The first building which was completed in July, 1930, was destroyed by fire in October 1940. However, the congregation was not to be denied, and with a liberal donation from the Duke Endowment a new $10,000 building has been completed. This building is one of the most attractive in the entire conference. Lovely memorial windows enhance the beauty of the auditorium. The floors are hardwood throughout, and the building is modern in every respect.

The Colerain church is a part of the Aulander charge. The property value on the Aulander charge has been doubled in the past four years. There has been a substantial increase in the membership on the charge, and the one debt, on the parsonage, has been reduced from $1,900 to $700. Our budget is out in full for the present year.

John R. Poe.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE TO RAISE $150,000

Greensboro College will undertake immediately the raising of $150,000 to supplement insurance funds for the restoration of Main building, which was partially destroyed by fire September 4, and to erect a new library building, made necessary by the fact that the old library quarters and art studio were destroyed by the fire. This decision was reached at a joint meeting of the executive committee, the building committee, and the committee on finance and investment, held in the private dining room of the Jefferson Roof Restaurant, Monday afternoon, November 3.

It is contemplated that the college will call to its assistance the services of the general board of education of the Methodist Church. Dr. Frank H. West, secretary of the department of financial service of the general board, Nashville, Tenn., will meet with the executive committee later.

At the present time the college library and art studio are being temporarily housed in the Student Activities building, which, as soon as possible, will be used for its original purposes. Decision not to return the library and art studio to Main building came after a careful study of the college buildings and needs by the college authorities, assisted by Philip N. Youtz, consulting architect, of Middlefield, Mass., who recently spent ten days on the Greensboro College campus under the auspices of the Carnegie Corporation of New York. J. Burton Wilder, local architect, is engaged in preparing the details and specifications for restoration of the damaged portion of Main building.

Those attending the meeting of committees were: J. G. Hanes and R. G. Stockton, Winston-Salem; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville; Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham; Thomas C. Hoyle, Sr., and Dr. C. W. Banner, Greensboro; W. Y. Preyer, New York and Greensboro; President Gobbel, and Thomas C. Harrell, new treasurer and business manager who recently assumed his duties.

The Church in a World at War

By DEAN A. D. BEITTEL

Text: "You are the light of the world. A city that is built upon a hill cannot be hidden."—Matt. 5:14.

When Jesus lived, Palestine was under the heel of the Roman conqueror. Jesus and his followers were Jews—members of a small minority group, living at the eastern end of the Mediteranean. This little country had been a football, kicked back and forth between stronger nations for centuries. And this lonely prophet, with his small company of very human followers about him—all of them politically subject people—said to his followers: "You are the light of the world. You are to be like a city that is built on the top of a hill, the light of which cannot be blacked out."

Only a fool or a religious genius could make a statement like that. Today after 19 centuries, we, who make up the church, claim to be followers of that lonely prophet. How can we in a world at war be "the light of the world, a hilltop city which cannot be hidden."

Only a little more than twenty short years ago the countries of the world were sick of war and the everlasting tramp, tramp, tramp of marching men. They had seen strong men march out to war. Many never came back. Some returned with broken bodies and disordered minds. When hostilities ceased in 1918, the victors were as glad to quit as were the vanquished. There followed peace conferences and peace treaties, reparations, compulsory disarmament of Germany and the promise of disarmament for the rest of the world. Idealists who went into the war reluctantly, yet hopefully, believed that they would now see realized their hope to end war forever. Disillusionment came. Rearmament, greater and more deadly than ever before, took place. Again today most of the "civilized" nations of the world are engaged in deadly combat.

The people of the United States have not wanted and do not want war. In spite of the fact that they have been deluged with tons of propaganda by those who feel that was is inevitable to gain the ends they have in mind, there is little enthusiasm for the war in America. And yet with a certain inevitable fate, the dark shadows of another war are deepening about us. Notwithstanding our determination in the period of disillusionment following the last war to stay out of any future international holocaust, we have staggered step by step down the long dark road to war. Can the followers of Jesus Christ today be a light in this dark world? How can the church, under the dark clouds of a world at war, be a city that is on a hill, shining with a clear, steady light, which cannot be hidden?

1. The church can be a light in a war-torn world by refusing to hate. It is very doubtful whether a modern war can be waged with any degree of success unless great mass hatreds are stimulated. One contemporary writer says: "Deceit and treachery are inherent in armed conflict. Hatred and enmity are invariable accompaniments of warfare."

In the last war we set up a bureau, one of whose important functions was to stir up the wrath of the American people and direct that hatred against the Germans. To this end copy was distributed to magazines and newspapers, booklets were published in several languages, and more than 75,000,000 copies were distributed; 75,000 speakers made more than three-quarter million speeches according to George Creel in "How We Advertised America." The ill will that rises within all of us at times was augmented and channeled off against our alleged enemies. We were told that the Germans were solely responsible for the war, that we and our allies were fighting only in self-defense. We resorted to all kinds of name-calling. Germans were Huns, the Kaiser was the "mad dog" of Europe. Atrocity stories were manufactured and circulated without end. Men were told to thrust a bayonet into a dummy with grunts and curses, breathing out invectives and vituperation against the incarnation of evil represented by the enemy.

Hate is an inevitable concomitant of war. If we are to have war, perhaps we must hate, perhaps we must have atrocity stories, perhaps we must arouse the basest passions in man. But if these things must be done, let them not be done in the name of Christ by the church or with the approval of the church. Above the sea of hatred which is engulfing the world, let the lighthouse of the Christian gospel shine out clearly. May there be no blackout of Christian love. "You have heard that they were told 'You must love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for your persecutors so that you may show yourselves true sons of your Father in heaven." If the church would be a light in a world at war it must not indulge in the accompanying orgy of hate.

2. If the church would be a light in the dark night of war, it will actively promote tolerance toward minorities at a time when minorities tend to be stifled and crushed. We are committed ourselves to a great crusade to bring to all the peoples of the world—among other freedoms—freedom of speech; and in the midst of a war situation we are very apt to lose our freedom of speech at home. The church must stand firm for the right of minority groups to express unpopular opinions, or it may find itself a minority movement without freedom of expression in a totalitarian world. The church, unless it is to be reduced to a mere arm of government, must retain its age-old right to speak its prophetic message even in a time of national and international hysteria. "Thus saith the Lord" must not be subject to the approval of the censor. Recently I received a letter from the Council Against Intolerance in America, which began with this intolerant opening paragraph:

"The enemies of freedom have assailed our beloved country. Imitating the Nazis, such men as Mr. Lindbergh and Senator Nye are injecting the poison of racial and religious prejudice into American life. They are seeking to destroy liberty through bigotry."

So easy is it to allow our emotions to be aroused, defeating the ends we seek by the methods we use.

Can we Christians who have condemned intolerance in others be sympathetically tolerant of those of our numbers who feel that they cannot reconcile the way of Christ and the way of war? What will this church do to keep

the man who conscientiously believes his religion prevents his participation in warlike measures? What will we do to keep him from losing faith in the church? The question is not whether or not we are pacifists. Most of us are not. But can we be sympathetically understanding of the conscientious pacifist when the martial music begins to play and the atrocity stories grow?

Interventionists and non-interventionists should be able to worship together in the same church before the same altar, sharing the same communion of the Lord Jesus, now and when the war clouds have descended heavily upon us. If those who make up the church cannot find this kind of sympathetic understanding now, how can they hope to bind up the wounds of a shattered world and bring the scattered fragments of humanity together again when the storm of war has subsided?

If the church would be a light in a world at war, it will actively promote tolerance toward minority points of view, toward minority points of view with which it does not agree.

3. If the church is to remain a light in the darkness and not suffer a blackout in a world at war, it will not forget to emphasize that wars do not happen out of a blue sky,but are caused, that we must seek out the causes and remove them if wars are to be prevented from tearing up our civilization periodically.

In a time when truth is at a premium, when the cry is not for facts which may be unpleasant, but for fictions which are pleasant, the church must try to be fearlessly honest in facing reality. It must speak the truth in kindness in spite of all the distortions of truth and half truths that make our daily diet of propaganda.

Perhaps to fight a war it is always necessary to depict the enemy as brutal and avaricious, fiendish and devilish, and to describe ourselves and our allies as angels of mercy, pure and undefiled, going out like Sir Galahad to rescue the poor and oppressed of the world. This kind of self-deception may be necessary to fight a war, but let not the church of Jesus Christ participate in perpetrating this illusion. In the white light of the gospel, all men fall short of the glory of God, all men are sinners; and it is nothing but an ethnocentric illusion to believe that we are the saints and our political enemies the sinners.

All nations resort to this kind of self-deception, but if the church is to be a light in the darkness, it must rise above it. All the nations involved in the first World War fought in self-defense, in behalf of country, humanity, civilization, and the kingdom of God. Again we are being persuaded to fight for the kingdom of God, even by some of our leading theologians, only to have the matter become slightly confused when we find ourselves lined up on the side of the angels with a country committed to atheism and the destruction of the church.

If the insistence of modern states on national sovereignty, on the right of a state to do as it pleases regardless of the rights of others, leads to international chaos and strife, let the church say so without compromise, and eventually its voice will be heard. If economic imperialism, the competition for raw materials and markets on the part of modern states leads to carnage and slaughter, let the church of Jesus Christ with gentle firmness speak against this pooled selfishness. If the church is to have a part in rebuilding the world on a better and sounder basis when hostilities have ceased, it must be honest in facing the underlying causes of war now.

4. If the church is to be a light shining like a city set on a hill top through the fog of war, it will not forget its universal character, its ecumenical nature. "I believe in the Holy Catholic Church." These words must be more than a phrase, easily said, easily forgotten. They must be a fundamental commitment of the church, not to be forgotten. They must be a fundamental commitment of the church, not to be forgotten even in time of war.

Our Roman Catholic friends have an advantage over us Protestants in this regard. They have a far-reaching international organization symbolizing the universal character of our religion. Our manifold Protestant denominations only aggravate the class divisions, race divisions, sectional divisions, and national divisions, which already divide us into too many segments. We believe in the Holy Catholic Church, which must be broad enough to include men of good will regardless of race, nationality or creed.

> In Christ there is no East or West
> In Him no South or North,
> But one great fellowship of love
>
> Throughout the whole wide earth.

Nationalism in a varied form is a disease from which all modern states suffer. Harry Emerson Fosdick has said that "the dogma of nationalism as it has developed in the last two centuries has become a competing religion. I think," says Dr. Fosdick, "it is the most dangerous rival of Christian principles on earth."

During the last war the worship of the God of Jesus, the Father of all mankind, whose sun shines and whose rains descend alike upon the just and the unjust, was supplemented for many by nationalistic or tribal gods. The sociologists' in-group and out-group relationships are manifested in modern warring nations in an extreme form. Whatever my group does is right because my group does it. Whatever the enemy group does is wrong because they do it. Lies, deceit, treachery are as much a part of a nation's wartime equipment as are plants, tanks, and guns. If the church of Jesus Christ is to illuminate the darkness after the fury of war has subsided, it must not allow to be blacked out during the war the universal character of its faith, the great teachings of its Founder concerning the brotherhood of man, the infinite worth of personality, even of wrongdoers, of overcoming of evil with good, the avoidance of hatred and revenge, the duty of love toward enemies, the obligation of forgiveness, the voluntary suffering of the innocent on behalf of the guilty—these great Christian teachings cannot be checked now for the duration, and be recovered intact after the war is over.

5. If the church is to be a light in the darkness in a world at war it should be constantly purifying itself so that it may minister to those who are gasping for a final breath before the piece of shrapnel completes its deadly task, so that it may speak to the heavy-hearted mother whose son is reported missing to cover a more horrible story, so that it may able to rebuild the life of the sad-eyed girl whose sweetheart is smothered beneath the sea in a submarine.

Over and above these very important functions, the church must be ready to encourage and promote every honest effort at mediation between the contending nations. Whether it comes now or years later when the nations of the world, including our own, are impoverished and starving—some day some kind *(Continued on page 23)*

People and Things

Rev. A. C. Thompson of West End charge is recovering nicely from a major operation at Watts Hospital, Durham. —Margaret Thompson.

We have been received here at Midway in Kannapolis most royally. Things are starting off for a great year. I feel that I will have one of the greatest years of my ministry.—R. A. Taylor.

Dr. Emmons reports a constantly growing demand for The Upper Room, whose circulation nears the 1,500,000 mark, with editions printed in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Hindustani, and Braille for the blind.

Our bishop confirms the appointment of John J. Powell to Lee's Chapel and W. B. A. Culp to Draper-Wayside. Both these men are in the school of religion at Duke University. —L. B. Hayes, D. S.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, was elected president of the North Carolina College Teachers for the coming year at their meeting in Greensboro last week. Dr. Gobbel is to succeed Dr. Frank P. Graham of Chapel Hill.

The largest locomotive ever built is now being used on the mountain grades of Utah and Wyoming. Engine and tender weigh 596 tons. The unit cost $5,000,000 to build. The Union Pacific Railroad has placed orders for 19 similar locomotives.

A recent letter from Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs written from Birmingham, Ala., states that his health is improving and that he has "high hopes of being able ultimately to render some service." He extends his greetings to friends who have been "wonderfully and graciously kind."

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion of Greensboro College, has been elected president of the North Carolina Teachers of Religion for the coming year. Dr. Smith attended the third annual meeting of the association in Salisbury at Catawba College, Saturday, November 8, to make a report on "Teaching Values in the Liberal Approach to the Scriptures," and was elected the new president.

Ohio Wesleyan, alma mater of Bishop Edwin Hughes, has included in its centennial home coming ceremonies November 6 the award of a "W" to him as its "No. 1 Battling Bishop." This sobriquet has no reference to any personal pugnacious qualities. Newspapermen have for years dubbed Ohio Wesleyan football teams the "battling bishops" because of the contribution her graduates have made to the episcopacy.

We are legitimately concerned over organized atheism in Russia and the necessities of strategy which compel this country to give practical support to the government which is avowedly anti-Christian. And yet we have a greater menace close to us. It is the growth of the spirit of secularism in the United States. Secularism may not be clearly anti-Christian, but by its insistence upon practical materialism it is more insidious and dangerous than atheism.—The Watchman-Examiner.

Bishop H. A. Boaz will preach at First church, Corsicana, November 30, at the morning hour. This service is in celebration of the bishop's first ordination. Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, who presided over the Methodist conference held in Corsicana 50 years ago this November, ordained Bishop Boaz as a deacon in the Methodist ministry. Bishop Boaz had been on trial for two years and had passed the courses and done satisfactory work, which made him eligible for deacon's orders. He has been a Methodist minister 52 years. —The Southeastern Advocate.

Our civilization cannot survive materially unless it is redeemed spiritually. It can be saved only by becoming permeated with the spirit of Christ and being made free and happy by the practices which spring out of that spirit. Only thus can discontent be driven out and all the shadows lifted from the road ahead.—Woodrow Wilson.

"Sad will be the day for every man when he becomes absolutely contented with the life that he is living, with the thoughts that he is thinking, with the deeds that he is doing, when there is not forever beating at the doors of his soul some great desire to do something larger, which he knows that he was meant and made to do because he is still the child of God."—Phillips Brooks.

Rev. Foye Gibson has recently gone from the pastorate of the Methodist church in Pulaski, Virginia, Holston conference, Southeastern Jurisdiction, to the presidency of Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va., succeeding Dr. J. N. Hillman, long time president of the institution and one of the best known among the college presidents of the former Southern Church.

It has been my privilege for a long number of years to count among my intimate friends the Rev. Jordan W. Carter, whose home is in Wilmore, Kentucky. He is a man of deep spirituality, beautiful personality, and is well trained in the art of winning men to Christ. I would like to commend him to my brethren who desire capable, constructive help in their evangelistic meetings.—Arthur J. Moore, Bishop Atlanta Area.

The call to a record breaking national gathering of student Christians of all denominations is being scattered across the college and university campuses of America this month in preparation for a national assembly of Student Christian Associations, to be held at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, from December 27, 1941, to January 3, 1942. It is expected that 1500 delegates will assemble for a week of study, discussion, prayer and planning.

We moved to Elk Park on Tuesday following conference and found that Brother J. J. Wood had been busy getting the parsonage in readiness. On Sunday he called a meeting of the parsonage trustees and on Monday a new carpet for the living room, a new kitchen range and other furnishings were installed. Having served all around the mountains we have now arrived on the crest. Everything has been done to make us comfortable. Last week we were pounded.—Jasper Snow, P. C.

In a small town in the east of Scotland an evening worship service was drawing to a close; the closing hymn had been announced by the pastor, when suddenly the lights went out. After a moment of silence, one sitting near the front arose and said: "We cannot manage the hymn, sir, but we can all sing 'The Lord's My Shepherd' in the dark." "Yes, we will take the Twenty-third Psalm," said the pastor, "and let me add, that it is well with every soul that can sing 'The Lord's My Shepherd' in the dark."—Associate Reform Presbyterian.

Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Boone have gone to Durham to attend the annual meeting of the North Carolina conference, which had its opening service Monday night. The Methodist church of which Mr. Boone has been the pastor for the past four years, has just closed a very successful year financially, the budget of $5,725 having been raised in full. In addition a small deficit carried over from last year was raised. A large congregation attended the service at the Methodist church Sunday morning when six new members were taken into the church.—Smithfield Herald.

The Methodist ministers of Davie county met last Monday at the Methodist church in Mocksville and elected Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., chairman, Rev. G. W. Fink, vice chairman, and Rev. R. M. Hardee, secretary. We will meet the first Monday after first Sunday in each month, and we invite any of you brethren passing through Davie to stop in with us. Our meeting is at ten o'clock.

Mississippi movie lobbyists circularized legislators asking for Sunday shows and wide open saloons, also repeal of the theatre tax. Rather a large order. Movie lobbyists persuaded some women to meet at the Jackson, Miss., Episcopal church and ask for Sunday shows. It was no official group and the only argument advanced was that "the community was tired of seeing boys wandering aimlessly up and down the streets on Sunday." That someone could take the men into their homes never occurred to the ladies.

On November 12 Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina, presents the first of its series of lectures for the school year with Dr. Gerald Wendt, America's foremost advocate for the cause of science, as speaker. His lecture, to be supplemented by motion pictures, is to be in the form of an interpretation to the laymen of what is happening in science. To speak in February is William L. Shirer, outstanding news commentator and author of "Berlin Diary." Leslie Howard, noted English actor who has just completed two pictures in England for the British cause, will lecture in April. The latter two speakers are being sponsored in conjunction with Converse College.

On Tuesday, November 4, Rev. and Mrs. B. B. Slaughter entertained the ministers and wives who have served in the district during the past six years. The ministers are J. W. Sneeden, J. T. Stanford, W. N. Vaughn, M. W. Maness, M. R. Gardner, C. E. Vale, W. J. Watson, B. B. Slaughter, J. R. Poe, and J. M. Joliff. Brother Joliff was not able to attend because of a death in the family. The group gathered at Texaco Beach near Elizabeth City and enjoyed a fish dinner. All present enjoyed a discussion of "most thrilling and embarrassing moments" in life's experiences. In appreciation of his service Mr. Slaughter was presented a life time Schaeffer pen.—John R. Poe.

"The Divine Imperative" is the theme for the Commission of Adult Workers which will meet in Nashville, Tenn., as a part of the Methodist Conference on Christian Education, November 25-28, 1941. Harry C. Munro of the International Council of Religious Education and Paul L. Vogt of the United States Department of Agriculture will discuss divine imperatives for Christian adults. "Exploring Our Task in the Light of the Divine Imperative," "How We Meet the Divine Imperative," and "Imperatives for Christian Education of Adults" are topics which will be considered by conference directors of adult work and conference presidents of the Young Adult Fellowships in the meeting of the commission.

Warsaw-Magnolia has made a fine record this year. The number of additions on profession of faith has not been large, for which we are sorry. Only 12 have been thus added. Twenty-five have been received by certificate. Our financial obligations have been met in full. We accepted in full the benevolences as apportioned to us; this was $221 more than was paid last year. This was done almost one month before the annual conference meets. In 36 years this pastor has never had a charge to pay out this far in advence of conference. This charge has raised $50 for the Day of Compassion (aid to sufferers in war-torn countries and for religious work among our soldiers). We have raised $20 for the Golden Cross, twice as much as raised last year. Trinity has installed electric lights. Turkney has replastered the walls and painted the inside and built brick and concrete steps. Warsaw has paid off the debt ($500) on the parsonage and painted it. Eighty new subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate have been secured in the last few weeks. These things have been done because of the hearty co-operation of the members in all the churches. "For the people had a mind to work." (Neh. 4:6).—Duplin-Sampson Advocate.

MRS. W. J. ERVIN OF TROUTMAN PASSES AT AGE OF 82

Our dear mother passed away this morning, November 10, at 6 o'clock, and like Enoch of old walked with God until she went all the way home with him today. We shall miss her greatly, but we are not weeping loudly on this day of coronation. We are thinking of the words of Mother Wesley when she said to her loved ones: "Children, when I am gone gather around my casket and sing a song of praise to God!"

Mother and my father were married a few months more than sixty years ago and have walked together in a great companionship as two brave soldiers of King Emanuel for all these long years.

Father with eleven of her sons and daughters are left to hold dear and to cherish her memory until we shall join her in that city which hath foundations whose builder is God.

The oldest son, George Franklin, passed to his reward in the summer of 1905. Frank was a school teacher and later, with Charles Echerd, one of the first letter carriers in the city of Statesville. The surviving children are: Mrs. H. L. Harwell of Charlotte, Rev. J. O. Ervin of Farmer, W. M. Ervin of Durham, Mrs. Carl Howard of Fayetteville, Mrs. Lex Cole of Richmond, Va., Mrs. Ernest Howard of Mooresville, Mrs. Dorsey Edwards of Red Oaks, Miss Ethel Ervin of Winston-Salem, Rev. M. G. Ervin of Charlotte, J. Spencer Ervin of Durham, and John Wesley Ervin of Troutman. These with a host of grandchildren arise to call her blessed!

The funeral was conducted from the old home church, Rocky Mount, on the Shepherd's charge. Rev. Mr. Lackey, her pastor, was assisted by Rev. J. S. Hiatt of Statesville and other ministers of the community. J. O. Ervin.

A NEWSPAPER MAN'S TRIBUTE TO THE RELIGIOUS PRESS

By William T. Ellis, Foreign War Correspondent

For nearly half a century my life has been chiefly devoted to reading and writing. My calling has made me an addict to secular periodical literature; yet every week I have also perused carefully several religious papers.

Now, looking back, I want to bear tribute to the value of these religious publications. They have been a large part of my education. Through them I have got a continuous picture of life in its more serious aspects. They have kept me au courant with the religious movements of the world. Their editorial and contributed articles, their quotations from the wise of all ages, and their good poetry, have entered largely into my literary inheritance.

Best of all, the religious press has continually fertilized my spiritual life, giving me a ceaseless awareness of the things of God. Without the corrective of these to my constant newspaper reading, I am sure that my own outlook would have been materialized and distorted. Times beyond count I have met God in the pages of the religious press.

"GETTING PEOPLE TO READ"

One of the problems that a pastor has with him continually is the important and difficult task of getting his people to be regular readers of the Bible and Christian literature. It is very essential that we do something about this.

The radio, the funny papers, picture magazines and moving pictures are affecting the reading habits of the American people in a very large way.

If we build strong Christian lives they must be informed and strengthened through Christian reading It is up to the pastor to stimulate a desire on the part of his congregation to read the things that will instruct, inform, and inspire his people.

Let us bear in mind that Paul's admonition to Timothy: "Till I come give attendance to reading" is one for the preacher and all the people to accept as a personal word to themselves to which they should give heed.—Norman W. Cox in Baptist Record.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

As the time for the election of the new officers in the Woman's Societies of Christian Service is here, we want to remind the presidents of the societies that as soon as these officers are chosen, a complete and accurate list be sent to the district secretaries that they may have them for their records. For the past several years blanks for the names of the new officers have been sent to the society presidents, but this will no longer be necessary since the new corresponding secrtary's book, which should be in the hands of every society in the conference, contains the blanks for the listing of the new officers. The conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, and conference corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, urge each society to get this list made out as early as possible and mail to the district secretary. Please do not overlook this matter, but attend to it AT ONCE.

RECOVERING FROM SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Friends of Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Moores will be interested to know that they are recovering from a recent serious accident in which both of them sustained most painful injuries. On October 11 Mr. and Mrs. Moores with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell of Spartanburg, went to the Smoky Mountains for a day's trip, and as they were returning home their car was run into by a driver from a side road, and all the occupants of the car were hurt and the car completely demolished. Mr. Moores and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were in the Waynesville hospital for a week or more, and are now at home, but Mrs. Moores who was the most seriously hurt, is still in the Mission Hospital in Asheville, and while she is recovering it will be some time before she will be able to return to her home in Black Mountain. A recent visit to her found her cheerful and grateful for her improved condition, and living in anticipation of being able soon to return home. Our best wishes are extended for a speedy recovery.

MEETING AT RAMSEUR

We have been giving much space in the past weeks to the zone meetings throughout the conference because they have been important in the districts and have proven pleasant and profitable occasions. From the High Point district comes the account of zone two held at Ramseur Methodist church, with a good percentage of representatives from the various societies, the individual registration showing 95 present. The meeting opened with a worship service by Mrs. Wade Johnson, followed by prayer by Rev. J. E. Pritchard. The address of welcome, which was cordial, was also given by Dr. Pritchard. Mrs. G. R. Brown, the district secretary of missionary education, gave an interesting outline of the mission and Bible study, and mentioned a number of the new books to be used. Mrs. G. W. Lindsey discussed the important subject of work for the children from 6-12 years to be carried on by the church school and W. S. C. S. She announced as the January study "What America Is Doing for the Children."

Mrs. E. A. Lamb talked on the work of the young women and girls, and stressed World's Friendship Commission. Youth Fellowship takes the place of the former societies of the church, including the Epworth League, etc., and boys as well as girls may become members. Mrs. W. J. Redding was to have been present to speak on the Wesleyan Service Guild ,but was absent because of the death of her brother, much to the regret of those present.

Student work was presented by Mrs. McGlowin of Asheboro, who suggested some ways to carry on the work which had been successful in her own organization. Mrs. W. T. Powell, district corresponding secretary, gave items of interest concerning the work in the district, requested coupons sent to Bethlehem House in Winston-Salem; announced the week of prayer to be observed in October; reported one life membership for the district at $25; urged others to secure life memberships and gave the budget for the district as $4700 with 103 churches in the district, with 57 societies organized.

Mrs. R. M. Andrews presented several subjects of interest in her report on C. S. Relations, viz: the camp for conscientious objectors near Marion sponsored by Quakers; and emphasized that much can be done for peace through prayer; the migrant work, home economics, kindness to domestics and consideration and help to interracial groups. She spoke of alcohol as a menace to youth and announced that the laws of North Carolina say "that each public school shall have ten lessons a year on the effect of alcohol on the system."

Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, district president, urged the placing of the Bible in all the schools of the district and announced that this work has already been started. After the song, "Blest be the tie that binds," Mrs. J. P. Cox closed the meeting with a talk on spiritual life. A vocal quartet adding to the program was sung by Mrs. York, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Jessie Craven and Mrs. Graham.

NEW ORGANIZATION—MARION DISTRICT

At Bethel church on the McDowell charge a Woman's Society of Christian Service has been recently organized with 13 charter members and with four of the officers elected, others to be chosen later. Those elected: President, Mrs. E. M. Epley; vice president, Mrs. J. H. Reep; secretary, Mrs. C. C. Mangum; treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Patton. Address of all officers, Route 1, Morganton, N. C.

We gladly welcome these new organizations into our missionary ranks and wish for them unbounded success in their new work.

ZONE 4, STATESVILLE DISTRICT, MEETS AT TRIPLETT CHURCH

Mrs. F. M. Brown sends us the following account of recent zone meeting (zone 4) of the Woman's Scoiety of Christian Service which met at Triplett church Tuesday morning, October 28, with Mrs. Fred Clark as chairman and Mrs. Walter Kimmons as secretary. Meeting opened with hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," which was followed by a greeting of welcome by Miss Hattie Sloop, president of Triplet society, and response by Miss Ira Clodfelter of Troutman.

Mrs. H. A. Poston conducted the devotional service with her theme "Service." Fifteen auxiliaries responded to roll call. Mrs. W. A. Myers, district president, was introduced and spoke briefly. Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, called for the reports of the presidents of the societies represented, all of which showed great interest in the work. The highlight of the morning session was the talk of Mrs. W. W. Hagood, pioneer missionary worker of Charlotte, who spoke on supplies and the new Bethlehem Center in Charlotte.

Rev. Hubert Powell, pastor of the church, delivered an inspiring address using as his subject, "Our Neighbors." The meeting recessed at 12:30 for lunch which was spread on a long table on the lawn, and those present enjoyed the splendid food and the hour of pleasant fellowship.

Mrs. A. G. Lackey of Shepherd charge led the afternoon devotionals followed by special music by Forrest Murdock of Mooresville. Miss Lorena Kelly, who will sail for the Congo this month, was introduced and brought a most inspiring message, using as her topic "Developing Leaders in the Congo." Following Miss Kelly's talk Mrs. George Grier of Hickory spoke on the work of the children, and Mrs. W. I. Pitts of Lenoir explained the work of the department of Christian social relations and local church activities. Mrs. A. G. Lackey presented the work of the spiritual life department.

An invitation for the spring meeting extended by a delegation from Williamson's Chapel was unanimously accepted. The assembly sang "Blest be the tie that binds" and benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. G. Lackey and closed one of the best meetings the zone has ever enjoyed. A collection taken during the day was presented to Miss Kelly to be used in her work.

OFF TO CALIFORNIA

It will be of interest to the friends of Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, to know that she is attending the annual national convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy which is meeting in Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Thompson goes as the representative of the Greensboro chapter U. D. C. We wish for her a safe and pleasant journey.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MEDITATION

"Jesus revealed: The cross as a supreme revelation of the character of God. The resurrection was the vindication of the Messiahship and the release from old ideas of the kingdom into a new idea—an increasing discovery of the real kingdom of God. Back of all theories of the atonement are the experiences. Through Christ we are brought into oneness with God—a fellowship with him." — Dr. John Shackford.

A PLEA FOR PATIENCE

No doubt by this time all zone meetings in the N. C. conference have been held. Many of the zone leaders and secretaries are graciously sending accounts of these meetings for publication on the woman's page, for which the editor is grateful. However, since these items are coming in so rapidly and since it would not be wise to crowd the page with that type or any other type item, we are publishing the zone meeting stories in the order in which they are being received, and are again asking that those who will be watching for these stories will be patient. They will all be published as rapidly and as soon as time will permit.—M. G.

CONCERNING BABY SPECIALS

Since many of the women of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. A. are doubtful concerning the fate of the department of baby specials, we are happy to announce that, according to Miss Ruby Van Hooser, secretary children's work, Woman's Division of Christian Service, the plan for baby specials has not been changed, nor has that work been discontinued. It is hoped, therefore, that in each society baby specials will be emphasized and made an active part of the work.

NEGROES GRATEFUL

Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person circuit in the Durham district, writes interestingly of recent developments of her varied and energetic activities. Miss Brooks states: "Recently I was asked to talk to the colored women of the Baptist missionary societies in this area at their convention. Several men were present Since they had asked me to talk about the work we Methodist women are doing I thought that they would be particularly interested in the work carried on among the colored people. They were very appreciative and responsive. When I finished one of their pastors arose and expressed his appreciation. He said: 'Tell your church we are grateful for the work that is being done at the Bethlehem centers, at Paine College, at Bennett College and in Africa.' In the testimony meeting that followed each women was eager to tell the others that God had been good to her, that he was leading her and that she is trying to serve him. I was impressed with the note of faith and joyous hope that prevailed. One woman near me remarked fervently: 'We don't know how well off we is.' I wished that all of us might not forget to be grateful for the many good things that come our way, especially for the spiritual heritage that is ours.

"The Oak Grove church is launching forth upon its long anticipated program of building Sunday school rooms and a large assembly room where community gatherings can also be held. The initial funds for this cause were gathered from rummage sales. We appreciate the co-operation some of you have given along this line and we hope to have more of the these sales this fall. They serve a double purpose—helping needy families obtain cheap clothing and supplying funds for a worthy cause. Your continued co-operation will be appreciated." Editor's note: This interesting and appealing letter from Miss Brooks should strike a responsive cord in the hearts of many. Let's send clothing to her for the rummage sale. Miss Brooks' address is Roxboro, N. C.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Fred Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, writes: "All of the zone meetings of the Rocky Mount district have been held during the month of October and the district secretary says positively and thankfully that all have been the best we have ever had. The contributing factors were: First, the zone leaders, they who have given unsparingly of their efforts, prayers and means to the work, to them we are all indebted. This being the time for election of officers, Mrs. Henry W. Maddry of Severn is succeeding Mrs. Hazel Stephenson in the Northampton zone. Mrs. J. C. Burwell of Warren zone retiring, has no successor; however, Miss Josephine Dameron of Warrenton will act as zone leader pro tem. The remaining three zones reelected their officers, namely, Southern-Central zone, Mrs. L. N. Stephenson, Rocky Mount; Halifax, Miss Blanche Hardie, Enfield; Quinn County, Miss Eleanor Lamm, Lucama. An other contributing factor has been our interesting, inspiring speakers, some of whom were Miss Leila Tuttle, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood and others. Moreover the largest contribution to all of the meetings was that made by the local women who filled the churches and kept every one in leadership tense answering the many searching questions brought by them. Each time there was a bountiful lunch served by the hostess church and the congregations were patient with the afternoon business sessions. For all of this and more the writer is most grateful. A concluding challenging note to all who read these lines would be: Officers, stand by your posts until the last hour is struck, for without you Rocky Mount district would be lost in the mire."

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

The beloved superintendent, the other members of the staff and the 300 children at the Methodist Orphanage realize with grateful hearts what the interest and the aid of Methodist folk in North Carolina conference have meant to them, but even so their joy in being recipients have not exceeded that of those who have aided in the noble work of that great institution. Soon Thanksgiving will be at hand and that will bring to the Methodists of North Carolina conference another opportunity to serve God in his mission of caring for orphaned children. It is hoped that the offerings in the churches during this Thanksgiving season will be very generous and that the women of the churches throughout the conference will respond to an appeal from Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent, to use their influence through the churches and church schools and in every way possible to secure large Thanksgiving offerings for the Methodist Orphanage.

ROSE HILL WOMEN STUDY

The Rose Hill Woman's Society of Christian Service has recently completed the fall mission study, "A Christian Imperative." It was given in four sessions with a different teacher for each session. The women are grateful that they have been able to have a jurisdictional class. There were 13 enrolled. The last session was an all day affair with a covered dish luncheon. The women seemed to enjoy the book more than any other they have ever studied. More discussions and more interest shown by all attending. Mrs. Herbert Marshall, Mrs. L. A. Wilson, Mrs. J. M. Jerome and Mrs. C. T. Fussell were the teachers.—Mrs. C. T. Fussell.

ALAMANCE ZONE MEETS

The Alamance zone of the Durham district met on Sunday afternoon, October 12, in the Methodist church at Mount Herman with a good representation. Mrs. T. B. Hough, zone leader, presided. Mrs. L. L. Parrish of West Burlington church led the devotional. Greetings were extended by Mrs. L. P. Holt, with Mrs. C. J. Andrews of Webb Avenue church responding. A life membership was presented little Joan Williams of Saxapahaw by Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary. Mrs. D. W. Brittain of Graham gave an interesting talk on "Spiritual Life." Miss Florine Robertson reported on district work and asked for a check up on the efficiency aim and a "rounding up of the year's work." Rev. D. R. Williams of Graham gave the inspirational talk, using as his theme "Making a Discovery of Ourselves." Special music was rendered by a quartet of the Mount Herman charge. Excellent reports were given from all societies represented. Rev. R. L. Hethcox pronounced the benediction.—Mrs. D. N. Webster, Secretary.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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CRISP AND CLEAR

This Monday morning is crisp and clear. It has followed the coldest night we have had. The youngsters stepped lively as they went to school. The boys and girls designated to look after the morning chores hurried along with their duties. The government representatives who are treating our campus for Japanese beetles are spraying a little faster than usual. Yes, the morning is crisp and clear.

INTERESTING SEASON

This is the opportune time of the year to get things done. The summer lethargies have disappeared. The conference tug is over. Even the breathing spell following the close of a conference year has come to a close. Everybody has got set to go. In football language, the team has lined up and the signals are being given. This is a good time to charge for some touchdowns.

THESE LEAD

The following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full for the new conference year. They lead the way for a large number of others to come after them. Note them and their pastors:

Center, Marshville circuit, Rev. R. C. Kirk.

Friendship, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. R. L. Forbis.

Bethany, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. A. W. Lynch.

Rehobeth, Pleasant Garden circuit, Rev. T. F. Higgins.

Wade Mill, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

Ebenezer, Belmont, Rev. R. H. Stamey.

FIRST AT HOMESTEAD

Homestead, in the Charlotte district, enjoys the distinction of being the first congregation to pay the new apportionment in full for the present conference year. This congregation has not only paid its ten per cent but it has paid its fifteen per cent, its new quota. The pastor, Rev. C. F. Womble, reports that one of his good laymen, W. L. Edwards, asked for the privilege of raising the Children's Home apportionment, and, brethren and sisters, he raised it.

CHILDREN'S HOME SUNDAY

While our friends are getting ready to raise their congregational apportionment the church school organization can be busy arranging for the November fifth Sunday contribution. The fifth Sunday comes soon after Thanksgiving, the time usually set apart in the minds of our people for doing something extraordinarily good for the orphans. Our Methodist people can use this season of the year for extra efforts at performing their normal challenges.

GASTONIA GOES

Allen H. Sims, chairman of the finance committee of the board of stewards of Main Street, Gastonia, writes as follows: "I just wanted to advise you that at a meeting of the stewards of Main Street Methodist church last night a motion was unanimously carried that Main Street church underwrite the athletic activities of your institution in any necessary amount up to $600 per year. I am happy to advise you that the board was enthusiastic about this matter and it is my feeling that this will be an annual affair hereafter with our church."

This is a most timely action on the part of our Gastonia friends. It will provide for the athletic equipment for some 250 boys and girls. We are glad that our Gastonia friends join us in the belief that our youngsters must not only be good but that they must be good for something, that they should have a good opportunity to learn through well regulated competitive sports the give-and-take spirit of good sportsmanship. What a fine idea, and what a fine way of doing something about it!

FOUR HELPERS

The picture presented is that of four girls who were the tellers in the voting contest for the cheer leaders of our football team. They happened to be together out on the campus one fall Sunday afternoon and agreed to have their beauty struck. Reading from left to right they are Elizabeth Mullis, tenth grade; Jane Kluttz, twelfth grade; Betty Welborn, twelfth grade; and Sarah Kate Maree, twelfth grade. Elizabeth, Jane and Sarah Kate are members of our varsity girls' basket ball team.

THE DOG GONE GANG

Our dog gone gang continues to function. It has done away with stray dogs on our campus. Many dogs come to see us. They seem to like our children and our children like the dogs. A bunch of frying size boys organized to clear the campus of the dogs, lest some unwelcome accident befall us. The gang brings the dogs to this scribe and he and the gang go over to the city police department for placing the dog. The boys understand that the dog is to be "impounded" until such time as he is placed with someone who wants a dog or is otherwise disposed of. Thus the gang helps our Home become a safer place for boys and girls.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

From time to time we expect to present by pastoral charges the total fifth Sunday and ten per cent apportionment payments for the past conference year. Herewith is presented the exhibit from the Winston-Salem district:

Charge	5th Sun.	10%
Davidson	83.95	200.00
Doubs	46.10	127.53
Forsyth	120.20	253.00
Forsyth-Maple Spgs.	26.97	94.22
Hanes-Clemmons	37.00	100.00
Kernersville		200.00
Kernersv. - S. Winston	6.71	86.94
Lewisville	76.90	118.15
Lexington—Erlanger	8.00	120.00
First	125.00	360.00
Trinity-Mt. Carmel	19.62	130.00
Mt. Airy—Central	51.62	360.00
Rockford Street	15.05	90.00
Mt. Airy Ct.	19.38	102.63
North Davidson	60.50	179.23
Pilot Mountain	10.20	104.61
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion		82.93
Reeds-Mt. Carmel	32.88	127.50
Rural Hall	61.38	147.57
Thomasville—		
Community	41.28	157.72
First-West End	15.00	138.80
Main Street	100.00	448.17
Trinity-Bethel		139.00
Thomasville Ct.	151.28	220.00
Walkertown—Love's	47.27	210.00
Morris Chapel	28.56	98.50
Walnut Cove	40.00	152.00
Welcome	136.02	213.86
West Forsyth	21.54	103.10
Winston-Salem—		
Ardmore	60.00	290.00
Burkhead	87.61	270.00
Centenary	500.00	1396.33
Central Terrace		200.00
First	54.54	180.00
Grace		180.00
Green Street		210.00
Hiatt-Sedge Garden	113.68	100.50
Oak Summit		116.00
Ogburn Memorial	33.62	210.00
Winston Circuit	11.23	72.63
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These tellers told who got elected

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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A SUGGESTION TO PASTORS AND CHURCHES—During the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons all our pastors and churches will have a splendid opportunity to remember the children in the Methodist Orphanage by taking a free will offering to help meet our operating expenses. Since the Orphanage lacks $33,000 of having a balanced budget, the reason for making this urgent appeal can readily be seen. Ever since the Methodist Orphanage was established—more than 40 years ago— it has been the custom to ask our pastors and churches to present our needs during the Thanksgiving season. Other denominations and fraternal orders utilize the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons to replenish their depleted treasury. I do not think for a moment that our pastors and churches will do less for our Orphanage than others do for theirs. All that the board of trustees wishes is that pastors will give all their churches an opportunity to demonstrate, in a concrete way, their deep and abiding interest in the welfare of the children under the fostering care of the Methodist Orphanage.

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DIME CARDS—All church school superintendents will receive this week a supply of ten cent coin cards for their Sunday school Thanksgiving offering for the benefit of the Methodist Orphanage. It is the earnest request of the superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage that these coin cards be handed out this coming Sunday, so that the Sunday school scholars will have time to get them filled with dimes by the 30th of this month, which is a fifth Sunday. It is generally known throughout the conference that each fifth Sunday in the year is set apart for a special offering by the Sunday schools to supplement the ten per cent apportionment. It is hoped that all church school superintendents will urge their classes to be as generous as possible, in order that we may secure a large Thanksgiving offering by the fifth Sunday in this month. If there are Sunday schools that need more time in which to get the coin cards filled, they could designate the first Sunday in December as a suitable time for the coin cards to be handed in to their teachers. I am relying in a big way on the hearty co-operation of all church school superintendents and teachers to raise this year the largest Thanksgiving offering in the history of the Orphanage. The need is imperative, and Thanksgiving is an opportune time for the Sunday schools of the conference to express in a tangible way their devotion to our beloved Methodist Orphanage.

LAUGHTER AND FRIENDS

It is that fine poet, Hilaire Belloc, who sings of laughter and the love of friends. The two go together. Laughter is never perfect except in the company of friends, and friends are never more friends than when they laugh long and loud together.

There is a solitary laughter which is good in its own way. You must have seen travelers in a railway train stifling their laughter as they read a "gravity remover," as Kai Lung called his diverting stories. There are books which I cannot read on a journey. Publishers should advertise the works of P. G. Wodehouse with the solemn words, "Not to be read in a railway train," always provided, as you doubtless remind me, that the reader is not alone. It is an unsocial act to laugh or chuckle or explode with inextinguishable laughter when others are near by. When you, sir, are reading The Anatomy of Melancholy, shall we say? and I am reading The Crime Wave in Blanding's Castle, you will frown justly upon me when I roar with laughter. In such a pleasant event I must come provided with a book which can be read with a composed face—a discussion of relativity perhaps, or that masterpiece, The Incomprehensible.

Laughter is better when friends laugh together. For laughter demands for its full exercise what only friends can give. When we laugh together, we implicitly declare that we share certain beliefs and principles. We accept the same general substructure of life; we could not see the incongruous if we did not have some common idea of what is congruous and befitting, for much of our laughter has its source in surprise and contrast.

Again, laughter demands the complete trust of those who share it with us. There must be no suspicion. We must not stand upon ceremony. We certainly must not be prigs, watching jealously for any breach of what seem the eternal conventions. If we are extravagant or absurd or ridiculous we expect our friends to understand us.

You must call to mind hours which your friend and you spent in conversation in which you went deep down to the very springs of life—and how merrily you laughed. Nothing goes better with the real spiritual life than mirth. I have a dear friend who tells the story that he and I were once requested to leave a tea shop because of our excessive laughter. We had been discussing with great delight the doctrine of the Trinity, from which both of us had and still have a profound faith and love. And why not? It is still rightly said that no one really believes fully in anything until he is prepared to be merry about it. "Him serve with mirth"—that is the right reading.

Both are good things—laughter and the love of friends. And what God has joined together, let no man put asunder. Ever yours, hoping to laugh with you again.—Quintus Quiz, in The Christian Century.

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FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE

World Service Sunday in the church school comes in connection with Thanksgiving this month. Sunday, November 23, provides a unique opportunity for Thanks-Giving. When we think of conditions in America today in contrast with the world scene, there is much for which to be truly grateful. These many privileges, however, confront us with a tremendous challenge to give.

Totals by Districts Last Year

World Service Sunday each month provides the 165,924 church school members of our conference twelve opportunities during the year to assist with the benevolent program of the church. These contributions are not extras. They are payments on the acceptances of each local church. During last conference year 516 church schools out of the 1137 in our conference gave a grand total of $24,769.54 to World Service. These contributions came from our districts as follows:

Asheville	$1549.67
Charlotte	3898.90
Elkin	598.78
Gastonia	2645.93
Greensboro	2315.82
High Point	2605.52
Marion	922.26
Salisbury	4210.21
Statesville	1632.81
Waynesville	1261.62
Winston-Salem	3128.02

What About the Other 622 Schools?

Let us try during this conference year to elicit the interest and participation of the other 622 schools which did not respond to this cause during 1940-1941. The enthusiastic support of this cause will bring increased interest in the activities of the school.

Program Suggestions

Widening Horizons contains suggestions for worship programs. Addressed envelopes and report forms are available for sending contributions to Rev. E. O. Cole, 1225 Plaza, Charlotte. The offering should be remitted immediately after each fourth Sunday. These materials are sent to the participating churches regularly and will be sent to any person who requests them from the conference office, Box 828, Salisbury.

MORE VACATION SCHOOLS

Asheville District

Avery's Creek, G. L. Lovett.
Mills River, G. L. Lovett.
Weaverville, F. O. Dryman.
East Fork, J. R. Bowman.
Selica, J. R. Bowman.
Oak Grove, J. R. Bowman.
Lake Toxaway, J. R. Bowman.
Mt. Zion, J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Clark's Chapel, J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Alexander's Chapel, J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Salem, J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Central, Asheville, McM. S. Richey.

Charlotte District

Peachland, J. E. Hipp.
Fountain Hill, J. E. Hipp.
First, Charlotte, Miss Helen Gage.
Heath Memorial, Norman Huffman.
Mineral Springs, Norman Huffman.
Waxhaw, Norman Huffman.
Indian Trail, Mrs. E. E Austin.
Bethel, Edward M. Graham.
Zoar, Miss Jessie Osborne.
Hawthorne Lane, Harold M. Patrick.
Polkton, J. L. Trollinger.
Belmont Park, Mrs. W. N. Smith.
Derita, Carolyn Eargle.
Matthews, Mrs. E. G. Furr.
Asbury, F. W. D. Bangle.
Ansonville, O. P. Ader.
Big Springs, Mrs. Howard Ulsh.
Trinity, J. E. Yountz.
Hebron, A. B. Bruton.
Weddington, A. B. Bruton.
Bond's Grove, A. B. Bruton.
Pineville, Mrs. W. F. Blakenship.

Elkin District

Sparta, Josephine Inskeep.
Wesley's Chapel, J. W. Vestal.
Mt. Olive, J. W. Vestal.
Huntsville, J. W. Vestal.
Smith Grove, J. W. Vestal.
Bethlehem, J. W. Vestal.
Farmington, J. W. Vestal.
Mt. Grove, S. J. Brawley.
St. Paul, S. J. Brawley.
Green Valley, W. C. Eastridge.
Martin's Chapel, W. C. Eastridge.
Rock Creek, W. C. Eastridge.
Mountain View, W. C. Aastridge.
Roundabout, W. C. Eastridge.
Snyder's Chapel, W. C. Eastridge.
Pleasant Hill, W. C. Eastridge.
Thomas Chapel, W. C. Eastridge.
Calvary, Clark W. Benson.
Peak's Grove, J. R. Short.
Big Laurel, J. R. Short.
Riverview, J. R. Short.
Wesley Chapel (col.), Mrs. George Royal,1 Elkin Church.
Hatcher's Chapel, W. H. Yokeley.
Maple Grove, W. H. Yokeley.
Chestnut Grove, W. H. Kokeley.
Hunter's Chapel, W. H. Yokeley.
Yadkinville, J. H. Green.
Fairview, R .J. Starling.
Trinity, R. J. Starling.
Helton, R. J. Starling.
Wilkesboro, J. C. Stokes.
Union, J. C. Stokes.
Boone, Mrs. J. B. McLarty.
Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr.
Lansing, J. G. Wootton, Jr.
Rich Hill, J. G. Wootton, Jr.
Clifton, J. G. Wootton, Jr.

Gastonia District

Cramerton, Mrs. L. P. Barnett.
Grace, King's Mountain, J. W. Johnson.
Bethesda, Robert H. Stamey.
South Point, Robert H. Stamey.
Polkville, T. H. Swofford.
Maylo, Miss Beatrice Holtzclaw.
Casar, T. H. Swofford.
Rock Springs Camp Meeting, A. W. Lynch.
Boger City, Mrs. Tom Finger.
Main St., Belmont, Mrs. C. R. McAdams.
Moriah, Fred R. Love.
Stanley, Ruth Moton.
Snow Hill, J. A. Howell.

Greensboro District

Bessemer, Mrs. R. E. Lowdermilk.
Mt. Pleasant Station, P. L. Shore.
Rehobeth, T. F. Higgins.
Bethlehem, T. F. Higgins.
Bethlehem, F. F. Higgins.
Proximity, G. W. Vick.
Summerfield, Mrs. R. C. Gordon.
Bethel, Mrs. G. P. Burchette.
Leaksville, A. C. Swofford.
College Place, Mrs. Guy S. Lane.
Liberty Grove, Gilbert S. Miller.
Burnett's Chapel, Gilbert S. Miller.
Midway, Gilbert S. Miller.
Mt. Pleasant, Rollin Gibbs.
Salem, Mrs. S. P. Schoolfield.
Draper, Paul R. Rayle.
Hickory Grove, J. W. Fowler, Jr.
Danbury, J. L. Love.
West End, Mrs. Charles Routh.
Center, C. W. Russell.
Tabernacle, Mrs. Cecil M. Fields.

High Point District

Bethany, O. E. Croy.
Linwood, O. E. Croy.
Tyro, O. E. Croy.
Cotton Grove, O. E. Croy.
Clarksbury, Mrs. C. E. Williams.
Mt. Pleasant, T. E. Strickland.
Ebenezer, T. E. Strickland.
Mt. Vernon, T. E. Strickland.
Lebanon, O. L. Easter.
West Bend, C. L. Grant.
Central, Denton, G. L. Curry.
Cedar Falls, E. A. Lamb.
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Marion District

Caroleen, M. C. Reese.
Clinchfield, H. M. Wellman.
Spruce Pine, M. Teague Hipps.
Gilkey, C. R. Ross.
Forest City, W. H. Groce.
Spindale, Mrs. W. C. Ellis.

Salisbury District

Mt. Tabor, Wyatt D. Boddie.
Central, Spencer, Frank Jordan.
Stony Hill, E. A. Bingham.
Bethany, E. A. Bingham.
Union Chapel, E. A. Bingham.
Central, Concord, Miss Lila White Bost.
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley.
Shiloh, R. W. McCulley.
Mt. Mitchell, H. H. Robbins.
Mt. Olivet, F. W. Kiker.
Ann Street, R. J. Barnwell.
Jackson Park, J. J. Holmes.
Trinity, W. A. Kale.
Norwood, Cecil G. Hefner.
Bethlehem, Lester Furr.
Gold Hill, Lester Furr.
Woodleaf, I. R. Miller.
Liberty, Lester Furr.
Bethel, Mrs. J. B. Cornelson, Jr.
Love's Chapel, John R. Hamilton.
Love's Grove, John R. Hamilton.

Statesville District

Grace Chapel, J. Max Brandon.
Stony Point, J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.

Bethel, E. H. Lowman.
Broad Street, V. R. Masters.
Hudson, R. E. Hunt.
Cedar Valley, R. E. Hunt.
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole.
Clarksbury, R. V. Martin.
New Union, R. V. Martin.
Mt. Bethel, R. V. Martin.
First, Lenoir, Mrs. G. V.McGimsey.
Moss Chapel, P. F. Snider.
Macedonia, P. F. Snider.
Fairmont, P. F. Snider.
Olin, P. F. Snider.
Mt. Bethel, O. L. Robinson.
Hiddenite, Elzie Myers.
Rocky Mount, A. G. Lackey.
Whitnel, D. A. Oakley.

LETTER FROM DR. ADAM CLARK

One hundred and ten years ago Beverly Waugh, Nathan Bangs and other Methodist leaders invited Dr. Adam Clark, England's ripest scholar, to visit his brethren in America. After expressing regret that his duties denied him the pleasure of coming, he added the following prophetic words to the people called Methodist and to the citizens of this country. He said:

"I respect and wish well to your state and I love your church.... There is no danger so imminent to us and to you as departing from our original simplicity in spirit, manner and mode of worship. As the world is constantly changing around us we are liable to be affected by these changes in our manner and mode of worship. We think we may please well intentioned men better and be more useful to them by permitting some of the more innocent forms of the world to enter the church. Whenever we have done so we have invariably lost ground in the depth of our religion and unction.

As I believe your nation to be destined to be the mightiest and happiest nation on the globe, so I believe that your church is likely to become the most extensive and pure on the earth. As a church, abide in the apostolic doctrines and fellowship. As a nation, be firmly united,, entertain no petty differences, totally abolish the slave trade (if you have not yet done so), abhor all offensive wars; never provoke the weakest nation and never strike the first blow. Let learning have its proper place and share of honor. Retain your holy zeal for God's cause and your country's welfare; and that you may ever maintain your liberty avoid that bane and ruin—a national debt."

We or today see Dr. Clark's prophesies about the power and happy freedom of the people of the United States literally fulfilled, and The Methodist church one of the strongest on earth. We also see his words of warning to both utterly disregarded. Among the Methodist churches simplicity of worship and moral urgency to turn to God here and now have been largely supplanted by ritualistic ceremonies that may please the eye but leave the sense of guilt undisturbed. It's as difficult to tell a Methodist church from any other ritualistic church as it is to tell a Methadist sinner from any other sinner.

It is true that well intentioned people favor admitting more of the world's ways and methods into our churches and colleges. Instead of a world-wide appeal to the conscience of our common humanity they would use a class appeal to a favored few whose purse and social standing allow customs that will rot a world and cause its devotees to lead a life that ends in a hollow moan.

It is true that our country is the mightiest and happiest on the globe. In fact, it is almost the only one fit to live in. Elsewhere men are either muzzled or fighting for liberty with their backs to the wall. Our danger is not half so much in our inevitable difference of poinion as in our willingness to sacrifice our opinions and suppress those of others for political prestige and plunder. Public debts usually have been made to give the people something for nothing. This corrupts the leaders and enfeebles the beneficiaries until the mob demands as a right what began as a charity. I am glad our lawmakers are trying to make us all feel the effects of our spending. Taxes now take one-fourth of our national income. I hope they won't go to half of all we get as they do in England. Ponder Dr. Clark's letter. It is based on eternal principles and these do not change.—Bascom Anthony.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

(Resolutions offered to and passed unanimously by the Men's Wesley Bible Class of First Methodist church, Charlotte, Sunday, November 2, 1941).

Whereas, the Western North Carolina of the Methodist Church has returned our minister, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, to us again for another year;

And whereas, during the past year First Methodist church has enrolled over 400 new members, either on profession of faith or by transfer of church letter, a record which has not been surpassed by any church in the conference;

And whereas, our church attendance has been increased, the spiritual vitality of our people quickened, and the total program of our church has moved forward encouragingly;

Be it resolved, that we, the Men's Bible Class of First Methodist church, Charlotte, express to Bishop Purcell and his cabinet our sincere appreciation for the return of Dr. Jordan, and and that we also express our appreciation for the excellent work which he has done and is now doing in this conference;

Be it resolved, that we likewise express to our district superintendent, Dr. Bond, our appreciation for the fine work which he is doing for this district;

Be it resolved further, that we, the Men's Wesley Bible Class individually and as a class, pledge to Dr. Jordan our hearty, loyal and enthusiastic support not only the coming year, but so long as he shall be our minister, in his entire program for First Methodist church.

CALAMITY AT THE CROSSROADS

"I'm looking for a criminal lawyer," said the stranger. "Have you any here?"

"Well, said the old timer shifting his tobacco from one cheek to the other, "we are pretty sure we have but we can't prove it."—The Crow's Nest.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

Union With Christ

If it is true that every one may have constant and vital union with Christ, how great is that truth! Human language cannot overstate the wonder of it.

But, says some one, the thing is so unpicturable. How can it be as real as Christians claim? They cannot see Christ, nor hear his voice. How can they know that their supposed union with him is not imaginary?

First let us say that the mystery and wonder of this experience does not disprove its reality. If some one had told your great-grandmother that her descendants would sit in their distant homes and without any connecting wires listen to the British Prime Minister in London, she would have tapped her head and said ominously, I fear we will have to send him to the institution. But this impossibility has been realized. Does it seem incredible that the Spirit of God should also reveal a way to have a radio in our hearts? The wonders revealed through science rebuke our unbelief in the wonders revealed by Christ.

Then, too, there are the endless testimonies of humble Christians who witness to the reality of this experience, and tell us that, instead of wearing out like the effects of a drug, it grows more and more real with the years, and shines doubly bright in the dark valley.

But the drastic test is this: Do other people find that those who bear witness to the living persence of Christ bring forth in their lives the fruit that would be expected of those who are united with the true vine? We may as well acknowledge that many who profess this experience do not. Jesus forewarned us of this baffling fact (Matthew 7:15-23).

But counterfeits do not disprove the existence of the true coin. The decisive question is, Are there multitudes who look to Christ whose lives bear the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, self-control? Of this there can be no doubt whatever.

In view of such multiplied testimonies it becomes the duty of any man eager for power to live a better life, to try the experiment to which Jesus invites him, and to put this experiment first on the list of the laboratory tests which he proposes to make.

This experiment is not one suited only to persons with a mystical temperament. The most matter-of-fact man can try it, as well as the most imaginative. He can turn to this chapter on the vine and the branches and get hold of the reality which it presents, just after he has scanned the market report to find the price of hogs, quite as surely as another who turns to it after reading a poem. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, says Jesus, for they shall be filled. If we can say, As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God; and if we are willing to make the adventure of faith, the primary conditions for entering into union with the true vine are fulfilled.

Christ is everywhere present, like waves from a powerful broadcasting station. Any man can tune in on the great Reality, who fulfills the conditions. The world, of course, has no consciousness of his presence, any more than a man without a radio can hear broadcasts going through the air.

This abiding in Christ implies habitual meditation on the words of Christ (Colossians 3:16), habitual obedience and constant prayer. The words of Jesus, Without me ye can do nothing, should express our inmost feeling.

The parable also stresses the fact that to enter into the riches of union with Christ requires time (Hebrews 10:36). We must abide in him just as the branch abides in the vine.

Fruit-bearing is to a large extent an unconscious process. We must, of course, deliberately seek to do good, but if we abide in Christ the most of the good we do will be an influence of which we ourselves are not conscious. Moses wist not that his face did shine.

Finally, note the paradox. We are to abide in Christ and see that his word abides in us. That seems like the complete surrender of our own individuality, but, strangely enough, we at once bear the promise, Ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you. If we abide in Christ we can have our own way, and work as creative spirits in the world.

HERR HITLER, LL.D.

Among those receiving honorary degrees last June was Herr Hitler of Germany. Ironically enough the University of Leipzig conferred upon him the Doctorate of Laws. This is the paradoxical joke of the twentieth century. It is as if Nero of Rome had been made a saint by the church. The new doctor of laws is a despiser of law; he rose to power by acts of lawlessness; he has destroyed all legal and protective rights of individuals and groups; he has treated all international law as rubbish. He knows no law save the law of retaliation, ruthlessness, vengeance. His mass murder of hundreds of hostages in France because they have been unable to locate the assassins of two German soldiers is evidence enough. If lawlessness be law, then Hitler is a LL.D. And so he is!—Arkansas Methodist.

The local church was making a drive for funds, and two colored sisters were calling on Uncle Rastus.

Uncle Rastus: I can't give nothing. I owes everybody in this here town now.

Collector: But don't you think that you owe the Lord something, too?

Uncle Rastus: I does, sister, indeed, but he ain't rushing me like the other creditors is.

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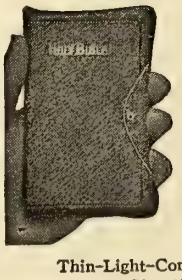
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Children's Storyland



THE FAIRY BROOK

When the children came to grandfather's for the summer, little starry-eyed Elizabeth chose the tiny southern chamber for her own because she could look out the window, across the meadow, and see Fairy Brook.

"Why did they call it 'Fairy Brook' grandmother?" she asked. "Do you really suppose someone saw really, truly fairies there some time, playing in the water?"

"Perhaps," laughed grandmother, as she hurried back and forth in the sunny kitchen; "suppose you and Lester go and see."

The children played all the morning by the brook. "We are going to call it our playground," said Elizabeth, "and play there all summer."

What fun they did have there! They watched the little minnows that swam by and threw them cracker crumbs to eat. They played forget-me-nots and water-cress by the borders of the brook, and made friends with a turtle who took his sun bath every day on a big flat rock right in the middle of it.

But try as they would they could never see the fairies that they were sure must be there. "Grandfather says it is called 'Fairy Brook' because it is so pretty," said Elizabeth, "but Lester, I almost just know that lots of things are there we can't see. I wish the turtle could talk and tell us of what goes on when we are not here."

Lester pushed his hair from his eyes and smiled at Elizabeth. "We'll get up before the day is here," he said. "Maybe we can surprise the fairies then."

"Oh, no, Lester," said Elizabeth. "Don't you know the fairies always go before the day comes?" We must come by moonlight."

Two nights after that Elizabeth woke. The moonlight made everything seem as bright as day. She jumped out of bed and dressed hurriedly and called Lester. "Let's go to Fairy Brook," she said, "and perhaps we will see the fairies in the moonlight."

They stole softly down the stairs and out of the door, just as the big clock in the kitchen struck two. "How strange it is to be out here awake when all the world is asleep!" whispered Elizabeth.

But all the world was not asleep. As they came nearer to Fairy Brook there was a rustle and a crash as a mother doe and her two baby fawns leaped out of the brook, and rushed back to the forest. Elizabeth and Lester looked at each other with eyes big with wonder.

"The dear things," whispered Elizabeth. "We will leave some salt on the old stump tomorrow night. Grandfather says deer like salt as much as we like candy. Oh, Lester! think of having deer for pets! Isn't it just wonderful!"

Mother deer and her fawns found the salt, the apples, and the other good things that Elizabeth and Lester left for them. At first they came only at night, but one day when the children had been very still watching the minnows for some time, Elizabeth caught sight of a pair of bright eyes watching them from a bush. "Oh," she said, "look, Lester, but keep very still."

After that they put things on the stump in the daytime, and if they kept very still, mother deer would come and take them, but it was a long time before she would let the babies come, too. At last they grew so friendly that they came every morning for the breakfast the children always had ready for them, and mother deer would let gentle Elizabeth lay her hand against her soft, furry side, and the baby fawns would lick Lester's hand with their slender pink tongues.

When it was time to go home in the fall, grandfather promised to see they had their breakfast all winter. "When you come again next summer," he said, "if they are fed all through the winter and spring, they will be waiting for you."

"After all," said Elizabeth, "it was a Fairy Brook. I don't believe things like that happen at most brooks."

"No," laughed grandfather, "I don't believe they do."—Anne Altha Singleton, in Advance.

SPARROWS

By Salvatore Marsiglia

In winter 'neath the apple tree,
I, many sparrows, daily see;
A group of greedy, chirping things,
Wee feathered friends who do not bring
The robin's springtime message sweet,
Who with gay songs the season greets.

They're nondescript in hue and song,
They quarrel and scold the whole day long,
And pounce upon a crumb or crust
As though 'twere cake upon the dust
That lies upon our wondrous earth.
Ah! still, in all, they bring me mirth.

I gaze upon the snow-swept grass
And view their footprints small, that pass
Around the corner by the hedge
And all atop the graystone ledge
That forms the wall about the well,
(And through bare land I cannot sell).

Ah, sparrow-folk! ye homely bird!
Far better voices have I heard!
Far better plumage have I seen
In foreign lands that I have been.
But your staccato little voice
Spells home to me, and I rejoice!

—Our Dumb Animals.

GOATS THAT PLAY GAMES

By James Reece

On the prairies of western Texas there are thousands of pure white young goats We had been told by ranchers that the kids really played game, very similar to those of children, and after watching them we found it to be true.

One game was a sort of "follow the leader," in which they balanced on rocks or hummocks, and hopped from one to another. Even down a cliffside —leaps that would surely have killed any child, big or little, that tried. Finally, all would return, that is, all in that particular flock of maybe 200 or so, to the starting point, and a new leader having been chosen, the performance would begin all over again. Sometimes two or more flocks would join together, and what a wild time they had!

But the funniest part was when a big automobile was parked near a flock of them and the passengers went into the woods. In less than five minutes the kids were sliding down its fenders, then "following the leader" again over the hood, under the car, then over its top, all seemingly with but little effect. The driver had carelessly left a door open and when he got back to the car, several kids were asleep in the seats. Others that had become tired were peacefully resting on the top of the car. The remainder were playing "ring-around-rosy" or a similar game, circling the car in opposite directions. Yes, these western Texas kids do originate games and play them gleefully.—Our Dumb Animals.

WHO WAS CINDERELLA?

Ciderella' real name was Rhodope, and she was a beautiful Egyptian maiden who lived during the reign of one of the twelve kings of Egypt.

One day she ventured to go in bathing in a clear stream near her home, and left her shoes, which must have been unusually small, lying on the bank. An eagle, passing above, saw the little shoes, and mistaking them for food, pounced down and carried off one in his beak.

The bird then unwittingly played the part of a fairy godmother, for flying directly over Memphis, where the king lived, let the shoe fall right in his lap. Its size, beauty and daintiness immediately attracted the royal eye, and the king determined upon knowing the wearer of so cunning a shoe, sent throughout all his kingdom in search of the foot that would fit it.

As in the story of Cinderella, the messenger finally discovered Rhodope, fitted the shoe, and carried her in triumph to Memphis, where she became the queen.—Exchange.

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FIRST ROUND

November

Bald Creek, Bald Creek, 11 16
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Red Hill, 3 16
Burnsville, Higgins Mem., night 16
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 23
Marshall, Walnut, 3 23
Asbury Memorial (Asheville), night 23
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 11 (Saturday) 29
Pisgah, Brown's View, 11 30
Missionary Institute, Central, 2:30 30
Biltmore, night 30

December

Wolf Mountain, 11 7
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 7
Brevard, night 7
Tryon, 11 14
Saluda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Dilworth, 7:30 14
Big Springs, 11 16
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 16
North Monroe, North Monroe, 7 16
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 7:30 19
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 21
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 11 23
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3 23
Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 23
Wadesboro, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 7:30 26
Calvary, 11 30
Trinity, 7:30 30

December

Central, Monroe, 7:30 1
Central, Avenue, 11 7
Zoar, 3 7
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7:30 7
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 8
Weddington, Weddington, 7:30 10
Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Brevard Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Sparta, 11 16
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 3 16
Jefferson, night 16
Dobson, night 19
Watauga, 11 23
Green Valley, 3 23
Creston, night 23
Millers Creek, Friendship, night 26
Wilkesboro, 11 30
N. Wilkesboro, District Missionary Institute, 2.....30
Moravian Falls, Beulah, night 30

December

Mocksville, night 3
Helton, 11 7
Warrensville, 3 7
Todd, night 7
West Jefferson, night 10
Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
Farmington, night 17
Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Cooleemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Cherryville, night 14
Crouse, 11 16
Mount Holly, night 16
Dallas, night 17
Stanley, night 18
Belmont, Main Street, night 19
Lowesville, 11 22
Cleveland, 11 23
Lafayette Street, night 23
Concord-Elizabeth, night 24
Vale, 11 30

December

Boger City, night 1
Lincolnton, night 2
Shelby, Central, night 3
Belwood, 11 7
Fallston, 3:30 7
Polkville, night 7
Main Street, Gastonia, night 9
Belmont, Park Street, night 10
Rock Springs, 11 14
Mayle-Smyre, night 14
East End, night 17
South Fork, 11 21
Lincoln Ct., 3:30 21
Cherryville Ct., night 21
Bradley Memorial, 11 28
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 28
Kings Mountain, Central, night 31

January

Gaston county meeting, Main Street, Gastonia, 2:30 November 16.

Cleveland county meeting, Shelby, Central, 2:30 November 23.

Lincoln county meeting, Lincolnton, 2:30 November 30.

All charges and church lay leaders, Sunday school superintendents, superintendents of adult, young people and children's divisions, presidents of woman's work and pastors are urged to attend their county meeting.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point
FIRST ROUND

November

Oak View 7 15
Pleasant Grove, 11 16
Greer's Chapel, 7 16
Denton Central, 7 17
Welch Memorial, 7 17
Ward Street, 11 20
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 22
Highland, 11 23
Randolph-G. C., Shiloh, 1:30 23
Richland, W. B., 7 23
South Davidson, L., 1:30 24
Calvary, 7 26
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7 28
Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 11 30
Coleridge, Coleridge, 7 30

December

Trinity, H., 7 1
First Church, H. P., 7 3
Asheboro St., C. F., 7 4
Sengrove, S., 7 6
Randleman-Franklinville, F., 11 7
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Main Street, 7 10
Why Not, N. H., 7 11
Linwood, 7 12
Denton First, D., 11 14
Liberty Ct., R., 2 14
Archdale, 7 14
Asheboro First, 7 17
Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Sandy Ridge, 7:30 15
Oak Ridge, 11 16
Haw River, 3 16
Newlyn Street, 7:30 16
Centenary, 7:30 19
Glenwood, 7:30 22
College Place, 11 23
Pleasant Garden, 3 23
Bessemer, 7:30 23
Proximity, 7:30 26
Reidsville Ct., 11 29
Danbury, 3 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 11 30
West Market, District League of Stewards, 3 30
Calvary, 7:30 30

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Spruce Pine, 11 16
Bakersville, Bakersville, 3 16
Marion Mills, East Marion, 7:30 16
Old Fort, 11 23
Old Fort Ct., Carsons, 3 23
Cross Mills, 7:30 23
Connelly Springs, 11 30
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 30
Rutherford College, 7:30 30

December

Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Mt. Pleasant, 11 16
Salem, 3 16
Landis, 7:30 17
Albemarle Ct., 7:30 18
Gold Hill, 7:30 19
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 22
Midland Ct., Center Grove, 11 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 3 23
Pfeiffer, 7:30 23
Harmony, 7:30 24
E. Spencer-Yadkin, Yadkin, 7:30 25
Kerr Street, 7:30 26
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 27
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Norwood Ct., Cedar Grove, 11 29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Harmony, night 14
Taylorsville, 11 15
Stony Point, night 16
Hiddenite, night 17
Cool Springs, Providence Church, night 18
Statesville, Boulevard, night 19
Lenoir, First, 11 23
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 2:30 23
Whitnell, night 23
Elmwood, night 24
Balls Creek Ct., Mt. View, 2:30 29
Maiden, night 30

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	November
Bethel, 7:30	13
Delwood, 7:30	14
Sylva, 11	16
Webster, Love's Chapel, 3	16
Cullowhee, 7:30	16
Whittier, Whittier, 7:30	18
Robbinsville, 12, luncheon	19
Andrews, 7:30	19
Murphy, 7:30	20
Shooting Creek, 11	23
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 2:30	23
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30	23
Canton, Central, 7:30	26
Canton, First, 7:30	27
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30	28
Franklin, 11	30
Junaluska, 7:30	30
	December
Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11	7
Waynesville, 7:30	7
Bryson City, 7:30	10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11	14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30	14
Highlands, Highlands, 11	21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30	21
Franklin Ct., 11	28
Macon Ct., 3	28

District stewards' meeting, Sylva, Nov. 13, at 10 a.m.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	November
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	16
Mt. Airy Ct., 3	16
Rockford Street, 7:30	16
Lexington, First, 11	23
Erlanger, 3	23
Ardmore, 7:30	23
N. Davidson, Union Ridge, 11	30
Hanes-Clemmons, at Bethel, 3	30
Mt. Tabor, 7:30	30
	December
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11	7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3	7
Marvin, 7:30	7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11	14
Concord, Sharon, 3	14
Maple Springs, 7:30	14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11	21
Welcome, Center, 3	21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30	21
Lewisville, 11	28
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3	28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	28

THE CHURCH IN A WORLD AT WAR

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of settlement will have to be worked out, and the church should point the way.

Furthermore the church must be ready to lead the way in rebuilding a destroyed civilization. It must be ready now and later to bind up the wounds of a broken and prostrate world, a world in which victor and vanquished alike will be starving and dying, filled with venomous hatred and fear. And all this stupendous task will have to be undertaken by a church that is greatly impoverished in its possessions, with many of its sources of income depleted and gone. There is a missionary task for you, challenging and far-reaching.

Never was the church so needed as a light in a dark world as it is needed today. If it is not to suffer a black-out:

The church will refuse to enter into the orgy of hate that will almost certainly descend upon us.

The church will actively promote tolerance toward minority groups and minority opinions.

The church will emphasize the causes of war and seek to remove these deeply-lying causes.

The church will not overlook its universal character. We believe in the Holy Church.

The church will so purify itself that it may be the good Samaritan to multitudes who have fallen by the wayside, and lead the way to a peace founded on justice and good will.

"You are the light of the world. A city that is built upon a hill cannot be hidden."

CHRIST WANTS THE BEST

Christ wants the best. He in the far-off ages
Once claimed the firstling of the flock, the finest of the wheat,
And still he asks his own with gentlest pleading
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents at his feet.
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love;
He only asks that of our store we give to him
The best we have.

Christ gives the best. He takes the hearts we offer,
And fills them with his glorious beauty, joy, and peace;
And in his service as we're growing stronger,
The calls to great achievement still increase.
The richest gifts for us on earth, or in the heavens above,
Are hid in Christ. In Jesus we receive
The best we have.

And is our best too much? O friends, let us remember
How once our Lord poured out his soul for us,
And in the prime of his mysterious manhood
Gave up his precious life upon the cross
The Lord of lords, by whom the worlds were made,
Through bitter grief and tears gave us
The best we have.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Swan Quarter Methodist church pay sincere tribute to the memory of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. A. B. Berry, who passed away September 21, 1941.

Resolved, that in the death of Mrs. Berry our society has lost a faithful and beloved member.

Resolved further, that our heartfelt sympathy be extended to her family, and we pray God's richest blessings may rest upon them.

Resolved, that a copy be sent the family, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the Hyde County Herald and recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. S. W. Weston,
Mrs. C. L. Sawyer,
Mrs. H. E. Griffin.
Committee.

A TRIBUTE

John Andrew Purdue was born in Wilkes county, N. C., on June 9, 1862; died October 26, 1941, age 78 years, 4 months and 17 days. He first joined the Methodist church at Sutherland 55 years ago and had been a member at Henson Chapel for 17 years. He is survived by two children, Gaither and Flossie Purdue of Mabel.

Brother Purdue was a quiet but devoted Christian who was faithful to every obligation of life, church and otherwise. His sunny smile brought comfort and cheer to those with whom he came in contact. We can truthfully say of him ,a man and a Christian has been taken from us.

B. H. Henson,
McCoy Bingham,
Lewis Johnson.
Committee.

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In Memoriam

GRAY—Mrs. Armelia Ann Gray was born in 1873 at Avon, N. C., and quietly and suddenly departed this life on July 29, 1941.

Mrs. Gray joined the Methodist church when she was 15 years old and remained a faithful member of the church for 53 yaers. On February 15, 1890, she married Mr. L. H. Gray of Avon, who survives her passing. Besides her husband one daughter, Mrs. Ersei Gray of Norfolk, Va.; one son, Marvin E. Gray of Morehead City, and three sisters survive.

Mrs. Gray was an ideal mother, a good neighbor and a consecrated Christian soul that shone brighter as she ripened in years. Her absence in the community and in the church is keenly felt, yet her life will continue to be an inspiration to those who knew and loved her.

In the absence of her pastor, the funeral was conducted by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent, and Rev. A. J. McClelland of Hatteras.

J. D. A. Autry, Pastor.

HALES—Wm. Joseph Hales was called up higher the night of October 6. He had been feeble from a heart ailment for years; had been worse for two or three weeks. The end came within a half hour after he was stricken. He was born near Black Creek in Wilson county February 20, 1859. His parents were Nathan and Margaret Hales. He was married twice, first to Miss Patsy Johnson of Elm City, who lived four months. Eight years afterward he married Miss Mary Etta Bell of Harlowe, who survives.

He loved his church and church paper; served as steward and trustee; was secretary and treasurer for a number of years. He used to attend conference to keep up with the business of the church. He was for unification. So the pastors, his own and Franklin Memorial(Northern and Southern) held his funeral in the Morehead City church. "How firm a foundation" and "Oh, for a closer walk with God" were sung as his favorites. His body was laid to rest in Bayview cemetery.

A good man has gone from us. "May the Lord abide with us.

His Companion
(of fifty odd years).

A TRIBUTE

The members of our West End Society of Christian Service with sad hearts record the passing of our oldest and most beloved member, Mrs. John A. Monroe. She was a charter member of both our old missionary society and our new Society of Christian Service.

She was faithful and loyal and continued to the end to be active in every possible way. After she was unable to attend our services she supported our financial programs with generous donations. Her prayerful interest in every phase of our undertaking was at all times a source of inspiration.

She was a brilliant student of her Bible. She had stored in her mind the most beautiful and for her the most meaningful passages of Scripture; quoting these from memory brought her much comfort and joy. God spoke to her through his Holy Word until he called her to himself.

One of the most lovable characteristics of our dear co-worker was her disposition to find and magnify the good in folks about her. From her Christ-likeness we have learned to be more patient, more forgiving more loving.

We, who feel her absence so keenly, remembering that her husband and children who were closest to her, miss her even more, would extend to each of them the hand of Christian fellowship and express to them our understanding and heartfelt sympathy.

"She is not dead—she has but passed
Beyond the mists that blind us here,
Into a new and larger realm
Of a serener sphere."

Mrs. Martin Davis,
Mrs. Frank Sinclair,
Mrs. Vivian Tucker.

For the West End W. S. C. S. to Mrs. John A. Moore.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea;
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound or foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns home again."

Such was the calm and peaceful slipping from its moorings of the beautiful spirit of Mrs. Margaret Wood Lawrence, August 4, 1941.

God had been good to her, endowing her with a strong personality, winsome face, pleasing manner, all adorned by beautiful graces of Christian character.

In her devotion to her husband and children and her home she was faultless. As a member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Centenary Methodist church, New Bern, we deplore the loss of one whose devotion to the cause of missions was an inspiration. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in her passing we have lost a co-worker and friend whose memory will ever linger with us.

Second, while we bow in humble submission to the divine will we wish to express our appreciation of her loyalty to the cause of Christ.

Third, That the God of all love and goodness may sustain and comfort her loved ones in their deep sorrow.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, a copy placed in our minutes, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. S. H. Scott,
Mrs. Gertie Matthews,
Mrs. W. F. Dowdy.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service wish to express their deep sorrow at the sudden home going of our society president, Mrs. Sloan Council, on October 24, 1941. She was one of our most faithful and dependable members.

As a token of our appreciation for her most useful and devoted life, be it resolved:

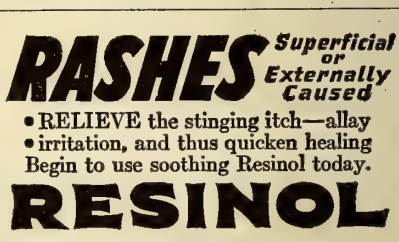
First, That in her going we have lost a faithful member. We shall miss her always, and we are thankful for the privilege of laboring together with one whose life was so beautiful.

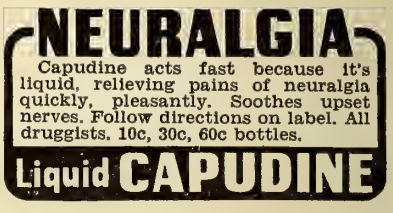
Second, That to the bereaved families we extend sympathy and love, praying that God may heal the heartaches that follow her going.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be inscribed in our society record, and copies be sent to the bereaved families and to the N. C. Advocate.

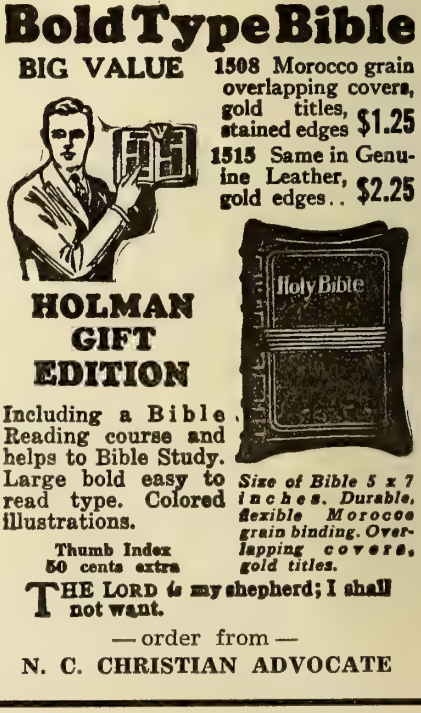
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Some of the flowers grown by Mr. J. B. Ivey of Charlotte, N. C., that attracted particular attention of visitors to the tenth annual chrysanthemum show November 6, 1941, at the Ivey Stores in Charlotte. More than 250 varieties were exhibited and great throngs attended the show. Mr. Ivey appears in the picture.

The Attainment of Poise

How to Establish "Peace at the Center"

By L. L. DUNNINGTON

To be poised means to be in balance or equilibrium and without strain. The balance wheel of a watch must be perfectly poised to run without friction. When I dropped my own watch on the floor one day, it began to lose time. The jeweler found that the balance wheel was wabbling. It had lost its poise.

Millions of people in this rapid and turbulent age are wabbling badly. They are losing time. Whole weeks and months and years are being lost through frustration and unhappiness. They are not in plumb with the laws of the universe. Many are therefore, at long last, turning wistfully toward the church in the hope of being helped to establish "peace at the center." Down beneath the raging surface of the wind-blown ocean, there is always a great calm. It is possible for men and women to develop a comparable inward calm even in such a dark and stormy hour as this.

Rudyard Kipling wrote:

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
. . . . . .

If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;
. . . . . .

If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools;
. . . . . .

. . . . you'll be a Man, my son!

Yes, Mr. Kipling, and you'll have poise—peace at the center—that can come only through being rooted and grounded in God!

It is a curious commentary on human nature that a lack of conviction and inner certainty often results in a loud and vociferous defense of a weak or questionable point of view. I am reminded of the janitor of a small church who had often wondered what the energetic young minister's notes were like. One Sunday when the minister left them in the pulpit the janitor looked them over. Everything was fully written out, even to suggestions in the margin for gesticulation—"make dramatic pause here," "lower voice," "point index finger at congregation," and finally, "argument weak here, so wave both arms and shout like the d——." I cannot vouch for the accuracy of the story, but there is no doubting the fact that inner uncertainty is often indicated by the very vehemence with which we stand our ground. "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."

Oftentimes prosperity will throw a man off balance. Take the case of the Danks family. Back in 1874, Mr. and Mrs. Danks, with their little brood of children, were a happy and devoted couple. They were poor, as the families of most song-writers have been. Poverty merely made them more dependent on each other. Out of that beautiful loyalty, Mr. Danks was inspired to give the world a song that has gripped the heart and stirred the noblest emotions—"Silver Threads Among the Gold."

This song caught at the heartstrings of America's millions and brought its author fame and fortune. Then came family discord and finally separation in 1903. Old and broken in body and spirit, Mr. Danks was found dead, kneeling beside his bed in a cheap Philadelphia rooming house. On an old copy of the famous song that was lying on the bed, he had written these words: "It is hard to grow old alone."

The greatest destroyer of man's poise is inner conflict. Commonly accepted moral standards are violated in the hour of temptation. Men and women are frequently swept over the dam in an unguarded moment by a great biological urge. In trying to forget the mistake, they merely drive the conflict below the surface of consciousness. There it often festers until it causes some form of mental illness. And no poise will be possible for that soul until it finds a way to bring the repressed conflict up into the light of day through confession either to God or to man.

Another cause of lack of poise is just plain self-consciousness—the fatal habit of turning the stream of consciousness in upon ourselves and of being unduly concerned about the impression we are making upon others. In my younger days I suffered unspeakable torments because of my inability to recite in class or to make a speech in public without a trembling of the voice or a shaking of the knees. The crisis came during my sophomore year in college. I accepted an invitation to speak at an evening meeting of a literary society. When I learned that the faculty critic that evening was to be Tuffy Williams, the most brusk and outspoken man in the school, I was petrified with fear. But I determined to go through with it or die on the spot.

That night I learned the secret that in time was to free me from the dread and fear of public speaking. I prayed with all my might for divine strength and that I might forget myself completely in my subject. My reliance was entirely on God. In other words, I deliberately turned the stream of consciousness outward as I lost myself in the subject. I was able to do it through a knowledge that the greatest power in the universe was taking care of the trouble inside. Tuffy Williams had only words of praise that night, and I instinctively knew that a milestone had been safely passed on the highway of life.

Temporary frustration can thus become a real source of ultimate strength. Kindly old Dean Harcourt in Lloyd Douglas's "Green Light" says to a troubled young man: "I want you to know that I am not a stranger to the problem of frustration. Whatever I have been able to achieve in personal poise, stability, or adequacy has come to me by way of the obstacles I have met. . . . For your comfort, my son, let me tell you that I have laid hold upon a truth powerful enough to sustain me until I die! I know that, in spite of all the painful circumstances I have met, my course is upward! I know the universe is on my side! It will not let me down! I have been detained at times, but eventually I get the green light and I go on through."—Zion's Herald.

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We are indebted to the Charlotte Observer for the beautiful picture on the front page of this issue of the Advocate. J. B. Ivey is known as the Dahlia King of North Carolina, but here he appears among the chrysanthemums that grew in a flower garden of his Charlotte home.

It was Mark Twain who said we talk about the weather but never do anything about it. Why should one desire to do anything about the weather that we have been having except enjoy it. Indian summer in November is as near perfect as a thing can be on this earth.

Greet the morning with a cheer; watch with thanksgiving the evening shadows fall. Be thankful for the day, with its labors and its opportunities, and cherish the enthusiasms of each new day. Pray for daily bread implies a willingness to face with gladness the trials and labors of each new day. Day by day the manna fell.

Bishop Clare Purcell is a leader by being primarily an exemplar. He sets a good example to the preachers of North Carolina by being evermore on his job. He goes from place to place saying by his presence to the pastors to move—to move on and out and up. The lazy, easy-going ecclesiastic finds little encouragement from this general superintendent of North Carolina Methodism.

Here are several howlers fresh from London and they show that Hitler has not yet put the old town out of business: "A pedagogue is a person who is never still—from 'pedus,' a foot, and 'agog,' moving!" One of these fellows, asked to define the same word, said that it meant "a pet dog's certificate." All these are, in my judgment, perfectly authentic examples of the juvenile mind at work, but I have my doubts about the definition of "genius" as "an infinite capacity for picking brains."

No offense was meant by Ford who had a way of saying the wrong thing: Mr. Ford was ill recently, and was in a very pessimistic mood about himself when the doctor called one morning. "I don't know why it is, doctor," he said, "but I have the feeling that I'm done for, and will never get better." "Utter nonsense, my dear fellow,' 'said the doctor. "Why, I had precisely the same illness as you a few years ago, yet look at me now, as strong and fit as ever I was." "Yes," said Mr. Ford in a hopeless tone, "but then I expect you had a good doctor!"

We had a good conference at Durham with much serious talk about money and no little rejoicing over the conquests of the year. But the wheels rolled on in the grooves of the ancient conventions. Somewhere there was wanting that something of the luminous hour that gives promise of the shining day and the golden year. The jingle of the coin tended to dull the ear to the harmonies of redemption's story. No one seemed ready to break into singing " 'Tis the old time religion" or "Faith of our fathers living still." Something of the illuminating, the quickening and the spontaneous certainty of the spirit filled was needed.

The preachers of the Western North Carolina conference have got well settled for the new year. Some have already announced the new era for their churches. Next Sunday will be the first Sunday of the new year for most of the men of the North Carolina conference. Something should happen all the way from the mountains to the sea. This is literally a new era. The old order is fast dying. This very year is going to be different from last year. Pastors should dare the untried and stir the unusual that the people may become aware that a new preacher is in their midst who is able to make potential the faith of the fathers and to make regnant the old time religion. Such a moving preacher will have a moving church.

"Fanatics," "Bigots," "Narrow-Minded Extremists"

YOU have observed that a lawyer with a bad case in court and with witnesses upon whom the jury places a low estimate, invariably abuses the witnesses and the attorneys on the other side of the case. There is nothing else for him to do because the less he says about his own side of the case the better, and he must say something.

This is exactly the situation of those who advocate liquor. They have to call the folks on the other side "fanatics," "bigots," "narrow-minded extremists," and such like, because they cannot say anything in favor of liquor. When you cannot say anything for your own case, abuse your opponents, is the old law. But people with only a modicum of mother wit are not disturbed thereby. They have learned what it is all about.

Our friends on the other side could make their arguments more effective if they would not at the outset explain that they do not drink liquor and that they are against liquor. Some of them do not drink, but everybody already are aware of the fact, and the argument as they proceed will reveal whether they are against liquor or not. But we are not, without being asked, going to indicate how our friends on the other side may more effectively argue for the legal sale of liquor.

But, friends, why call us by ugly names? Those names were worn to a frazzle a few years ago with little profit. And you cannot win victories with them now. But show that liquor, and more liquor, is for social betterment and the upbuilding of personal character, then we will all give heed thereto.

A Dramatic Moment in the Duke-Carolina Football Game

LAST Saturday in that fiercely contested struggle between the Duke and Carolina football teams in the Duke stadium there were great players on both teams. The Carolina boys as well as those of Duke were worthy of the best traditions of the two great universities, but the one player who towered above all the rest was Steve Lach of Duke. In his four years of college football Lach perhaps played his greatest game. He scored the first touchdown, he kicked three times into the "coffin corner" —one on the ten yard line, another on the one yard stripe, and still another on the five. He was everywhere on defense in the right place at the right time. When Carolina with fierce attacks were ripping open the Duke line, the announcer time after time shouted to a waiting world, "Stopped by Lach." This continued till late in the afternoon when Duke's great half-back was injured, and leaning on an assistant, staggered off the field while thousands of admiring fans in both the Carolina and Duke stands cheered the injured warrior while he was laid on the turf at the feet of Wallace Wade to rest a while.

Immediately the Duke freshmen in measured refrain took up the cry, "A touchdown for Lach, a touchdown for Lach!" Only a few moments later a substitute in the game carried the ball over for the third and last touchdown of the game. Lach had scored the first and now the spirit of Lach had scored the last.

This was too much for the wounded warrior who through the last four years had been in the thick of every fight. He leaped up and returned to his position in the Duke back field to cheer by his presence those battling teammates of his till the final gun sounded and they carried him off the field in triumph to take his place among Duke's great all-Americans, Freddie Crawford, Clarence Parker, Dan Hill, Eric Tipton and George McAfee.

A Modern Leader of the People

WHAT this country needs are men who can give the people what they want and who can think for the "dear peepul." That is, who can give them the truth so that they can understand it and accept it. These are the statesmen of this hour:

The statesman throws his shoulders back and straightens out his tie
And says, "My friends, unless it rains the weather will be dry."
And when this thought into our brains has percolated through,
We common people nod our heads and loudly cry, "How true!"
The statesman blows his massive nose and clears his august throat,
And says, "The ship will never sink so long as it's afloat."
Whereat we roll our solemn eyes, applaud with main and might
And slap each other on the back, while we say, "He's right."
The statesman waxes stern and warm, his drone becomes a roar,
He yells, "I say to you, my friends, that two and two make four."
And thereupon our doubts dissolve, our fears are put to rout,
And we agree that here's a man who knows what he's about.

Laughter Is Distinctly Social

MOST men and women in their hours of greatest sorrow desire to weep alone, and their desire to be alone is generally the measure of the depth and intensity of their sorrow and anguish of spirit. Tears are solitary. In fact some sorrows are too deep and intense for words or tears. They belong to the eternal silences where there is no language but the unspoken utterances of the Eternal.

It is not so with laughter which is dependent upon human fellowship. He who laughs alone is abnormal, and if he persists therein becomes an object of derision and a candidate for the bug house. But the laughter of a multitude reinforces a hundred fold the most commonplace humor. Fun belongs to the crowd. We all understand the oft repeated saying that there is an inspiration in numbers, but this is never so effective as in the realm of fun and laughter. The man who can set the crowd to laughing has completed his conquest. The world laughs with him who laughs, but leaves those who mourn to weep alone. It could hardly be otherwise when men and women and little children are made as they are.

These things being so, why not cultivate a cheerful spirit and the fellowship of laughter. Fun is not devilish. Someone has dared to say it is divine. We assume the man who said it had a good digestion and abiding love for his fellowmen. Certainly he did not court solitude and dark places.

The Real Test

IF a man say, I love God, and hate his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?"

The foregoing is not the language of a cynic with a sharp tongue, but the word of God as recorded in 1 John iv. 20. And Bishop Francis J. McConnell must have had this text in mind when he wrote:

"If we wish to see what emphasis on love toward God means, without attempt to love man, or without attempt to show love to God through deliberate cultivation of good will toward men, we have only to look at the practical outcome of many so-called perfectionist movements in the career of the church; movements whose adherents have, through neglect of the human values, become pests and nuisances by their exaltation of piffling trifles as communications from God and by their indifference to the massive needs of mankind."

The Holy Rollers in College

THE rumor got out a while ago that the Holy Rollers had entered college, and a a rumor so unusual aroused quite a bit of interest. There was a demand that the whole story be made public since it was big news.

Here is what got into the public prints:

First College President—"How is religion progressing in your school?"

Second College President—"Greatly troubled by the Holy Rollers."

First College President—"Holy Rollers! I never heard of their getting into a university."

Second College President—"Our Holy Rollers are different. They wake up Sunday morning, and instead of getting up and going to church they roll over and go to sleep again."

Tolerance

THE tolerant person has a respect for the rights of others and stands ready to defend these rights when attacked. It safeguards freedom of speech, of assembly, of worship and of the press. It allows to every other person the same right that one desires for himself. It has a due respect for minorities.

In the midst of heated political campaigns men sometimes seem to think that intolerance is a virtue and thereby make themselves ridiculous in the sight of right thinking people. The same is likewise true when one becomes an advocate of war, because he knows that war is dependent upon passion and deception. Let's learn tolerance if we have not already done so.

Will an Egotist Ever Admit That He Made a Mistake?

WE are here thinking of the much inflated man who has inflated ideas of himself and especially notions of his ability never to be in error about anything either great or small. However strange it may appear, we have run across one man who admits that he made one mistake and only one in his entire lifetime. And his admission is as strange as the mistake itself.

No one can guess what that mistake was and we give it as he gave it to us. It was simply this: "He made the mistake of thinking that he was once mistaken."

N. C. Conference Closes Four Day Session in Durham

The North Carolina Conference held a busy session in Trinity church, Durham, last week. An account of the first day appeared in last week's N. C. Christian Advocate. This first day was given to organization and the approval of the special report of a plan for raising a sustentation fund to supplement the salaries of poorly paid pastors.

On Wednesday special attention and careful consideration resulted in a better provision for securing funds for the Methodist Orphanage and in stimulating interest in missions, Dr. H. P. Myers being the chief speaker. The Advocates of the church received special attention. A fine address by Dr. Roy L. Smith of Chicago was much appreciated. The laymen's hour was a special order at noon, at which time Mr. E. T. Welch, president of the General Board of Lay Activities, was chief speaker.

The Duke Endowment and the work of the ministry was also a special order. Then followed the plan for support of district superintendents and much minute business in preparation for the reading of the appointments by noon Friday. Thus the four days, morning, afternoon and night, were well filled with business, sermons and addaddresses. Of course, most of the details of a Methodist conference are cared for in the committee rooms in which a few members spend most of their time. These are the real busy men of the conference session. The work of this session and the plans formulated should tell for good in the year and in the many years ahead.

For more than forty years the North Carolina conference has begun the work of each session with the meeting of the Historical Society. As a rule this takes place the evening before the opening of the regular session. This present year the rule was observed and the address was given by Dr. Paul N. Garber on the subject, "The Moral Code of Early Methodism."

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The night of the anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, over which President J. M. Ormond presided, Dr. H. P. Myers, pastor of Main Street Methodist church of Danville, Va., made the principal address. He was the emergency speaker for Dr. T. D. Ellis, who was unable to arrive in time for the session because of having missed railway connections at Asheville.

"The church is on the spot, but this is not the first time it has been on the spot. The church is never so fine as when it is on the spot," he said.

"Is the church drifting in these days of fear?" he asked. "The leaders of the church are not in the fog. They are following a definite program and have a message for mankind," the speaker said.

What is wrong with the world? Human nature with its imperfection is the cause. We cannot build a better world with unregenerated human beings.

Selfishness and greed were accredited with the cause of the present world crisis. They have caused all of our wars. If France had not been so greedy at the peace table at the close of the first World War there could have been no Hitler, Dr. Myers stated.

"The Japanese want more land, Great Britain and America are not without fault when it comes to selfishness and greed. The immigrant laws forbidding Japanese to enter the United States are responsible for the attitude of Japan toward the United States today," the speaker asserted.

"The selfishness of all nations has brought us where we are at the present time. We can never have a better world with our selfish attitude. Christianity is on the brink today. Our hope is in the grace of the Almighty God which includes the new birth.

"There is a hungry world for peace. Men have tried everything else, and now perhaps they will try Jesus Christ. The church of Jesus Christ now has an opportunity to build a new social order. To do this it must be a great believing church in the gospel with a great conviction. This is the only way out."

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Among other advanced steps taken by the N. C. Conference was the provision to care properly for the financial needs of our orphanage.

Action by the conference to increase the revenue to the orphanage by six per cent of what they raised last year was adopted. This increase is exclusive of money raised for buildings.

At present there are approximately 300 children in the institution. The orphanage operated on a deficit under the old system through which it received 10 per cent of the pastors' salaries in the conference and special offerings. The six per cent raise will bring the annual budget from $55,000 to $71,000, according to the committee.

At a banquet tendered to the orphanage family and officials Thursday night at 6 o'clock in the City Armory by the Julian S. Carr Bible Class of the Trinity Methodist church there were approximately 500 persons present to hear the new program launched for the institution.

E. M. Herndon, president of the class, presided and the Rev. George W. Perry, in a brief address urged the co-operation of all of the churches in North Carolina at the home coming and at Christmas time. Ministers and laymen were urged to visit the orphanage and increase their loyalty to the institution.

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In its report on temperance and sobriety the North Carolina Methodist Conference urged governmental agencies "to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the counties and districts surrounding Fort Bragg and other military camps where our boys are being trained in our national defense program."

Cale K. Burgess of Raleigh, chairman of the board, presented the report and supported it with an address entitled, "Cumberland County Liquor Stores Must Be Closed."

"The record of liquor sales in Cumberland county is shocking," Burgess declared. "Liquor sales in this camp area during the present fiscal year will exceed $1,000,000. . . . Sales during the last four months exceeded the total

sales for the year ending June 30, 1938, by $28,394.10.'' A large majority of this liquor is being sold to the boys who have been called from their homes to enter training for national defense. . . . Cumberland county and North Carolina have a high patriotic and definite moral responsibility to prevent the sale of liquor in the Fort Bragg area both legal and illegal.''

The temperance board report asked ''friends of temperance'' to ''nominate and elect legislators who will outlaw'' alcoholic beverages, and ''nominate and elect sheriffs, judges and other law enforcement officers who will enforce the laws against liquor.''

The big issue before the leaders in North Carolina is to see that men are elected to the General Assembly and to the executive offices who will allow the people to vote on the liquor issue and will see that the laws are enforced. We are expending millions and jeopardizing the future of our boys in the effort to defend democracy among the nations and at the same time we are not allowed to exercise the blessings of democracy at home. We need to put aside much of the ballahoo and pretense in our American life. Enemy No. 1 is the Hitler here in our midst.

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In well wrought and carefully prepared resolutions the committee on world peace reaffirmed the well known opposition of the Methodist Church to war and deplored ''those measures which, whatever their purpose, have in fact brought our nation step by step to the verge of full participation in this war.''

''We sympathize with the President and our other leaders in the grave responsibilities which are theirs,'' the report said. ''But we would remind them of solemn assurances given to the American people that they would not be led into war.

''We call upon them to make every effort to redeem those pledges. We urgently request them to begin now to use the prestige and influence of this nation for the establishment of a just and enduring peace, achieved not by military force but by mediation.''

We do not have before us a copy of the peace resolutions which we hope later to lay before our readers.

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The Duke banquet has become one of the big events at the North Carolina conference. One of the perplexities is to find a hall with proper facilities and of sufficient size for serving the crowds that wish to attend. Many speakers from time to time appear on these occasions. For his first appearance Dr. Ray Petry of the Duke University Divinity School was the principal speaker. He emphasized the relation of religion and education as follows:

''Education and religion belong together. Both exist from man's beginnings. Each answers a fundamental human need. Each advances in co-operation with the other, or not at all.

''These indispensables of life belong together in school and university. Our cultural ancestors found it equally necessary to pursue sound knowledge and to dedicate themselves to God in service to humanity. Early American colleges, like the medieval universities, thus combined education and religion.

''Trinity College and Duke University have, from their origins, joined high, academic attainments to vital religious experience. One hundred and three years of service to Christian education attest this fact. This productive association is symbolized in the very architectural unity of chapel and campus, in the proximity of church, laboratories, and instructional halls.

''Trinity and Woman's College offer a basic course in religion during the crucial freshman year. It is taught in eight sections, by a faculty of six, from a syllabus produced by them in common, and based on the English Bible. A select, working library is reserved for it. All sections are taught and supervised according to common standards of excellence with due regard for the individuality of students and instructors. Sophomores are grounded in the cultural-religious values of Judaism and Christianity. Upper classmen are thoroughly prepared for Christian citizenship and later professional training.''

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Most of the special speakers and preachers who appeared before the conference were from Duke University. These were: Doctors H. E. Spence, J. M. Ormond, Frank S. Hickman, Ray C. Petry, Paul N. Garber and President R. L. Flowers of Duke University.

As conference lay leader and chairman of special committees and of the Methodist Board of Publication, Dr. W. K. Greene of Duke was busy all the day long.

Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of the Christian Advocate, Chicago, received a warm welcome and he was heard with much pleasure. The same is true of Mr. E .T. Welch, president of General Board of Lay Activities.

A most commendable act of the program committee was to give Rev. J. H. Shore and Dr. R. M. Andrews a place among the conference preachers. These men have labored long and served the Methodists in many ways through the decades and they deserved the recognition given them.

''The Preacher and His Message'' was the subject of the ordination sermon by Dr. Andrews.

Three essentials of a successful ministry were given as the main points of a sermon. They are knowledge, vision and suffering.

''The minister should without conceit know that he knows. He should know the way—'that he has passed from death unto life.' He should know that he has been called of God unto the ministry, and should by no means make it a profession,'' the veteran minister declared.

''There should be no quibbling about places or salary brackets. Those who need the gospel most may be the least able to pay the preacher's salary,'' insisted Dr. Andrews.

''The preacher, of all men, must have vision. A consecrated imagination. He must see a man as Jesus saw Peter. 'Thou art Simon, but thou shalt be called Peter.' Those who greeted the promises of God afar off, as recorded in the 11th chapter of Hebrews are to be commended for their vision. So did John Bunyan in the Bedford jail, when he saw the Celestial City,'' he declared.

''No preacher should take the orders of a minister unless he can feel his brother's sorrows. Preachers ought to have an understanding of the sufferings of men and women. God has given to you and to me a heart of sympathy that sorrows. Reveal the love of the Lord and share it with others,'' the minister concluded.

Dr. John C. Glenn of Edenton Street church, Raleigh, took the morning devotions. He is a newcomer in the conference and many were pleased to enjoy his ministrations, though the hour as the crowds gather is not the most favorable for a leader of devotions.

THE CARTOON AGE

By James D. Rankin

To smile is Godlike; to sneer is satanic. Laughter is medicinal; mockery is poisonous. The one brightens like a touch of sunshine, the other blasts like a simoon of the desert. Charles Lamb, fiercely fighting an evil appetite and tenderly nursing an insane sister, wrote, "A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any market." He might have added that a sneer is the most despicable product ever sold across a counter.

The cartoonist and the humorist were endowed for their work by God. He intended them to use these gifts in holding up to ridicule the follies and the shams of the world but they profane their gifts when they ridicule noble things. Under the magic of their pencil or brush society may be made to laugh at its foibles and follies and the hypocrisies of business, the corruption of politics and the shams of religion may be uncloaked.

Alas, too often the pencil and brush hold up to ridicule the things of life. Irreverence is one of the most conspicuous characteristics of our day. Nothing is sacred. The holiest things are caricatured. Institutions venerated for ages are smeared with ridicule. The privacy of the home ,the sanctity of the church are laid bare. Cartoonists rush in where angels fear to tread. The solemn realities which lie beyond the curtain that shuts from view the other world are made the subject of jokes. God's name is profaned. A few prayers are tossed to him for good luck and hell is used to point a joke. The pulpit is degraded by irreverent or silly topics to catch the giggling crowd. Marriage furnishes a rich field for these harpies of destruction. The newspapers are among the chief sinners of this irreverent company. Too often the first thing that falls upon your eyes, when you open the morning paper, is a grinning caricature.

We need to return to the realities of earlier days. We need to recall the profound sacredness of religious things Life is a tree whose roots must go deep into the soil of the great realities of life. No great fruit can be gathered from the tree whose roots have not fed in such soil.

Reverence is one of the largest and most neglected characteristics of religion. The lack of this quality destroys veneration for all the noble things of life. Weaken reverence in the individual and you destroy it in society. God works through God-fearing people to produce a God-fearing world.—The United Presbyterian.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

Congregational singing is not dead. It is not dying. Congregations may die without, but it still lives. To the art of worship it is the very breath of life. He who helps along with the congregational singing lends a hand, indeed. Open your mouth and sing.

To fail to sing is sort of like saying I am sere but under protest, and I wish I had not come. Some cannot sing, but they are few. If we try again and again, regularly, quietly, reverently, while the others are singing, and the music of the organ or piano is filling the air we will most likely sing well enough to be taking a helpful part in the worship.

The average person likes to have part in something that is done well. A stranger entering a church, and finding every person in it singing, is going to be impressed with the fact that the people present take seriously the act of divine worship. To sing is not to yell yodel, but to put one's attention, mind, and voice into the business of joining with the fellow members of one congregation in praising God in song, which is a noble and worth while contribution to the service of worship.

In other words as we sit at the Lord's feast of good things do not refuse to be served, but join it, take your part along with the others.—J. G. T. in The Christian Sun.

REPORT N. 3, COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE OF N. C. CONFERENCE

We recommend:

1. That the appropriation for World Service and Conference Benevolences be a total sum of $184,568, to be divided:

World Service	$92,284
Conference Benevolences	92,284

That from the total collection the conference treasurer pay the expenses set up in Report No. 2, Part II, for conference items and Southeastern Jurisdictional conference expense and that the remainder be divided as follows:

World Service	50%
Conference Benevolences	50%

2. That the following apportionment be made for Conference Benevolences:

	Per Cent	Amount
Education—Local Church Division	22.28	$19,941
Educational Institutions	27.93	25,000
Missions and Church Extension	19.55	17,500
Lay Activities	1.68	1,500
N. C. Council of Churches	.29	250
Wesley Foundation	2.46	2,200
Student Work—		
Eastern Carolina Teachers College..... To be paid to chairman Student Fund Commission.	1.23	1,100
Our Methodist Orphanage, supplementary amount (an appropriation in addition to amount to be raised based on per cent of total budget	24.58	22,000
	100.00	89,491

3. That the askings from the districts for World Service and Conference Benevolences be:

	Per Cent	Amount
Durham	17.91	$33,056
Elizabeth City	10.95	20,210
Fayetteville	15.62	28,830
New Bern	13.06	24,105
Raleigh	15.01	27,703
Rocky Mount	15.37	28,368
Wilmington	12.08	22,296
	100.00	184.568

Percentages are based on accepted pastors' salaries for year just ended: Approximating 42.65 per cent of total pastors' salaries.

REPORT NO. 4, COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE—SUGGESTIVE EXHIBIT

1941-42 conference askings as applied to a charge paying a salary of $2,000 would create a budget about as follows:

Salary	$2,000
World Service and Conference Benevolences— (42.6% of pastor's salary)	852
(1) Orphanage (6% total salary)	300
District Superintendent (7% pastor's salary)	140
(1)Conference Claimants (5% pastor's salary)	100
Episcopal Fund (2 1-4% pastor's salary)	45
Retirement (1% pastor's salary)	20
Average District work	20
(1) Sustentation Fund (2% total money)	100
General Administration Fund (2-3 1% pastor's salary)	13.33
	$3590.33

(1) Estimated on assumed base of $5,000 total money raised. Specials constitute a part of this sum for Orphanage.

Picture of the proposed building of Fairmont Methodist church at State College, Raleigh. Estimated cost is $100,000. The education unit (left) will cost $50,000. Fairmont church will raise $30,000 for the education building. A state drive for $20,000 will be made because of the student work of the church.



CONFERENCE APPROVES CAMPAIGN FOR FAIRMONT CHURCH

The organization of Fairmont church, Raleigh, was authorized by the North Carolina conference of 1937. The church was organized in the State College auditorium, where services are still held.

Fairmont church seeks to serve almost 1,000 Methodist students who attend State College, Meredith College, and State School for the Blind.

Building adequately for the present membership, the future membership and the students is more than the local congregation alone can do. The students are not able or expected to build the part of the church occasioned by their need. Fairmont church has agreed to raise $30,000 for the proposed $50,000 education building, which can serve temporarily for both church and church services. We request this conference to approve a plan which will permit us to make a drive among individual Methodists for $20,000 to supplement the $30,000 of the local congregation. We request that the district superintendents provide names of their laymen who might become interested We request Bishop Purcell to write letters of commendation to those persons whose names are provided. Fairmont church will mail an illustrated booklet setting forth the student situation, work, and needs. As far as possible, a personal solicitation will be made.

The purpose of this paper is threefold: (1) To inform the conference about the student situation and plan of Fairmont church at State College, the third unit of the Greater University of North Carolina; (2) to ask for the approval and moral support of the conference in approaching individual Methodists; (3) to ask for a committee composed of Dr. John C. Glenn, Rev. F. S. Love and W. C. Chadwick to be appointed to work with Fairmont church in making the drive.

W. K. Greene,
W. C. Chadwick,
Rev. H. M. McLamb.

WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY

Many years ago Dr. Josiah Strong made the prediction that the next great revival that sweeps over this country will come from greater liberality on the part of church members. That is just in line with the prophet Malachi: "Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." If the earth is the Lord's and we are his tenants, how can we enjoy cordial relations with him when we are far behind with the rent? Many of us are conscious of a strained relationship with God and wonder what is the cause. Try paying the back rent and see what you see. This is what some one has named the 'acid test.' Jesus said give and it shall be given unto you.

The Methodist Church has made a great discovery in the experience of the past twelve months—the discovery of the high value of World Service Sunday. It has given a wide open door for missionary education and culture and an opportunity to respond to the cause for which the church was founded. Wherever it has been given a chance the results have been highly satisfactory. Give it a trial in your church. You may get free literature from Dr. Stafford, Service Department, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill. Then send the offering each month to Rev. E. O. Cole, Conference Treasurer, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C.

E. K. McLarty,
Chm. Commission on Evangelism.

MISSION BOARD MEETS DECEMBER 1-4

Eight foreign missionaries, two home missionaries and eight deaconesses will be commissioned for Christian service by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Mehodist Church in connection with its annual meeting to be held at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, December 1 to 4. The commissioning service will be on Wednesday evening, December 3, at the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew, 86 Street and West End Avenue, with Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, Ga., making the principal address.

The meeting of the board will be called to order by Bishop Moore, the president, at 7:30 p. m. Monday, December 1. This will be largely a business session with the reading of reports of treasurers and other officers, the appointment of committees, etc. Tuesday will be given over to reports of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, the Division of Foreign Missions, the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, and various other agencies of the church.

The meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension will bring to New York City all the bishops of the Methodist Church except those with headquarters in foreign lands; and representative ministers, lay women, and laymen from every state.

The North Carolina Conference Appointments 1941-1942

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, District Superintendent

Alamance ..... H. B. Lewis
Andrews Chapel ..... W. L. Sturdevant, Supply
Bahama ..... O. I. Hinson
Brooksdale ..... D. A. Petty
Burlington—Davis Street ..... J. O. Long
Front Street ..... F. S. Love
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place ..... C. J. Andrews
West Burlington ..... L. L. Parrish
Burlington Ct. ..... M. C. Ellerbe
Bynum ..... K. F. Duvol
Carrboro ..... V. E. Queen
Cedar Grove ..... J. C. Williams
Chapel Hill ..... J. M. Culbreth
Duke Chapel ..... H. R. Simpson
Durham—Branson ..... John Cline
Calvary ..... D. E. Earnhardt
Carr ..... M. C. Dunn
Duke Memorial ..... H. C. Smith
Lakewood ..... W. K. Barrs
Trinity ..... J. G. Huggins, Jr.
West Durham ..... W. L. Clegg
Durham Circuit ..... S. J. Starnes
Eno ..... To be supplied
Glen Raven-Haw River ..... J. F. Coble
Graham ..... J. J. Boone
Hillsboro ..... S. F. Nicks
Leasburg ..... F. A. Lupton
Mebane—Central ..... T. B. Hough
First Church ..... J. W. Sneeden
Milton ..... F. M. Patterson
Mt. Herman Ct. ..... W. B. Cotton
Mt. Tirzah ..... E. L. Hill
Orange Circuit ..... C. P. Morris
Person Circuit ..... F. B. Peele
Pittsboro ..... R. Z. Newton
Rougemont ..... Kermitt Wheeler
Roxboro—Long Memorial ..... W. C. Martin
Roxboro Circuit ..... T. M. Vick, Jr.
Saxapahaw ..... M. C. Henderson
Swepsonville ..... I. T. Poole
Yanceyville ..... J. V. Early
Professor in Duke University—H. E. Spence, J. M. Ormond, H. E. Myers, F. S. Hickman
Professor in Emory University ..... John D. Lee, Jr.
Editor North Carolina Christian Advocate.... M. T. Plyler
Conference Secretary of Education ..... R. W. Bradshaw
Conference Missionary Secretary ..... F. S. Love
Bible Teacher in Burlington Public Schools..W. G. McLeod
District Missionary Secretary ..... M. C. Dunn
Retired—L. S. Massey, T. S. Coble, W. F. Craven, J. H. McCracken, H. E. Nance, J. W. Hoyle, W. C. Jones, J. H. Shore, C. L. Read, H. C. Ewing, J. A. Thorpe, B. H. Black, D. R. Williams, B. M. Williams, C. P. Womack, D. I. Garner.
Supernumerary—W. M. Loy.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, District Superindent

Ahoskie ..... A. L. Thompson
Aulander ..... M. R. Gardner
Bath ..... H. B. Bromley
Belhaven ..... C. L. Spencer
Chowan ..... A. G. L. Stephenson, Supply
Columbia ..... A. L. Chaplin
Creswell ..... R. N. Fitts
Currituck ..... M. E. Cotton, Supply
Edenton ..... W. C. Benson
Elizabeth City—City Road ..... I. S. Richmond
First ..... H. L. Hendricks
Gatesville ..... J. M. Jolliff
Hatteras ..... A. J. McClelland, Supply
Hertford ..... R. F. Munns
Kinnakeet ..... J. D. Autry
Kitty Hawk ..... J. C. Harmon
Manteo ..... M. W. Maness
Mattamuskeet ..... J. R. Regan, Supply
Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial ..... L. T. Singleton
Murfreesboro ..... C. E. Vale
North Gates ..... T. J. Whitehead
Pasquotank ..... V. A. Lewis
Perquimans ..... J. D. Cranford
Plymouth ..... O. L. Hardwick
Roper ..... To be supplied
South Camden ..... C. K. Wright
South Mills ..... W. N. Vaughan
Stumpy Point-Dare ..... To be supplied
Swan Quarter-Fairfield ..... C. W. Guthrie
Wanchese ..... R. H. Lewis
Washington ..... D. A. Clarke
Williamston ..... B. T. Hurley
Windsor ..... H. F. Surratt
President Scarritt College ..... J. L. Cuninggim
General Manager Tayloe Hospital ..... M. O. Fletcher
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. F. Surratt
Retired—E. L. Stack, R. R. Grant.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, District Superintendent

Aberdeen-Vass ..... S. A. Maxwell
Biscoe ..... J. W. Page
Broadway ..... W. L. Freeman
Caledonia ..... B. F. Meacham
Carthage ..... W. G. Farrar
Ellerbe ..... E. D. Dodd..
Fayetteville—Hay Street ..... R. E. Brown
Johnson Memorial ..... To be supplied
Person Street-Calvary ..... O. C. Melton
Fayetteville Circuit ..... H. R. Ashmore
Glendon ..... G. L. Reynolds
Goldston ..... W. J. Underwood
Hamlet ..... J. H. Lanning
Hemp ..... J. D. Robinson
Hemp Circuit ..... To be supplied
Jonesboro ..... D. L. Fouts
Laurel Hill ..... E. H. Masamer
Laurinburg ..... H. K. King
Maxton ..... T. R. Jenkins
Mount Gilead ..... M. W. Lawrence
Mount Gilead Circuit ..... N. B. Strickland
Piine Bluff ..... W. A. Parsons
Pine Bluff ..... W. A. Parsnos
Raeford ..... E. C. Crawford
Red Springs ..... H. G. Ruark
Roberdell ..... F. B. Brandenburg
Rockingham ..... B. B. Slaughter
Rockingham Circuit ..... J. W. Dinmett
Rowland ..... W. C. Wilson
Saint John-Gibson ..... J. D. Young
Sanford ..... A. P. Brantley
Siler City ..... C. B. Culbreth
Siler City Circuit .....To be supplied
Steadman ..... W. F. Elliott
Troy ..... O. P. Fitzgerald
Troy Circuit ..... R. W. Barfield, Supply
West End ..... M. F. Hodges
Missionary to Africa ..... Linwood E. Blackburn
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... E. G. Overton
District Missionary Secretary ..... T. R. Jenkins
Retired—L. H. Joyner, A. J. Groves, J. G. Johnson, C. H. Caviness, J. D. Bundy, F. B. Noblitt, J. W. Autry, F. E. Atkinson, C. H. Biggs, W. H. Brown, W. F. Trawick, W. R. Royall, J. P. Bross, A. C. Thompson, J. H. Buffaloe, Frank Culbreth, W. L. Dawson, J. C. Humble.

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, District Superintendent

Atlantic ..... L. D. Hayman
Aurora ..... C. S. Roggs
Ayden ..... L. A. Tilley
Beaufort ..... W. S. Potter
Dover ..... H. L. Harrell
Fremont ..... B. P. Robinson
Goldsboro—St. Paul ..... W. A. Cade
Goldsboro Circuit ..... W. R. Stevens
Greenville—Jarvis Memorial ..... G. W. Perry
Grifton ..... E. M. Hall
Grimesland ..... R. L. Vickery
Hookerton ..... E. R. Shuller
Jones ..... E. G. Cowan
Kinston—Queen Street ..... W. C. Ball
LaGrange ..... C. E. Hix, Jr.
Marshallberg ..... L. E. Sawyer
Morehead City ..... J. H. Miller
Morehead Circuit ..... M. O. Stephenson
Mt. Olive-Calypso ..... C. W. Robbins
Mt. Olive Circuit ..... J. L. Joyce
New Bern—Centenary ..... Leon Russell
Newport ..... J. R. Poe
Ocracoke-Portsmouth ..... W. R. Dixon
Oriental ..... J. K. Ormond
Pamlico ..... H. H. Cash
Pikeville-Elm Street ..... J. Q. Patrick, Supply
Pink Hill ..... R. E. Walston
Riverside-Bridgeton ..... W. A. Tew
Seven Springs ..... W. E. Howard
Snow Hill ..... B. O. Merritt

Straits-Harker's Island ..... C. B. Harris
Vanceboro ..... W. H. Brady
Walstonburg ..... K. W. Taylor
Chaplains U. S. Army ..... T. G. Vickers, G. S. Eubank
District Missionary Secretary ..... Leon Russell
Retired—Guy Hamilton, T. E. Davis, T. A. Sikes, N. M. McDonald.

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, District Superintendent

Apex-Macedonia ..... H. L. Rogers
Bailey ..... W. L. Loy
Benson ..... H. A. Chester
Cary ..... H. B. Baum
Clayton ..... P. O. Lee
Creedmoor ..... E. B. Craven
Dunn—Divine Street ..... O. W. Dowd
Erwin ..... J. A. Martin
Four Oaks ..... J. T. Green
Franklinton ..... S. E. Mercer
Fuquay ..... R. G. L. Edwards
Garner ..... D. G. Traynham
Granville ..... J. P. Pegg
Henderson—First Church ..... B. C. Reavis
City Road-White Memorial .... J. K. Worthington, Sup.
Lillington ..... R. L. Crossno
Louisburg ..... F. D. Hedden
Louisburg Circuit ..... To be supplied
Mamers ..... F. R. Davis
Millbrook ..... M. M. Walters
Moncure ..... W. J. Watson
Newton Grove ..... R. L. Hethcox
Oxford ..... C. F. Heath
Princeton ..... J. W. Bradley
Oxford Circuit ..... J. L. Smith
Raleigh—Edenton Street ..... J. C. Glenn
Director of Religious Work ..... J. H. Overton
Fairmont ..... H. M. McLamb
Hayes-Barton ..... R. L. Jerome
Jenkins Memorial ..... W. B. Perry
Person Street ..... R. G. Dawson
Selma ..... O. L. Hathaway
Smithfield ..... B. H. Houston
Stem ..... To be supplied
Tar River ..... W. J. Keeler
Vance Circuit ..... G. W. Mathison
Zebulon-Wendell ..... B. F. Boone
President Louisburg College ..... Walter Patton
Superintendent Methodist Orphanage ..... A. S. Barnes
Superintendent Oxford Orphanage ..... C. K. Proctor
Religious Director State Prison System ..... L. A. Watts
Chaplain in U. S. Army ..... L. M. Hall
District Missionary Secretary ..... R. L. Jerome
Missionary on Furlough ..... J. D. Stott
Retired—E. H. Davis, H. M. Jackson, C. P. Jerome, E. H. McWhorter, J. W. Potter, P. D. Woodall, N. B. Johnson, J. A. Dailey, N. C. Yearby.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, District Superintendent

Bethel ..... J. G. Phillips
Conway ..... L. C. Brothers
Elm City ..... W. M. Howard, Jr.
Enfield ..... B. D. Critcher
Farmville ..... M. Y. Self
Halifax ..... W. F. Walters
West Halifax ..... C. B. Peacock, Supply
Kenly ..... G. B. Starling
Littleton ..... H. L. Davis
Littleton Circuit ..... D. D. Broome
McKendree ..... L. B. Pattishall
Middleburg ..... T. W. Lee
Nashville ..... D. M. Sharpe
Norlina ..... W. T. Phipps
Northampton ..... W. L. Maness
Rich Square ..... P. F. Newton
Roanoke Rapids ..... Daniel Lane
Robersonville ..... Daniel Boone, Supply
Rocky Mount—Clark Street ..... R. E. L. Moser
First Church ..... E. L. Hillman
Marvin-St. Paul ..... W. J. Neese
Rosemary ..... P. H. Fields
Sandy Cross ..... S. G. Boone
Scotland Neck ..... A. C. Lee
Seaboard ..... J. B. Hurley
Spring Church-Garysburg ..... J. E. Garlington
Spring Hope ..... G. W. Blount
Stantonsburg ..... C. W. Goldston
Tarboro ..... E. C. Durham
Warren ..... N. W. Grant
Warrenton ..... E. R. Clegg
Weldon ..... E. D. Weathers
Whitakers ..... A. M. Williams
Wilson ..... H. B. Porter
Missionary under direction General Board.....J. W. Frank
Secretary Y. M. C. A. ..... C. D. Nelson
Retired—E. C. Glenn, William Towe, J. T. Draper, L. B. Jones, J. T. Stanford, H. S. B. Thompson.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, District Superintendent

Bladen ..... W. J. Freeman, Supply
Burgaw ..... I. J. Strawbridge
Carver's Creek ..... J. F. Starnes
Chadbourn ..... E. C. Maness
Clinton ..... J. R. Edwards
Elizabeth ..... C. W. Barbee
Fairmont ..... F. B. Joyner
Faison-Kenansville ..... J. W. Lineberger
Garland ..... M. W. Warren
Hallsboro ..... C. B. Long
Jacksonville-Marine Base ..... A. D. Gray
Lumberton ..... C. B. Fisher
Lumberton Circuit ..... McD. McLamb
Maysville ..... H. L. Harris
Pembroke Parish ..... D. F. Lowry
Associate Pastor ..... J. W. Smith, Supply
Richlands ..... W. A. Crow
Roseboro ..... C. S. Hubbard
Scott's Hill ..... J. C. Whedbee
Shallotte ..... W. G. Lowe
Southport ..... R. S. Harrison
Saint Paul's ..... C. A. Jones
Swansboro ..... G. W. Wood, Supply
Tabor City ..... N. P. Edens
Town Creek ..... Walter Pavy
Wallace-Rose Hill ..... C. T. Rogers
Warsaw-Magnoiia ..... C. T. Thrift
Whiteville ..... L. V. Harris
Wilmington—Epworth ..... C. N. Phillips
Fifth Avenue ..... C. D. Barclift
Grace ..... J. F. Herbert
Trinity ..... F. W. Paschall
Wesley Memorial ..... E. W. Downum
Assistant Director of Leadership Education, General Board of Education ..... M. E. Cunningham
District Missionary Secretary ..... C. W. Barbee

Transferred out—

C. B. Plyler, an elder; J .H. Barnhardt, an elder; and M. A. Smith, an elder, to the Western North Carolina Conference.

C. P. Parker, a deason of one year, to the Upper S. C. Confernece.

I .F. Minis, an elder, to the Bombay Conference, India.

Transferred in—

J. G. Huggin, Jr., from Western N. C. Conference.

CONDENSED STATISTICS FOR 1941

1. What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges, in this conference? Districts 7; pastoral charges 243.

2. What is the number of members? How many have been received on profession of faith? How many have been licensed to preach and what is the number of local preachers? Active members 122,317; non-resident 22,522; total 144,839. Received on profession of faith 3187. Licensed to preach 5; local preachers 65.

3. How many infants and how many others have been bapitzed during the year? Infants 577; others 2645.

4. What is the enrollment in the church school. Children's Division 22,183; Youth Division 25,043; Adult Division 31,472.

5. What is the total enrollment reported this year? 96,-451.

6. How many church school pupils were received into the church? 2619.

7. What amount was raised in the church school on Methodist student day, rally day, world service, lesson material, and all other purposes? Methodist student day $128; rally day $945; world service $12,363; lesson material $46,-916; other purposes $53,051.

8. What is the number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, and what is the number of members, the amount sent to conference treasurer and the amount spent for local work? Societies 540; members 20,644; sent conference treasurer $46,173; local work $66,567; total $112,740.

9. What amount has been raised through the Golden Cross? $4854.

10. What is the number of houses of worship, their value and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship 802; value $8,456,714; indebtedness $183,671.

11. How cuch has been paid on church indebtedness this year? $88,252.

12. What is the number of parsonages, their value and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Parsonages 240; value $1,143,300; indebtedness $42,797; district parsonages 7; value $62,500; indebtedness none.

13. What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? Preacher in charge $457,657; district superintendent $34,012; bishops $9583; conference claimants $28,553.

14. What amount has been paid on general and conference benevolences? $84,486.

15. What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in this conference year? $1,381,668; Duke Endowment $61,615 added.

People and Things

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Rev. J. O. Ervin, pastor of the Farmer charge, was operated upon for appendicitis November 17 at the Randolph Hospital, Asheboro. Went under smiling and came out the same way.—Paul Hardin, Jr.

The preachers, district stewards, and charge lay leaders of the Raleigh district are called to meet in Edenton Street church Thursday, November 27, at 10 o'clock. In the event the district steward cannot be present, we are asking the reserve to come. It is hoped that we shall have a full attendance.—H. I. Glass, D. S.

The fall meeting of the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church will be held at St. Simon's Island, near Brunswick, Ga., a Methodist shrine of importance, where John Wesley began his missionary work in America. Bishop Arthur Moore of the Atlanta area is host, and Bishop A. Frank Smith, president of the council.

Geo. W. Dawson died at his home near Bessemer, Guilford county, November 15, at the age of 80. He was a retired teacher and farmer. Besides his widow,Mrs. Gertrude Sharpe Dawson, he leaves two sons, S. W. Dawson and Rev. G. R. Dawson, Raleigh, and three daughters, Mrs. Farlowe, High Point, Mrs. Stott, former missionary to Japan, and Mrs. K. L. Whittington, Bessemer. His funeral was held at Bessemer Presbyterian church Monday and he was buried at Holt's Chapel.

The last days of 1941 conference year closes one of the best years that the Cedar Grove circuit has ever had. We deeply appreciate the service Brother J. C. Williams has given, the plain, convincing and convicting gospel he has brought us, the manner and style in which the messages have been presented, and most of all the feeling that it was God's Word unaltered, original and pertinent. We would say that any congregation would be indeed fortunate in having this man and his good wife work with them in the betterment of the spiritual life of their community.—L. C. Tilley, Chm. Board of Stewards.

Mrs. Mary Gabriel died November 5, 1941, at her home in Catawba county, age 90. She was the youngest daughter of Elisha Sherrill and Elizabeth Nilligan. She was the last of ten children to go. About 70 years ago she married John W. Gabriel, who died in 1916. She leaves seven children: Mrs. J. P. Mundy, Terrell; Mrs. Blaine Sigmon, Boger City; Mrs. John Sigmon, Catawba county; Farl Gabriel, Port Arthur, Texas; Orland, Sherrill's Ford; Clarence, Lyda and Avra Gabriel of the home, and several grandchildren. One son, Walter, died in 1915. In her youth Mrs. Gabriel joined Mt. Pleasant church on Rock Spring circuit and remained faithful to the end. Her pastor, Rev. A. W. Lynch, conducted the funeral at Mt. Pleasant church.—A. C. S.

Friends of Marvin Chapel Memorial church in the Winston-Salem district will be happy to know that on Wednesday, November 12, the dirt started moving from the ground for a modern six-room parsonage. The contract has been let and is under Mr. J. W. Wilkinson. The parsonage will be located on Oakdale Circle about 100 feet from the church on a large wooded lot. The building committee is headed by Ira G. Shamel and the building when completed will match in architecture with the present church and will be a credit to the church and community. Those serving on the committee are: Ira G. Shamel, J. Emra Cox, C. C. Armfield, J. W. Wilkinson, W. L. Wall, M. E. Eller, C. B. Kallam, I. E. Winfrey, A. T. Disher, Claude Powell, T. A. Tesh, and H. R. Spencer.

President E. J. Coltrane of Brevard College writes: "Mr. J. H. Pickelsimer died Tuesday afternoon. Funeral services will be conducted from the Brevard Methodist church Thursday at 2:30. Flowers are being sent in the name of the board of trustees. Board members who are here will be honorary pallbearers."

On the evening of November 10 the ministers and their wives of Rutherford county were entertained at an informal reception at the home of Mrs. Harold Groce, with Mrs. Frank Smathers, Mrs. Malcolm Reece and Mrs. Clifford Peace acting as joint hostesses. Fellowship, games and refreshments were enjoyed during the evening. At a short business session of the ministers' wives the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year: Chairman, Mrs. Malcolm Reece; vice chairman, Mrs. Harold Groce; and secretary, Mrs. Clifford Peace.

November 30 is missionary day in the Waynesville district. Each pastor within the district will preach on the subject at the morning hour. Then all pastors ,missionary committees and others will assemble in the Sylva Meth-odist church at 2:30 for an institute. Mrs. E. L. McKee, Rev. H. D. Garmon and the district superintendents will address the assembly. At the evening services the five missionary zones within the district will assemble at some central place for a third service on this important subject. Each zone chairman will be responsible for the program within his zone. The zone centers are: Canton, Waynesville, Sylva, Franklin and Murphy. The board of missions will furnish ample literature for these meetings. Rev. W. R. Kelly of Canton is the missionary secretary for the district.—G. M. Carver, Reporter.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district met in Central church, Asheville, Wednesday, November 12, at 10:15 a. m. Mrs. George Schreyer, the retiring president, opened the meeting. The following new officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., of West Asheville, president; Mrs. H .E. Bolick of Acton, vice president; Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., of Weaverville, secretary and treasurer. Three new members, whose husbands were transferred to the Asheville district at the last annual conference, were welcomed into the group by Mrs. M. T. Smathers, our district superintendent's wife. They were Mrs. J. D. Morris of Mills River, Mrs. C. W. Bates of Candler, and Mrs. C. B. Way of Bald Creek. Several projects for the coming year were discussed during the business session. New committees will be appointed by the president at the next meeting. Eighteen ministers' wives were present at the meeting.—Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., Sec.

According to Dr. Frank T. de Vyver, merit system supervisor, examinations will be given on Saturday, December 6, 1941, for professional positions under the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare and the county welfare departments. This date has been set early in order to avoid conflict with the rush of work usually expected in the welfare departments around Christmas time, and in order to allow people employed in the welfare departments to attend the annual meetings of the American Public Welfare Association. Examinations will be given in Asheville, Charlotte, Durham, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville,, Greensboro, Morganton, New Bern, Raleigh, Wilmington, Wilson, and Winston-Salem. Within ten days or two weeks applicants will receive their admission slips to the examination. These admission slips will contain information as to the time, center, and place of the examination. When the admission slips are received, the applicants are expected to attach a photograph in the indicated place, before appearing at the examination center.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE CAPTURED BY BISHOP PEELE

The presidency of Bishop Peele over the North Mississippi conference was in every way fortunate and a blessing to the conference. Since he was a practical stranger to the conference, it was natural that there should be a restrained enthusiasm on the part of the confence and on his part a consciousness of uncertainty as to the problems which he might meet. Suffice it to say that all tension was removed at once. By his charming personality and his gracious manner, he captured the conference as few have done before him. He met every problem with such candor and Christian considerateness as to disarm all reserve and the entire conference took him to their hearts at once. We never knew an instance of greater unanimity and perfect friendliness regarding an administrator than that which prevailed at the recent session of the North Mississippi conference. Sharing in this happy conquest was the no less charming wife of Bishop Peele ,and when she and the bishop may come to Mississippi again, they are assured of an enthusiastic welcome. —New Orleans Christian Advocate.

CHANGE IN REPORT OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The Board of Hospitals and Homes wishes to call to the attention of preachers and official boards the final action of the annual conference on the report of the board. The conference was asked to reconsider the report for a slight change in percentage to be paid the orphanage and also to change the wording in some places. The part of the report which the conference ordered changed now reads as follows: "We recommend that an apportionment equal to six per cent of the total church budget raised for the previous year be made to all of the charges within the conference. The following items to be deductable—namely:

1. Funds raised and paid on building, repairing, paying interest and debts on church and parsonage property.

2. All orphanage specials except that raised by the Woman's Society of Christian Service to be credited on this six per cent asking.

A. L. Thompson,
Secretary of the Board.

HUMAN HUNGER FOR THE SPIRITUAL

It is interesting to note how soon the movements that deny God have to create gods of their own to fill the essential vacancy in a philosophy of life. Communism denies religion, and then proceeds to make itself a religion. At first atheism gets its vogue because it asserts its right to shout its negations in the face of religion; but when it has shouted itself hoarse, what then? We must still live, and we must see some sanity in the process; and, after all, God is the most sensible answer there is, even when we take him only as a hypothesis. It is no mere chance that the news items recount, as we write these lines, that the Society of the Militant Godless in Russia complains, through its leader, that even after eighteen years of propaganda thirty millions of Russians still believe in God, and that many of these are young people.

It is our contention, therefore, that although we deal with a somewhat pagan age, it nevertheless is a dissatisfied and wistful age. It has not the answers—and knows it. It knows the folly of unrestraint; it distrusts the idea of restraint for restraint's sake, for it is not ascetic; and at heart it is seeking the basis on which it can make its way to contact with reality, and with the purpose and power that can make life come to its highest fulfillment. After all, what can the church ask that is better than this, if it can really give the answer and show the source of power which can lift life to its remade level? Our ability to do it will give us our own strength, and will make others conscious of the reality of the things that we profess. —From "Remaking Life," by Arthur W. Beaven.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION OF ALBERT E. WHITE

The board of stewards of Chestnut Street Methodist church of Lumberton, having heard with profound regret of the death of Albert E. White, its chairman, who died at his home in Lumberton on Tuesday, October 21, 1941, is desirous of expressing its sense of the loss which the Methodist church in Lumberton has thereby sustained.

For 57 years a member of Chestnut Street Methodist church and 35 years of that time chairman of its board of stewards, Mr. White indelibly impressed his life upon Methodism, not only in his home town, but throughout the North Carolina conference, to which he was many times a delegate. He was a tower of strength in his church and gave unstintingly of his time and means to the work of the kingdom. Among his varied interests, as banker, business man, civic leader, churchman and builder of the community, his church was nearest his heart. When health permitted he was always there at service morning, night and at the midweek prayer meeting. His leadership, wise counsel and unselfish interest were a source of assurance and strength to the pastor and the members of the congregation. He measued his life by the pattern of Christianity laid down by the Prophet Micah. He dealt justice with his fellowmen; loved mercy, and walked humbly with God. We shall miss him. Therefore be it resolved by the board of stewards of Chestnut Street Methodist church:

That in the death of Brother A. E. White, Chestnut Street Methodist church of Lumberton, has lost a member whose devotion, loyalty, strength of character, noblesness of soul and generosity of spirit marked him as a leader of men.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF N. C. PASTORS' SCHOOL

This to notify the members of the board of managers of the N. C. Pastors' School that the annual meeting will be held in the board room of Duke University on December 9 at 11 o'clock. This advance notice is that each member may keep this date open so as to be in attendance that we may have a full meeting..

M. T. Plyler, Chairman.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT STEWARDS AND SET-UP MEETING, NOVEMBER 28

The Wilmington district stewards, pastors, charge lay leaders, church school superintendents, chairmen of all boards of stewards, presidents of Woman's Societies of Christian Service and presidents of Golden Cross are called to meet at 10 a. m. November 28 at Grace church, Wilmington, for the annual set-up meeting and district stewards' meeting. The meeting will adjourn with a luncheon at 1 p. m.

A. S. Parker, D. S.

DURHAM DISTRICT AND PASTORS TO MEET

The district stewards and pastors of the Durham district are called to meet at Duke Memorial church, Durham, Thursday, November 27, at 9:30 a. m. It is most important that every pastor and district steward be present.

A. J. Hobbs.

DISTRICT STEWARDS MEET AT NEW BERN

The district stewards and district trustees of the New Bern district are called to meet at Centenary church in New Bern, Monday, November 24, at 10 o'clock.

J. A. Russell.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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AN INTERESTING MEETING

On Monday evening, October 27, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Ward Street Methodist church of High Point held a very interesting meeting at the church. Talks that were much enjoyed were made by Mrs. W. T. Powell and Mrs. H. W. McCain. A feature of the meeting was the presentation of a life membership certificate and pin to the society president, Mrs. W. S. Hasty, who is beginning her tenth year as the president. Mrs. Powell presented the pin on behalf of the society. Officers for 1942 were elected.

ROWAN COUNTY ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. Arch Frye, Sec.

The Rowan county zone meeting of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service met in China Grove Methodist church, October 9, with the zone chairman, Mrs. J. H. Dayvault, presiding. The program opened with a hymn followed by devotional by Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, host pastor. Mrs. Roy Dellinger, president of the China Grove society, gave the welcome address, to which Mrs. C. N. Misenheimer responded, using the letters in the word "China Grove" in a poem to express her thoughts. Spiritual life and the week of prayer, as discussed by Mrs. W. P. Moore and Mrs. I. R. Miller, were high lights of the morning.

"Study to show thyself approved of God" could well have been used as an appropriate theme ,as mission study, Christian social relations and our church papers were discussed by other leaders of the district. The subject of finance was ably presented by our conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, and was followed by an offering of $4,88. The climax of the morning came in our noon day meditation by our own Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference secretary of spiritual life, who used The Lord's Prayer as a basis, expressing her thoughts most interestingly.

The ladies of the local church served picnic lunch in the basement of the church, after which Mrs. J. N. Dayvault presented each of the speakers a lovely piece of antique glass, supplementing the corsages which she had presented them earlier in the day. The invitation of Bethpage-Kannapolis, the old home church of the chairman, Mrs. Dayvault, as the place of meeting for next year was accepted. Everyone was reluctant to leave a day so well spent in the study of the work of women in God's world.

A TRIBUTE OF LOVE AND APPRECIATION

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Main Street Methodist church of Thomasville has been recently bereaved in the death of one of its most loyal and valued workers, Mrs. J. N. Hauss, who passed away on the morning of October 15, 1941. On Monday afternoon, November 3, the society held a memorial for her with Miss Lillian Yow in charge of the program. We are indebted to Mrs. O. C. Wall for the report which follows of this expression of the love and appreciation of the co-workers of Mrs. Hauss:

"Miss Yow opened the service with the following words:

'They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed
Through the shadow of death to the sunshine above;
A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast
To the places they blessed with their presence and love.'

From Mrs. Hauss' own copy, which she treasured most highly, Mrs. F. S. Lambeth, a favorite and devoted friend, read Tennyson's poem 'Crossing the Bar' in a most impressive manner. The following tribute to Mrs. Hauss was read by Miss Yow:

'Think of stepping on shore, and finding heaven;
Of taking hold of a hand, and finding it God's hand;
Of breathing new air, and finding it celestial air;
Of feeling invigorated, and finding it immortality;
Of passing from storm and tempest to an unknown calm;
Of waking, and finding it heaven.'

Such was the experience of Mrs. John Nelson Hauss of Thomasville on the morning of October 15, 1941. When the dawning of a new day was bringing light into her earthly home, her gentle spirit quietly 'crossed the bar' and entered the 'haven of rest.' There was no moaning at the bar when her voyage was ended, for she had known and loved her Pilot and had been obedient to his commands. From the time she came to Thomasville as the bride of the superintendent of schools, she was vitally interested and active in the work of the church. She served as recording secretary of the foreign missionary society and as president after the home and foreign societies were united. Her interest and ability were recognized and the woman's missionary society of the Western North Carolina conference elected her superintendent of supplies, an office which she filled with efficiency and enthusiasm from 1915-1924, and during those years of service she was happy in her association with other choice spirits of the conference, among them Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, the president, and others who have completed the earthly journey and were waiting on the other side for their friend and co-worker. When she moved her residence to Lincolnton, she continued her activities and interest in religious work, and upon her return to Thomasville served as vice president and spiritual life chairman for the local organization, and memories of her spiritual talks linger with those who were privileged to hear them. For two years her frailties of body kept her from attending the church meeting, but her cordial interest and prayers continued to the end.

Hers was a keen intellect which with the cultural and literary background and spiritual insight made her outstanding in any group of people and a desirable and helpful friend. Her devotion to her family and home is a quality worthy of emulation. She lived close to her Pilot and the allurements of the world were no temptation. Dr. G. Campbell Morgan has written the following paragraph, which seems most appropriate and comforting at this time:

'And so we think of our holy dead, the 'loved long since and lost awhile,' not as having drifted into the harbor with 'torn sails and shattered deck,' glad to be saved and that alone; but we think of them as having but a little while ago loosed from their moorings, meeting the Pilot as they crossed the bar, sailing on to the ultimate and infinite sea, and today serving, working, waiting on the King.'

This organization has the tenderest and most heartfelt sympathy for the bereaved relatives and commends to them John Greenleaf Whittier's comforting words:

'I know not where his islands lift
Their fronded palms in air,
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care.
And so beside the silent sea
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from Him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.'"

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Following new organizations are reported from the Marion district:

Mt. Harmon Woman's Society of Christian Service, Connelly Springs charge, with 15 members and the following officers: President, Mrs. C. E. Moore, Connelly Springs; vice president, Mrs. Eva Bates, Hildebran; corresponding and recording secretary, Mrs. M. C. Barnard, Icard; treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Christopher, Icard; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. Harold Perry, Route 2, Connelly Springs; secretary children's work, Mrs. Frances Penland, Icard; secretary student work, Mrs. Hal Wilson, Icard; secretary Y. W. and girls, Mrs. Fred Huffman, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs; secretary literature and publicity, Mrs. Harry Haliburton, Icard; secretary supplies, Mrs. Oliver Eckard, R. 2, Connelly Springs.

Bethel society, McDowell charge, 13 charter members. President, Mrs. E. M. Epley; vice president, Mrs. J. R. Reep; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. C. Mangum; treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Patton. Address of all officers Route 1, Morganton.

Statesville district; New society at moss on the Olin charge, the fourth society in the charge to organize during the year. Mrs. L. J. Jurney of Olin is president and Mrs. Gales Walker, Olin, is corresponding secretary. ""This society is the 'sister society' of Broad Street society in Statesville which was instrumental in organizing the society, helped with a charge vacation Bible school and conducted a class in Woman's Society of Christian Service for a week," writes the district corresponding secretary.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Said Dr. W. F. Quillian, cultivation secretary Board of Missions and Church Extension to large group gathered at the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska last summer: " 'In God We Trust' is on pennies but is not on bills. We are trusting God in little things but are not trusting him enough in the big things. We have the biggest opportunity that we have ever had in the field of missions. We must go forward, trusting God in what we do."

JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

A called meeting of the administrative and finance committee of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. was held on November 5 at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh. Present were: Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president; Mrs. W. A. Thorne, vice president; Mrs. S. S. Holt, recording secretary; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, corresponding secretary; Mrs. F. B. McKinne, treasurer; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, secretary Christian social relations and local church activities; Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, and Miss Mary Gardner, secretary publicity and publications. One of the matters of great importance which was discussed was the need for contributions of money for the maintenance of the Student Center at E. C. T. C., Greenville. Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, the worker at the Student Center is wielding a powerful influence for good among the Methodist students at E. C. T. C. and that project merits our support. It is hoped that this need will be emphasized in all local W. S. C. S. and that these gifts of money will be sent from many societies to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, 1508 E. Fifth Street, Greenville, and that they will be reported to Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference secretary supplies, Weldon.

ACTIVITIES OF ROPER W. S. C. S.

The W. S. C. S. of Roper Methodist church held the November meeting with Mrs. Roger Chesson, at which time the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. L. E. Hassell, Jr.; vice president, Mrs. C. L. Walker; recording secretary, Mrs. Roger Chesson; corresponding secretary, Miss Alma Knowles; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Dixon; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. M. R. Gardner; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. A. R. Hooker; secretary children's work, Mrs. Deldee Norman; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. Joe Nowarah; chairman spiritual life committee, Mrs. B. B. Spencer; chairman membership committee, Mrs. John Chesson; chairman fellowship committee, Mrs. H. M. Williams; chairman publicity committee, Mrs. Roger Chesson. The week of prayer was observed on Sunday evening, October 26, at the church with Mrs. Mary Dixon as leader, and on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jack McAllister, with Mrs. C. L. Walker as leader. The offering amounted to $5. —Jack McAllister, Publicity Chm.

LETTER FROM MRS. JACKSON

Mrs. G. Henry Jackson, secretary publicity W. S. C. S., Morehead City Methodist church, writes: "From the Advocate we learn with interest of the work being done by our sisters of the W. S. C. S. We'd like to tell you a little of what we have done. Our organization is not as large as some, but we are proud of the three circles and the Wesleyan Service Guild into which its 104 members are divided. After two months' vacation, our organization resumed its activities on Tuesday after Labor Day. It was the society's first birthday. On that night the 75 women gathered around a beautifully decorated table to enjoy the delicious supper prepared by its Marthas and entered wholeheartedly into an evening of Christian fellowship. They were welcomed by Mrs. W. M. Webb, president, who reviewed the past year's work and then introduced the officers and chairmen of the society who, in turn, spoke briefly of their work for the ensuing year. During the dessert course single candles topping miniature birthday cakes marking each place were lighted and the group arose, joined hands and sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." Another outstanding event occurred on October 24 when we of the First Methodist church, assisted by the ladies of Franklin Memorial church, were hostesses for the zone meeting. More than 125 women from Methodist churches of Carteret county attended this meeting. Our young people are doing their bit, too. Only recently they held a service impressively beautiful in its simplicity and sincerity. The year is drawing to a close and we face it reluctantly since it means giving up our president, who has given untiringly of her time and money, but her health makes it necessary that another don her mantle and lead us in effective service for the Master."

SEABOARD CHURCHES STUDY

The W. S. C. S. of Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, Sharon and Concord churches of the Seaboard charge met at Concord church on Wednesday, October 15, for a day of study. Mrs. J. Bascomb Hurley was in charge, using the book, "A Christian Imperative." Mr. Herbert Griffith led the devotionals. Miss Margaret Hughes and Miss Annie Taylor of Pleasant Grove choir rendered a duet. The text book was taught by Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley, Mrs. J. H. Ramsey, Miss Brownie Coker, Mrs. Philip Hughes, Mr. Herbert Griffin, Mrs. Vaughn and Mrs. Rod Jordan. At the noon hour a picnic lunch was enjoyed. The attendance was most gratifying, the study helpful and the fellowship meant much to each individual who attended.—Brownie Coker.

QUINT COUNTY ZONE

The Quint County zone held its fall meeting in Walstonburg on October 16. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education, spoke on the fall study, "The Christian Imperative." She gave many splendid suggestions for a helpful study. Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at E. C. T. C., gave a most interesting talk on her work at the Student Center and of the work of the student secretaries of the local societies. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, gave much helpful information on many phases of our work. Special music was furnished by the Waltonburg choir. The women of the local society, of which Mrs. Albert Bundy is president, served a delicious lunch. The meeting closed with plans to join the Southern-Central zone in its spring meeting at Bethel.—Eleanor Lamm.

EFFICIENCY AND POSTERS

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, announces that she has received from Mrs. V. F. DeVinney, secretary of organization and promotinon, Woman's Division of Christian Service, information that soon attractive Efficiency Aim posters will be ready for distribution. These posters are to be used at monthly meetings of the W. S. C. S. and are designed to give added emphasis and interest to the work. Also, according to Mrs. DeVinney, annual blanks will be sent to corresponding secretaries of local societies. These blanks are definitely NOT to take the place of the fourth quarterly reports, but are to be sent by the local corresponding secretaries to the respective district secretaries. Mrs. R. H. Broome, conference secretary litreature, will mail the efficiency aim posters and the annual report blanks to each W. S. C. S. in the N. C. conference as promptly as she has received them from literature headquarters.

In China a medical missionary found a little boy who was almost blind and after having having restored sight to the boy, the latter was so grateful that he went about searching for other blind folk who might be helped by the missionary. One morning the missionary looked out of his window and saw the boy whom he had healed and with him were a large number of blind people holding on to a rope and following the boy to the home of the missionary. —A true story told by Bishop Arthur Moore at Lake Junaluska.

Sometimes one hears the statement that the program material prepared for the metings of the W. S. C. S. are too lengthy and therefore lacking in sufficient interest. It is well to consider that all of these programs are designed to meet the needs of each local society and are easily adapted to the situation of interest the time element. It is not necessary to use either the program suggested for the worship or that prepared for the feature talk of the meeting in their entirety. They may be shortened or dramatized or otherwise made to suit the needs and interests of the group. And above all—THEY SHOULD NEVER BE READ.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SEVEN SET UPS

Seven of our eleven district organization meetings were attended by the Children's Home representative in which a report on pastoral charge contributions was made and an explanation of the new financial set up for the present conference year was presented. Each district superintendent gave due consideration to the Children's Home interests and a good hearing was recorded. Our inability to attend the Elkin, Gastonia, Salisbury and Waynesville district meetings was regretted. A very fine morale was manifested in each of the seven meetings attended.

CAREFUL ACCOUNTING

We have come a long way in recent years in the matter of handling our church finances. Pastoral reports are more accurately made in spite of the fact that a great deal more calculation has been called for. Children's Home accounting has not kept pace with the accounts turned in to the conference treasurer. Too often the pastor has reported given amounts raised without carefully checking on the matter. The fact that the payments have been forwarded by church treasurers directly to the Children's Home makes it necessary for a careful accounting to the pastor, or his report may be in error. Numerous instances of misunderstanding as to the amount of money forwarded us were recorded in the recent presentments to the district organization meetings.

MONETARY EXHIBITS

During the present year carefully prepared printed exhibits will be made listing by charges payments made on three accounts, specials, fifth Sunday offerings and aportionment payments. These exhibits will be sent to every pastor and every church school superintendent every month. By keeping up with these accounts our various pastoral charges will be enabled to know how they stand with reference to ten per cent apportionment and additional apportionments.

HUMAN INTEREST

This scribe likes human interest stories. He reads every one presented in the Advocate. The last issue of the Advocate seemed to be saturated with human interest, including the editorials. Dr. Maxwell's Thanksgiving letter, Brother Ader's "Good Bye, God Bless," and Brother Ervin's recounting the passing of his saintly mother were touching illustrations of soul stirring human intereset. The average layman is more interested in the treatment of humanity than in the treatment of subject material.

QUILTING PARTIES

Responding to the frequent inquiries being received relative to the size of quilts needed at the Children's Home, let it be said that we need standard length and three-quarter width. All our children sleep on single beds. It is gratifying to note the respense to the brief paragraph recently listed in the Advocate calling for more covering. Quilting parties are being organized and the quilts are coming. In fact, some have already arrived.

PRODUCE AND PRODUCTS

Replies to various inquiries received from time to time relative to the crediting of produce on various charge apportionments are to the effect that the Children's Home prefers to keep cash accounts. Truck loads of produce gathered from various areas usually contain some undesirable materials and some surplus of given products. We usually lose in estimating the value of these products. Since our produce is bought at wholesale rates, communities sometimes are dissatisfied with the appraisal ot fhe worth of their commodities. Such transactions tend to do away with the spirit of giving. They become business transactions in which the seller and the buyer must negotiate. The Children's Home will gratefully receive anything as a gift. It wants to choose what it buys.

FINDING FINANCES

Our new plan for financing the Children's Home family holds to the value of the old way of finding finances and adds challenging additional quotas in line with our people's ability to pay. Our quotas are not demanding. They are entreating. They afford proportionate challenges. In addition to the ten per cent, the basal challenge, are the two, five, eight, eleven and fifteen per cent supplements. The first ten per cent should come early. The others may come on the installment plan.

THE BELL RINGS

The Children's Home apportionment bell just keeps on ringing. We like to hear its melodious tones. It gives assurance to our family. Four hundred and fifty children, together with those who direct them, are encouraged when it peals forth. It rings, figuratively, every time a charge pays its ten per cent apportionment. The following pulled the cord during the past week:

Center, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. R. L. Forbis.

Vanderburg, Shepherds circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Mount Pleasant, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. A. W. Lynch.

Moss Chapel, Olin circuit, Rev. T. D. Huss.

Plateau, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Shady Grove, North Davidson circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Marvin, Winston-Salem, Rev. John H. Melzer.

MARVIN MOVES

Ira G. Shamel, a moving spirit at Marvin Chapel, writes as follows: "Today we asked our people at Marvin Chapel for the new Children's Home apportionment. Our people gladly met the challenge and the result is that we are enclosing $100 for our apportionment in full. You understand we are the baby station in the Winston-Salem district, just four weeks old. Our new pastor, Dr. John H. Melzer, is making fine progress. It did not take long for him to endear himself to our people. He is versatile, original and ready for any demands that may arise. We are looking into the new year with zeal."

SPONSORING CHILDREN

A number of church school groups are inquiring whether the amount of money they have been sending is sufficient to clothe their sponsored children. Noting that their children have grown older, they are anxious to meet the increased clothing cost. Only upon inquiry do we make suggestions relative to increased payments. It is really remarkable how loyal and attentive the sponsoring groups are to their sponsored children. In addition to providing cash for clothing, they are arranging to give their children suitable Christmas presents.

A SHARING ENTERPRISE

Some years ago Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ratliff of Morven asked the privilege of sponsoring the clothing needs of one of our girls. One summer this girl enjoyed her vacation with them. In addition to sponsoring this young lady and sharing with other good enterprises friend Ratliff does more, as shown by the following quotation from a recent letter: "You will find enclosed a check for $500. You may use this money in any way that you see fit. I know of nothing that gives me more pleasure than to do what I can for the benefit of orphan and under privileged children."

Please join us in grateful thanks to the Ratliffs.

TWO GOOD MEN

Recently this scribe has had the privilege of a good visit with Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Boyer and Mr. Fred N. Tate, two valued members of our board of trustees who now in their advancing years are forced to take good care of themselves. It was a pleasure to be with these valued friends, men who through the years have been of inestimable worth to the Children's Home and many other good causes of the church and the building of the kingdom. Their lives and their influence are still with us, for which we are thankful.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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VERY IMPORTANT—Last week the Methodist Orphanage sent church school superintendents fifty thousand coin cards for their Thanksgiving offering. Under our new financial plan all the money raised during the Thanksgiving season will be credited on the Orphanage apportionment. I sincerely trust that the Sunday schools throughout the conference will get solidly and enthusiastically back of our Thanksgiving offering and thereby raise a large part of the Orphanage apportionment in each church. It cost the Methodist Orphanage more than $500 to buy and mail these coin cards to the Sunday schools in the North Carolina conference. Each card holds ten dimes, and if they are all returned to the Sunday schools with ten dimes in each card, the Orphanage will receive $50,000 on apportionment. I wish to urge the superintendents of Sunday schools, teachers and pastors to take advantage of the Thanksgiving season to get all the fifty thousand coin cards filled with dimes. By so doing the Orphanage will have sufficient funds to pay its bills without having to borrow money.

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NEW FINANCIAL PLAN—For the first time in the history of the Methodist Orphanage the North Carolina conference has provided a balanced budget to meet its operating expenses. Three plans were suggested—one by the Board of Hospitals and Homes, one by the Commission on World Service and Finance and one by the conference. The plan that the conference suggested was adopted by the conference. The plan adopted asked an amount equal to six per cent of the budget of every church in the conference, exempting the amount raised by each church for buildings and paying church debts. All specials that are received during Thanksgiving, on fifth Sundays, and by organized Bible classes will be credited on the six per cent apportionment from each church. The money and clothes sent to the Orphanage from women's societies of Christian service will not be credited on the six per cent apportionment. It is readily seen from the foregoing statement that the Orphanage has a unified, as well as balanced, budget for its operating expenses. It is impossible to devise any financial plan that will be perfectly satisfactory to every pastor and church. So far, I have not heard of a single unfavorable reaction to the plan which was finally decided upon. It is the hope and prayer of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage, the Board of Hospitals and Homes and the superintendent of the Orphanage that all pastors and charges will unite their efforts to make the new financial plan a glowing success.

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ORPHANAGE BANQUET —The Julian S. Carr Bible class, Trinity church, Durham,, gave a banquet on Thursday night of the conference complimentary to the Methodist Orphanage. The bishop, district superintendents, pastors, lay leaders and members of the Julian S. Carr Bible class attended the banquet. There were at least six or seven hundred people who gathered in the Durham Armory to enjoy the banquet. The Methodist Orphanage Glee Club, numbering 38, rendered a 15 minutes program just before the banquet dinner was served. Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, who has charge of the Raleigh public school music, was in charge of the glee club. The program that our young people rendered was well received and highly appreciated by all who attended the banquet. At the close of the program the members of the Julian S. Carr Bible class had our young people to eat with them at the banquet. Dr. B. G. Childs and all the other members of the Julian S. Carr Bible class have placed the Methodist Orphanage under lasting obligations to them for making such an occasion possible. Never before in the history of the Methodist Orphanage have we received such recognition. The attention of the conference was focused on the Methodist Orphanage, which will result in an increased interest in our beloved institution. I haven't words at my command to adequately express my appreciation to the Julian S. Carr Bible class for the great contribution which it has made to the on-going of our cause.

"I AM THE BOY"

Fanny Crosby, the blind song-writer, was at the McAuley Mission. She asked if there was a boy there who had no mother, and if he would come up and let her lay her hand on his head. A motherless little fellow came up, and she put her arms about him and kissed him.

They parted; she went from the meeting and wrote that inspiring song, "Rescue the Perishing"; and when Mr. Sankey was about to sing the song in St. Louis he related the incident. A man sprang to his feet in the audience and said, "I am the boy she kissed that night. I never was able to get away from the impression made by that touching act, until I became a Christian. I am now living in this city with my family, am a Christian, and am doing a good business."

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—Selected.

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NEW STAFF MEMBER

We are very happy to announce the election of Miss Lorene Weaver of Asheville to the position of director of children's work in the North Carolina conference. Miss Weaver will render part time service until June and then will come to our staff on a full time basis. During the intervening time she will use as much time as possible in becoming familiar with the work in the conference and in becoming acquainted with the workers in the conference.

Miss Weaver comes highly recommended by those who have known of her and her work in the church during the past few years. A strong personality, a consecrated Christian life, and a careful preparation in the basic factors incident to the work eminently qualify her for the position she is to assume. We are sure she will make a real contribution to the program of children's work in this conference, and bespeak for her the whole-hearted cooperation of all with whom she will be associated.

Other Staff Members

Robert W. Bradshaw continues in the position of executive secretary of the Board of Education and conference director of youth work, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers continues as office secretary and associate director of youth work.

General Statement

The year 1940-41 has been a busy one for the members of your conference staff as it has endeavored to serve the 751 church schools of the North Carolina conference. We have tried to give due emphasis to every phase of the program of Christian education and to render service as far as possible to each church in the conference.

Christian Education Conference

A two-day conference on Christian education was held at Louisburg College near the beginning of the conference year. This was a planning conconference, attended by district superintendents, district directors in the three age-group divisions, conference Youth Fellowship officers, and members of the conference staff. This was a new venture with us, but it proved so successful that we plan to continue it as a permanent part of our conference program.

Church School Rally Day

137 church schools have observed church school rally day with an offering of over $775 for the support of our conference program of Christian education. This is the largest offering ever made on this day and the largest number of churches contributing to this cause, but the number of schools observing the day is still very small. We are encouraged to believe that the next few years will see an increasing interest on the part of our churches in this means of support for the conference program.

World Service Sunday

300 church schools have contributed more than ten thousand dollars to the World Service program of our church through their fourth Sunday offerings. Continued emphasis will be given to this important matter until every church school in the conference shares in this World Service program of the church. We are glad to note an increase both in the number of churches contributing and in the amount contributed to this cause.

Church School Literature

Beginning with the new quarter in October new literature has been in use in all our church schools. This literature—24 periodicals in all—replaces the material published by the three former branches of Methodism. The conference staff has endeavored to acquaint our people with this new material during the year.

Christian Education Week

Christian Education Week is observed in October as a period of emphasis on the total program of Christian education in the conference. This week was formerly called "Childhood and and Youth Week." Full reports on the observance of the "week" this year have not been received, but preliminary reports indicate that many churches with the beginning of the new church school year have used this occasion for enlarging their local church program.

Race Relations Sunday

Race Relations Sunday was promoted by your staff with a response by a small number of our churches. This is a new observance for our part of the church that we believe will receive increased support in succeeding years.

Attendance at Lake Junaluska

The largest number of young people ever to attend a Leadership conference at Lake Junaluska were in attendance this year when 37 of our young people registered for the conference. A number of our adult teachers also attended the Leadership School and the School of Missions at Junaluska.

Vacation Church Schools

One of the most significant phases of work in which your conference staff engages is the vacation church school. The week or the two weeks of continuous religious training of children unhas within it a power for good that cannot be estimated. Realizing that the children will respond and that the important need is willing and capable leaders, our efforts have been used to try to increase the number of such leaders. Our conference director of children's work has helped in such work with young ladies at Greensboro College, with Duke Divinity School students preparing for their summer work, and with workers in local churches and in institutions for representatives from several charges. She has also been able to assist in a few schools.

Each year there has been an increase over the preceding year in the number of schools held in the conference.

	Schools	Workers	Pupils
1941	360	2251	15,460
1940	344	2055	15,006
Increase	16	196	454

Christian Workers' Assembly

For the second year an assembly was held at Louisburg College this year for adult workers in our church schools. There was an increase in attendance, an expansion in the program, and a greater interest in the whole endeavor. Bishop Clare Purcell and Rev. M. Leo Rippy, member of the staff of the General Board of Education, served us in this assembly and made a real contribution to its success.

Fellowship and Study

The Fellowship of Study is an arrangement whereby workers in the Children's Division agree to join with others of like interest in doing a certain amount of reading during the year that will better equip them for their work with children. Many workers in our conference have joined this "Fellowship" and have made use of our conference board library and the library of our General Board in finding books for their reading. Under new plans for next year the Fellowship of Study will be more directly under the supervision of our conference staff, and we expect a large number of "new" members to become a part of the "Fellowship."

Youth Activities Weeks

We are continuing our emphasis on youth activities weeks in the local churches to carry to the mass of our youth that which the assemblies bring to a limited number. The number of churches sharing in these "weeks" is increasing, and the lives of our young people are being enriched by this emphasis. A number of our young people spend their summer in helping local churches with their youth week programs.

Methodist Youth Fund

The Methodist Youth Fund is the name of a new missionary enterprise for our young people. This fund is a joint enterprise of the Board of Education and the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Meetings have been held with the leaders of the latter organization in which plans have been made for the promoting of this fund. January has been set at pledge month for our youth groups.

Youth Assemblies

Seven youth assemblies were held this summer under the direction of the conference staff, with an enrollment of 868 young people and approximately 65 adult leaders. This exceeded by more than 150 young people the attendance in any previous year. Two new ventures were a district assembly

for the New Bern district and an assembly at Hatteras for young people in that section of the conference. In many respects the assemblies were the best ever held in the conference under the present leadership ,and we are now contemplating an enlarged program in this area of work. The assembly program was again self-supporting, and we maintain a balance of over $400 in our assembly fund.

METHODIST PREACHERS

By Bascom Anthony

Annual conference means to a Methodist preacher what a watermelon patch means to a boy. It marks the end of a long strain on body and mind in trying to wind up the year's work in good shape. The rebound from a protracted nervous strain to the joy of meeting his brethren beats all the "unlaxing" Amos and Andy ever heard of. To those who must move or have the itch for something bigger and better the uncertainty of the outcome adds a tension with many.

In spite of these human frailties I doubt if there is a brotherhood on earth equal to that of Methodist preachers. None of them are perfect. They are made out of too poor a material to be free from faults. A wise old preacher said these weaknesses were due to the fact that when God wanted a preacher he had nothing but laymen to make him of.

These weaknesses vary and in proportion as they get busy about important things and neglect to live in the conscious presence of God, these weaknesses come out. Then a man ceases to think "soberly" and goes to thinking like one with a few drinks in him. Then some have petty jealousies, others get the notion of a conspiracy against them, and some think they need "a pull," but under a searching sermon all of them repent and rub out and take a new start.

It is my deliberate opinion, after 60 years' intimate contact with preachears, that there is scarcely a man among them who would be willing to have a better appointment if the cabinet called him in and showed him that no preacher had died or retired and that any gain to him would mean that much loss to another. It's the best crowd I have knowledge of in spite of its weaknesses.

The spirit of church and state gets bad when its leaders think more of the fleece than of the flock. Men are open to both views. It is my opinion that the average preacher had rather be good than to be called great, and that he had rather be useful in an humble place than a failure in a big one.

I wish our lawmakers would provide for a body of volunteers who would devote themselves to country and slum work for the next 25 years and that no bishop could give them any sort of appointment than that or to be district superintendent over such work. That body would be full and the sections now given over to strange and curious sects would blossom again under trained and consecrated leadership. Our preachers and people are open to the call of heroic and unselfish service. Our district superintendents are the key men to lead in such service. Less talk about promotions and more talk about honoring God and blessing men will meet a prompt response.

THE SONGS OF THE PEOPLE

Community singing is one of the pleasantest manifestations of the growing spirit of fellowship, and equally one of its most effective producers. In the trying days of the first winter of the war neighbors relieved the manotony of the long hours of the blackout by meeting for song. Last winter the wardens of the shelters discovered its value in passing the time and in promoting good feeling among their promiscuous company. The churches too are again awakening to its power to reach the many for whom liturgy and sermon have little attraction. They have discovered that outsiders in goodly numbers will flock to a special meeting in which singing is the sole, or at least the chief, feature. The huge Wembley football crowd beguiles its time of weary waiting with popular song, and will sing "Abide with me" with equal gusto with "Pack up your troubles" or "Ilkla' Moor." For in nine cases out of ten it is the melody that counts. The words are of secondary importance. If they are to find favor they must be simple, in ordinary use, easily vocalized, vivid, charged with common sentiment. The gay, with a touch of humor, is welcomed. The sweet or tender or pathetic, as well as the joyous, so it be rhythmical, is enjoyed. But for popular song the recondite, the learned, the uncommon is no good.

Recently there has been a widespread demand for a song which shall do for the airmen what "Rule Britannia" and "Eternal Father, strong to save," have accomplished for the sailor. It would certainly be welcome, for the Air Force, by its heroic exploits in the midst of all the perils of air-navigation, has won its way into the heart of the nation. But the hymn for those at sea has in mind the merchant service no less, and perhaps even more, than the King's Navy. In like manner after the war Tennyson's prophecy will be more fully realized and we shall "see the heavens full with commerce, argosies of magic sail"; so that a prayer will be needed for the merchant "pilots of the purple twilight." So far, however, the attempts have not been very successful—though in the churches Mr. Tiplady's hymn is coming into favor; and as it is in a familiar metre good tunes are available. But what is desired is a melody which shall be written for, and as closely identified with, the words as is Melita to the hymn for those at sea. Perhaps flying is yet too recent to have called forth the appropriate rhythm. But it becomes evident again that songs are born, not made. Maybe some Dibbin of the air will yet arise. Maybe some poet among the thousands of airmen will, like Thomas Moore, be captivated by a melody and write his impassioned words to it, or like Charles Wesley who enraptured with Purcell's melody to "Fairest Isle, all isles excelling," wrote his hymn "Love divine" to be sung to it.—Methodist Recorder (London).

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By Rollin H. Walker

Prayer and Thanksgiving

In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus sprays the orchard of prayer against two pests which are apt to destroy the fruit. One is the pest of praying to be seen of men; the other is the pest of vain repetition. Jesus realized the need for repetition (Luke 11:5-10; 18:1-8), but there is all the difference in the world between repetition and vain repetition. Vain repetition is prayer into which we do not put our whole minds, prayer of a sort that we would never think of using when we ask for a favor from an intelligent fellowman. Our prayers should show our respect for the infinite intelligence as well as the infinite mercy of God.

Having given us Jesus' warning against two common errors in prayer, Matthew now proceeds to give us our Lord's positive teaching concerning the content of prayer.

When you pray, say, Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. We note, in the first place, that true prayer is not to be self-centered. We are to pray to OUR Father, and to reach out arms to embrace all mankind when we lift our hearts to the God of all flesh. And we are to address God as a father. Some men think of prayer as though God were a great automaton that we could work. This is at the opposite pole from Jesus' teaching. He teaches that God himself takes the initiative, and is wooing us to confidence and love. God is our heavenly Father, and we are to pray for grace to hallow his name by utter sincerity and a due sense of his divine majesty.

Then we are to pray for the coming of the kingdom. Even if I am praying for myself alone my first and foremost prayer should be for the coming of the kingdom, for I can never live a complete life until all men are united in love and absorbed in the great task of bringing in the reign of God.

Then Jesus bids us pray for our daily bread. Some people say, "I never pray for things, I only beseech God for spiritual blessings." One notices that they are always well fed. And who can sharply discriminate between the spiritual and the physical? The Bible could not have been written by men who did not have sufficient vitamins in their diet. And the rich need to pray this prayer as well as the poor, for if they do not receive their daily bread as a sacrament from the hand of God it will give them a kind of spiritual diabetes. And here again we must pray for bread not merely for ourselves alone, but for all our fellow mortals. And that means a prayer against unemployment, and implies on our part zeal for a just economic order.

And then Jesus bids us pray for forgiveness. Some people who have been raised under the protection of a social hothouse, and who have never been tempted to outbreaking immorality, have no sharp feeling of the necessity of the prayer. But who will dare say that he does not come short of glorifying God by that fullness of life and power that he might have had if he had always believed as he was privileged to believe? The writer said jokingly to a college audience that every university ought to have a priest in attendance so that each professor, as soon as he dismissed his class could go and confess and get absolution for not inspiring his students as he might have done if he had always lived and thought at his best.

Finally we are told to pray, Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. This is a prayer against those social conditions that, like a swamp, spread spiritual malaria among the people. And to pray it implies, of course, that we will fight against the liquor traffic, and every other organized diabolism that lures youth into the ways of hell.

The undertone of all Christian prayer should be praise. We are to hallow God's name by being geysers of gratitude. While of course we cannot, and ought not to give God thanks for everything that happens to us—Jesus did not give thanks for the traitor's kiss—nevertheless, no matter what happens to us, there still remains abundant cause for gratitude. So by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, we can always in everything give thanks.

MY HIDING PLACE

(Verses found in the pocket of Major Andre after his execution during the Revolution).

Hail, sovereign love, which first began
The scheme to rescue fallen man!
Hail, matchless, free, eternal grace,
Which gave my soul a Hiding Place!
Against the God who built the sky,
I fought with hands uplifted high—
Despised the mention of his grace,
Too proud to seek a Hiding Place.
Enwrapt in thick Egyptian night
And fond of darkness more than light,
Madly I ran the sinful race,
Secure—without a Hiding Place!
But thus the eternal counsel ran,
Almighty love, arrest that man!
I felt the arrows of distress,
And found I had no Hiding Place!
Indignant Justice stood in view;
To Sinai's fiery mount I flew;
But justice cried with frowning face,
This mountain is no Hiding Place;
Ere long a heavenly voice I heard,
And mercy's angel soon appeared,
He led me, with a beaming face,
To Jesus as a Hiding Place.
On him almighty vengeance fell,
Which must have sunk a world to hell!
He bore it for a sinful race,
And thus became their Hiding Place.
Should sevenfold storms of thunder roll,
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JIMMY'S LEGS

Jimmy had quick, strong legs. All his little friends said so.

"We always like to have Jimmy on our side when we're running a race, because he wins for us," the other boys said.

"I like to run," said Jimmy to his mother. Whenever she was in a hurry for something from the store he was glad to run for it.

But because he could go so fast Jimmy began to feel boastful. He lived on a busy street, and mother told him always to go to the corner when he needed to cross to the other side. Mr. Gordon, the cheerful officer, stood there in the middle of the street and tlod the cars when to stop or to go.

Mr. Gordon was always glad to help a boy or girl across the street. He always smiled and nodded, and they liked to say "Hello" to him.

"Mr. Gordon is our friend, and helps us," said the boys and girls.

But now Jimmy began to think that he didn't need to bother to go to the corner and wait for Mr. Gordon to tell him when to cross the street. He thought that he could run right across wherever he wanted to.

"Bu tyou might trip and fall down, Jimmy," said Dorothy.

"My legs are quick. I can dash over when no cars are coming close," declared Jimmy.

One day Jimmy saw two of his friends, Phil and Harry, talking together across the street from his house.

"I'm going right over to see them," said Jimmy.

There was a street car coming a little way down the street, but Jimmy wasn't afraid. "I can run fast," he said aloud.

"I can run fast, too, Jimmy," spoke up little Billy, who lived next door to Jimmy, but Jimmy didn't hear him.

Jimmy ran across the street and reached the other side, and Billy came dashing after him, but Billy, who was only five, fell down. "Help!" he cried.

Billy was beyond the car track, but the street car stopped anyway, while Jimmy and his friends helped the frightened little boy.

"You both are naughty boys, to run across the street like that," said the motorman.

"Oh, I won't do it again! I don't want to," cried Billy.

Jimmy hung his head. "It was my fault, not Billy's," he said. I didn't think about smaller children getting to do what I do, and maybe getting hurt."

When he thought about it, Jimmy saw that he, too, could get hurt by running across a busy street. "I guess my legs aren't really so much more surer than Billy's, after all," he said soberly. "After this I'll take time to cross at the corner."

Billy was only frightened, not hurt, except for a scrape on his knee, and Jimmy was very glad of that. The street car went on, and Jimmy and Billy, walked up to the corner to wait for cheerful Mr. Gordon to tell them when to go across to their own side again.

"I'm glad that my legs are quick," said Jimmy. "They're qucik enough to take me up to the crossing, instead of hurrying over just anywhere. I'll remember after this."—Story World.

TASKS WITH REASON

"Please, Mrs. Smith, would you read this poem to me?"

Mrs. Smith laid down her dish towel at the plaintive voice of the small boy standing in her kitchen doorway.

"Why, Billy," she said, "I'll be glad to. Are your mother and father away from home?"

"No," replied the small boy. "Mother's reading and dad's working in the garden. They are always too busy to read to me, and I've got to learn this poem by heart."

Billy advanced and laid the open book in Mrs. Smith's hand. "This one please," he said, "about Horatius and the Bridge."

"Billy, you wouldn't understand that one very well," said Mrs. Smith. "And you could never learn it by heart. There are pages and pages of it."

"I've got to learn it all the same," persisted the little boy. "Dad is going to give me fifty cents for learning it."

Billy sat very still on the kitchen stool, the dishwater grew cold, the clocks ticked the minutes away, while Mrs. Smith read on and on.

At the very end, Billy slipped from the stool with a long sigh, saying, "I wish I could read it for myself. It will take lots of reading to learn it by heart."

Mrs. Smith nodded. "Would you like to pick some pansies for me now?" she asked. "My front border is thick with them."

Billy's face glowed. He dropped the book on a chair and ran out. Mrs. Smith picked up the book, walked deliberately through her back yard and into her neighbor's garden.

Mr. Green looked up in surprise at the grim face his neighbor wore. "I've ben reading 'Horatius' to Billy," she began.

"I'm sorry he bothered you." Mr. Green began to laugh. "I'm having a lot of fun with that little chap. I've offered him fifty cents to learn that poem by heart."

"He can't learn it, Mr. Green. It's too hard and too long. Why, he's only six years old and in the primer class at school."

Mr. Green laughed louder than ever.

"Of course he can't. But there'll be no harm done. The little chap actually thinks he can do it. It's so funny to see how seriously he takes the task."

"Don't be too sure about the harm, Mr. Green. I think I know of two ways in which very great harm will be done."

"What? How?" asked Mr. Green in genuine surprise.

"Well, in the first place Billy is going to learn a lesson in failure. You have set him an impossible task. Another time he will not be so sure of himself."

"Shouldn't one learn to fail sometimes, Mr. Smith?"

"Yes, if one fails through his own lack of exertion, he has learned a valuable lesson. But every task attempted should be a possible one."

"I get your point, Mrs. Smith. What's the other harm?"

"Billy may lose confidence in his own father," answered Mrs. Smith. "Next time you set him a task, he will not be so willing to attempt it. A little child expects no trickery. Billy will work and work, but when he grows hopeless, it may gradually dawn on him that you were making fun of him. That would weaken his trust and wound his love for you."

"I never thought of that, Mrs. Smith," cried the father in evident alarm. "Is there anything I can do or is it too late?"

"I don't think it's too late," smiled Mrs. Smith. "Call Billy over and tell him you've decided to change the poem. Choose one suitable to his age and understanding. Here's 'Robert of Lincoln.' Billy would like that, and it's long enough to give him plenty of work for his money."

Mr. Green held out his hand. "Thank you, Mrs. Smith."

Billy came bounding over the low fence, both hands full of long stemmed pansies. "Here they are, Mrs. Smith," he cried, pressing them into her hands. Then his face sobered. "Would you mind reading me 'Horatius' again tomorrow?" he asked shyly.

"I'll read anything you like," smiled his friend. "But I think your father has chosen a shorter poem for you to learn."

"Yes, and Mrs. Smith won't have to read it to you, Billy. I'm going to teach it to you myself."

"Oh, dad, how nice!" cried the little boy, and his face shone with happiness.—Frances Dugger, National Kindergarten Association.

"Do you know, Uncle," said little Jane, "that a baby that was fed on elephant's milk gained twenty pounds in a week?"

"Nonsense," said Uncle James. "Whose baby was it?"

"The elephant's," said the little girl. —Exchange.

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Pisgah, Brown's View, 11 30
Missionary Institute, Central, 2:30 30
Biltmore, night 30

December

Wolf Mountain, 11 7
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 7
Brevard, night 7
Tryon, 11 14
Saluda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
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Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 23
Wadesboro, 7:30 24
Chadwick, 7:30 24
Calvary, 11 36
Trinity, 7:30 30

December

Central, Monroe, 7:30 1
Central, Avenue, 11 7
Zoar, 3 7
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7:30 7
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 8
Weddington, Weddington, 7:30 10
Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Brevard Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

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Wilkesboro, 11 30
N. Wilkesboro, District Missionary Institute, 2 30
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December

Mocksville, night 3
Helton, 11 7
Warrensville, 3 7
Todd, night 7
West Jefferson, night 10
Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
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Vale, 11 30

December

Roger City, night 1
Lincolnton, night 2
Shelby, Central, night 3
Belwood, 11 7
Fallston, 3:30 7
Polkville, night 7
Main Street, Gastonia, night 9
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Danbury, 3 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 11 30
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November

Ward Street, 11 20
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 22
Highland, 11 23
Randolph-G. C., Shiloh, 1:30 23
Richland, W. B., 7 23
South Davidson, L., 1:30 24
Calvary, 7 26
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7 28
Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 11 30
Coleridge, Coleridge, 7 30

December

Trinity, H., 7 1
First Church, H. P., 7 3
Asheboro St., C. F., 7 4
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Cross Mills, 7:30 23
Connelly Springs, 11 30
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 30
Rutherford College, 7:30 30

December

Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

N. Kannapolis, 7:30 22
Midland Ct., Center Grove, 11 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 3 23
Pfeiffer, 7:30 23
Harmony, 7:30 24
E Spencer-Yadkin, Yadkin, 7:30 25
Kerr Street, 7:30 26
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 27
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Norwood Ct., Cedar Grove, 11 29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Lenoir, First, 11 23
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 2:30 23
Whitnell, night 23
Elmwood, night 24
Balls Creek Ct., Mt. View, 2:30 29
Maiden, night 30

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Murphy, 7:30 20
Shooting Creek, 11 23
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 2:30 23
Hayesville, Hayesville, 7:30 23
Canton, Central, 7:30 26
Canton, First, 7:30 27
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30 28
Franklin, 11 30
Junaluska, 7:30 30

December

Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11 7
Waynesville, 7:30 7
Bryson City, 7:30 10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30 14
Highlands, Highlands, 11 21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30 21
Franklin Ct., 11 28
Macon Ct., 3 28

District stewards' meeting, Sylva, Nov. 13, at 10 a.m.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Lexington, First, 11 23
Erlanger, 3 23
Ardmore, 7:30 23
N. Davidson, Union Ridge, 11 30
Hanes-Clemmons, at Bethel, 3 30
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 30

December

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3 7
Marvin, 7:30 7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 21
Lewisville, 11 28
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

North Carolina Conference

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Fayetteville Ct., Salem,, 11 23
Parkton, Marvin, 3 23
Johnson Memorial, 7:30 23
Red Springs, 11 30
St. Johns, 3 30
Caledonia, Central, 7:30 30

ROCK MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilson, 11 23
Whitakers, 7:30 23
Weldon, 11 30
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 30

December

Set up meeting, 10 a. m., Rocky Mount First Church I

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

West Durham, 11 23
Roxboro Ct., Va-Vel, 2 23
Andrews Chapel, 7 25
Mranson, 7 26
District Stewards' meeting at Duke Memorial Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 27
Eno, 7 27
West Burlington, 7:30 28
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 29
Milton, Purley, 2:30 29
Glen Raven-Haw River, Holt's, 11 30
Mount Hermon, Friendship, 3 30
Front Street, 7:30 30

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilmington, Grace, 11 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 23
Dis'rict Stewards and set up meeting, Grace Church, 10 a. m. 28
Whiteville, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30
Tabor City, Lebanon, 7:30 30

THE MINISTRY

It takes three things to make a good preacher: study, temptation and prayer. The last, no man that lives near to God dare neglect. The first, no man who endeavors to rightly divide the Word of truth will neglect. And with the second, every man will be more or less exercised whose sole aim is to save souls. Those of a different cast, the devil permits to pass quietly on in their own indolent and prayerless way.—Adam Clark.

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In Memoriam

OLIVER—Following an illness of several months Mrs. L. E. English Oliver of Mt. Olive, N. C., quietly and peacefully slipped away to her eternal home on October 18, 1941. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. G. Dawson, assisted by Rev. J. I. Knight. She is survived by two daughters, Miss Elizabeth Oliver of Salisbury and Mrs. John M. Johnson of Mount Olive; three sisters, Miss Ada English, Mrs. Roberta Loftin, and Mrs. H. M. Cox, all of Mt. Olive.

Mrs. Oliver was blessed with a long life, three score years and five. The greatest fact about her life, however, was not its length but its quality. She lived a beautiful and useful life of Christian service. Having lived well, she was prepared to die well. Death held no dread or sting for her. She was ready to go. As she laid down the duties of this life, she could say with St. Paul: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day."

R. G. Dawson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

"She hath done what she could." These words spoken by the Master of one of his loyal and devoted followers might well have been spoken of Mrs. Hunter Potter Brock, who left these earthly cares September 9, 1941, and took up her abode in the celestial city with those faithful followers of Jesus Christ who preceded her there.

Therefore we, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, N. C., are resolved that:

First, the community has lost a good neighbor and an excellent example of Christian service.

Second, Fifth Avenue church has lost a loyal member, a true child of God, the heavenly Father, a disciple of his Son Jesus Christ, and a faithful worker for the advancement of his cause in the world.

Third, the Woman's Society of Christian Service has lost an interested member, a sincere worker and a fine example of Christian character.

Fourth, that all of us have lost a friend, for to know her was to love her, and until memory fails we shall remember the joy she expressed, the happiness that was a part of her being, the many things she did for others—and we say in deed and in truth "She hath done what she could."

Mrs. G. T. Farrar,
Mrs. O. E. DuRant, Sr.
Mrs. C. D. Barclift.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the ladies' aid society of the Mt. Olive circuit, wish to express our deep sense of loss in the passing of one of our beloved and honored members, Mrs. Sally Kornegay, on October 14, 1941.

Her sweet, pure and gentle spirit marked her as one of God's elect. Her type leaves the world a happier place, because such a spirit brightens it; her type makes heaven more attractive, because we want to be where that spirit has its fulllest expression. She was always patient, unselfish and thoughtful of others. Her steadfast and serene life in a world of stress and confusion will be an inspiration to us all.

In grateful remembrance of her unselfish and courageous life among us as a member of this organization, we present the following resolutions:

First, That with the realization of the distinct loss which is ours by her removal from our midst, we are yet mindful and appreciative of the rich heritage of her Christ-like attributes of character and her impressively beautiful life.

Second, That we commend to the members of the society Mrs. Kornegay's life of patience and sweetness of disposition.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Mt. Olive Tribune, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one recorded in the record book of the Mt. Olive Ladies' Aid Society.

(Signed) Miss Belle Grady, Mrs. Edgar Stevens, Mrs. Jap Strickland, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. John N. Wolfe.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mount Olivet Methodist church, feel very keenly the sad loss of our beloved president, Mrs. T .H. Tysor, who was a loyal, faithful and capable leader. She was alert in all the activities of the church. For 17 years she served as teacher of the young people's class in Sunday school, inspiring and influencing many for the Master. From the date of its organization 12 years ago she served as efficient president of the Woman's Society until it became the present organization. She served in the same capacity until she was called home. Be it resolved:

First, we commend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him whom she loved and served.

Second, we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones, and pray that they may be comforted by the Christ who never fails us.

Third, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy recorded in our minutes, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. T. J. Huggins,
Mrs. Dal Rich,
Mrs. H. E. Teague,
May Wrenn.

MAKING IT TOO EASY

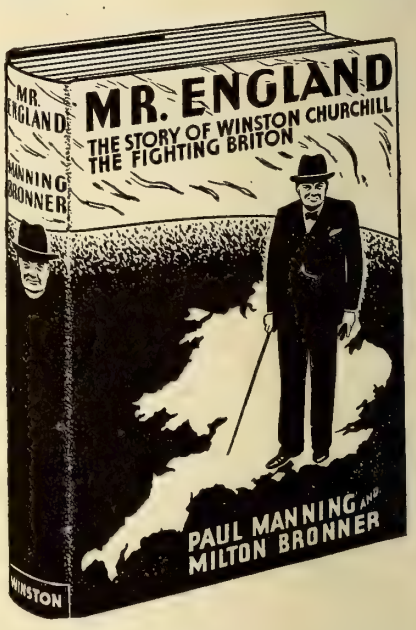
Many a father says, "I made up my mind long ago that my children would not have to work as hard as I did when I was young." Those fathers who have accumulated wealth think they are helping their children by making life easy; no work, no responsibility.

It is written of a fine man of means who had no children that he said, "What can I do for others so that they shall not have to be ground through such a hard mill as I had to go through?" He adopted three children and proceded to give them everything he thought advantageous. The result is that the children are taking advantage of the situation. Perhaps one would hardly expect them to show gratitude, but they have not even sympathy for their parents. Never having been asked to do anything they show no desire to do anything for anyone. They not only accept thanklessly all that is given them, but demand more.—D. Carl Yoder.

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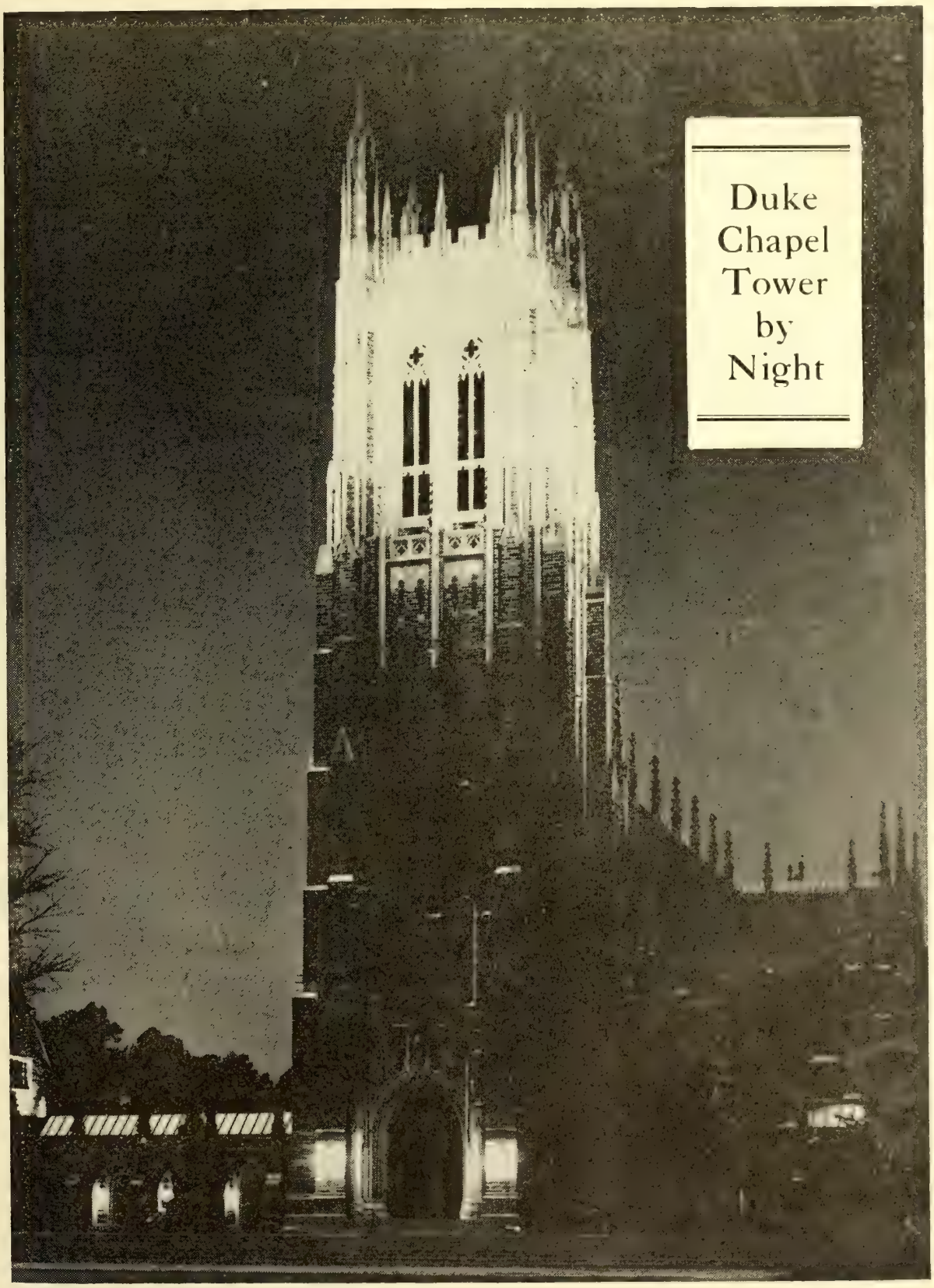
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LAYMEN TO OUTDO ALL FORMER EFFORTS

In Goldsboro Monday and Tuesday of this week the Board of Lay Activities of the North Carolina Conference held a most unusual meeting. Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, presided and guided the discussions. The seven district superintendents gave valuable aid in formulating the plans laid and the objectives fixed for the work of the year.

Each of the goals fixed by the lay board were carefully considered and approved by the preachers and laymen present. A full exhibit of these will be given after the several district superintendents have held their district set-up meetings which are now being held. In this way the plans laid at Goldsboro will be carried down to every church and charge in the conference.

January was set apart as Advocate month. Each district is to designate a week in January most favorable to press the canvass for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. The desire is to get the Advocate in the homes early in the year so as to get the benefit of the larger circulation. Never before in all our years in the N. C. Conference have we known such careful and serious consideration to be given to the circulation of our publications as that done by this Board of Lay Activities under the guidance and inspiration of our lay leader, Dr. W. K. Greene. We fully expect this to be a banner year for our church paper.

In keeping with the interest shown in securing a larger use of the church paper were the needs of the orphanage, the Golden Cross, and all the demands for world service. To reach the goals fixed by the recent conference at Durham and the methods by which this is to be done enlisted careful thought and serious planning. Both the mechanics and the dynamics were of eager and careful concern. Over and over again did the chairman insist that the district superintendents are the chief men and leaders in the conference and the pastors are the preachers in charge and the leaders in the local churches. The laymen are eager to help in every way possible, insisted Dr. Greene. Such was the Goldsboro meeting. It closed on a high level with the urgent insistance that above all else be kept the spiritual dynamics of the gospel. By this we are to win.

The following were in attendance and guests at the Hotel Goldsboro:

Dr. W. K. Greene, Durham; Rev. A. S. Parker, Wilmington; Rev. T. M. Grant, Elizabeth City; Rev. W. B. McRae, Fayetteville; Rev. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount; W. J. Smith, Bethel; Wade A. Gardner, Wilson; J. T. Thorne, Farmville; W. A. McGirt, Wilmington; Z. V. Norman, Plymouth; B. W. O'Neal, Durham; Clifton L. Moore, Burgaw; W. C. Chauncey, Grifton; D. M. Sandlin, Fayetteville; Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham; Dr. M. L. Matthews, Sanford; J. S. MacNider, Hertford; A. M. Noble, Smithfield; F. E. Parrott, Creedmoor; Rev. C. B. Culbreth, Siler City; Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Durham; Rev. H. I. Glass, Raleigh; Rev. J. A. Russell, New Bern; G. W. Jackson, Hertford; J. C. Willis, Elizabethtown.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Six students were recently named by the class of 1942 of Greensboro College as their senior superlatives. Those chosen were Misses Marguerite Thomson, Lexington, most popular; Nancy Hill, Leaksville, best all-round; Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst, most athletic; Janella Kirk, Cliffside, most original; Dorothy Smith, Bridgeton, most intellectual; and Susannah Wimbish, most attractive. These students will be featured in the 1942 edition of Echo, college annual.

The Greensboro College Players will present "The Late Christopher Bean" by Sidney Howard, in Odell auditorium Friday night, December 7, at 8:15 o'clock. Based on the story of the influence exerted by the fame of a great painter upon his widow, the play stars Miss Virginia Hobbs, Hampton, Va., and Mr. Jack Berry, Greensboro. The supporting cast includes Misses Julia Nell Whitehurst, Bethel; Betty Janssen, Winterhaven, Fla.; Emma Lee Warner, Ellerbe; and James Davis, Jack Nowlin and Howard Parrish, all of Greensboro.

This is the second production of the Players' sixteenth season.

CHANGES IN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Take Walstonburg charge from the Rocky Mount district and place it in the New Bern district.

Changes in Charge Boundaries

Durham District

From Duke circuit take Andrews Chapel and make it a station.

Change the name of Duke circuit to Duke's Chapel.

Merge Fairview and New Salem churches on the Burlington circuit, calling the new church Fairview.

Elizabeth City District

Take Epworth church from the Belhaven charge and place it with Swan Quarter-Fairfield.

Place Eureka, a former M. E. church, with the Pasquotank charge.

Place Parkville and the old Tabernacle property with the Perquimans charge.

Place Pleasant Grove, a former M. E. church, with Hertford.

Fayetteville District

Place Love Joy and Macedonia churches from the Western North Carolina conference with the Troy circuit.

Raleigh District

Take Cary from the Cary-Apex charge and make it a station; and form a new charge of Apex-Macedonia, calling it the Apex-Macedonia charge.

Rocky Mount District

Take Whitakers Chapel from West Halifax and place it with Enfield.

Wilmington District

Discontinue Bethel church on the Bladen charge and place the property under the quarterly conference of that charge.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE, HIGH POINT DISTRICT, NOVEMBER 30

This institute will be held at 3 p. m. in Main Street church, High Point.

Devotional: Rev. N. C. Williams.

Aims of the Institute: Dr. S. W. Taylor.

Address: Methodist Missions and the World Today, Rev. N. S. Ogburn.

Statement: Organizing the Church Board of Missions, Rev. J. W. Braxton.

Statement: The Successful School of Missions, Dr. J. E. Pritchard.

Statement: World Service Sunday in Church School, Dr. O. E. Croy.

Panel discussions: For Preachers and Laymen, Rev. N. S. Ogburn. For Youth and Youth Leaders, Mrs. E. A. Lamb. For Women, Mrs. W. T. Powell.

Roll call of charges, checking attendance, Ivon L. Roberts.

Open forum, 15 minutes, Rev. N. S. Ogburn.

Explanation of literature, Rev. G. E. White.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT MEETING

At 9:30 Monday morning, December 1, in First church, Rocky Mount, an important district meeting will be held. The pastors, district stewards, charge lay leaders, church school superintendents are requested to be present. Any other church officials who can attend will be welcome. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Mr. W. J. Smith, and others will discuss the work of the new conference year.

L. C. Larkin, D. S.

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Victor Hugo once defined heaven as a place where all the parents are young and all the children are little. Do we in the midst of the increasing burdens and the exacting demands of age accept this? What about the joy that comes to grandparents? May not little children, young parents and aged grandparents be essential to the making of the heaven eternal?

"It's easier to catch a thief than to keep track of a liar," is a saying that commands prompt acceptance. And not only is he more illusive but he is the more vicious criminal. Shakespeare emphasized this fact in the well known and oft quoted truth that he who steals my purse steals trash, but he who robs me of my good name filches from me that which does not enrich him but leaves me poor indeed. And only a liar can rob a man of his good name.

Some of the domestic evils of drunkenness are, houses without windows, gardens without fences, fields without tillage, barns without roofs, children without clothing, principles, morals, or manners. Temperance puts wood on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, contentment in the house, clothes on the children, vigor in the body, intelligence in the brain, and spirit in the whole constitution.—Benjamin Franklin.

Manifest in the layman's meeting at Goldsboro this week was such an earnest purpose to carry on, such a desire for the highest and best in our Methodism, such a determination to make victorious our Methodist conquest that we will win all along the line wherever the churches will let this spirit have the right of way in pulpit and pew. It belongs to the last man of us to lead on to the final conquest. Some have already caught the swing of victory. Let this group become a mighty host like unto the hosts of God.

An English prayer:

Pray for all who are baffled and distracted with the task of life and are at their wits' end.
Pray for the peoples suffering under tyranny and embittered by human cruelty.
Pray for the homes and families of Russia and China enduring invasion.
Pray for those in war hospitals facing up to a maimed and broken life.
Pray for the aged robbed of subsistence, for children left orphans, for all war widows and women whose hope of home and motherhood has been shattered.

The Pittsburgh Post-Dispatch calls attention to utterances that the national Congress and the President of the United States should heed. Here they are: "Last spring Secretary Morgenthau told Congress he thought a billion dollars should be cut from non-defense expenditures. Asked where these cuts should be made, the secretary indignantly responded that this was the duty of Congress. And President Roosevelt also said that it was the responsibility of Senate and House to decide where reductions should be made. Senator Byrd agrees the job of cutting the budget is that of Congress, but adds that it can be done 'only when there is sympathetic co-operation by the executive branch of the government.'"

The same reasons that render it necessary to prohibit the sale of liquor to soldiers in uniform, or within a given number of miles from a military camp, and to stop its use on battleships, apply to extending similar protection for all citizens engaged in the work of railroads, factories, mines and shipyards. I may mention that my sons who are now in the army in France write me most strongly (just as General Pershing has expressed his public opinion unstintingly) as to the harm done to the men in the army by permitting the sale of liquor to them, stating that they believe in absolute prohibition for the army in war time—and one of them adding that his experience has made a permanent prohibitionists of him.—Theodore Roosevelt.

The Church and National Defense

THE Christian church has a big stake and serious responsibility in our efforts for national defense. Not with guns and ships and fighting planes can the church meet its high obligations, but by keeping fresh and strong and unyielding the spiritual vigor of the nation. The peril of a people in every time of national collapse is a breakdown within rather than from material collapse. Well do we remember that when America was in the midst of the moral and financial depression following the World War there came the urgent plea from many of the leaders of the nation for a great spiritual revival. They insisted that our trouble was primarily spiritual and not material.

The Christian church is the one and only institution that can keep vigorous and strong the inner life of the people; so the urgent demands of this hour are for every minister of the gospel and for all groups of Christians to redouble their efforts to reinforce the spiritual resources of the nation. The burden of taxes for national defense is pressing upon the people with increasing severity, hence the more urgent become the demands for the life more abundant.

The present collapse of France and the spiritual decay of that people should teach us a lesson. Only the church of God with its message of spiritual reality and moral redemption can save us from reliance on the implements of warfare on land and water and in the air. Righteousness and temperance and godliness are the stability of the times as it was in the days of Isaiah. The present need is for prophets of God with a message burning in their own souls as burns the fire in their very bones. Too much of present day preaching consists of empty platitudes and moral homilies. Only men who have been with God in the storm and have held fellowship with Christ in the night watches can reinforce the spiritual life of moral weaklings in the pew.

Our prayer is that the Methodist preachers in their pulpits this new year may make the people of North Carolina to feel that this is indeed a grand and awful time. This year is not the same as last year and the effective message is not going to be the same. The ring of certitude and the vision of the eternal must be more pronounced. Out of the dead past is to come the living issues of conquest. It is ours to make a real contribution to the defense of America by building up the inner securities of the people. God in us and God with us as an abiding presence will make us victorious as was Stanly Jones in India and Paul in the storm on the Mediterraneans. All such know the value of the burning heart and the dynamics of the spirit of God. Then our ministers will come to know "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth glad tidings that publisheth peace."

Objectives for 1941-1942

OBJECTIVES for 1941-1942 of Western North Carolina Conference and North Carolina Conference, as fixed by Bishop Purcell, follow:

1. Aggressive evangelism in every department of the church.
2. The new church school literature in every church and a trained church school leadership.
3. Re-creation of a missionary conscience in Methodism by preaching and study classes.
4. Every Methodist woman an active member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
5. Minimum of 10 per cent raised in salary level of all pastors receiving less than $2500 this year, to meet rising cost of living.
6 Presentation and explanation of World Service and Conference Benevolences apportioned in every congregation before fixing acceptances.
7. Generous increase in support of Conference Claimants.
8. Wholehearted acceptance and payment of new scale of askings for our Children's Home at Winston-Salem and Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh.
9. Continued generous support of Golden Cross.
10. Twelve or more great books read by every pastor in addition to devoted Bible study.
11. Serious and determined effort to pay off all local indebtedness.
12. Continued program of construction and improvement in our churches and parsonages.
13. Minimum of one new subscriber to every fifty members and renewal of all present subscriptions to North Carolina Christian Advocate. The General Christian Advocate, Chicago, in the home of every Methodist official.

14. Unremitting opposition to liquor traffic, both legal and illegal.

15. Methodist Youth Fellowship organized in every church.

16. Daily prayer for just and permanent world peace.

Trudging Goes Before Trumpets

WE Methodists regard ourselves different from Episcopalians and the High Church folks esteem themselves quite different from the lowly Methodists. At this point, in our opinion, neither is entirely off the track. Yet in many things they are alike, believe it or not.

The following classic from the pen of Bishop Stewart, a churchman of repute, has led us to this conclusion. Listen to Bishop Stewart:

"A priest may be theoretically irreproachable, intellectually competent, socially acceptable, and morally sound and yet be a failure as a leader. All of the qualifications will not suffice if he be physically lazy and spiritually dull. A leader leads. Every priest has a difficult task. But if he is a good pastor and a consistently hard worker, he is pretty sure to succeed. Jericho's walls didn't fall at the mere blowing of trumpets on the seventh day. The victors compassed the city on the six days preceding. Evidently trudging goes before trumpets."

Sentimental Values Measured in Dollars

WE are told that the original map of Robb Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island" recently brought $3,200 at public auction. This was the map of an imaginary parcel of land in the South seas that had no material existence. It was the product of the imagination of Stevenson and its treasures were the gifts of his genius.

Isaak Walton's "The Complete Angler" commanded $2,650 at public auction and a copy of Luther's first translation of the Bible brought $1,000. These are, of course, sentimental values but it shows how sentiment may have a value in the money markets.

These values are mysterious to a man who regards a pound of beefsteak of greater value than the Twenty-third Psalm, but there are men and women, not a few, who are able to prove even to the most stupid that there exists a high sense of appreciation of the things of the higher and more excellent life.

A Story of "The Old Oaken Bucket"

IN this day of hydrants from which to draw one's drinking water and the consequent departure of springs and wells, many of the younger people know little of the gourd by the spring at the foot of the hill or the bucket that drew the water from the well.

"The Old Oaken Bucket" was a song that had a great vogue a generation or two ago, but the time may be not far in the future when it will fail to stir memories of far off days and in consequence lose its popularity.

But before that day arrives let us revive the story connected with its author and what prompted him to write it in 1817:

Samuel Woodworth, raised on a new England farm, had gone to try to make his fortune as a newspaper man in New York City. With regret be it said he had become intemperate. With a friend of his boyhood he entered a barroom one day and called for drinks. As they swallowed the stuff, Woodworth remarked to his companion, "I've never tasted anything better." "Yes, you have." "What is it?" "Water from that old well of yours over in Massachusetts. I'd trade all the stuff in this room for one cupful of the cold water that we used to dip out of its old oaken bucket." Overcome by memories Woodworth left the barroom. That very day he wrote the song that has become immortal:

"The moss covered bucket I hailed as a treasure,
For often at noon, when returned from the field,
I found it the source of exquisite pleasure,
The purest and sweetest that nature can yield.
How ardent I seized it, with hands that were glowing,
And quick to the white pebbled bottom it fell,
Then soon, with the emblem of truth overflowing
And dripping with coolness, it rose from the well.
The old oaken bucket, the iron bound bucket,
The moss covered bucket that rose from the well."

The Ironies of History

IN the palace of Sans Sousi at Potsdam, Germany, is a room where Voltaire, the great liberal, spent three years as the guest of Frederick the Great. In this room are preserved many things intimately connected with Voltaire while he lived, such as his personal belongings, specimens of his handwriting and some original manuscripts.

The room seems strangely out of place when one recalls the memorable statement of his: "I do not agree with a word that you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." For Hitler has banished freedom of the press and freedom of speech especially on all political affairs from Germany. Such incidents only remind us of the ironies of history and the capacity of a nation to make progress backward.

People and Things

Rev. B. A. York's address during this winter will be Box 999, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. Joel A. Cooper to the pastorate of Eno church, Hillsboro. —A. J. Hobbs, D. S.

At 2:30 p. m. Sunday, November 30, Rev. John R. Church will preach at the People's Bible School on High Point road, near Greensboro.

The District League of Stewards of Greensboro district is to be held at West Market Street church, Greensboro, at 3 o'clock p. m. November 30. A good program has been arranged.—F. Eugene Hester.

The Wisconsin conference of the Methodist Church at its annual meeting refused to adopt a report of the social action committee urging support of its youth who are conscientious objectors.

The fall meeting of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Statesville district will be held at the Harmony parsonage Friday afternoon, December 5, at 2:30. Every member is urged to be present.—Mrs. R. V. Martin, Sec.

The White City camp meeting is scheduled for January 1 to 11, 1942. This camp is located at Avon Park, Florida. Revs. H. C. Morrison and John Paul are the chief evangelists. Address Route 3, Box 473, Greensboro, N. C., for further information.

After conference changes: W. F. Keeler remains at St. John-Gibson, J. D. Young remains at Ellerbe; both of Fayetteville district. E. D. Dodd goes to the Tar River charge, Raleigh district. W. E. Smith continues as supply at Johnson Memorial charge at Fayetteville.

We are delighted to be back here at Old Fort. We are beginning our second year's work, and a very promising year's work lies ahead of us. The good people living here at the foot of the Blue Ridge mountains have received us kindly, for which we are grateful. In driving to Asheville or points beyond stop to see us.—Robt. M. Varner.

On November 10 the ministers and their wives of McDowell county were entertained at an informal reception at the home of Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Barber. Fellowship, games and refreshments were enjoyed during the evening. At a short business session of the ministers' wives the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year: Chairman, Mrs. Robt. M. Varner; vice chairman, Mrs. F. R. Barber, and secretary, Mrs. Bell.

The National Convention of the Inter-denominational Association of Evangelists will convene at Charlotte, N. C., December 28 through January 4 next. The sessions will be held in the Armory auditorium seating 4000, and a large attendance is expected. All sessions will be open to the public and many outstanding preachers and singers will be on the eight-day program. Hotel headquarters will be Hotel Selwin. If further information is desired write convention director, Elmer C. Miller, at above hotel.

Rev. E. M. Avett, who closed out four years at Mocksville where he made a great record, is now busy with the usual tasks of a new pastor at Glenwood, Greensboro. He last Sunday raised the entire 10 per cent for the Children's Home and has specials to take care of the additional askings. The new pastor has been the recipient of poundings and all kinds of expressions of appreciation. The new parsonage will be completed within sixty days. Avett will carry on as did Bob Hardee before him, and the Mocksville people may expect Hardee to carry on in the capital city of Davie.

Dr. G. R. Combs, the new pastor of Centenary church, Greensboro, arrived promptly after conference and is now on the job, where he has received a warm welcome by the good people of Centenary. The parsonage has been practically made over on the inside. It has the appearance of a brand new house and no pastor will have a more comfortable home than the Centenary pastor.

Rev. B. C. Moss, student in the senior year at Western Teachers' College, and pastor of the Webster charge, has been named by the faculty as one who is worthy to have a place in the student's Who Is Who, a national publication giving honorable mention to outstanding students. Moss will graduate in the spring and will continue as pastor of the Webster charge.



Dr. J. W. Workman, who speaks at West Market Church next Sunday afternoon at meeting of League of District Stewards

Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, pastor of Calvary Methodist church, Durham, has been appointed chaplain of the Durham police department. He was selected from a group of approved names submitted by the ministers' association at the request of the police department. It is believed this is the first city in the state to appoint a chaplain to the department. The chaplain's duties will consist of working among the members of the police department, meeting with them at intervals and holding services and discussing with them problems concerning their work. He will be at the call of the department at all times for special work among prisoners, and will have the rank of a special officer. It is believed much good can be accomplished through this new set-up in the department, and it will be interesting to watch the results.—S. J. Starnes, Reporter.

Concerted action on the part of the entire charge of three churches brought a happy company to the parsonage at Fletcher Monday evening, November 17. Eighty people were represented in this; seventy-two were present. Everybody seemed happy. Of course the pastor and wife were, and are still rejoicing over this manifestation of interest. Such a variety! My, we will fare well for weeks to come. We tried to tell them how much we appreciated their action. Words failed. Some cried, some rejoiced; we sang and then prayed together before the happy company left us to talk over their kindness and to take inventory. The spirit of such an act goes far in confirming the faith of the recipients that they are among friends, and it also strengthens the determination to serve to the best of our ability to repay in faithful work for the Master.—N. G. Bethea.

Moriah is glad to report that another conference year has closed with all claims paid in full. We wish to express our appreciation of all for taking so much interest in the church work, and also how grateful we are to our pastor and family for their service. Also we are glad to have Rev. Mr. Cagle and family with us for the coming year. Rev. Kingley Lyn from Korea and a student at Duke University is to preach at the 11 o'clock service at Moriah, Sunday, November 30.—Mrs. J. W. Sharpe.

18,000 soldiers have been to the old parsonage since the first of June. The boys named the parsonage "Soldiers Town Home." Monday night the board of stewards elected Col. T. A. Lyon as chairman, raised all salaries 10 per cent, accepted total askings on World Service, accepted sustentation and orphanage gladly. We sent $250 for orphanage this week—our Thanksgiving offering. And another thing, "Cape Lookout" (temporary pulpit between the S. S. and church addition) has been used 78 times. Bishop Edwin Hughes will be with us February 22-27.—R. E. Hughes, Hay Street, Fayetteville.

Shiloh, Shiloh Charge, T. G. Madison, Pastor.—Our people have ended a successful year and begun another. We are indeed grateful for the return of our pastor. He has two additional churches—Reed's Methodist and Yadkin College. Attendance at Sunday services is good. The weekly prayer services are being continued on Friday nights and are proving helpful to those who attend. The W. S. C. S. has had a most successful year. New officers have been elected for 1942. The fifth Sunday, which is our usual Children's Home Sunday, has been set for our annual Thanksgiving offering. Friday night, November 28, is the date for our first quarterly conference to be held at Shiloh. We hope that more official members will make it a point to be present.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

On Tuesday evening, November 18, 56 young adults from the Methodist churches of the High Point area met at Dr. T. R. Zimmerman's cabin for a weiner roast and organization meeting. Six churches were represented. Rev. Earl Brewer of the board of education gave a most inspiring devotional, after which a nominating committee was appointed to draw up a slate of officers. The following persons were elected officers of the High Point Young Adult Fellowship: J. Hal Stallings, Wesley Memorial church, president; John H. Bryant, Archdale, vice president; Mrs. Helen Lassiter, Ward Street, secretary; Mrs. Florence Montgomery, Lebanon, treasurer. Mr. Brewer and Rev. Julian Lindsey, district director of young adult work, made brief talks on the purpose and program of the fellowship. A marked spirit of enthusiasm and co-operation was shown by the young adults present. The chairmen of the various commissions of the fellowship will be appointed by the executive committee at an early date.—Hulda Whitely, Conf. Sec.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Rev. E. H. Davis, retired Methodist minister of Louisburg, was the speaker in the college chapel service last Friday morning. In his inimitable fashion he spoke on the three greatest things in life as given in the Book of Procerbs: Law, Mercy (or Love), and Truth.

He treated the subject from the viewpoint of youth, and backed his statements with numerous examples from his own experiences in life. He stressed particularly the need which the world has today for mercy, and the fact that without law there can be neither mercy nor truth.

A group of about thirty students from the college attended a concert given in Raleigh under the auspices of the Raleigh Civic Music Association last Monday evening. The artist presented in this the first of the winter series was Sergei Rachmaninoff, the world's premier pianist. Mr. Rachmaninoff played with all the fire and vigor that have given him his place among the all-time greats of the pianoforte. His well chosen program brought many appreciative comments from his hearers.

The sale of memberships in the music association was sponsored at the college by Prof. I. D. Moon.

MRS. W. L. SHERRILL OF CHARLOTTE PASSES AFTER PROTRACTED ILLNESS

Mrs. Luetta Conner Sherrill, wife of Rev. W. L. Sherrill, a prominent member of the Western North Carolina conference, died in the Charlotte Memorial hospital Tuesday morning, November 25, after an illness which began June 14 when she suffered a slight stroke of paralysis. At the time of the attack she and Dr. Sherrill were living in Lincolnton. She was removed to the Charlotte hospital, where she remained during her illness.

The funeral rites were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 in the Rehobeth Methodist church in Lincoln county near Terrell and the old home church of the Conners and the Sherrills of that section. The services were conducted by Rev. A. W. Lynch, pastor of the church, assisted by Drs. E. H. Blackard, H. P. Powell and E. H. Nease of Charlotte.

Mrs. Sherrill was born in Catawba county January 26, 1862, the daughter of Lieut. Charles T. and Mary Jane Sherrill Conner. She was a granddaughter of Henry W. Conner, who served as a member of Congress from 1821 to 1841, and his wife, Lucy Conner, who was a daughter of William Hawkins, the youngest man ever to serve as governor of North Carolina. On May 21 last Dr. and Mrs. Sherrill celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. In addition to the husband, one son, H. Conner Sherrill of Charlotte survives. Mrs. Sherrill also leaves two granddaughters, Misses Beth and Conner Marie Sherrill of Charlotte, one brother, T. F. Conner of Terrell, and a half-sister, Mrs. Bertie Setzer of Catawba county.

A LOYAL GOOD MAN GONE

Following a long illness, John Newton Jarrett, 61, died on November 7, 1941. He was born in Haywood county and educated at Weaverville College.

During the past two years he was chairman of the board of stewards of Central Methodist church, Asheville. Although for almost a year he was unable to attend the meetings of the official board, his interest in his church never flagged. "He loved his church and gave it his best service." While in health he attended its services regularly and when in the city he also attended with great regularity the monthly meetings of the board, where his counsel and fine business judgment will be greatly missed.

He was a former president of the men's Wesley Bible class and took an active part in the program of the class.

In his passing the sentiment of the poet is literally true: "And the individual withers and the world is more and more."

Canie N. Brown,
Zeb F. Curtis,
J. Warlick,
Committee of Board.

PASTORS AND DISTRICT STEWARDS OF FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT: NOTICE

The pastors and district stewards of Fayetteville district are asked to meet at Aberdeen Tuesday morning, December 2, at 10 o'clock. Church school superintendents, presidents of woman's societies, Golden Cross directors and other interested workers are invited to this meeting.

W. V. McRae, D. S.

SET-UP MEETING OF NEW BERN DISTRICT

The preachers, charge lay leaders, superintendents of church schools will meet in Centenary church, New Bern, Wednesday, December 3, at 10 a. m. J. A. Russell.

JOHN HAMILTON PICKELSIMER AN APPRECIATION

In the passing of Mr. Joseph Hamilton Pickelsimer at his home in Brevard, November 11, 1941, the town and the county, as well as Brevard College, lost a substantial friend. His place will not be filled readily and his influence will live on and on.

Mr. Pickelsimer was born on Little River in Transylvania county, December 10, 1877. His forebears, of German origin, settled in Georgia, but later moved to this county where they have made their home for the past one hundred years or more. Survivors are two brothers and two sisters.

Mr. Pickelsimer was educated in Grant University (now Tennessee Wesleyan College) and Mountain City Business College in Chattanooga. In November, 1903, he was married to Miss Maude Bell of Kingsport, Tennessee, who survives. Their entire married life has been spent in Transylvania county.

To his friends Mr. Pickelsimer was known as an excellent business man. He had extensive real estate holdings and considerable stock in several industrial enterprises. He was president of the Transylvania Trust Company, of the Citizens Telephone Company, and of the Cascade Power Company, which he and his brother, Charles, built and developed. In addition to other interests, he was a director in the Purity Products Company of Brevard. Mr. Pickelsimer was always interested in farming, and took great pride in his achievements in this particular phase of business.

Mr. Pickelsimer found time to enter actively into the civic, educational and church life of the community. He served as county sheriff from 1912 to 1916 and later as a member and chairman of board of county commissioners. He was a Mason and a most substantial member of the Brevard Methodist church.

One of his greatest interests was the development of Brevard College. He was a member of its board of trustees and recently made a gift of $10,000 to the fund now being raised for the college.

The funeral was conducted from Brevard Methodist church by Rev. E. P. Billups, his pastor, with the assistance of Rev. B. W. Thomason, pastor of the Brevard Baptist church. President E. J. Coltrane of Brevard College made the following statement at the funeral:

"In the death of Mr. Pickelsimer, our departed friend, Brevard College sustains an irreparable loss. Of all friends of the college, no one was more interested in its success. We have seen three very distinct characteristics in Mr. Pickelsimer. In the first place he was a good business man. I frequently went to him for advice on the business affairs of Brevard College, and members of the board sought his advice in meetings and frequently entrusted to him certain business transactions which required careful insight and delicate handling. Mr. Pickelsimer always performed satisfactory every trust that was imposed in him. We shall miss his keen interest in college problems and his careful attention to various business duties connected with the operation of the institution.

"Another characteristic of Mr. Pickelsimer which we all admired was his interest in the youth of the mountain area. When it was necessary, Mr. Pickelsimer expressed this intrest and frequently he responded to appeals to help young people at times when help was greatly needed. I never found Mr. Pickelsimer too busy to give attention to the needs of young people who were registered at the college. Mr. Pickelsimer possessed a real interest in the average person, and never failed to take his stand in behalf of the sons and daughters who came from homes in the mountain counties to be students at Brevard College. I am quite sure that his interest was not confined to the mountain counties and that he was interested in young people from any locality.

"Probably the one characteritsic that attracted the attention of everyone more than any other was the deep religious sense and conviction which Mr. Pickelsimer frequently expressed. He was definitely interested in the cause of Christian education, and looked upon Brevard College as an institution which would promote the development of Christian character in the young people of this territory. Mr. Pickelsimer was a man of action. He never said a great deal about his convictions and his special interests, but by his deeds he was known.

"A great man has fallen. We shall miss him. His counsel will be greatly needed. We shall remember him as our friend and brother."

DR. F. W. PASCHALL COMPLETES PASTORATE OF ELEVEN YEARS

Dr. Fred W. Paschall, pastor of the Davis Street Methodist church, Burlington, has just completed his pastorate here of eleven years. He preached his farewell sermon Sunday evening, November 16, using as his subject "The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Communion and Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with You All."

Dr. Paschall was assigned to this church in 1930, coming here from Asheville. He has proven to be a good man and a worthy successor to those pastors who preceded him. He is thoroughly consecrated and with the assistance of his good wife he has devoted all of his energy to the upbuilding of the kingdom. He has not only been interested in the welfare of his own congregation but has had upon his heart the welfare of the entire city.

It may not have been known by a lot of people of this city and has probably taken eleven years for some people to find it out, but Dr. Paschall is as much like Christ as anyone could imagine. He lived what he preached. There was a radiance about him which beamed like the beauty of Jesus.

The members of his church feel his going very keenly, but we congratulate him upon his new appointment to the Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington. It is a promotion for him and a very deserving one. Many things have already been done through different organizations to show their love and appreciation for Dr. and Mrs. Paschall. Tuesday evening, November 18, a farewell party was given in their honor by the entire membership of the church.

Committee.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE PROGRAM

The institute will meet in First Methodist church, Charlotte, at 2:30 p. m. November 30.

Prayer: Rev. E. H. Nease.

The object of our meeting: Dr. G. T. Bond.

Address: "The Methodist Missionary Program and the World Situation," Dr. E. H. Blackard.

Our Task for the Year, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald.

Roll call of the charges:

1. Number present.
2. Does your church have a board of missions and church extension?
3. Does it meet regularly?
4. Did you have a church school of missions last year?
5. Will you have one this year?
6. Is World Service Sunday observed?

Presentation of study book and other literature.

Forum discussions:

1. Pastors and Church School Workers. Leader, Rev. S. M. Needham.
2. Youth Leaders. Leader, Mrs. G. G. Adams.
3. Women. Leader, Mrs. W. M. McLaurin.
4. Laymen. Leader, Guy O. Bagwell.

Consecration service by Dr. Howard P. Powell

WORLD SERVICE DAY AT WEST MARKET GREENSBORO

World Service Day will be celebrated at West Market Street church Sunday, November 30, at 3 o'clock under the sponsorship of the Greensboro district League of Stewards, according to decision reached at a luncheon meeting at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant at noon yesterday. Representatives of all the pastoral charges and churches of the Greensboro district are expected to attend this meeting which will be the first district-wide meeting of the new conference year for the laymen and preachers of the district. Dr. James W. Workman, associate secretary of the general board of lay activities of the Methodist Church, Chicago, Illinois, will be the principal speaker. Dr. Workman is a noted lecturer and a recognized author in the field of the work of laymen in the church. Others participating in the program will be Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent; Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., district missionary secretary; Mrs. R. G. Rieves, district secretary of Woman's Society of Christian Service; and Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, district lay leader, associate conference lay leader, and president of the District League of Stewards.

MISS ELBA HENNINGER, HEAD OF SPEECH AND DRAMATIC DEPARTMENT OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE, PASSES NOVEMBER 21, 1941

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Sunday, November 23, at the residence on Walnut street in Statesville for Miss Elba Henninger, 52, head of the speech and dramatics department at Greensboro College and prominent in dramatic circles of the state, who died suddenly about 11:30 a. m. Friday morning, November 21. Miss Henninger suffered a heart attack in her class room at the college Friday morning and was taken to the hospital where she died shortly afterward.



Miss Elba Henninger

A memorial service was held at the college at noon Saturday in Odell auditorium. Miss Vela Mecum, Winston-Salem, read, Dr. Raymond Smith quoted the scripture, Mr. Walter Vassar sang, and the college glee club sang. Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine ended the program with a prayer.

The funeral service in Statesville was conducted by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College. Pallbearers were: Mr. Elliot C. Watson and the following men who have been active in Greensboro College Players: John V. Berry, Edgar Broadhurst, Jr., Howard Parrish, Jack Nowlin, David Witherspoon, James Davis and Edgar Landreth. Honorary pallbearers were Mayor Huger S. King, Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, Paul Giles, E. P. Dameron, Norman Block, Frank Haile, Hoyt Boone and Fletcher Flynn, Greensboro; Watkins Nowlin, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. P. M. Ginnings, Dr. Robert T. Dunstan, Dr. Raymond Smith, Dr. Conrad Lahser, Mark Hoffman, Walter Vassar, Dr. William Sleeth, and Thomas C. Harrell.

Concerning Miss Henninger's death, Dr. Gobbel said: "The Greensboro College community has again been called upon to bear a great sorrow because of the death of Miss Elba Henninger, one of the most popular and capable members of its faculty.

"Unusually talented in her chosen field of speech and dramatic art, Miss Henninger possessed high standards of excellence and the ability to inspire her associates and her pupils to share them with her and to strive for their attainment. Her enthusiasm, her sense of high cultural and spiritual values, her indefatigable energy, her pioneering spirit, her willingness to render service beyond the confines of her own department, and her hearty appreciation of the distinctive features of the institution in whose service she spent the last twenty years of her life, set her apart from the ordinary or commonplace, and enabled her to win for her work recognition beyond this state and section.

"Indicative of the breadth of her service beyond her own department is the fact that she served on the following faculty committees: Chapel, classification, library, lecture, and concerts, publicity, radio, and college government.

"In the death of Miss Henninger, Greensboro College has lost one of its most faithful and effective faculty members."

Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus, under whose administration Miss Henninger began her service at Greensboro College, remembered her as "endowed with qualities of talented, refined, cultured Christian womanhood. She was an exponent of cheer and good will. Throughout her many years of service in Greensboro College as head of speech and dramatic art, she magnified her position in rendering service that was constructive in promoting the higher interests of the college household and community.

"Her record in building up the academic department of which she was head is outstanding. Her department developed into a high order of excellence recognized as a standard department among educators of our country."

Although she was a native of Dayton, Tenn., Miss Henninger had made her home with her family at Statesville for a number of years. She was a graduate of Martha Washington College, Abington, Va., and of Curry School of Expression, Boston. She had also done considerable graduate study at Columbia University, New York, and at Curry School.

Besides her teaching at Greensboro College, she taught for several summers at the University of Virgina and at the University of Denver.

Miss Henninger had been at Greensboro College since the fall of 1921, coming here as head of the physical education department. Soon after she came she began her work in speech and dramatics and built up her department to be one of the outstanding ones in the state and one of the few which offer majors to college students.

She was the organizer of Greensboro College Players, an honorary dramatic group. With it she won wide acclaim in play production, both in Greensboro, where the Players have established a regular season of play presentations, and in other parts of the state.

Miss Henninger was active in the cultural life in Greensboro, in addition to her college work, and gave much of her time and energy to promotion of community plays and musical programs. She was a member of the Euterpe Club and of West Market Street Methodist church.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. J. F. Henninger; one brother, Shelton Henninger, Chapel Hill, and five sisters, Mrs. J. C. McLean, Raeford; Mrs. Flake Steele, Winston-Salem; Mrs. H. C. Prevette, Washington; and Mrs. A. M. Lewis, Chicago, Ill., and Miss Bess Henninger, Statesville.

Report of the Commission on Evangelism

By S. A. MAXWELL

The heart of the world is wistful for religious reality and deeply hungry for an experience of God as revealed through Christ. In brief retrospect we observe that strikingly unconventional literature dealing with the conversion type of redemptive religious experience has been most popular. We need only to recall Tolstoy's "The Everlasting Mercy," by John Maesfield; "Twice-Born Men," by Harold Begbie; "The Varieties of Religious Experience," by William James; "The Christ of the Indian Road" or "The Christ of Every Road," by Stanley Jones, and "In His Steps" by Charles M. Sheldon. All of these books became "best sellers" and are more widely read even today than rare fiction or startling novels. Why? Because they disclose the power of religion to convert and continuously transform and empower the human spirit for adventurous living. Indeed the call to evangelism is outlined only in certain decadent religious circles!

Let us accept the probing and face the disturbing fact however that unlike many modern congregations transformations were really expected in the New Testament church, in the early church, and in fact in the history of most religions until they became decadent and substituted ritual for redemption and solemn feasts for conquests. In such strange times as are coming upon the church, in utter bewilderment, it seems to be tossing this glorious expectation overboard for lesser cargo. We are called upon to make moral adjustments with an immoral world, to decline with a decaying order of life about us. Dare we neglect the evangelistic obligation of the local church and our pastoral responsibility for discharging this obligation?

Giant Hour Needed

If we are to escape being destroyed by a sinning society it is imperative that as preachers we must have the "giant hour" and the inspired moment of some tremendous religious reality to revitalize us. As pastors let us interrogate our experiences. Is it not true that we need something of the illumination that came to Dr. W. E. Channing as he sat that auspicious day on the winding bank of the Charles river looking out across the marshes to the Brookline hills; do we not need the quickening that came to Phillips Brooks in the quiet of his study when his spirit bloomed and a whiter light from a higher sky shone through all of his sermons and fell upon his letters and diaries; do we not need the spontaneous certainty and joy that came to Horace Bushnell that memorable night when he leaped from his bed in the Yale dormitory crying, "I have found it! I have found it! I have found the gospel"; do we not need the glow that came to Dr. George A. Gordon that eventful day in the quiet academic atmosphere of old Appleton Chapel on the campus of Harvard University; does not this day of tension and terrible responsibility demand of us that transcendental empowering that came to A. J. Gordon in the study of old Clarendon Street church yonder in Boston; do we not need afresh the ordination of the pierced hand just as it came to A. B. Simpson in the heart of his busy parish life in New York City? Let us remember that out of such experiences an international evangelism has reached to the remote and untouched corners of the earth.

In his most readable book, "The New Preaching," Dr. Joseph Fort Newton hits the major chord in evangelism as he declared: "In the lives of the supreme preachers one nearly always finds a golden year, a shining day, sometimes a single luminous hour, which given the key to his career, they ceased to stammer and their sermons moved with the lilt and lift of lyrics." Dare we pastors neglect this luminous hour? Can we afford to escape the shining day? What if we miss the golden year?

In the field of evangelism our task is twofold: First, we must unceasingly proclaim the evangel of personal redemption. Let us remember that "the song of the Lord began with the trumpets"—and what a thrilling, shattering, startling challenge to conquest. It was led by the preachers! There is a growing evidence on every hand that many churches might be justly described as examples of cultivated parochialism. They are slowly but surely drifting into second class social clubs, united by mild moral ideals, rather than maintaining themselves as spiritual communities alive with divine fire.

Initiate Program of Evangelism

In discharging its evangelistic obligation each local church, under the guidance of the pastor, should initiate a comprehensive program of evangelism whose direct aim is the personal redemption of men and women. Such a program involves periodic surveys to locate the unreached, a fellowship of evangelism always seeking to enlist the unchurched, preaching missions and spiritual life conferences to equip the local church for its evangelistic task. Too, we would call to your attention the value of county, city, and district programs of evangelism which have been so effectively used in other sections of our great church.

Secondly, today is pre-eminently the time to initiate a new epoch in reform evangelism. An old order is fast dying about our very heads. The church that cannot observe this palpable fact is too blind to see and too weak to give a challenge. He who sits and waits for the "good old days" to return will grow very weary of sitting—just sitting! To be merely traditional and served or circumscribed by pleasant ritual and ancient conventions is nothing short of treason to our program opportunity. It is urgent that we have the courage to re-examine, to scrap and abandon the useless, to experiment with the unconventional, to dare with the untried, to stir with the unusual, to challenge with the extraordinary! Old forms about us are being ruthlessly displaced. Let the church be assured that out of this servere schooling she will not remain static—she must move on, move out, move up. In tragic bewilderment the masses today are singing "God Bless America." But we ask seriously how can God bless America if the church remains static, just piping the traditional little flute in a dying civilization. What is this mass longing and singing saying to the church? What America should be moving the church? Can we mean the America of farm tenancy where men and women in abject poverty have been forced off the land? Just what must the church do to assist God in blessing that kind of America? Do the masses mean the America of race prejudice and lynching? Do they cry to Jehvoah to bless the

America of a Godless Sabbath, excused now by the God of Militarism? How ominous our silence! To they mean the America of greed, graft, and special advantage—yes, the America of slums, filth, and poverty where one-third of our people live ill-fed, ill-clothed, and ill-housed? The Christian church faces the peril of dealing in platitudes. How about the America of barrooms, barmaids, domestic infidelity, broken homes, and wrecked youth? How accusing our silence on such matters! Are we choked stiff by the idol of revenue? What shall we say about the America where sixty-three per cent of our population have no church connection? Yet we say mass evangelism is obsolete!

Youth Without Religious Training

What about the America of thirty million children and youth growing up without religious training? Dare we sing "God Bless America" from a sense of relief due to our distance from the scene of widespread brutality? Dare we pronounce shibboleths caring not that our own civilization is falling to pieces because of moral, social, and ecomonic leprosy? Even in nations at war a new tide is rising. Let us not delay too long our rigid examination for it is far better to be pained by the probe than to die by poison. America has waited too long. "One thinks of the profound, unsparing examination by France. One thinks of Russia where, to the amazement of the organized "Godless" religion is coming again to the plain people. One thinks of the seventy per cent increase of Bible purchases in Germany, and the new seriousness of church attendance in Italy and of the great awakening in China known as "The New Life Movement," the world-invigorating revival of spiritual qualities that so grandly distinguish all British people."

Shall we allow it to be written of our reform evangelism "too little and too late." Society can sin by syndicate. It is still sin! "It is not strange that in the leading Litany of National Confession we hear the sensitive voice of France. Yet who would have believed that in Paris, yes, in black headlines in the newspapers of Paris, we should first behold a nation on its knees—not before a conqueror, but before the Almighty Dispenser of Events. In the first newspaper published in Paris after the occupation, in terms that may not be customary with us but whose spirit all of us understand, there was printed under a six-column heading this remarkable statement: 'We are going to pay for sixty years of de-Christianization, falling birth rate, decline into paganism and materialism, decline into political anarchy. We are paying dearly for the errors of our great French Revolution of 1789-1793. At the Marne in the last war, St. Genevieve, St. Louis, St. Joan of Arc, Our Lady of Paris, had interceded for us. Providence granted us twenty-five years' respite in which to recover ourselves. We returned to freethinking, materialistic vomit, to our 'popular front' moral and political anarchy. We have worn out the patience of providence! We have disgusted the good God Himself! And now when will the Lord grant us the recovery and resurrection of France?"

Peril of France Ours

Who dares to say that this cannot happen in the United States? Unless reform evangelism and the spirit of Christian propaganda is vocal both from the pulpit and the pew such conditions may soon come upon us. Some great metropolitan newspaper may write just such an editorial. The voice of confidence and conquest must again fill the air. We must discover the missing element in many pulpits, the vital deficiency in so many congregations. Only in the determined practice of reform evangelism can either the ministry or the church justify their perpetuity in a society of sin. We still have time, let us hope, to redeem our society from ruin but it will take unconvenional, radical, dangerous, and daring aggressiveness. If we lack the courage and foresight to project a challenging program of reform evangelism then forces much to our distaste will bungle the job. To tackle this job calls for heroism. The minister who dares to engage in reform evangelism today will need the daring of a Luther who cried to his appeasing advisers: "I will go to the Diet at Worms though the devils be as thick as the tiles on the roof." The easy-going ecclesiastical diplomat is ruled out of reform evangelism. The temporizer is utterly disqualified!

We admit of no antagonism whatever between redemptive and reform evangelism. The Fatherhood of God implies the brotherhood of man. Divide these great truths and the church becomes impotent and unreal and trudges on heavy feet to her day of oblivion. May the song of the Lord begin once more with the blasting of the triumphant trumpet—on the major chord—uniting the redemption of the human heart and the reform of human society as the goal of the church of Christ on earth.

THE FRIENDLY MAN AND THE LAUNDRY MAN

Having a few minutes to spare, I was looking round Wesley's Chapel, City Road, again—a Methodist shrine I love to visit whenever I am near.

Presently the door opened, and down the aisle came a young man. He limped a little. His hair needed cutting. He was not too well dressed. Sitting in a pew near the pulpit, he bowed his head and remained at prayer for some minutes. Then he opened a hymn book, turned a few minutes, sat very still, and left the building.

Greatly daring, I overtook him just outside the door.

"Excuse me," I said, "but I wonder if you would be good enough to tell me why you came in here this morning?"

He hesitated. "It's a kind of a habit of mine now," he said. "Nothing much, you know. Nothing at all."

We had passed John Wesley on his pedestal and had reached the gates. The traffic of City Road was only a yard or so away.

"It's almost unpardonable of me to ask," I said; "but I should like to know."

"Well," he explained, "years ago, when I was a little chap, I used to come here with my mother and father every Sunday. When we moved out Knightsbridge way we hardly ever came, and all of us got into the habit of not going anywhere on Sunday."

He passed his hand across his face.

"That's my van," he said irrelevantly. "I'm a laundry man. We were bombed in the spring, and my mother and father were killed—but before my mother died she said, 'Sonny, you won't forget City Road, will you?'

"And you see, sir—well, I never pass this way now without just running in for a minute or two, and—well, asking God to help me be what she wanted me to be, so to speak."

We parted after shaking hands.—Methodist Recorder.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

With a fine attendance, the Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina conference met for the annual fall luncheon in the spacious dining room of Duke Memorial church during the session of the conference in Durham.

The group was called to order by the president, Mrs. B. F. Boone, who called attention to the Blessing Hymn by John Wesley printed in the attractive program booklet, and which was sung before the luncheon was served. Mrs. Geo. W. Perry presented a gracious welcome to the wives; Mrs. Allan P. Brantley responded to her greeting. Welcomed were Mrs. Clare Purcell, wife of the presiding bishop; Mrs. Paul Neff Garber and Mrs. Hayes from the Western North Carolina conference; Mrs. Wannamaker Hardin of the South Carolina conference, and Mrs. H. P. Myers of Danville, Va. The women responsible for the fine luncheon and the attractive favors were commended and thanked.

Following the introductions, Mrs. Purcell greeted the wives with words of encouragement and a salute for endeavors and accomplishments. A very interesting study was presented by Mrs. J. B. Hurley of "The Replica of Wesley Wedgwood Tea Pot," one of the world famous tea pots, and which portrays the Wesley Blessing on its exterior. Received with great enjoyment were two amusing songs sung by Mrs. E. M. Hall and accompanied by Miss Cunningham, "Sleepy Hollow Tune," Kounts; and "The Robins," Ashford.

"The Parsonage Home," topic which Mrs. E. L. Hillman presented, was an interesting study of the parsonage home and a tribute to the wives who live there and are responsible not only for the housekeeping but for making a livable Christian home. We do not feel ourselves martyrs because sacrifice is necessary at times.

During the business meeting the minutes were read by the secretary and the treasurer's report given, followed by an offering. Mrs. E. D. Weathers presented a brief report of the summer party, which took place in June during the pastor's school.

Reports on improvements to parsonages, recognition of the eight new babies, life memberships, brides, picnics, and meetings were given by the following for their districts: Fayetteville, Mrs. D. L. Fouts; Elizabeth City, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter; Durham, Mrs. D. E. Earnhardt; New Bern, Mrs. W. R. Stevens; Rocky Mount, Mrs. P. F. Newton; Raleigh, Mrs. E. D. Weathers; and Wilmington, Mrs. A. S. Parker.

It was suggested and approved that the secretary be instructed to send a note of remembrance to several wives who for illness or for other reason could not attend the meeting.

The closing hymn was dedicated to widows and wives of retired ministers and special thought in their direction was requested. The meeting was closed with the Collect repeated in unison, bringing to our minds afresh the responsibilities of being wives of ministers. Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Sec.

NEW PREACHER MADE WELCOME

We arrived in Albemarle October 29 to find a warm parsonage, a group of men and a group of women to receive and welcome the new pastor and his family. They were also in the act of bidding farewell to Brother Stimson and Mrs. Stimson. Our truck arrived and unloaded by the time the women had prepared a sumptuous meal, including the proverbial fried chicken, for the new parsonage dwellers. After a night's rest, trucks arrived early to move the parsonage furniture and this preacher's belongings to another address. Soon we found ourselves set up in this dandy parsonage at 324 North First street in Albemarle. We are very finely, favorably and centrally located here for all purposes and very happy in our new field of labor and among new friends. Our work is off to a good start—with a fine church school, youth fellowship group, women's organization, and 19 fine stewards and 459 members to work with (ten new ones since conference). November 21 an army from First Street church began maneuvers. They converged on our new parsonage home and bombed our dining room table after the manner of an old time pounding. We are having such a Thanksgiving that we need the new and old date both to catch up with our thanksgiving. Our sincere appreciation to these fine people, our gratitude to God for his goodness to us. This business of being a Methodist preacher and parsonage dweller has its high hours and experiences that compensate for other hours and experiences that must be endured. May God richly bless these good people and help us to be of greater service to them.—G. N. Dulin.

I. M. L. BROCK, PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN, DIES AT RICHLANDS, N. C.

I. M. L. Brock, 81, prominent business man of Richlands, N. C., died at his country home Wednesday morning, November 19, at 7:15, after an illness of two weeks.

Mr. Brock, oldest son of the late J. M. F. Brock and his wife, Mary Alice Brown Brock, was born in Onslow county on April 10, 1860. He was educated in the Onslow county schools and Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

He was first married December 31, 1890, to Miss Mary Carolina Rhodes, of Jones county, and then on September 15, 1926, to Mrs. Ruth Fordham Brock of Richlands.

Surviving are his widow, five children of the first marriage, Miss Sarah Lee Brock of Greensboro and Madison, Misses Letha and Mary Brock of Greensboro College, Greensboro, Royce C. Brock of Richlands, and John Rhodes Brock of Fullerton, California, and three step-children, Mrs. J. P. Kennington of Kershaw, S. C., Benjamin W. Brock of Stoneville, and Miss Ikie Brock of Richlands.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist church at Richlands at 2:30 p. m. Thursday afternoon, November 20, and burial was in the family cemetery near the home. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. I. T. Poole, pastor of the Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Curtis Brisson, pastor of the Christian church.

Active pallbearers were L. H. Sylvester, Lonnie Koonce, J. E. Steed, Jr., J. R. Taylor, James Taylor, J. E. Rand and Hammond Koonce of Richlands and C. W. Conkling of Jacksonville. Honorary pallbearers were the business men of Richlands and his business associates from the neighboring towns of Wilmington, New Bern, Goldsboro, Kinston, Farmville, Trenton and Jacksonville.

IN MEMORY OF MRS. W. J. ERVIN

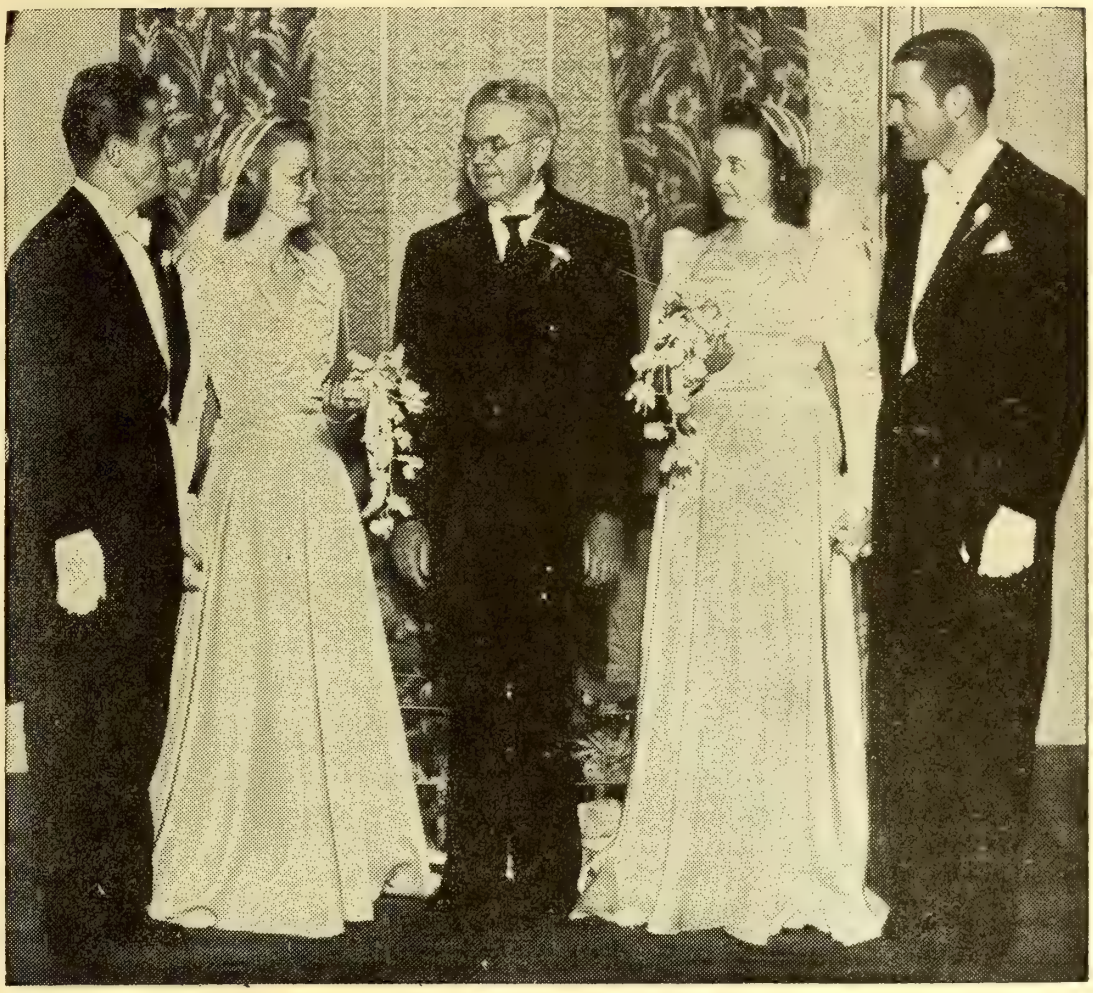
By J. S. Hiatt

The hearts of many friends were made sad by the death of Mrs. W. J. Ervin of Troutman, which occurred at her home November 10. It is difficult for one to give an accurate estimate of the value of her life. She was a woman of beautiful character, quiet, unassuming, a Christian who loved her home and church. This is proved by the fact that two of her sons are ministers in the Western North Carolina Conference and other sons and daughters active in the church work. The doors of her home were always open to ministers who have served as pastors of her church and of various other churches of the community.

Having been a member of the Rocky Mount Methodist church for 75 years, it was quite fitting that her body be interred in the graveyard of the church. She is survived by her husband, Mr. W. J. Ervin, 11 children, 43 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grand child.

"They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed
Through the shadows of death to the sunlight above;
A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast
To the places they blessed with their presence and love."

God's prayers never come weeping home; I am sure I shall either receive what I ask, or what I should ask.—Bishop Hall.



DOUBLE WEDDING IN DUKE MEMORIAL CHURCH, DURHAM, OCTOBER 30

Dr. H. C. Smith (center), pastor of Duke Memorial Church and father of the two brides pictured here, was the presiding minister. Bride and groom on left: Wyatt Boddie, Margaret Smith; on right, Jack Cooke, Ruth Smith.

MARION DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The institute will meet in Marion Sunday, November 30, at 2 o'clock.

Afternoon Session

Devotions: Rev. J. H. Barnhardt.

Statement of aims: Rev. F. C. Smathers.

Address by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick. Subject, "Creating the Missionary Spirit."

Roll call of the charges.

"Organizing the Board of Missions and Church Extension in the Local Church," Rev. M. T. Hipps.

"World Service Sunday in the Congregation," Rev. E. L. Kirk.

"Literature and Other Aids," Rev. Rush Duncan.

The School of Missions and the Study Book, Rev. Clifford Peace.

Fellowship and refreshments.

Evening Session

"There's a Voice in the Wilderness," by Bynum Buff.

Offering (for use in the district).

Address: "Youth's Part in the Missionary Program in the Local Church," by Malcolm Reese.

Address: "Our World's Challenge to Christian Youth," by Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

Consecration service led by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick.

$50,000 FOR PAINE COLLEGE

President E. C. Peters of Paine College, Augusta, Ga., has received official announcement from W. W. Brierly, secretary of the General Education Board, New York City, that the executive committee of this board has appropriated $50,000 to be used in the construction of a library building at Paine College. This grant is on condition that the college raise a like sum prior to December 31, 1943. It is the desire of the board of trustees of Paine College to secure $50,000 from interested friends, chiefly in Georgia, so that the entire amount of $100,000 will be available for a library building as a memorial to the late Bishop Warren A. Candler. Such a building would serve as a permanent memorial to Bishop Candler's interest in the Negro and the constructive efforts which he made during the early history of Paine College on behalf of Christian education of Negro youth.

REV. H. A. CHESTER MUCH FAVORED

At the initial stewards' meeting Tuesday evening, November 18, of the Benson church since the annual conference the budget for the church year was arranged. Among the items of interest considered by the board of stewards, of which Attorney Ezra Parker is chairman, was the pastor's salary. With a minimum of discussion it was voted to make a substantial increase in pastor's monthly pay. On Wednesday evening following the regular weekly prayer meeting service which was attended by an unusually large group, the pastor, Rev. Harley A. Chester, and his famliy were given a generous pounding of pantry supplies and various other gifts. This, in a manner, was a manifestation of pleasure and satisfaction in having Rev. Mr. Chester returned to the pastorate of the Benson charge for the fourth year by the North Carolina conference. A source of great pleasure to the pastor's family is the guest room in the parsonage which has recently been completely furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Strickland. Mr. Strickland is the efficient and loved superintendent of the local Methodist Sunday school and Mrs. Strickland, in addition to serving as pianist for the Sunday school and filling an important place in the church choir, teaches a large class of young children, many of whom are brought to church school each Sunday from nearby rural communities by Mr. Strickland who personally drives out to get them and takes them back home.—Stella Creech, Church Secretary.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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WORDS

"Words—Christian words are life-giving.

They are seed that bear abundant harvest;

They are food that may save from starvation:

They are showers that restore parched land;

They are thirst-quenching waters from a crystal fountain;

They must never be withheld or withdrawn from those who need them.

And all the peoples of the world need them."

MRS. C. C. WEAVER IN NEW YORK

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service W. N. C. Conference, left Wednesday, November 26, for New York to attend a meeting of the Board of Missions of which she is a member.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, asks that we announce the change of her address from 607 Guilford Ave., to 1405 Northwood St., Greensboro, N. C.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

The spiritual life group of zone 2, of Greensboro district, held an all-day retreat at Tabernacle church hut October 30, launching the week of prayer in all of the churches, with a large number of the 22 churches of the zone represented. Mrs. Charles Hunt of Pleasant Garden, chairman of spiritual life in the zone, presided. She outlined the work, gave suggestions for use in the local groups and emphasized the need for upbuilding of the spiritual side of life. Daily prayer and a quiet hour of meditation were suggested for correcting such personal faults as fear, criticism, malice, jealousy and anxiety.

Mrs. T. F. Higgins led the noon devotions, using the 14th chapter of John as the scriptural basis, Mrs. Pryor Sillmon reading the chapter. Mrs. Cecil Fields sang softly "Sweet Hour of Prayer," with organ accompaniment by Mrs. Lynn Hunt. Mrs. Higgins was most interesting in her message on prayer in daily living. Several appropriate readings were given during the morning session by Mrs. T. Worth Trogdon.

The afternoon program had as guest speaker Mrs. E. A. Morris of Greensboro. who used for her theme "The Master is here and calleth for thee." She illustrated her talk with pictures of Biblical scenes. Her definition of a Christian was: "One who gives himself to Christ and Christ to himself." Special music was furnished by Mrs. E. P. Barker of Greensboro and her daughter, Miss Phyllis Barker, a student at Guilford College. Several periods of quiet meditation were observed and the lovely secluded spot made it a most impressive day for a meeting of this mind. Lunch was served in the hut by the Tabernacle church members.—Mrs. Leo Palmer, Reporter.

LIVING ENDOWMENT FOR SCARRITT COLLEGE

A recent issue of the Scarritt College Voice carries an earnest and urgent appeal for an endowment fund that will provide for all needs of this great institution ot this time—an institution which "in its fifty years of service has sent 95 per cent of its students into careers of full time Christian service. Fifteen hundred trained workers have gone into settlements and community centers, rural projects and city slums here in America; and into the foreign mission work of the chuch have gone from Scarritt no less than 500 consecrated servants of Jesus Christ. This is a unique world-wide service and deserves a measure of sacrifice on the part of every person who believes in the mission of Christ in the world.

"An endowment is something we all understand. The interest from endowments has enabled a great many educational institutions to survive and even enlarge their service to humanity. But colleges that have counted in such a source of income in the past have discovered that interest rates produce less than half the income of 12 years ago!

"Scarritt College has never possessed a large endowment, but the sums that have been given for that purpose have lost more than half of their productive value. These funds were principally for endowment of scholarships, and reduction in the income for such a purpose denies to eager candidates an opportunity to enter full time Christian work with an adequate preparation.

"While we are experiencing this unfortunate condition demands come to the college to increase its service to the Christian enterprise around the world. The board of missions and church extension has established standards of preparation for new workers that will require an additional year of preparation. The Woman's Division of Christian Service continues to send increasing numbers of candidates for service at home and abroad. State departments and agencies of social work are asking for trained workers; public schools in several states are asking for Bible teachers; pastors from the united Methodist Church and from other denominations are writing for Scarritt training directors of religious education, church secretaries, choir directors, leaders of youth work, specialists in every department of local church activities.

"In order to solve this financial problem, the board of trustees of Scarritt have chosen THE LIVING ENDOWMENT which differs from an endowment in that it consists of annual contributions, gifts from a large number of interested individuals and groups, to be used for regular operating expenses, for scholarships or for special purposes and not affected by interest rates. A Living Endowment is a gift intended for immediate use, while an endowment is for investment to produce income. A Living Endowment is an extension of the Associate plan which has been in operation at Scarritt and in which our Woman's Societies of Christian Service have been interested for years, and through the Living Endowment there is offered to Methodist Women the opportunity to give and bequeath to Scarritt College money that now, and through the years, will provide for training Christian workers. Will not each society in our conference make a strenuous effort to increase its number of Scarritt Associates and thus have a share in contributing to the needs of Scarritt at this time? Will we not share with Scarritt College the task of preparing Christian workers for the building of the new order in the world tomorrow?"

PROGRAM OF STUDY CLASS

From Mrs. Andrew Smith, secretary of publicity of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, First church, Charlotte, we have the report of interesting mission study class November 18, 10 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.:

Theme: Our Contribution to World Order.

"In this hour of confusion and strife, we rejoice that neither distance, nor language, nor race, nor national loyalty, nor conflict, nor war can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. However, deep cleavages that divide men ,our fellowship in Christ remain unbroken through all change." (Federal Council of Churches, 1940).

Opening hymn: God of Grace and Glory; introduction of study book, A Christian Imperative by Roswell Barnes, Mrs. Munsey Smith; prologue, Spirit of the Early Christians (from second century document), Mrs. Hunter Jones; Chaos—Christians Must Face It! What Is Wrong? Mrs. G. M. Dupo; What Is Needed, Mrs. F. K. Haynes; The Missionary Enterprise and World Order, Mrs. Charles Gay; vocal solo, Mrs. Tom Bird; devotional, Mrs. Robert White; vocal solo, Mrs. Tom Bird; The Ecumeniacal Movement and World Order, Mrs. G. Ray Jordan; The church As Leaven in National Policy, Mrs. B. D. Thurman; The World Problem in the Local Community—the Christian Way, Mrs. Munsey Smith. Closing hymn: Come, Peace of God (sung as a closing prayer).

"We call upon our fellow Christians throughout the world to join us in a new dedication. Surely God is summoning us in these times to let go our self-sufficiency, to frequent his altars, to learn of him and to make his ways known in all the relationships of life." (Madras Conferece).

Clean hands are better than full ones in the sight of God.—Ephraem Syrus.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MEDITATION

The miracle of miracles is that you and I being human not only have a touch of the divine but we have a kinship with the divine.—Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw.

NEW ADDRESS—PLEASE NOTE!

Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary of children's work, has moved from Elizabeth City to Rockingham. Rev. and Mrs. Slaughter have served on the Elizabeth City district for the past six years and both have made a notable record of achievement in the work of the kingdom. Our prayers and best wishes go with them as they move to a new field of service.

AN UPLIFTING EXPERIENCE

In a conversation with Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, recently she imparted to your editor a unique and happy experience which has been that of the members of the W. S. C. S. of Milwaukee Methodist church as they observed the week of prayer this year. Not content to wait until time for the observance before concentrating upon the offerings, they decided six months before that they would order gift boxes for the week of prayer offering, pledging to place as least one cent each day in the box. The first night when the gift boxes were opened they contained more than $21, and this amount was greatly increased by the time the observance was concluded. The total week of prayer offering of the Milwaukee society amounted to more than double that of previous years and what is even more gratifying is the increased interest, the joy in giving and the Christlike spirit of those who shared.

ENTHUSIASM SPREADS

Since September, 1940, when the Methodist church in Raleigh was organized, the members have manifested an interest that should be an inspiration to any organization. That it has been such is evidenced by the fact that some time ago a group of young business women of Fairmont church requested the Guild to sponsor another organization which would embrace their age group. A committee was appointed to perfect plans for the new organization and on the evening of November 17 this committee met with nine esthusiastic and eager young business women and a new Guild was organized. It is hoped and expected that by the time of the December meeting the membership will have increased to at least 15. In December the members of the new Guild will be guests of the original Fairmont Guild at the home of Mrs. J. W. McGee, president. This joint meeting will doubtless give added incentive to both groups. Officers of the new Wesleyan Guild of Fairmont are: Chairman, Mrs. C. L. Davenport; vice chairman, Miss Helen Turner; secretary, Miss Mary Helen Watkins; missionary treasurer, Miss Verna Brock; local treasurer, Miss Frances Turner; chairman spiritual life, Mrs. C. M. Swan; missionary education and service, Mrs. E. F. Graham; C. S. R. and L. C. A., Miss Peggy Davis. Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds, was recent guest speaker at the meeting of the Fremont W. S. C. Coming with her were two representatives of the W. S. G. of First Methodist church, Henderson. On Tuesday evening, November 18, 14 members of the Fairmont Guild motored to Henderson, where they were guests of the Henderson Guild.

THE CHURCH KNOWS THE WAY

Speaking on the occasion of the anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension during the annual session of the N. C. conference held in Trinity Methodist church, Durham, recently, Dr. H. P. Meyers of Danville, Va., president Southeastern Jurisdiction Board of Missions and Church Extension, brought a message so vital and so dynamic that the entire church membership might well meditate and act upon it. Said he, in part: "Does the church have an answer in this day of confusion? I do not believe that her leaders are in doubt as to the course to follow, but they are seeking the course to chart, The church is seeking the message that the world needs so much. . . . We are trying to build a better world, a Christian world, out of degenerated men and women. Human nature has demonstrated what it can do alone and it has left a world of selfishness and greed. Every nation is selfishly defending their own rights. We can never have a better world, a Christian world, a better social order long as nations build their defenses upon selfish interests." Speaking of the way out, Dr. Myers said: "No one will win this war, no one has ever won a war. Our hope is in the grace of Almighty God. Jesus said 2,000 years ago that peace must come by a new birth and we shall have peace when men gather around the peace table and build it upon the principles of Jesus. We will have a new world when we begin to constitute it out of better men and women—men and women who have been to the cross and who proclaim it. Peace is what we want and Christians hold the secret. Only the church of Jesus can point the way; only the church of Jesus has the answer. She is the only institution that is pointing out the cross around the world. What a challenge! These are fateful times. God help us in these days to see the need and to attempt great things. . . . If we had spent some of the money we have spent on battleships and war planes on missions, schools and hospitals, what a different world we would have! . . . The church of Jesus Christ, of which we are a part, has an answer and knows the way. Do we believe it? There is nothing that is needed on our part more than to have a conviction about this gospel of ours that it is the only way out. God give us faith, courage, patience, brotherly love to believe it."

CASWELL ZONE MEETING

The fall meeting of the Caswell zone, Durham district, was held at Shady Grove, Yanceyville charge, on October 22 with Mrs. Taylor Long, zone leader, presiding. Rev. F. A. Lupton of Leasburg led the devotional. Mrs. Aubry Wrenn extended a welcome and Mrs. Arch Thomas responded. Special music was contributed by Miss Janie Mahan. With the exception of one, every society responded to roll call with splendid reports and eight of the the 12 made the efficiency aim. Spiritual life was presented by Miss Florine Robertson and Mrs. J. B. Watlington spoke on the week of prayer. Mrs. J. H. Gunn gave a report on the study day held at Carrboro. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, brought a message of encouragement and urged the women to continue the fine work and lay a foundation sure and strong to stand the stress of the times. A baby life membership was presented to Frances May Slade. Mrs. J. H. Gunn, Yanceyville, was elected zone leader and Mrs. W. H. Williamson secretary. Miss Robertson extended thanks and praise to the outgoing leader for her splendid leadership and consecrated service. The closing worship was given by the retiring zone leader.—Mrs. W. H. Williamson, Secreatry.

WARREN ZONE MEETS

Warren zone met in the Warrenton Methodist church on October 4, with 14 societies represented. The chairman, Mrs. John C. Burwell, presided. Miss Leilia Tuttle, missionary to China for 32 years, was the principle speaker. Miss Tuttle led the opening devotional using the theme, "Righteousness." Later she talked on China, using as a basis for her remarks "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ not only in America but in China." A large group remained for an afternoon session which had not been planned, in order to ask questions of Miss Tuttle concerning China and to hear her speak again. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, held a short discussion on some of the problems of reporting. Mrs. Herman Rodwell, Mrs. Nicholas Grant, Mrs. William Stuart and Miss Josephine Dameron held open forums on various phases of the work. At the luncheon hour the hostess society served a bountiful meal.

Appreciation for the devoted service of Mrs. J. C. Burwell, who has been zone leader for many years, is hereby expressed. Her meetings have been inspirational; she has always succeeded in securing good speakers and her own part has shown much time and thought given. Since Mrs. Burwell has found it necessary to relinquish her duties as zone leader, her Christian guidance will be missed. Her successor has not been elected.—Mrs. James Mustian.

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THEY COMFORT US

The women, bless 'em, never turn us down. They are always a very present help in time of need. In answer to our printed suggestion that some quilting parties be started there has come choice covering from various areas. It will not stop coming. Our women never do things skimpily. In the course of a few weeks we will have sufficient covering to keep our youngsters warm. Within the last few days the good women of Reeds, near Lexington, brought five choice quilts. The women of Rocky Ridge, near Concord, have just sent six lovely quilts. The Susanna Wesley class of Glenwood gave us two nice, warm ones yesterday. Mrs. Lina Fink of Salisbury, over eighty years old, has added to her long line of comfort making. Other choice givers will be listed from time to time.

HELPFUL FRIENDS

This is the time for our good friends to come to the aid of the Children's Home. This is our ingathering season. Other causes will have theirs. But now is a good time to give to the orphan children. Those friends who do not get in on the good giving are encouraged to be still. We don't want anybody to know that they are not joining the good givers. It sometimes happens that the fellow who does little starts complaining about something. Let's celebrate over the good deeds done.

WINTER APPROACHES

There is more than the weather report to indicate that winter is coming. We want to be ready for it, ready with the necessities of life and ready with sufficient funds to pay for them. We also want the attitude of our children in such shape as to tackle the tasks that winter brings. Winter is a mighty good time to use our heads as well as our bodies. Comfortable study rooms, sufficient exercise and some good soap and warm water will help food and clothing in making our family respectable and meaningful. We are beginning our winter program of living.

GLENWOOD GIVES

Accepting an invitation from Rev. E. M. Avett, we went to Glenwood, Greensboro, yesterday morning with our singing class. Our boys and girls sang and our Glenwood friends, about the most liberal givers to the Children's Home in all that area, went down in their pockets and paid their apportionment. Before this we were presented with an envelope cantaining $50 from the John Wesley Williams class for sponsoring the clothing needs for 1942 for their two little twin girls, Ray and Fay Horton. Glenwood not only pays its apportionment, but gives liberal fifth Sunday offerings and, in addition, classes sponsor the clothing needs of four of our youngsters. Percentages don't bother our Glenwood friends. They go beyond them. All this goes along with the building of a $6000 parsonage and the raising of other finances. Rev. and Mrs. Avett are good leaders and a good year is promised at Glenwood.

PLEASANT UNION

A pleasant morning and a pleasant noon hour at Glenwood paved the way for a pleasant reception at Pleasant Union on the Mt. Pleasant charge, in lower Guilford, where Rev. Rollin Gibbs is happy in his second year's work with those good people. Pleasant Union, a former Methodist Protestant congregation, did well for the Children's Home last year and is beginning its good work this year. Brother Gibbs says he has some of the best people in the world to work with, those at Mt. Pleasant, Kimesville, and Pleasant Union, some four miles away.

THE BELL RINGERS

The 1942 model of the joyful Children's Home bell ringers shows some improvement over previous models. The new model rings more frequently and with a bit more volume, carrying more assurance. Any bell ringing model is good, but the new model is better. Join us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having paid their new conference year's ten per cent apportionment in full:

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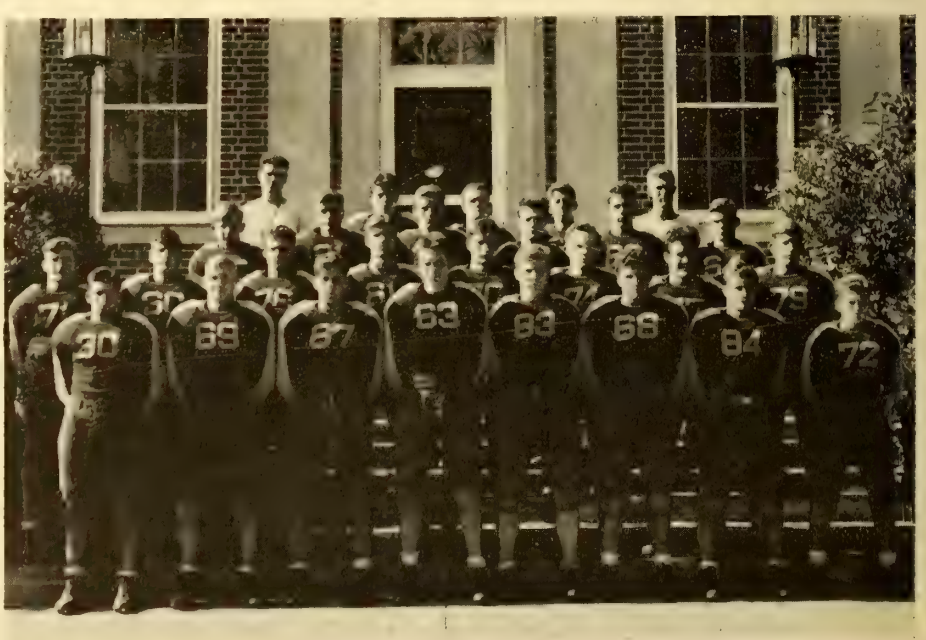
VARSITY VALUES

The picture this week is that of our varsity football team. Pictures of the 125 pounders, 100 pounders and 80 pounders have been presented. The value of our varsity squad can now be reviewed. These boys played ten hard games, not a set up in the lot, winning five, tying one and losing four. A series of injuries broke into the early part of the schedule. Not a game was lost during the last half of the season, after the boys mended their hurts, revived their spirits, sharpened their wits and played hard to win. Football togs are now being put away and basket ball practice is beginning.

CHEERFUL CHIRPING

Please share with us the joy that comes from the following messages: "I am happy to enclose herewith check for $200, our ten per cent apportionment for Murphy station for the new conference year. This is the first time in the history of our church that we have been able to pay our apportionment so early in the conference year and it makes us glad that we can do so."—P. C. Hyatt, Treasurer.

"The young people of the Good Fellowship Union in and around Mooresville, in feeling the real meaning of Thanksgiving this year, is forwarding to you $25 as a special Thanksgiving contribution to the Children's Home, to be used as you see fit. We want to have a part in helping the boys and girls at the Children's Home."—William Blanton, President.



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THANKSGIVING—On the night of November 20 we held a short Thanksgiving service in the Orphanage chapel for our children and workers. A number of appropriate hymns were sung, and I had the privilege of speaking briefly on that occasion. Everybody at the Methodist Orphanage is thankful to our heavenly Father for all the blessings that have come our way. The children and workers entered heartily into the Thanksgiving service.

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ORPHANAGE FOOTBALL TEAM—Under the coaching of Mr. Fred Smith, one of our regular Orphanage teachers, our football squad has enjoyed another successful season. Our boys have played nine games. They have won six, tied one, and lost two by the narrow margin of six points. Only 18 points have been scored against us, while our boys have scored 155 points against their opponents. I think such a record as our boys have made is worthy of the highest commendation.

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BOWLING ALLEYS—We have just completed two bowling alleys which will provide more recreation for our boys and girls. It will be of interest to know that the former sons and daughters of the Orphanage provided the money for this healthful sport. the appeal that I made to the boys and girls who have gone out from the home met with a prompt and generous response. Our boys and girls are delighted to have this additional equipment for their pleasure and recreation, and they are deeply grateful to their older brothers and sisters for making possible two bowling alleys.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class had its first visit to Saxapahaw on October 26. We found there many loyal friends for our Orphanage. Rev. M. C. Henderson is pastor. The evening service was with Rev. S. F. Nicks in the Hillsboro Methodist church. Splendid congratulations greeted us in both churches.

The singing class spent a delightful evening at Linden on November 7. Mrs. J. H. Williams extended the invitation for her church, Parker's Grove, where Rev. R. L. Crossno is pastor. A delicious supper was served in the school building, and it was there that we gave our sacred concert to a large audience. On November 9 the class was with Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay Springs, for the evening hour. It was pleasing to the class to have this visit with our loyal friends there."

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A PERSONAL WORD—Since the North Carolina conference has devised a plan to give the Methodist Orphanage a balanced budget my hands are untied, so that I may be able to devote my time toward the developing of a better and more Christ-like home. In the past a large part of my time and efforts have been directed toward raising $33,000 in specials, in order to secure a balanced budget for the Methodist Orphanage. I have longed to see the time when I could give a great deal of time and effort to the individual children who make up the population of our school. I am happy that now, after a long delay, it is possible to do this. I want to express my grateful appreciation to the North Carolina conference for taking a heavy financial responsibility off my shoulders, so that I may have time to devote to the individual chlidren.

ANOTHER SIMPLE MAN

When I was writing of Bill Stubbins some time ago, I remembered that Jacob Entwhistle, another Lancashire worthy, is also the hero of some famous tales. He was a great walker, and once when out on the moors passed a place to which a bee-keeper from a distant town had brought some hives of bees, so that they might gather some heather-honey. On the wall were some jars of honey which the bee-keeper had placed there while he went to pay a call on a farmer friend not far away, thinking they would be there when he returned on his homeward way. The temptation was too much for Jake, who, after looking round to see that no one was looking, purloined one of the jars and hid it under his coat. Passing through a village a mile or so further on, the lump beneath his coat and his furtive look attracted the notice of a policeman, who demanded to know what he was hiding, and then how he had come into its possession. Well," said Jake, "Ah own as 'ow Ah doesn't keep no bees; but what's to hinder a chap squeezin' th' honey out o' the flowers hissel?"

Another tale about him concerns a night when he had been to a meeting of the Odd Fellows, and had stayed later than the hour when his wife had told him to return. She was in bed when he reached his home, and asleep, for the sound of her snores reached the kitchen where Jake paused to remove his boots. He wondered how he could get upstairs without waking her, and finally had a very bright idea, which at once he put into operation. Taking a piece of string, he tied the fire-irons together and then hung them around his neck, and having done so began his ascent of the stairs, saying to himself, with deep satisfaction: "She'll niver hear me now, wi' aw this noise goin' on!"—Ezra, in Methodist Recorder.

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2. Channel information from various agencies interested in missionary education of youth.
3. Serve in an advisory capacity.

TOGETHER IN GIVING

As in organization, our young people are unified in their giving to missions. All contributions for missions from young people twelve through twenty-three years of age should go to **The Methodist Youth Fund.** This includes the contributions from those girls or young women under twenty-four who are or have been members of a circle under the Woman's Society for Christian Service.

Pledging: On the basis of the individual pledges of its members, each Methodist Youth Fellowship makes a pledge to the Methodist Youth Fund. Cards for this purpose can be secured from Box 828, Salisbury. One copy is kept by the local group, one sent to the Youth Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., and the other mailed to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828 Salisbury, treasurer of the Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship.

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This method of payment provides for the continuation of the missionary work formerly done by the Girls' and Young Women's Circles of the Woman's Society, and also for the work supported by the missionary contributions of the organized young people's departments.

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THE CONFERENCE

It was a conference of an entirely different pattern, though the same questions in the main were asked by the bishop and answered by the secretary. Some of the reports were prosy and pointless—entirely too tedious and boresome for the middle of the twentieth century with all its speed. But after all, it was almost a brand new conference.

It was different from the conferences of 30 and 40 years ago when there were giants like Dr. E. A. Yates, Dr. F. D. Swindell, Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, Dr. Ben R. Hall overtopping everything and everybody. At this conference a galaxy of the gallants made its appearance and delighted the conference. A new spirit found its way into the conference and Bishop Clare Purcell did not try to keep it out in the cold, but more than tolerated it. Seemingly, both factions had his sympathy and interest. It was rather apparent that a new day was in the making. With some it was not exactly clear just how to usher it in. Some thought it should be ushered in on a freight train, while others thought it was just as good or better to ride a Pullman. The pros and cons see-sawed in a fine way and manifested a splendid Christian attitude, playing around largely on the surface, but now and then plumbing the depths. A conference is indeed fortunate in having a man like Dr. W. K. Green, who can analyze a situation on the spur of the moment and clear a discussion of all accumulated fog, as he did that day when the intellectual air had become so foggy.

But now the humblest layman or the youngest preacher may be assured of a fair hearing. A new day for the North Carolina conference is here. It may be a bit belated, but not too late to give inspiration and encouragement to all interested workers. There is a whole hearted welcome to this new star of hope that is now well above the eastern horizon. O. I. Hinson.

INCOMPLETE INFORMATION

A columnist in a daily paper supplied us with this bit of choice informaton: "Until the time of Millard Fillmore in 1852 the White House itself was bathtubless and our presidents bathed in the Potomac."

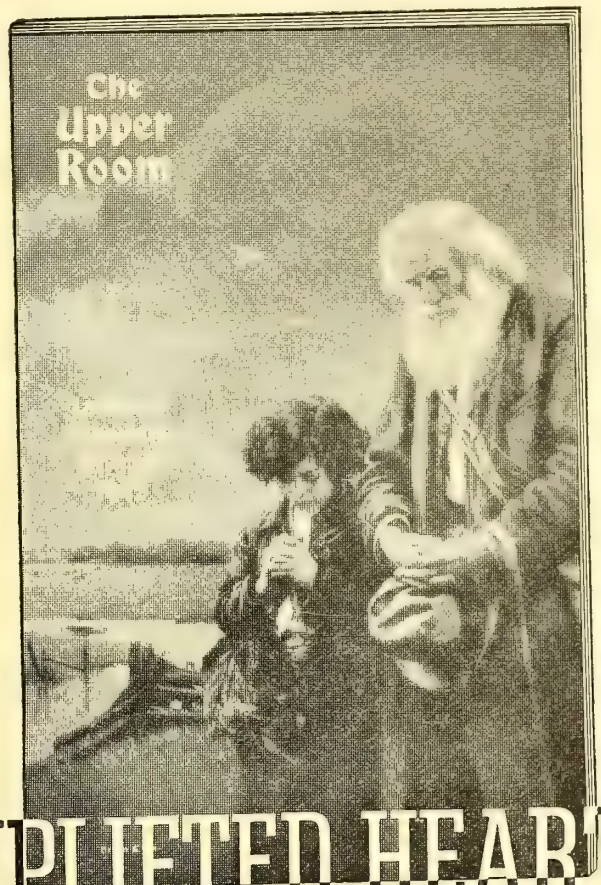
Hardy men those early presidents. Some of us would decline the honor of being president if it involved the weekly or semi-weekly dip in the Potomac during December, January and February, or even March and April. Or did they?—but we should not be too inquisitive.—Religious Telescope.

A THOUSAND SUCCESSFUL MEN

Some one has made a survey of a thousand successful men to learn how they got their start in life. These men are not mere money-makers, but have made the world better by their achievements in science, architecture, engineering, education, art, etc. It is interesting to note the beginnings of their life work.

Three hundred started as farmers' sons, two hundred started as messenger boys, two hundred were newsboys, one hundred were printers' apprentices, one hundred were manufacturers' apprentices, fifty began at the bottom of railroad work. Fifty—only fifty—had wealthy parents to give them a start. A lazy boy did not discover the telephone, learn to control steam nor invent the steam boiler, did not learn how to harness the falls of Niagara. The men who have accomplished most in the world have been men who worked hard and long before they achieved success.—The Boys' Friend.

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christian Love

If one puts to a class of young people the question, Can you love a person who is physically repulsive? many of them will answer, No. And then if you ask them what it is that makes a doctor and a nurse care tenderly for a loathsome patient who is too poor to pay for his treatment, they are faced with the necessity of widening their definition of love, and making it mean more than an emotional attraction. And finally they will agree to define love as invincible good will, regardless of whether the object of the love is attractive or not. Some people are naturally good natured. This is a physical endowment, and is not love. Indeed maudlin good nature may encourage the sinner in his evil way.

There is such a thing as surgical love that cuts to save, as well as the love symbolized by the gracious cheering ministry of the nurse. Thou shalt surely rebuke thy neighbor, and not bear sin because of him, says the law (Leviticus 19:17; Matthew 18:15-17). Parents are often indulgent not from excess of love but from the lack of it. They do not wish to be bothered with a weeping and protesting child. In later years we are indignant at the good natured teacher who in our callow youth let us pass without doing thorough work.

Let love be without hypocrisy, says Paul (Romans 12:9). Nothing is easier to counteract than love. Indeed, it is tragically easy to be very religious without love. One may have ecstatic emotions, he may have pulpit eloquence that is thrilling, biblical scholarship that is overawing, he may even bestow all his goods to feed the poor, and not have that humble, unpretentious, sympathetic and tactful kindliness that cheers poor mortals and helps them on their way. The intellectual drum majors who march before the procession astonish the natives, and speak over the radio, may be anything but gracious to their private secretaries.

How can a man have that spontaneous, overflowing love that makes life easier for every one with whom he comes in contact? How can he learn to love disagreeable people?

Plainly he must see in ill-smelling human garbage that which the Divine Chemist can transmute into great value. He must also realize that there is much in his own make-up that annoys even his best friends, not to speak of his heavenly Father. The sense of our need of charity makes it easier to be charitable with others. The saintliest person who reads these lines is at times very trying to those who live and work with him. And if they succeed in being kind and patient they only do it by the grace of God.

Then one must have before him the vision of the man on the cross praying, Father, forgive them, they know not what they do. He must realize that God loves us all, even though there may be nothing about us that deserves love.

Thus we see how religion is indispensable to ethics, for our sense of God's love to us and our fellow sinners is the only power that will help us passionately and persistently to love ungrateful, irritating fellow mortals. It takes more than moral purpose, it takes the grace of God to be kind against the current of our emotions, to turn the other cheek, go the second mile and bless them that curse us.

But God is especially willing to give us the grace to love. There are limitations to our possibilities along many lines, but not to our possibilities in loving. Indeed God is willing to make us all positive geniuses in loving.

And overflowing love will keep us from going out of style. The great preacher may quickly become a back number. A few years and the poor soul talks on and on, and his voice is so weak that only the front pews can hear him. The great scholar loses his memory and becomes plainly out of touch with the progress of knowledge. The best and wisest of us, as Paul says, have only a fragmentary hold upon truth. Our theology will need to be enlarged and related to the new knowledge that is pouring in from all sides. But as we become more and more feeble, it is possible for us more and more to radiate that love which beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. The lover has the secret of eternal youth.

THE SPRINGHOUSE

The old springhouse, half buried in the hill
Roofs the icy spring, the cider mill,
The pans of clotted cream set on a rock
Deep in the water, and an earthen crock
Brims with cider. In an ancient churn
The golden globules of fresh butter burn.
The bonnetted, shy mountain woman stands
Twisting her aporn in her calloused hands,
Pleased to sell her wares; blackberry jam,
Black walnuts, and a hickory smoked ham.
But my small silver coins could never buy
What she possesses: clouds and wind and sky
Over orchard, red with fruit, whose feet
Wade in the mountain stream; or the heady, sweet
Scent that only mountain flowers know.
I never can take with me as I go
The peace of smoky hills, a cowbell's sound,
The healing of close contact with the ground,
But nothing at all shall rob me of one thing:
The taste of water from this mountain spring.

—Grace Noll Crowell, in Upward.



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widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:
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A HALLOWE'EN SURPRISE

By Ina E. Lindsley

Bob and Dick and I had been trying to think of something to do on Hallowe'en. Of course it's easy to think of putting soap on people's windows. But my mother says that makes extra work. And anyway, it isn't a very good joke, because people aren't surprised when they find soap-marks on their windows the morning after Hallowe'en

"I wish I could think of something that would be a real surprise," Dick said, as he walked toward the river the day before.

"Let's surprise Mrs. Tanner," suggested Bob when we were in front of her house.

Mrs. Tanner lives in a little white house. In the summer there are pretty flowers along the walk that leads up to the house. And her garden looks like—well, there isn't a single weed in it. Everything is clean at her place, and we didn't think she would care to have us boys stop there to play. So we boys didn't stop in, even to talk, when we went by Mrs. Tanner's house.

"Do you remember that day Mrs. Tanner did call us in?" Dick asked suddenly.

"Oh, yes," grinned Bob; "that was the time the toad got in her house and she wanted us to take it away."

"She didn't like toads," Dick went on, remembering what Mrs. Tanner had said that time.

"Couldn't we send her a toad for a Hallowe'en surprise?" I wondered.

"That's a good idea," agreed the other boys.

But we couldn't think of any way to send a toad, until Dick suggested that we put one into something and set it on her porch. "We couldn knock and run then," he said.

We had to laugh when we thought how surprised Mrs.Tanner would be when she found a toad at the door. We decided to start right away to look for one. Well, we found a can to carry the toad home in, but we couldn't find a toad, although we looked and looked all the way to the river. It was warm for October, but we finally concluded it was too late for toads to be out.

Down at the river a few frogs were still hopping along the banks. "Let's use a frog instead of a toad," suggested Dick. So we decided to do that.

We carried the frog home in the can, but when we got there, we concluded the can was too small for such a big frog. We found a brown jar, put some water and a little grass in it, and then the frog. Over the top of the jar we put an old plate, pushing it to one side enough to give the frog some air.

Before supper on Hallowe'en we peeped into the jar to see if the frog was still there. And he was. While we were eating supper it got dark enough to start. Bob and Dick came over and waited a minute while I finished eating. They live just across the street from me.

It was dark on the back porch and I had to feel around a little while before I found the jar that held the frog. Dick wanted to carry it, so I handed the jar to him.

Because our mothers wanted us to get home by eight o'clock, we hurried as we walked toward Mrs. Tanner's house. We wanted to have time enough to wait and watch Mrs. Tanner when she took off the old plate and found the frog in the jar.

When we got to Mrs. Tanner's yard we were glad to see that the door was shut. The window shades were pulled down, but we could see a crack of light at the bottom, so we knew Mrs. Tanner was at home.

"Have you got the card, Bob?" Dick suddenly whispered as he stepped onto the porch. I forgot to say that we had decided to write "A Hollowe'en Surprise" and put it on top of the plate.

Bob pulled out his notebook and tore out the first sheet. Quietly he stepped onto the porch where he could see enough to tell he had torn out the right sheet. Then he laid it on top of the jar, and Dick rapped loudly on the door.

We clatered off the porch as fast as we could and got behind the lilac bush in the yard before the door opened. Well, Mrs. Tanner picked up the jar and took it inside without taking off the plate. Because the window shades were pulled down we couldn't see how surprised Mrs. Tanner was, and we didn't find out until the next day.

Bob and Dick and I were wondering about the Hallowe'en joke when we walked home from school the next noon. And I was just washing my hands when both boys came running back from their house with a box of something.

"What do you think!" cried Dick, "Mrs. Tanner brought this box of candy over for us boys this morning. It's that creamy, yellow kind with black walnuts in it. See! H-m-n, it's good," he added.

"Candy!" I exclaimed. "How did she happen to give us candy? If she'd known we were the ones that took the frog for a surprise, she wouldn't—"

"That's the queer part of it," broke in Bob. "She told my mother she was so surprised and pleased to get what we boys brought her that she made the candy for us."

"And she said she wished we would come over to see her often," put in Dick.

"Well, anyway," I demanded, "how did she find out we took a surprise there?"

"Oh, I forgot to say," Bob answered quickly, "that she found my notebook on her porch. My name was on it. I must have dropped it."

It was the strangest thing! We couldn't see how Mrs. Tanner could think that having a frog jump out of a jar was a nice surprise. And we couldn't help wishing now that we had planned a really nice surprise for her.

My mother was busy getting dinner, but she stopped long enough to look at the candy and to wonder why Mrs. Tanner sent it. If she had only known about it, she said, when we were planning a nice surprise for Mrs. Tanner she would have been glad to help.

Mother asked Bob and Dick to eat with us. When it was time for dessert, she went out onto the back porch. In a minute she came back with the strangest look on her face. "I guess someone has been playing a Hallowe'en prank on us," she said. "The jar of jello is gone, and there's another jar there with a big frog in it."

Bob and Dick looked at me. "I must have taken the wrong jar," I grinned. "It was dark on the porch and I had to feel around before I found any jar at all. Of course I didn't know mother had jello out there."

"So I carried the jar of jello to Mrs. Tanner," smiled Dock.

How we all laughed. But we couldn't help thinking Bob was right when he stopped laughing to say: "After all, nice surprises are the most fun."—Junior life.

PRELIMINARY TO WINTER

By Laura Dickson

This time of year I cut dried pine
And hoard it for the time of frost.
I weed my morning glory vine
Which soon will beforever lost.
I watch my pumpkins as they mellow,
And pluck them when they turn deep yellow.

This time of year I mourn farewells—
To garden days and posy-jars,
To spindrift, seagulls, boats and shells,
The soft enchantment of the stars.
I hoard the rich pine log and splinter,
For exile is the gift of Winter.

Dad: "Now, children, tell me who has been the most obedient during the last month, and does everything that mother asked him to do?"

Chorus: "You, daddy."—Ex.

His Mother—"Jimmie this pill has a sugar coat."

Jimmie—"I know, mother, but the vest is awfully bitter."

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FIRST ROUND

November

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West Burlington, 7:30 28
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 29
Milton, Purley, 2:30 29
Glen Raven-Haw River, Holt's, 11 30
Mount Hermon Friendship, 3 30
Front Street, 7:30 30

December

West Durham, 7:30 1
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 2
Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30 3
Long Memorial, 7:30 3
Alamance, Center, 10:30 4
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 4
Brookedale, Brookedale, 10:30 5
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 5
Person, Oak Grove, 10:30 6
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 7
Hillsboro, New Sharon, 3 7
Durham Ct., Bethany, 7:30 7
Lakewood, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 10
Carr Memorial, 7:30 10
Pittsboro, Chatham, 10:30 11
Chapel Hill, 7:30 11
Carrboro, Massey's, 10:30 12
Mebane, First Church, 11 14
Orange Hebron, 3 14
Mebane, Central, 7:30 14
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Bynum, Bynum, 10:30 17
Calvary, 7:30 17
Davis Street, 11 21
Graham, 7:30 21
Mount Tirzah, Mount Tirzah, 11 28
Bahama, Mount Sylvan 7:30 28

January

Branson, 11 4
Lakewood, 7:30 4
Trinity, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 11 11
Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
District Missionary Institute at Trinity Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 19
Long Memorial, 11 25

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Red Springs, 11 30
St. Johns, 3 30
Caledonia, Central, 7:30 30

December

Maxton, 1:30 1
Hamlet, 7:30 1
Reckingham, 7:30 2
Hay Street, 7:30 3
Hemp, 11 7
Hemp Circuit, 3 7
Carthage, 7:30 7
Broadway, 3 8
Sanford, 7:30 8
Jonesboro, 7:30 9
Rowland, Centenary, 11 14
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 14
Fayetteville, 7:30 14
Aberdeen, 7:30 15
Raeford, 7:30 16
Stedman, 11 21
Downing Street, 3 21
Person Street-Gardner's, 7:30 21

January

Clendon, High Falls, 11 4
Troy Circuit, 3 4
Biscoe, Star, 7:30 4
Troy, 1:30 5
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 5
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11.....11
Mt. Gilead Ct., Parsonage, 3 11
Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Rockdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Clayton, 11 30
Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 30

December

Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 1
Smithfield, 7:30 3
Raleigh, Fairmont, 7:30 5
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 6
Vance, Spring Valley, 11 7
Stem, Stem, 3 7
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 7
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 8
Monroe, Jones' Chapel, 7:30 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 10
Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 7:30 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Marshallburg, 11 30
Straits-Harker's Island, Straits, 3 30
Beaufort, 7:30 30

December

Atlantic Williston, 11 7
Morehead Ct., Franklin Mem., 7:30 7
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 8
Oriental, 7:30 9
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 10
Aurora, 11 11
Snow Hill, 11 14
Fremont, Eureka, 3 14
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 7:30 14
Ayden, 7:30 16
Kinston, 7:30 17
Grifton, 7:30 18
Newport, 7:30 19
Oriental, 11 21
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3 21
Vanceboro, 7:30 21
Jones-Trenton, 11 28
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 28
Pink Hill, 7:30 28

January

Mt. Olive-Calvso, Calypso 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Walstonburg, 11 4
Grimesland, 3 4
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 6
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 7
Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Weldon, 11 30
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30 30

December

Set up meeting 9:30 a. m., Rocky Mount First Church
Wilson, 7:30 2
Weldon, 7:30 3
Nashville, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 6
Norlina, 11 7
Warren Providence, 2 7
Middleburg, 7:30 7
Pethel, 7:30 8
Bennville, 7:30 9
Kenly, 7:30 10
Elm City, 7:30 11
Pomoke Rapids, 11 14
Pomeroy, 3 14
Halifax, 7:30 14
Stantonsburg, 7:30 15
Tarboro, 7:30 16
Rebersonville, 7:30 17
Marvin St. Paul, 7:30 18
Clark Street, 7:30 19
Carysburg, 11 21
West Halifax, Eden, 3 21
Enfield, 7:30 21

January

Nashville, 11 4
Sandy Valley-Gold Valley, 3 4
Spring Hope, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25

February

Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilmington, Grace, 8 23
Wilmington, Epworth, 11 23
District Stewards and set up meeting, Grace Church, 10 a. m. 28
Whiteville, 11 30
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3:30 30
Tabor City, Lebanon, 7:30 30

December

Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 7:30 1
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 3:30 2
Fairmont, Trinity, 7:30 2
Lumberton, 7:30 3
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 4
Wella-e-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7:30 5
Graland, Centenary, 11 7
Lumberton Ct., Pleasant Grove, 3:30 7
Carver's Creek, 7:30 7
Richlands, 7:30 8
Jacksonville, 7:30 9
Maysville, 3:30 10
Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 7:30 11
Town Cree. Bolivia, 7:30 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 14
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 7:30 14
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 15
Elizabeth, Trinity, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deem's Chapel, 7:30 17
Pochoro, Bethel, 7:30 18
Southport, 7:30 19
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 11 21
Faison-Kenansville, King's, 7:30 21

January

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 4
Wilmington, Methodist City Society, 8 4
Clinton, ...11
Pocoro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

November

Candler, Pleasant Hill, 11 (Saturday) 29
Pisgah, Brown's View, 11 30
Missionary Institute, Central, 2:30 30
Biltmore, night 30

December

Wolf Mountain, 11 7
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 7
Brevard, night 7
Tuxon, 11 14
Sunda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Calvary, 11 36
Trinity, 7:30 30

December

Central, Monroe, 7:30 1
Central, Avenue, 11 7
Zoar, 3 7
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7:30 7
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 8
Weddington, Weddington, 7:30 10
Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Broward Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilkesboro, 11 30
N. Wilkesboro, District Missionary Institute, 2 30
Moravian Falls, Beulah, night 30

December

Mocksville, night 3
Helton, 11 7
Warrensville, 3 7
Todd, night 7
West Jefferson, night 10
Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
Farmington, night 17
Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Coolemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Vale, 11 30

December

Boger City, night 1
Lincolnton, night 2
Shelby, Central, night 3
Belwood, 11 7
Fallston, 3:30 7
Polkville, night 7
Main Street, Gastonia, night 9
Belmont, Park Street, night 10
Rock Springs, 11 14
Maylo-Smyre, night 14
East End, night 17
South Fork, 11 21
Lincoln Ct., 3:30 21
Cherryville Ct., night 21
Bradley Memorial, 11 28
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 28
Kings Mountain, Central, night 31

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Reidsville Ct., 11 29
Danbury, 3 29
Stokesdale, 7:30 29
Reidsville, Lindsay St., 11 30
West Market, District League of Stewards, 3 ..... **30**
Gibsonville, 7:30 30

December

Centenary, 7:30 3
Moriah, 7:30 6
Stoneville, 11 7
Spray, 3 7
Draper, 7:30 7
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 10
Midway-Burnetts, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 11 14
Summerfield, 3 14
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 14
College Place, 7:30 15

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point
FIRST ROUND

November

Siloh, Shiloh, 7 28
Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 11 30
Coleridge, Coleridge, 7 30

December

Trinity, H., 7 1
First Church, H. P., 7 3
Asheboro St., C, F., 7 4
Seagrove, S., 7 6
Randleman-Franklinville, F., 11 7
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Main Street, 7 10
Why Not, N. H., 7 11
Linwood, 7 12
Denton First, D., 11 14
Liberty Ct., R., 2 14
Archdale, 7 14
Asheboro First, 7 17
Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Connelly Springs, 11 30
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 3 30
Rutherford College, 7:30 30

December

Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
M Dowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 27
Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 28
Norwood Ct., Cedar Grove, 11 29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Balls Creek Ct., Mt. View, 2:30 29
Maiden, night 30

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Canton, First, 7:30 27
Jonathan, Hazelwood, 7:30 28
Franklin, 11 30
Junaluska, 7:30 30

December

Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11 7
Waynesville, 7:30 7
Bryson City, 7:30 10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30 14
Highlands, Highlands, 11 21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30 21
Franklin Ct., 11 28
Macon Ct., 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

N. Davidson, Union Ridge, 11 30
Hanes-Clemmons, at Bethel, 3 30
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 30

December

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3 7
Marvin, 7:30 7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
Lewisville, 11 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 21
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11 28
Davidson Ct., Centenary, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

January

Green Street, 11 4
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 4
Morris Chapel, 7:30 4
Thomasville First, West End, 11 11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3 11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
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FIFTY-SEVEN ALIENS BECOME AMERICAN CITIZENS IN GREENSBORO

Fifty-seven aliens, natives of eleven foreign nations, became naturalized American citizens Tuesday, December 2, in the United States court room in Greensboro Judge Johnson J. Hayes of the Middle District court of North Carolina presided over the proceedings at 2 p. m.

Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the First Baptist church, Greensboro, delivered an admirable address upon the privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship, and Judge Hayes, as he is accustomed to do in his addresses, spoke timely words of wisdom. Judge Hayes cited the famous remark of Patrick Henry, "Give me liberty or give me death," and declared it expressive of the sentiment of all who lived in this land at that time.

"It has been a long time since 1776, but so far this country has been able to weather all storms and I believe it capable of weathering all storms to come so long as we commit our trust to His providence, and I do not believe all the combined forces of the world can stop us," said Judge Hayes, who referred to fundamentals by adding that "our most priceless privilege is that of worshipping God as we see fit, be you Jew or Gentile."

"We who were born in this country are proud of this land, but I suspect you people have better occasions to know what it really is and what it offers than we, by reason of the bitter experiences you have had in those lands you have been forced to leave. . . . Here each person is recognized for what he is," he said.

"Here in this courtroom we spend our time with men and women who seemingly have forgotten they were born here and their duty to obey the laws. The law is the thing which secures to you anything you have and gives you the right to hold it. It is our protector.

"I have had but one naturalized citizen to come into this court for a law violation in the 14 years I have been on the bench, and I trust your conduct will keep that record that near perfect," concluded the judge.

METHODISTS PLEAD FOR A TRUE DEMOCRACY

The Methodist Conference on Christian Education in session at Nashville November 25-26, adopted a resolution to be conveyed to the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet and members of Congress, expressing "concern" lest the eight-point Atlantic conference imply a military imperialism by the English-speaking people featured the the closing business session of the conference Friday afternoon.

The resolution sent to the President follows:

"We are overwhelmingly opposed to any military dictatorship of the world.

"We are deeply concerned about the implication of the eight points of the Atlantic conference in so far as they do point toward a new imperialism rather than a true democracy.

"We earnestly desire a truly Christian commonwealth of nations and are interested only in such international measures and policies as will guarantee justice, liberty and the right to peaceful pursuit of happiness to all the nations of the earth."

Signers of the "Atlantic" resolution were F. J. Handy, chairman, E. C. Keboch, Alice Louise Brown, H. L. Weiss, and Tom Mitchell, secretary.

AN ADVANCED STAND FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

The Board of Lay Activities of the North Carolina Conference in which the district superintendents joined, met in Goldsboro November 24. Careful attention was given to the objectives of the board passed upon by the annual conference at Durham. Especially true was this as regards the Advocate and other literature.

The following suggestions as to the Advocate were approved:

The month of January was agreed upon as the month to be known as ADVOCATE MONTH. Rev. A. J. Hobbs suggested that a week in this month be set aside for the purpose of presenting the cause of the ADVOCATE in each church, and that the drive during that week be completed, if possible; however, the month to be used if necessary.

The district superintendents were requested to make this item a part of their program in the set-up meetings and to call for ADVOCATE subscriptions at each quarterly conference. The matter of responsibility in the district was placed upon the district superintendent, and in the charge upon the pastor and his director of Christian literature.

Why not make January a victory month for the N. C. Christian Advocate in the entire state? Some are already at work for the paper in both conferences.

FAIRMONT CHURCH, RALEIGH

The fourth anniversary of Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, will be observed Sunday, December 7, at 11 o'clock. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach.

The North Carolina conference of 1941 approved a state drive to be made by Fairmont church to seek $20,000 from individual Methodists to supplement the $30,000 the local congregation has agreed to raise on the proposed $50,000 educational building. The drive is being made because the church seeks to serve almost 1,000 Methodist students at State College, Meredith College, and the State School for the Blind.

The drive was begun last week in the Durham district. Bishop Purcell wrote to laymen commending the Fairmont appeal. Fairmont church mailed student booklets setting forth the student situation, work and possibilities. The drive will be made in the Raleigh district next week. Howard M. McLamb, Pastor.

AN ALERT PASTOR REPORTS

Rev. Charles D. White, pastor of First West End Methodist church, Thomasville, sends this week nine new subscribers to the Advocate. This is a greatly appreciated work that this alert pastor has done at West End and serves as an inspiring example for other pastors and churches. This young pastor last year at Oak Summit-Shiloh gave the Advocate due attention with good success.

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Somebody with quite a bit of discrimination has said: "Gossip is associated with envy, is thick with jealousy, flirts with malice, keeps company with depravity, and makes vicious bargains with Satan." Yet many people call it a delightful pastime.

"Life begins at forty" has become one of the pet sayings of the last decade. And nobody can tell why the popularity of the phrase. Some observant guy has been prompted to declare: "And so does fallen arches, lumbago, bad eyesight and the tendency to tell a story to the same person three or four times."

Most refreshing to us all here in North Carolina is the way the pastors and the Methodist churches are girding themselves for the work of the new year. Unless every indication fails us this is to be a wonderful year of conquest. Our people have got adjusted to the demands following Methodist union and are ready to lead on.

The crowds that throng every hall in which Stanley Jones speaks indicate the eagerness of Christian men and women to hear a man who has a message from God able to speak home to the human heart. Those all night vigils that he encourages remind us of the victorious days of the Christian church. This week at Thomasville multitudes pressed upon him to hear. God is still walking across Asia and across the world with Stanley Jones.

The faces beam and the eyes of children sparkle as the crowds shove each other in the stores and move along the streets. We know that the Christmas season is with us once more making glad the heart of childhood and enabling common humanity to keep young. Christmas is the season to renew our youth and Easter the occasion to rebuild our faith; the one gathers about the hearthstone, the other about the altar.

The camel is known as the ship of the desert and should be known also as a shelter in time of storm. For instance, when overtaken by one of those terrible storms of the desert the camels fall upon their knees, stretch their necks and heads along the sand, close their eyes and nostrils and remain motionless till the storm is over. Meanwhile they furnish some shelter for their masters, who wrap their faces and crouch down close to the side of these big, ugly beasts to be sheltered till the storm has passed.

These closing days of 1941 should do much to restore the peace of the world. Battle fields and marching armies are a contradiction to that which belongs to children's voices and angels' songs. The babe of Bethlehem and all that gathers about the manger throne rebuke the present mad world. These certainly do not harmonize with the war mongers who would have America to go deeper in this present war. Rather than censure others in the name of patriotism we would do well to exalt together the Prince of Peace. Put the Christmas carol above the drumbeat of war.

The old men, and some men not so old, who were country born and country bred, can be given a fit of homesickness for the off days when in the autumn time they are reminded of the well stocked cellars with carrots, and turnips, and potatoes, and pumpkins heaped in box and bin, and rows of jam and jellies on the shelves, while the odor of winesaps and limbertwigs arise as sweet incense. Precious memories cluster about that cellar of the old farm house, and for the man who thinks the golden age of his life is in the past it makes a tremendous appeal. And he is not to be blamed if he can recall the big log fires of the old fireplace as the wind whistled over the snow covered earth, and at the same time remember the big stone jars of sour kraut fermenting in the cellar.

A Worthy Tribute to William Preston Few

1867-1940

THE memorial service for the first president of Duke University at the regular chapel hour Sunday morning, November 30, 1941, was more than an ordinary occasion. The day was propitious. A soft summer-like haze hung over the russet and brown of campus and forest and field. It was one of those perfect days that come in the southland during the Thanksgiving season. Within were those who loved and trusted the noble president, esteeming him most for what he was; and there was also a good company of young college men and women such as he had watched come and go through the four wonderful decades in which the institution had passed from a small college to a university of national note. Many of these could bear witness to the quiet, gentle, brave spirit of the late president. William H. Wannamaker, vice president and dean, told of the man as his intimate associates had known him, and Lawrence E. Blanchard, president of Men's Student Government Association, set out with clear delineation the students' estimates of Dr. Few. Said Mr. Blanchard: "We do not think Dr. Few was great because his works were mighty. His achievements were but the natural consequences of his character. We the students admired that character. We looked up to Dr. Few as the symbol of humanity, dignity, intellectual honesty, and love of mankind. We saw him as a symbol that will never die."

The Honorable Clyde R. Hoey, in charming phrase, told of the man, stressing the courage, the ability, the loyalty and the faith of President William Preston Few. "In guiding the destinies of Duke," said he, "both the visible and the invisible university, these qualities of soul were tested again and again." All who spoke kept to the forefront the fine qualities of this leader of men as personal friend to all of every station in life.

William Preston Few was so humble, so genuine and so loyal that he could not prove false to any man. Disloyalty to his family or to his friends or to the highest and best in men was foreign to his nature. His abiding desire was to do some permanent good. He never faltered in the midst of his dreams and the exacting tasks of building a university. Coming generations should not be allowed to forget.

Through all the long years ahead those who knew and loved this noble spirit should strive to make regnant in the coming generations of Duke students an appreciation of the gentle, devoted and heroic spirit of its first president. These young pilgrims of destiny privileged to live for a time on this campus should be able to profit by the traditions of this noble soul who rose above the gross standards of earth to the loftier levels of the spirit. Lured by the



William Preston Few

higher cravings of the spirit, he followed the gleam. Urged by the finer emotions he knew the joy of living in two worlds, becoming more and more at home in his Father's world.

Dr. Few was fond of reminding his students of the device on the coins of old Spain in the shield of Castile and Leon with the motto **plus ultra**—more beyond. This he thought was the best motto for the America of today. What is just ahead of us no man can know, but if enough enlightened and high-minded youth, heroes and idealists can be sent forth with courage and hope to go beyond the limits of past experience in search of a new El Dorado, we may expect to find, not in some sweet golden clime of the imagination, not in some western island that lies beyond the dim horizon of the keenest visioned seer, but here in our own time and country—we may expect to find a greater America.

But before we reach the shining heights of glorious conquests our leaders must be pioneers in the spirit world with visions made

possible on the high table lands of transfiguration glories. Such makes leaders of dauntless daring with hope and forward looking thoughts. For a certainty, we need to be reassured by the hopefulness of the wise, for we still judge of a man's wisdom by his life.

Dr. Few had been through all the years a leader of ideas and ideals. He held himself to exacting standards in a spirit of adventure so as to secure the values that endure. Memorial services such as that last Sunday in the university chapel will enable young men and women to appreciate the heritage into which they have come.

Unknown to all who come after will be the record of the long, hard years of the devoted spirits who made possible this university with all it means to young men and women. They will not know or cannot be aware of that memorable October afternoon in 1940 when there assembled in the university chapel trustees, administrative officers, faculty, alumni, students, employees and scores of dignitaries representing church, state and education from many parts of the country to join in the impressive funeral rites of President W. P. Few. Following the service his rather frail body was laid to rest in the crypt of the chapel, but those who knew him best are convinced that his noble soul belongs to the ages. Through his busy years he had summoned American youth to be heroes and idealists—heroes because they have the power to stand in any crisis at all costs; and idealists because they seek the widest good and love the widest joy.

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In the early morning of this memorial day, I strolled across the campus to recall afresh some of the incidents of the years. Here and there a student loitered about the quadrangle. No one was in the chapel except two nurses from Fort Bragg, off duty for the day, and some organist in the choir loft. As I passed into the crypt the lights burned low, but sufficient to disclose the lovely wreath of fresh white chrysanthemums, set with white lilies and roses, that encircled the bronze tablet which marks this last resting place of Duke's first president.

The association of the years and the tender memories of days that are dead rendered this a most hallowed spot beneath the altar and the organ whose music was as though it came from another world. The atmosphere within and also without on this memorial occasion was in keeping with the gentle, quiet, humble spirit of William Preston Few—the broad outlines of whose life are given on the tablet of brass:

William Preston Few
1868 - 1940

First President of Duke University
1924 - 1940

President of Trinity College
1910 - 1924

M. T. P.

Methodists a Made Over People

WE boast a good deal about the Methodists being the same wherever found. On both sides of the ocean we are one and the same people. If such continues they must be a made over people. For they have been gathered from all classes and conditions of men. Not many noble have been called. From field and factory, from coal pit and counting house, from prairie and deep wood, from crowded city and far off country place have they come. Schools and colleges on both sides of the water have been distant to many of the Methodists of the past.

In these last years they have become a vast multitude in our own land and they are as varied as American life. But all in all they have remained rather true to type. Whether they are found in the little brown church of the vale or in the massive pile of the city center, the Methodists have many traits in common. They use the same Bible and hymn book, speak a common language about the altars of God and hear a gospel that tells of the new birth and of the unity of all who are one in Christ Jesus. Methodists believe that God has much to do with making a preacher and in the renewal of the ordinary man. So that preachers and laymen become one in Christ Jesus.

So Methodism has never neglected those who have got a poor start in life, for we are in the business of making men over, of making men new creatures in Christ Jesus. In the fields and in the forests, in the cabins of the frontiers, in the log meeting houses of pioneer days, the Methodists pled and prayed and sang as they told of one mighty to save—of one able to lift the fallen and to make over the sinful. Our one big business is to bring men to God, so as to make them new creatures in the making of a new heaven and a new earth.

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Howard announce the arrival of Martha Lee Howard. Born November 25, 1941; weight, six pounds and two ounces.

Miss Lorene Weaver, Asheville, president of the Greensboro College Y. W. C. A., attended the Educational Council of the Methodist Church held at Nashville, Tenn., November 25-29.

The liquor appetite of the United States for the first three months of 1941 was greater than in 1940 to the tune of seven million gallons of alcoholic beverages, amounting to more than six million dollars.

Joe Armbrust has taken Monroe into his great heart, and the membership of Central church are rallying to him. He is preaching to a crowded house in the mornings and two-thirds full at night. He has about 100 at prayer meetings. He seems to be made to order for this great old church.—T. A. Sikes.

Fayetteville will give a big dinner to 20,000 soldiers December 10. Hay Street will be roped off and made one big dining room from the Market House to Hay Street Methodist church. More than 70 tubs filled with barbecue, fried chicken, potato salad, pickles, olives, home baked cakes and pies and other delicacies will be served.—R. E. Brown.

Since conference Davis Chapel church, Crabtree charge, has been refloored and other repairs are on the way. Davis has overpaid to date all items included in minterial supsupport. On last fifth Sunday this same church exceeded their two per cent apportionment for the Children's Home. —Wm. H. Neese.

Every Friday night is "Soldiers' and Young People's Night" in the social room of the Federated church in Nome, Alaska, reports the pastor, Rev. Wilbur P. Wood. Refreshments are served by member of the woman's society. Games and reading are popular diversions. In response to requests of the church members, weekly prayer meetings are being held in the parsonage on Wednesday nights.

Rev. A. L. Latham is doing a very fine work at Newlyn station, Greensboro. Lee's Chapel, until last conference, was a part of this charge, but now Lee's Chapel is a station and Newlyn church becomes a station. A. L. Latham deserves credit for this progress. Like the wise pastor which he is, he gives the church paper a place in his work and has a care in securing new subscribers and renewals.

At the camp reunion of children who attended summer camp for two months at South Athol, Mass., last summer, 72 children between nine and 12 years of age were presented with a bag of vegetables which they helped to raise in the children's garden under the supervision of an experienced gardener. At the camp reunion, held annually on the Sunday immediately preceding Thanksgiving in the Church of All Nations, Rev. Henry Helms, camp director, called for each of the nine camp groups to sing favorite songs. They also repeated Psalms and Bible verses learned during the summer.

Enclosed will be found my check for another year's subscription to the Advocate. It is now seven years since I moved West, but I am still interested in the preachers, the people and the churches in North Carolina, and read the Advocate with pleasure. I may say you all are still doing a good job as editors. At the meeting of the Little Rock and Memphis conferences recently I was transferred from Eldorado, Arkansas, to St. John's church in Memphis. This is a strong church and we are looking forward to the ministry here. Yesterday was our first Sunday in the new conference year. —Albea Godbold.

At Tarboro we made the most of our pledges for the new conference year before conference; since conference we have been most kindly received for the second year by these splendid people. They have pounded us twice, once by bringing bundles and packages to the parsonage, and just after that by raising the salary $200. They have also accepted the sustentation fund apportionment—a new thing for us all. We are happy in the work, and we feel that the church is making enough progress to cause rejoicing through the conference.—E. C. Durham, Pastor.

Rev. Albea Godbold, Ph.D., after five years as pastor of First church, Eldorado, Arkansas, is being appointed pastor of St. John's church, Memphis, Tennessee, as successor of Dr. W. B. Selah, who has succeeded at St. Luke's church, Oklahoma City, Dr. Clovis Chapell, who is now pastor of the Galloway Memorial church, Jackson, Mississippi. Dr. Godbold is a Mississippian, a graduate of Millsap College and of the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University. His wife is a daughter of Mrs. I. J. Ayres of El Paso. He has had large success in Eldorado, as well as elsewhere, and he goes to one of the leading churches in the South.

On being returned to Whiteville for the second year the pastor and his family received a welcome which was heartwarming indeed. A fine spirit prevails among the people and the attendance upon the worship services is increasing noticeably. An encouraging note is sounded in the beginning of the new year's work by the officials' adopting a tentative budget representing more than a 25 per cent increase over the budget of last year. The pastor's salary was raised $250; the acceptance on benevolences was raised 20 per cent. The other items in the budget will be proportionately increased. We feel that Methodism in Whiteville is looking forward to a brighter day. We predict another great year for the Whiteville charge.—J .V. Harris.

The Soldiers' Town Home operated in the old Methodist parsonage, donated by Hay Street Methodist church, is more like home than any place in town. We have heard nothing but praise from the men themselves and from others who have visited this big house, where there seems to be no end of laughter, song and talk, all enjoyed by a great number of men from the post. One soldier said, "We'd like to see anybody try to take this place away from us. There's one place we can go and prepare meals to our liking, talk with interesting people and feel more at home than any place we know about." The church is to be congratulated upon making this place available for these young men who long for a place like home to spend some of their spare time. They are really getting off a good piece of defense work in this project.—Fayetteville Observer.

Shiloh Church, on Randolph-Gray's Chapel Charge.—Our pastor, Rev. H. L. Isley, has filled his regular appointments since conference. On the second Sunday of this month he precahes on "The Purchased Price of Truth." The W. S. C. S. has elected new officers for next year's work. We are doing some very good work through the woman's society of our church. We are planning to organize the Methodist Youth Fellowship on the first Sunday of next month. We have quite a number of fine young people in our church and we are expecting to do a fine piece of work with these young people under the leadership of Mrs. Lassiter Brown. Our Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Eugene Brown, has rendered such good service in the past year we elected him for this year. Our church was saddened last week by the death of one of our oldest members and one of the most faithful—Mr. Eli Garrett. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the bereaved ones.—Reporter.

May I say to you that in returning to Fuquay for another year my joy is supreme. We have met with the very kindest remarks on every hand since the conference. It seems that the people never tire in expressing joy in our return. Added to the kind expressions in words and deeds, the stewards of the charge have met and gone a little in advance of our bishop's suggestion of advancing the salary ten per cent; the charge has set the salary of the minister at $2500 for the coming year and advanced the benevolences a total of ten per cent. My heart of thanks and appreciation goes out to such a splendid people. It is my joy to work among some of the finest people on earth for another year.—R. G. L. Edwards.

A fortnight ago the pastor and his family were besieged by a number of members from Long's church. They came with an abundance of materials which keeps the wolf from the door. We are grateful for this expression of their friendship. One item will come in handy next spring, for it will then be a hog. When we returned from conference we found that in our absence a weekly prayer meeting had been instituted at Piney Grove. It has grown into a revival with an attendance of more than 50. Several have been converted. Its unique feature is that it runs itself due to the fact that every one takes a part. The pastor takes no greater part than any one else. More power to Piney Grove. We are looking for good days during this year on the Pigeon Valley charge.—E. Marvin Hoyle, P. C.

The Ramseur-Franklin charge is up to its old tricks again. Last year the charge paid $205 on its ten per cent apportionment for the Children's Home and $208.86 in fifth Sunday offerings. Last Sunday Franklinville raised $33 and Ramseur $32.50 as a free will offering for the Home. At this rate the fifth Sunday offerings for the year will again be more than their ten per cent. Ramseur asked for $108 from the one day's wages at Thanksgiving with which to pay its ten per cent and received about $150. Some time ago we reported that the parsonage had been refinished inside and out, and now we report that the Ramseur church building has been painted recently. The pastor and his wife kept open house at the parsonage for the members and friends on November 18 and had a goodly number of callers.—J. E. Pritchard.

A charge-wide meeting of Sandy Cross circuit was held at White Oak church Sunday, November 30. An all day meeting took place. The pastor of the charge, Rev. Sidney Boone, preached at 11 on the theme, "Brotherly Love." Dinner was served on the grounds and Rev. Kermit Wheeler of Rougemont preached the afternoon sermon, using as his theme "Possessing Our Posesssions. Rev. Mr. Wheeler's text was from Obadiah 17, "But in Mount Zion there shall be those that escape, and it shall be holy; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions." Charge-wide meetings of Sandy Cross circuit will be held every fifth Sunday for the purpose of promoting a unity of feeling and cooperation on the charge. The next charge-wide meeting will be held at Bethlehem church March 29, 1942. All members of the charge are urged to attend these meetings every fifth Sunday. Visitors are welcomed.—Sidney Boone, P. C.

The pastors and district stewards of the Durham district met at Duke Memorial church, Durham, Thursday, November 27. Rev. W. L. Clegg conducted the devotional service. District Supt. A. J. Hobbs presided. Mr. Charles E. Jordan, chairman, presided over the district stewards' meeting. Sevtral items, including percentages for benevolent apportionments, district work, etc., were considered and decided. Rev. H. C. Smith spoke briefly on the subject of benevolences, urging larger acceptances by charges. Nearly all the 41 pastors were present, together with a large number of district stewards. Among matters considered were benevolences, evangelism, percentages, etc. The whole church program for the year was discussed. Dates for missionary institutes, laymen's day, district conference, etc., were set. A district-wide meeting will be held at First Methodist church, Mebane, December 7, at 2:30 to receive recommendations on program of work from the Conference Board of Lay Activites.—S. J. Starnes.

A FRESH CHALLENGE TO HIGH POINT COLLEGE

President G. I. Humphreys challenged the trustees of High Point College in their annual November meeting Friday night, when he stated that a friend of the college had given $10,000 as a nucleus to be added to later for the purpose of erecting a building upon the campus, provided funds were secured to erect an auditorium first. He stated that the donor, whose name was withheld, indicated that he would give a larger amount next year and would like to see the building erected in 1942. "Surely," stated President Humphreys, "this board and the friends of High Point College cannot afford to let the college lose this gift and a larger amount to be given later by failing to provide for the much needed auditorium." The president indicated that plans would be made in an effort to secure funds for the auditorium.

In his report the president gave comparative figures of the enrollment, the capital assets and the indebtedness of the college for the years 1930-31 and 1941-42. The first semester enrollment of the current school year of 501 is an increase of 73 per cent over 1930-31. In that same period the physical assets of the college had increased 41.7 per cent, and now total approximately a million dollars. The indebtedness at the same time had decreased 42.2 per cent. "The college is definitely on the upgrade," stated Dr. Humphreys.

Dr. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage, was welcomed as a new member of the board. Dr. J. D. Williams and F. Logan Porter of High Point, Mrs. C. F. Finch of Thomasville, J. Norman Wills and J. M. Millikan of Greensboro were re-elected to the board for a period of four years.

The building and grounds committee was authorized to survey the college campus and locate thereon future buildings. The committee is composed of Mrs. C. F. Finch, Thomasville, chairman; E. W. Teague, Greensboro; B. K. Milloway, Winston-Salem; L. F. Ross, Asheboro; and N. M. Harrison, High Point College.

HOUSE WARMING FOR THE BLACKS

Rev. and Mrs. B. H. Black are the recipients of many tokens of friendly appreciation since moving into their new home situated on Kirk Road, a neighboring community of Durham. A short time ago Mr. Black served the Durham circuit and the people of the several churches are most happy to have him and his wife locate among them.

The Bethany church community gave them a house warming shower several weeks ago. They brought gifts of china, glassware and miscellaneous articles which were showered upon the honorees after a delightful social, when tea and wafers were served.

On Saturday evening, November 29, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of McMannen church and the members of the congregation went in a body to express their friendly greetings, taking with them a number of household articles for the new home and also a generous supply of groceries and delicacies.

The many conference friends of Mr. and Mrs. Black will rejoice to know that they are both well and so delightfully situated.

NOTE OF SINCERE THANKS

Brethren, please allow Mrs. Ervin and me to express our sincere thanks for all the gracious touches and kindly contacts accorded me through my recent experience at the Randolph Hospital in Asheboro. Starting with Bishop Purcell and Dr. Taylor and Paul Hardin, and on up or down the line of other saints and sinners—including doctors, nurses, colored boys and fellow patients—everybody was so good that an appendectomy became almost a holiday occasion.

And we must add, that for the many expressions of sympathy on the passing of dear mother we want to thank everybody and say, God bless every one of you!

J. O. Ervin.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT "WIVES" TO MEET

The officers of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Charlotte district will be hostesses at a tea Friday, December 12, from three to five o'clock, at the district parsonage. All members are invited to attend and the new "wives" will be honor guests.

Mrs. M. G. Ervin, Sec.

WILLIAM LLOYD KNIGHT

1882 - 1941

In the passing of William Lloyd Knight, North Carolina Methodism has lost one of its most faithful members and the Conference Board of Lay Activities one of its most devoted leaders.

Will Knight, as he was affectionately called, was an outstanding layman of the Methodist Church. For many years he served with distinction on various boards of the North Carolina conference and many of the rich experiences of his life are intimately interwoven with the history of this great body.

As district lay leader of the Rocky Mount district he devoted his splendid talents unceasingly to the promotion of the lay program of the church. He was a valuable member of the board of trustees of Louisburg College. His church honored him for his native ability, spiritual devotion, and consecrated leadership by sending him repeatedly to the General Conference of the former M. E. Church, South. He was a member of the Uniting Conference and a delegate to the first Jurisdictional Conference of the united church.

Will Knight was a man of gentle and affectionate nature. He loved little children and they loved him. He had an open loving heart for all mankind, which revealed itself particularly in his tender consideration of the aged, the infirm, and the bereaved.

Will Knight was a man of courage. He never asked if the cause that appealed for his help were popular. The only thing that mattered was whether it was just and right. He was able "to walk amid circumstances and yet be above them, to live in the midst of change and destruction and yet be conscious of a destiny, to be at home in the world and yet find true kinship with God."

Will Knight walked with God and knew what it meant to be a loyal partner of Jesus Christ. His life was a splendid example of devotion to Christian ideals and a revelation of the triumph of Christian faith. He was faithful to the end and, in spite of great bodily suffering, his heart was filled with the peace of God and his face was radiant with the light of the Eternal.

He has gone, but his influence will live in the hearts he has touched. There, in the beautiful valley of the Roanoke, he lies sleeping. Around him the fragrant shrubs and flowers that he loved so much now watch with tender devotion over his sacred dust. The years may come and go, but the memory of his noble life will ever shine out in clear and radiant splendor.

In these words we, the members of the conference Board of Lay Activities, honor the memory of William Lloyd Knight and record our deep affection for the man whose life was a radiant example, in a broken and distressed world, of the enduring significance of the true, the pure, and the good.

W. K. Greene, Chairman.
F. S. Aldridge, Secretary.

HERESY HUNTING

The gifted and peacefully disposed editor of Charity and Children dons his boxing gloves and in the very first round has the heresy hunter hanging on the ropes. Here is how it was done:

"Heresy hunting seems to be a lifetime job with some people. It is a profession that calls for a mean nature. We know of no group who exemplify more completely the very opposite of the spirit of Jesus. They engage in the most cruel form of persecution and attempt to hide it under a veneer of piety. There is a law against physical crucifixion so the heresy hunters have to content themselves with crucifying the hearts of men. They are careless of the truth. They stick a label that they have manufactured on a man without the least regard as to whether it is true or not. They can get by since there is no pure food law that makes an untruthful label a crime that is punishable in the courts of the land. The heresy hunter finds his vocation much more to his liking than following in the footsteps of Jesus. He does not choose to walk the highways with Jesus. It would make him footsore and weary even as Jesus oftimes was footsore and weary. It is much more to his liking to sit in a swivel chair and piously declare his own purity of doctrine. However he only fools himself and others who are like-minded. The fellow on the street of his town has his number. He does not belong in the class with the honest and true believer and practicers of the great fundamental truths of God's word. Take men like John A. Oates, B. W. Spilman, Charles H. Durham, J. Clyde Turner, Zeno Wall, R. N. Simms, Harrison W. Williams and Forest C. Feezer, past and present presidents of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, who believe profoundly in the profound truths of the Bible and live them victoriously. Place beside them some of these professional heresy hunters and look at giants and pigmies. It takes a mean nature that glories in the sight of suffering and that cares nothing for truth to be a professional and successful (?) heresy hunter."

REV. I. L. SHAVER NOW IN IDAHO

Rev. I. L. Shaver after his return from Japan ten months ago he spent seven months in his natve North Carolina helping to care for his aged father. After this stay at his old home he went to Idaho to work among the Japanese. He is now located in Caldwell, Idaho, seat of the College of Idaho, where his daughter, Eleanor, is a sophomore and David is in one of the graded schools of the city.

Of his work Brother Shaver writes:

"Mrs. Shaver is called upon quite often to put on a demonstration in Japanese modes of dress, and to speak on Japan. She also runs a Sunday school for the younger children at Ontario, Oregon. She teaches children while I conduct the Japanese services for the older people. She also conducts a cooking and sewing class for the Japanese women.

"The Japanese, numbering about 1000 in Idaho alone, are rather widely scattered, but our Sunday services are well attended. At some of the special meetings—such as farewell meetings for second generation boys who are entering the U. S. Army—we have from 100 to 150 present. At the request of the Japanese I preach in English and in Japanese twice each Sunday. We have no church organization yet, nor church building in which to worship, but we do have the wide open prairie, almost unlimited opportunities, the good will of the people, and an abundant manifestation of the goodness of God. In Ontario, Oregon, we meet in the Japanese association hall, and in Caldwell, Idaho, we meet in the First Methodist church. This is available at present because they have no regular evening preaching service. The Japanese people are very appreciative and friendly. They keep us supplied with all kinds of vegetables, and with venison and pheasants."

CHIMES PRESENTED METHODIST CHURCH

A set of cathedral chimes has been presented to the First Methodist church, Wilson, by Mr. Frank Bishop and Mr. A. E. Bishop, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Bishop, prominent members of the church for over a quarter of a century.

The chimes were presented to the church several weeks ago and were recently announced to the congregation by Rev. H. B. Porter, pastor of the church.

There are 21 chimes in the set and they are played by a keyboard attached to the church organ. They can be played from the outside of the church or inside at will.

Mr. Asa Bishop had been a member of the church here for 24 years when he died in 1933, while Mrs. Bishop had been a member for 31 years at her death last year.

FOUNDERS' AND BENEFACTORS' DAY HOME COMING, DECEMBER 6, AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Dr. John O. Gross, secretary of the department of educational institutions, Board of Education of the Methodist Church, Nashville, Tenn., will be principal speaker at Greensboro College's annual Founders' and Benefactors' Day, also to be celebrated as home coming day, Saturday, December 6.

A native of Kentucky, Dr. Gross attended Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., and later did graduate work at the State University, Lexington. He also attended Lane Seminary,



Dr. John O. Gross

Cincinnati, Boston University, and the University of Cincinnati. As a Methodist clergyman Dr. Gross served first as pastor, later as district superintendent in the Kentucky conference. In 1929 he became president of Union College, Barbourville, Ky., where he served until 1938, when he became president of Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa. He only recently succeeded the late Dr. W. M. Alexander as educational secretary.

Home coming will begin for many alumnae and friends of the college with the Greensboro College Players' presentation of "The Late Christopher Bean," second dramatic production of the year, in Odell auditorium, Friday night, December 5. With Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, presiding, Founders' and Benefactors' Day exercises will open with academic procession followed by Dr. Gross' address to college students, faculty, and a number of alumnae and friends at 11:15 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium. Following exercises in Odell, alumnae present will be guests of the college at luncheon in the college dining room at one o'clock. The afternoon program will begin at 2:30 with a meeting of chairmen of reunion classes for this year's commencement. Mrs. Cabell Young, Charlotte, will preside at this meeting, which will be held in the East drawing room. Meeting at the same hour in the Lucy H. Robertson room will be the standing committee of the general alumnae association, with Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, alumnae president, presiding. Alumnae who will be in charge of committee reports are Mrs. Kenneth Schuyler, Greensboro, nomination; Mrs. Richmond Smith, Rocky Mount, publicity; Mrs. Maude Baynor Foy, Kinston, memoir; Mrs. Wallace Taylor, Greensboro, membership; and Miss Juanita Master, Winston-Salem, endowment and building.

At 4 o'clock the day's activities will come to a close with a social hour and tour of the campus.

On Columbia Broadcasting System December 22

On the morning of December 22, from 9:15 to 9:45, WBIG will originate for the Columbia Broadcasting System a musical program from the third oldest woman's college in the United States, Greensboro College. Made up entirely of songs by the 44-voice glee club of the college, the program will be carried over Columbia's air lanes from coast to coast.

The glee club is one of the cultural products which time has enabled Greensboro College to develop to a high degree. It began with the beginnings of the school, achieved local distinction, and gradually built up a reputation throughout the South, where for the past six years it has given approximately 35 concerts a season. Walter Vassar, head of the voice department in the college's school of music, directs the glee club and is responsible for much of its present prominence. Mr. Vassar has an impressive musical background—a B.M. degree from the Curtis Institute of Music, a distinguished record of study with music masters; and a history of appearances with the Philadelphia Grand Opera and the Philadelphia Orchestra, with Leopold Stokowski at the baton.

"MY MEMOIRS" BY J. B. IVEY

The second edition of "My Memoirs" by J. B. Ivey of Charlotte, N. C., is just off the press. The first edition of this attractive and interesting volume that tells the life story of Charlotte's great merchant and splendid citizen appeared just one year ago, and in a few weeks the entire edition had been exhausted before the demand for these "Memoirs" was supplied.

This second edition, which has been revised and enlarged, contains much that was not in the first edition, and it will not be surprising if many who read the first will desire also this second edition.

Numerous testimonials as to the unusual merits of this rare volume have been sent the publishers of "My Memoirs." Of these we quote the following:

"If a man had photographed the people, houses, habits and sayings of those days with a camera and put it into a reel he could not have made the picture more vivid or more interesting. You deplore in it the fact that you didn't go to college. If you had gone you never would have written quite such a book, and you wouldn't have given anything like the pleasure to your old friends. You have put down in the most truthful and fascinating fashion the characters and occurrences of a day and a form of society that has ceased to exist."—Dr. E. M. Wilson, Headmaster Emeritus, Haverford School, Pennsylvania.

"My Memoirs" are for sale by the Ivey Stores, Charlotte, N. C., and The Charlotte Observer. Price $2.00.

PASTOR HARDEE PLEASED AND HAPPY AT MOCKSVILLE

Across the Yadkin river from Forsyth lies the county seat of Davie, Mocksville, long known as a community of culture and for the fine leadership that has come from the homes of these good southern families.

Our Methodist church here is very proud and fortunate for the good pastors that the conference has sent here during the past years. This church has always been known for the love and loyalty to their pastor. They loved Brother Avett and his fine family and speak so highly of all the pastors that have served here in the days gone by.

There is a fine outlook here for the future. We are fortunate in having as chairman of our board of stewards Mr. R. S. Proctor, one of the best county school superintendents in the state. A ten per cent increase in world service and in the pastor's salary has been made for this year.

It is an inspiration to any young pastor to have in the congregation Brother and Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, and to fellowship here with Brother Fink and Brother Wright, a young pastor just entering the conference. The church was organized here in 1833 and is at the present time in the Elkin district with Brother Gibbs, but has been in the Salisbury district and in the Winston-Salem district. While we miss the Monday morning meetings at West Forsyth and the good people of Glenwood we have been most cordially received here in the good town of Mocksville among the rolling hills of old Davie county.

Robert M. Hardee.

"The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

The New World Order

By OLIN ADER

Jehovah wants it; works for it. "I create a new earth." Creation is not perfected, but is in process.

Jesus came to create a new world order. "Repent and believe the good news: the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The Christian church wants a new world order and continually cries, "Thy kingdom come"—steadfastly seeks the kingdom of God—passionately prays, "Let justice roll down as rain from heaven and righteousness as a mighty river."

To satisfy this divine discontent Satan offers a substitute, to deceive the nations.

Hitler wants a new world order, national socialism according to his notion. Stalin wants a new world order, national communism, a counterfeit of Pentecastal Communism. Hirohito with Japan joins in the quest for a new world order. Mussolini has the same idea for Italy. Roosevelt's new deal is a desire for true democracy in a new world order.

This new world order is the dream of the ages. Plato in his Republic has the vision. Sir Thomas Moore in his Utopia adumbrates the idea. Moses in the theocratic kinddom of Israel puts God as ruler of his people, a new world order in politics and government. Prophets of Israel saw the far off divine event toward which the whole creation moves, in their Messianic promises. John in Revelation sees the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven.

The vision is clear, fine and all divine

The Means by Which the New Order Shall Come

By what method shall this new order come, and who shall be its Messiah? Here comes the "rub," the revolution running red with blood.

To create the new world order Jehovah begins with his new Jerusalem, the church, saying: "I create Jerusalem . . . her people a joy" (Isaiah 65:17) To create this new church and bring the joy of heaven down to earth, Jehovah begins with the individual, makes him "a new man in Christ." This body of new-born men unite in a body to form the church, the kingdom of heaven on earth. This is a new world order as God orders it. To build it his Son shed his life's blood.

Hitler, in a hurry to outdo the Almighty, sets his church aside, takes up the sword, and seeks by force, fire, and fury to build a tower to heaven and seize the good things of the kingdom for himself. Here comes again confusion. Here the state usurps the place of the church and seeks by might of man to master the world. Quietly the Psalmist-prophet speaks: "Wait on the Lord, and he will give thee the desires of thine heart." When a soldier-king seized the function of the priest, Jehovah smote him with leprosy (2 Chron. 26:19). When a Stalin seizes the sword to bring the kingdom of communism by law and by brutal decapitation of all who dissent, instead of by love and brotherhood, he turns its heaven into hell.

The end is divine, but the means are devilish.

When our government puts charity and relief programs into the hands of politcians instead of leaving them in the hands of consecrated church people, you have a politician stealing the livery of the priest, a wolf in sheep's clothing.

The good state has its place in helping to promote the kingdom of God on earth; but the church has a far higher and more powerful place as it writes the law of the Lord, not on statute books, but in the hearts of its people. Heart controls hand, and law written in heart rules the outward life, the hand that takes care of the social gospel. Look not to Raleigh for righteousness, nor to Washington for the ways and wisdom of God, but look to Christ in his church to bring in his kingdom.

Hebrew people understood the prophets to promise a new social order when the desert shall blossom as the rose (Isaiah 35, pretty poetry indeed); and in this radiant dream they were right, but they went all wrong when they visualized victory as coming by the might of man and arms. Jehovah warns, "Not by might and power, but by my spirit."

When Israel faced the choice of taking God's way of truth preached in love, or taking up arms against a pagan world, she fell for kings and marching men in battle; and when her meek and lowly Messiah came she did not know him, did not like him, and she nailed him to a cross. By this colossal blunder she lost spiritual leadership of the world, and loses her life in a brutal trust in arms. Had she followed her Good Shepherd he would have led her into green pastures and beside the still waters of peace.

Germany once had leadership in the world, attracted scholars to her schools from all the world, had mastery over men by her music, and her proud sign, "Made in Germany," made her master in marts of trade. But some madman, who trusted in Mars, turned her mind from mastery in the mental-spiritual world to world conquest on a lower plane of life, and the Germany of winsome angels became Germany of wild animals waging war and turning her divinity into diabolism. She took up the sword; she perishes today by the sword.

Cromwell with his Psalm-writing soldiers sought to bring the kingdom of heaven into old England by force and fear, but it failed miserably.

America faces the fateful choice. Her fine Christian spirit, her world-wide missionary interests, her sympathy and charity for all who seek liberty and the abundant life, her manifest good will for men everywhere, have given her a place in the sun so that her light shines across seven seas. But a mighty military party may spring up, in the exigencies of war, to use her untold wealth in creating a war machine that shall lure her into war-minded madness and into its burning hell.

Complaint has been made by smart modernists at old-time preachers for failing to preach the "social gospel," charging that they gave attention merely to an individual salvation in heaven after death. The charge is made in ignorance, and the complaint is unjust. Prophets of old who preached "holiness, or hell"; who preached true repentance of all sin and absolute regeneration in mind, heart, and life, or eternal death as the wages of sin,

preached a sounder social gospel than much we hear now. The modern social gospel that treats of temporal matters and taboos or talks little of eternal issues is a quack treatment of a terrible malady. Those old prophets preached a gospel that cut out the roots of sin and utterly destroyed its fruits. They preached an eternal message that made men tremble at the thought of eternal woes for men dying in sin. Modern social preaching on temporal themes is banjo music as compared to the massive pipe organ tones that swept over the souls of men with echoes of eternity.

The kingdom of heaven is at hand in such sound preaching and in the heaven-born and heaven-bound souls that repent and believe the Good News. To all such the good Master says, "The kingdom of heaven is within you."

PAUL THE READY

By Charles Haddon Spurgeon

I am ready.—Romans 1:15.

I think Paul might have used these words as his motto. We had once a Saxon king called Ethelred the Unready; here we have an apostle who might be called Paul the Ready. The Lord Jesus no sooner called on him out of heaven, "Saul, Saul why persecutest thou me?" than he answered, "Who art thou, Lord?" Almost directly after, his question was, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" He was no sooner converted than he was ready for holy service; and "straightway he preached Christ" in the synagogues at Damascus. All through his life, whatever happened to him, he was always ready. If he had to speak to crowds in the street, he had the fitting word; or if to the elite on Mars' hill, he was ready for the philosophers. If he talked to the Pharisees, he knew how to address them; and when he was brought before the Sanhedrin, and perceived the Pharisee and Sadducean elements in it, he knew how to avail himself of their mutual jealousies to help his own escape. See him before Felix, before Festus, before Agrippa, he is always ready; and when he came to stand before Nero, God was with him, and delivered him out of the mouth of the lion. If you find him on board ship, he is ready to comfort men in the storm; and when he gets on shore, a shipwrecked prisoner, he is ready to gather sticks to help make a fire. At all points he is an all-round man, and an all-ready man; always ready to go wherever his Master sends him, and to do whatever his Lord appoints him.

Here we have Paul's readiness to work. "So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also." He had preached the gospel in a great part of Asia, he had crossed into Europe, he had proclaimed the Word through Greece; and if ever an opportunity should occur for him to get to the capital of the world, whatever might be the danger to which he would be exposed, he was prepared to do. He was ready to go anyhere for Jesus, anywhere to preach the gospel, anywhere to win a soul, anywhere to comfort the people of God. "I am ready." There is no place to which Paul was not ready to go. He was ready to make a journey into Spain; and if he did not come to this island of ours (Britain), which is a matter of question, undoubtedly he was ready to have gone to the utmost isles of the sea, and to lands and rivers unknown, to carry his Master's mighty Word. Are we as ready as Paul was to go anywhere for Jesus, or do we feel that we could only work for Christ at home?

If you will kindly turn to Acts 21:13, you will read, in the second place, of Paul's readiness to suffer. He says, "I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus." This is perhaps a greater thing than the former one; to be ready to suffer is more than to be ready to serve. To some of us it has become a habit to be ready to preach the gospel; but here was a man who was ready to suffer for the name of the Lord Jesus; so ready that he could not be dissuaded from it. He must preach the gospel; but why must he go to Jerusalem? All the world was before him; why must he go to that persecuting city? Everybody told him he would have bonds and imprisonment, and perhaps death; but he cared nothing about all this; he said, "I am ready, I am ready."

Beloved friends, are we ready to be scoffed at, to be thought idiots, to be put down amognst old-fashioned fossils? Perhaps so. Are we ready, if we should be required to do so, to lose friends for Christ's sake, to have the cold shoulder for Christ's sake? Perhaps so. Are we also ready, if it be the Lord's will, to go home, to be carried upstairs, and to lie there for the next three months? Are we ready as that poor woman who said, "The Lord said to me, 'Betty, mind the house, look after the children,' and I did it. By and by, he said, 'Betty, go upstairs and cough twelve months.' Shall I not do that also, and not complain, for it is all that I can do?" "I am ready." You remember what is on the seal of the American Baptist Missionary Society, an ox with a plow on one side and a halter on the other, ready for either, ready to serve or ready to suffer. You have not come to the highest style of readiness till you are ready for whatever the will of God may appoint for you. Unreadiness for this point of view is very common; but it shows unsubdued human nature.—Zions Herald.

DELIGHTFUL OCCASION AT BRADLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH

Rev. and Mrs. P. W. Tucker of Bradley Memorial Methodist church, Gastonia, were the recipients of an old fashioned "pounding" on Monday evening, November 17.

The assembly room of the junior department had been appropriately arranged with an exquisite linen cloth covering the table on which had been placed a bowl-shaped basket with an artistic arrangement of fruits and vegetables, and on the piano two Amercan flags were placed in a holder. The spacious room was well filled with people as the appointed hour for the service approached, and at seven-thirty a representative was sent to the parsonage to invite Rev. and Mrs. Tucker to a "special thanksgiving program" being given by the young people. Each member of the young people's department participated in the program, which consisted of scripture, solo, litany, poem, prayer, talk and congregational singing of Thanksgiving songs; and the high light of the entire program was a group of songs and two instrumental numbers by the toy band of the beginners' department. Following the benediction, Mr. B. B. Holland, general superintendent of the church school and leader of the program for the evening, called Mr. Tucker to the front of the room and said that he had just recently learned of a new game with a Biblical title which he considered appropriate to play at the time, and that he would let our pastor lead us in playing it. Whereupon he blindfolded Mr. Tucker, turned him around three times and said, "Seek and ye shall find." One of the young people carefully guided Mr. Tucker across the hall into the beginners' department, the assembly following, and when the blindfold was removed from Mr. Tucker's eyes he beheld two long tables groaning under the excessive weight of the many bags, boxes and packages of food brought by loving friends especially for the parsonage pantry.

Mr. Tucker was so completely surprised and touched that he could not talk for a few minutes and the group sang the doxology; then in a few well chosen words Mr. Tucker expressed his deep appreciation and pronounced a benediction.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT PROGRAM OF BREVARD COLLEGE

Under the sponsorship of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, a great forward movement program for Brevard College has been launched. The board of trustees is co-operating in this movement, and there is general support in many different areas. Mr. C. F. Coykendale, representing the Division of Financial Service of the Methodist Board of Education, has been actively on the job as director of the effort for the past seven weeks. Dr. Frank H. West has given generously of his time and advice in setting up the entire campaign. Mr. Henry I. Gaines, an architect in Asheville, and a member of Central Methodist church in that city, has been engaged to make a study of proposed buildings with the expectation that he will be retained as the college architect. Mr. Gaines is competent and trustworthy.

New Buildings Proposed

Three new buildings are being planned for construction as soon as the necessary funds can be raised. A new science building costing $100,000 will be the first unit to be constructed. This building will house the department of chemistry, physics, biology, home economics and agriculture. Another equally important structure will be a new library building which will cost $75,000. The alumni of the former Brevard Institute are greatly interested in raising funds for the library with the understanding that it will be a memorial to Prof. Carl H. Trowbridge. As is generally known, Mr. Trowbridge was the principal of Brevard Institute from 1907 to 1912. He later became president of Weaver College and since its opening in 1934, he has been professor of chemistry in Brevard College. A new library building, properly equipped, would make a fitting memorial to this well known and highly esteemed educator. And no man we know is more deserving of a memorial than this devoted servant of God.

A new dormitory for young women is a great necessity. A building adequate to house 132 occupants would cost at least $100,000. West Hall now occupied by young women is entirely inadequate. At the present time 45 girls are being housed in temporary and leased buildings. The plan provides for suitable remodeling of West Hall and its continued use.

In order to be accredited by the Southern Association, Brevard must have endowment resources of at least $200,000. The campaign objectives include $100,000 for endowment.

Amount of $75,000 Pledged

The citizens of Brevard and Transylvania county have pledged more than $65,000 to the forward movement. Included in this amount is a gift of $10,000 by the late J. H. Pickelsimer and $30,000 by Mr. Harry Straus in the name of the Ecusta Paper Corporation. When completed the campaign in Transylvania will probably yield $100,000 or more. Mr. Coykendale, with the active aid of Mr. C. E. Buckner, dean of the college, has opened headquarters in Asheville with the purpose of projecting a campaign to all parts of the mountain districts. At a later date headquarters will be opened at one or two suitable places in the Piedmont area. Those persons behind the movement expect to prosecute the effort until the objectives outlined are achieved. Pledges now amount to $75,000.

BETHEL CHURCH HAPPY ON THE WAY

Bethel church on Granite Quarry charge has just ended a very successful year and the prospects for a new church year seem bright. We are glad to have our pastor, C. G. Isley, back again, and with his wise guidance we feel sure we will accomplish much in the coming year. We organized our Woman's Society of Christian Service last year with 18 charter members, with Mrs. J. B. Cornelius, Jr., as president. Our membership has increased to 25. During the year we have successfully participated in local church activities as well as our missionary activities. We are proud of our young people's organization, which was organized last year and is one of the largest youth groups in the county. The devotional and social activities of this group have meant a great deal to the youth of our community. The church school has grown considerably under the guidance of Glenn Miller, our efficient superintendent. We are happy to have a building committee appointed to begin plans for a new brick church. Already our organizations are enthusiastically working to raise funds for this purpose, and in the near future we hope to see the work started. The charge has just had its first quarterly conference and raised our pastor's salary to $2,000. We also added $75 more to our benevolences. To sum up, we feel that we have prospered this year and, God willing, we shall do even more in the future.—Mrs. J. B. Cornelison, Jr.

A FELLOWSHIP SUPPER AT FLAT ROCK

A free Thanksgiving fellowship supper was held at the East Flat Rock Methodist church Tuesday night, November 25, at 7 o'clock. About 60 people were present. All church members were invited and all those in the Sunday school above the junior class. The Woman's Society of Christian Service, of which Mrs. W. E. Strider is president, prepared the supper.

Rev. C. Moody Smith, the pastor, presided. Dr. D. E. Camak, pastor of the Methodist church in Hendersonville, was the guest speaker.

Dr. Camak's theme was "Why Should God Bless America?" His good humor and serious message were well received.

A variety of group singing was one feature of this event. A song sheet with ten selections was provided for each person. Among the songs used were: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," "Pack Up Your Troubles," "Home on the Range," "Row, Row, Row Your Boat," "Silent Night," and "America."

During the program a new miniature church building was displayed. It was explained that this building was designed and built by the Leopard Patrol of the Icoal Boy Scout Troop No. 10, that this building would be kept in a convenient place during all the services of the church this winter, and that gifts placed therein would be used next spring for interior decoration of the church.

C. Moody Smith, Pastor.

FROM PERSON STREET TO GARLAND

I want to convey to our many loyal friends and co-laborers on Person Street-Calvary, Fayetteville, charge our love and deep appreciation for the many expressions of kindness shown to us during our three years in that work. I have been greatly benefitted personally by my association and fellowship with the fine people which I have endeavored to serve with the best of my ability.

We value the sweet memories of our many friends on the Person Street-Calvary charge as part of our most cherished possessions. And as long as we live these sentiments of Christian love will follow us.

Furthermore, it gives us great pleasure to say that many of God's chosen people are to be found within the wide bounds of the Garland charge. Few occasions during our ministry have given us the thrilling inspiration that came with the service held at the Garland church fifth Sunday when the six churches on this work came together to welcome the new preacher and his family and to talk over some objectives for our work.

Words fail to describe the heart warming experience which we had when all of these splendid people came from the six churches on this charge and brought to the parsonage quantities of food supplies. How we do thank our many new friends for this early expression of love!

We are delighted to find some big men who are interested in the church of our Lord in a big way, and who have long records of devoted service to the Master's cause. Already our lay leader, district steward, and the churches which we reached thus far have sounded forth the note to advance.

M. W. Warren.

SALISBURY DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

Termed by Dr. C. N. Clark as the "most representative group to be present at any of the six missionary institutes during my superintendency," the annual missionary institute of the Salisbury district was held at First church, Salisbury, on Sunday, November 30, at 3 p. m. The devotional period was led by Rev. J. E. Yountz, Main Street church, Albemarle. Rev. W. B. West, host-pastor and member of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension, outlined in an interesting manner the connectional work of Methodism. Mrs. J. N. Peacock, conference treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, listed the services of the women in the local church and challenged the group to have a society in every local church and every woman a member of the society. O. A. Swaringen, district lay leader, explained the value and the technique of systematic giving in church finances.

Miss Emma Midciff of Pfeiffer College brought an inspirational message on "The Place of Prayer in the Life of the Church," indicating that missions is the true flowering of a praying church, and that every member can "give to missions the gift of prayer." Rev. Carl H. King, conference executive secretary of the Board of Education, citing an experience to show that his faith in missions had been significantly bolstered, urged wider observance of the fourth Sunday as World Service Sunday in the church schools. Emphasis was placed upon the use of literature, magazines, pamphlets, visual education, etc., by the district missionary secretary, Rev. W. G. McFarland, who is pastor of Coburn Memorial church. He stressed the importance of every minister conducting a school of missions and using Dr. Paul N. Garber's book, "The Methodist Meeting House." It is expected that a school of missions will be conducted in every charge.

The last speaker at the afternoon session, Rev. C. W. Kirby of Central church, Spencer, gave a challenging message, listing these aims as significant for a world-minded Bible-observing, evangelistic in spirit, brotherly, practicing Christian stewardship, regular attendance at all church services, spiritual pride, and dissatisfaction in doing less than the best for all causes presented in the church's program. A period of fellowship which included light refreshments was directed by members of the local church.

At 7:30 p. m. a mass meeting of adults was addressed by Dr. Embree H. Blackard of Myers Park church, Charlotte, on "The Challenge of the Present Hour to World Service." Dr. Clark presided and Rev. J. L. Ingram of Epworth church, Concord, led the prayer. At the same hour a district youth rally was largely attended in Coburn Memorial church, where Dr. Ray Petry of the Duke Divinity School was the principal speaker. Representative young people from the three counties in the district participated in the program.

The Salisbury district is off to a grand start in the new year. The superintendent reports that every church which he has visited has increased its acceptances for world service. A good beginning—and there will be a good ending!

Wilson O. Weldon.

MARION MILLS CHARGE

Just a word from Marion Mills charge to say we have moved for the second time since conference. The mill company repaired and built an addition to one of their best houses and moved the parsonage furniture into it, and we are now well situated and well pleased with our work. Our people from both churches have already given us an old fashioned pounding and made us feel at home with the church folks and with village people in general. We held our first quarterly conference November 16. The stewards of the charge raised the pastor's salary $100 to make it $1700. Needless to say our district superintendent captured our people and they captured him. There is none better than C. S. Kirkpatrick when you are looking for leadership in the church. We hope to carry on the church activities this year in every phase of our church. There is but little interest in the Christian Advocate. There needs to be a revival in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Prayer meetings are well attended, Sunday schools are on the increase, and we feel that there is at Marion Mills a great opportunity to spread out and accomplish more spiritually and financially. There is already talk of buliding a new parsonage which we need to push to a conclusion this next year. The climate cannot be improved upon, neither can Methodist people living in this climate. With these favorable surroundings we hope to go forward in the Master's work this year.—J. O. Banks.

ASHEVILLE CIRCUIT ADVANCES TO THE CONQUEST

The Emma Methodist church has adopted a unified budget and has met its claims in full to December 1, and the other four churches on the Asheville circuit are not far behind in the financial effort to bring the entire charge to its goal—all claims paid in full by October 1, 1942. This beginning speaks well for the work of the former pastor at Sardis and Reeves Chapel, Brother Bolick, and the former pastor at Emma, Woodfin, and Riverview, Brother Shives, to say nothing of all the other good men which preceded them. It also indicates the type of loyalty and earnestness of the laymen in these several churches, and it certainly speaks well for the excellent supervision of the district superintendent, Brother Smathers. Brother Smathers and Brother Bolick, backed up by the laymen, did a fine piece of work before conference in their attempt to remodel the old parsonage at Reeves Chapel to make it comfortable for the incoming pastor. There are several items to be completed, but I am sure the laymen will stick by the job till it is finished. The new pastor has been received graciously and he feels quite at home in his new field. Space will not permit me to give an inventory of the new articles of furniture and bedding, the kitchen range and the heating stove, and the loaded shelves of canned goods and other eatables given in an old fashioned pounding.—James J. Wood.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

The honor roll for the first half semester of the college year was released last week. Sarah Davis of Louisburg, last year's number one student, again led the list. The others on the list, in order of standing are: Gene Thompson, Franklinton; Martha Ann Stroud, Louisburg; Virginia Spivey, Louisburg; Lilly Hancock, Richmond, Va.; Juanita Cannon, Bolivia; Roy H. Bailey, Fayetteville; Edward F. Smith, Fayetteville; Riley Rowe, Aberdeen; Ira L. Helms, Jr., Scotland Neck; Christine Shearin, Enfield; and Constance Rhodes, Fayetteville.

The officers for the freshman class, recently elected at the college, are Melvin Smiley, Macon, president; Clarke Stokes, Hertford, vice president; Sallie Weaver, Sanford, secretary; and Billy Andrews, Louisburg, treasurer.

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns: let the earth be glad! Amen.

—Malthie D. Babcock, 1858-1901.

This hymn, one of Dr. W. P. Few's favorite, was used by request for the memorial service.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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ALTAR FLOWERS

"Golden chrysanthemums came to my door
In the early morning hours,
And neatly written on a card
Were these words: 'Altar Flowers.'
With understanding sympathy
They smiled into my heart;
In simple flower language,
A message did impart.
The soft notes of the organ,
Hymns of trust and praise,
A prayer—and oh! blessed altar flowers
That brighten shut-in days.
Silent messenger, yours is a
Holy mission, beautiful, sublime—
Reflecting worship, sacrament,
With a breath divine!
O Christ of all the sick, I pray,
Speak thou through altar flowers,
Grant the sunshine of thy love
Through faith—give healing power."

Mrs. J. E. Faulkner.
Greensboro, N. C.

BELMONT PARK HAS MISSION STUDY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Belmont Park church, Charlotte, met on the afternoon of November 19 to study the book, "A Christian Imperative," by Roswell Barnes. This proved to be a most helpful study, with the district secretary of missionary education and service, Miss Lillian Walker, in charge of the program. Miss Walker, Mrs. Tom Smith, Mrs. Lloyd Liles and Mrs. J. Johnson, all from Dilworth church, presented the book in a very interesting and informative manner, and it was one of the most successful mission study classes we have ever held.

Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, corresponding secretary of the Charlotte district, brought an impressive devotional just before the beginning of the study.

At the close of the study period we enjoyed a social hour with tea and cookies being served. The attendance at the meeting was good, the study most helpful and inspiring and the fellowship meant much to each individual who attended.—Secretary W. S. C. S.

CENSOR CONVERTED BY READING MAIL

A certain officer, according to a report from the office of the Chief of Chaplains, was commissioned to censor the letters that the boys in camp wrote home. Although friendly, with the "padre" or chaplain, he frankly declared that he had little use for religion and seldom attended services of worship. After some months, however, he began to attend services held at the camp, and to show an obvious interest. The chaplain asked him if his atttitude was changing. "Yes, Padre," he replied." To put it simply I've been converted and in the strangest way. For weeks past it has been one of my duties to censor the men's letters home; and so many of them writing to their fathers, mothers or wives, have shown a faith that was a living and real thing, that I began to feel that I was missing the biggest thing in life. It has changed me for good."—World Outlook for November.

LETTER FROM CHINA

Through the kindness of Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, conference secretary of missionary education and service, we have the following letter from Miss Maud Parsons, missionary to China, telling us about the Hwa Mei Girls' Middle School, Shan She Gai, Chengtu, Szechuan, West China, where one of our own Western North Carolina conference missionaries is now located—Miss Louise Avett of Norwood, and in whihh we feel our readers will be interested.

Miss Parsons says in this letter which was written during the summer that "in spite of raids, high cost of living, and other difficulties, Hwa Mei is still on the map. We are enjoying country life as much as ever and wish some of our friends could be here to enjoy it with us.

"'During our raids some of the girls and teachers go out in the fields so that there will not be so many people left in one place, in case we get a bomb. I stay in the school to be on hand if something does happen. The planes sometimes fly over our heads and they do not give one a very comfortable feeling; however, we are fortunate to be living in the country where we are away from the large groups.

"One big thing that happened this year was the arrival of another foreigner to work in Hwa Mei. Louise Avett of the former Southern Methodist Church arrived on the last day of March to be a very nice April fool surprise, for we had been looking for her since conference in the winter. She had been working in the Shanghai section, and had great difficulty in getting permission to come here. Finally arrangements were made and she came to Chungking by plane from Hong Kong, and then to Chengtu by the night post office trucks. As her Shanghai dialect is not understood here, she is studying Szechuanese, as well as teaching one section of English and taking the Sunday school supervision and planning with the girls for the summer vacation Bible school. We two live together in a little room where everything is convenient, for we can reach most all parts while we sit at one place. I still eat Chinese food, but Louise eats foreign style breakfast in our room.

"Perhaps you may be interested in our prices at this time. Rice before the war was about $2 or $3 for the amount which would fill 20 one-pound coffee cans. Now it is around $70 for the same amount. Eggs were two cents apiece, now they are from 25 to 30 cents each. The girls' board was $4.00 and $4.50, and this last term we collected $180 and asked them to bring $40 more near the close of the term, making a difference of about $44 a month now in relation to the $4 previous to the war. The board would be more than this, but we bought a lot of rice before the prices went up so high. Next term it will be higher if things continue at this rate. On efamily of seven (adults and children) killed themselves a short time ago because they could not find enough to eat. There are possibly others doing the same thing of whom we have not heard.

"At Christmas time 30 girls were baptized and at Easter 11 more. This is not as many as last year, but the number of girls decreased with the high cost of living. Christmas was a very happy time. We had quite a few girls who knew nothing about Christmas, and at least one teacher; so we were glad to share the Christmas spirit with them. At Easter we had an early morning service with Dr. Shih, dean of the Theological College in charge. After service we had an egg hunt, which was in reality a paper hunt, for each one who found a slip of paper with a Bible verse on it exchanged it for a colored egg. Commencement was June 7, but both junior and senior high school graduates continued classes until the close of the school, for they had to review for the government examinations. . . . The Sunday morning student church is full of interest and help to the girls and teachers. The chairman of the religious education department of the student government is chairman at the morning services, and we have had some prominent and interesting speakers at these services. Some of our girls are helping in the daily vacation Bible schools this summer, and there will be a youth conference of ten days for those between 16 and 25 years of age. The girls have not lost interest in things religious and the Bible classes are going on as in other years.

"Pray for us in this work and for all of China that God's will may be done and that there may be peace and love in the hearts of all."

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

February 20, 1942, has been designated as the World Day of Prayer by the National Committee of Church Women. The theme "I am the Way" is to be developed under the titles: "The Way Men Have Lost"; "The Way Back to God"; "The Way of Self-Surrender"; "The Way of Peace"; "The Way of Love"; "The Way of Light"; and "The Way of Power." In 1941 there were 5,380 reported observance of the Day of Prayer. Seventeen Christians in Korea were imprisoned for their participation in the Day of Prayer activties. The immediate cause was the Bible verse appearing in the program: "Fear not little flock, it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."—World Outlook, November, 1941.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

There is no finer religion than searching God with the whole mind. . . . The church stands as the one institution of modern life that is undertaking to chart the way of life. The man with deep religious faith somehow meets life better than the man without faith. . . . If there is one thing the people need today it is information concerning the Bible. The church of Jesus Christ can never be true to her calling if she ignores the spiritual facts. The church of Christ must lay claim to every fact and every fragment of truth and only so can she be true to the One who said: "My kingdom is a kingdom of truth." . . . The Methodist Church will never be a conquering church until it is an informed church. . . . Our Methodist people ought to know what issues are facing the church today.

Editor's note: The foregoing statements are excerpts from a stirring address made by Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of the Christian Advocate, Chicago, at the N .C. conference which was held at Trinity church, Durham, recently.

MORE COUPONS WANTED!

Were the women of the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. fully awakened to a consciousness of the real value of eligible coupons to the Methodist Orphanage they could not refrain from exerting every effort to collect and send these coupons to the Orphanage. An immediate and urgent need at the Methodist Orphanage is enough battleship linoleum with which to cover the dining room floor which is at present bare of any covering. A concerted effort on the part of the women of the N. C. conference in sending coupons from Octagon products, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzainne coffee and tea and Rumford baking powder post cards to Rev. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, would bring returns of untold worth— a need filled and satisfaction of those having a part in filling that need. Women, let's get busy in the interest of this worthy cause.

NEWS OF INDUSTRIAL WORK

On November 20 Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood motored to Laurinburg, where they conferred with Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial worker, and Mr. Halbert Jones, president of the Waverly Mills, concerning the community work carried on under the auspices of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. Due to the increased activities and interest manifested on the part of the people of the mill village, Mr. Jones feels that the present facilities are inadequate, therefore has offered to erect a new community center in the near future. The new center will be more centrally located and designed to meet the needs of the work more adequately. This generous offer on the part of the mill owners expresses not only their keen interest in the welfare of their employees, but also a deep appreciation of the work which Miss Stegar has accomplished in East Laurinburg. The conference is profoundly grateful to the mill owners and the local committees for this outward expression of their confidence in the possibilities of the work there. It gives a sense of permanency and assurance of greater things to be accomplished in the future. Any supplies sent by the local W. S. C. S. will be used to equip this center. A detailed list of needed articles will be published on the woman's page at an early date; also a list will be furnished the district secretaries.—Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.

BETHLEHEM CENTERS

Bethlehem centers are social settlements for negroes established in the Southern cities by the Woman's Section of the Board of Missions of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Usually, white deaconesses are in charge, colored helpers being employed to assist in the social service. At Bethlehem centers a wide range of activities are carried on, including clinics, day nurseries for children for working mothers; day and night classes in cooking, sewing, carpentry, and other work; boy and girl Scouts, athletic programs for boys and girls, and other activities. The houses serve as community centers for group meetings and social events among the negro population of the cities. There are nine of these Bethlehem houses and they are located in Birmingham, Ala.; Augusta, Ga.; Winston-Salem, N. C.; Charlotte, N. C.; Spartanburg, S. C.; Chattanooga, Tenn.; Memphis, Tenn.; Nashville, Tenn., and Richmond, Va. Incidentally, Miss Euline Smith of Hamlet, who has been temporarily recalled from her work as missionary to Korea, is now in charge of the Bethlehem House at Charlotte.

PERSON ZONE MEETS

Oak Grove Methodist church was hostess to the Person zone, Durham district, on October 19. Mrs. W. M. Fox, zone leader, presided. Following the singing of a hymn and a prayer, led by Mrs. Ivey Cridlin, Mrs. Cridlin extended a welcome to which Mrs. Fox responded. Mrs. Earl Wilkinson of Lea's Chapel spoke on study. A special program of music was rendered by Mrs. K. L. Street of Long Memorial church, assisted by Misses Billie Street and Anne Margaret Long. Miss Long sang "Have Thine Own Way, Lord." Miss Street also gave a violin solo, accompanied by Mrs. Street. Mrs. Fox presented to Thomas Marvin Vick, 3rd, son of Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Vick, Jr., a baby life membership, gift of the Durham district. Mrs. J. H. Shore of Concord church spoke on the efficiency aim and urged that every society meet this goal. Rev. T. M. Vick gave a very inspiring talk in which he explained the youth movement. Mrs. Arch Hamlin of Warren's Grove society spoke on the week of prayer and the value of prayer in one's life. Miss Flornie Robertson, district secretary, brought several business matters before the group and stressed the need for The Methodist Woman and World Outlook in the societies. The loving cup was presented to Grace church for gaining the most new members during the last quarter. Mrs. C. E. Brooks invited the zone to meet at Concord church for the next session. The meeting adjourned with prayer, led by Rev. T. M. Vick.—Mrs. Raney E. Crumpton, Secretary.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

Sharon Methodist church was hostess church to the Northampton zone on October 23, with Mrs. P. E. Newton, Rich Square, presiding. Mrs. W. W. Cater, Woodland, gave the opening devotional on the theme, "God's Blessings." Mrs. Rod Jordan welcomed the zone members and Mrs. L. C. Davis, Conway ,responded. Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount, gave a talk on young women's and girls' work. Mrs. Dempsey Taylor, Jr., of Pleasant Grove, sang "Speak to My Heart, Lord Jesus." Mrs. J. B. Hurley, Seaboard, introduced Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president, who was guest speaker. Rev. J. B. Hurley dismissed the congregation and directed them to a lunch served by the Sharon society. Mrs. Ardell Long, Severn, led the afternoon worship; Rev. J. B. Hurley offered prayer and Miss Margaret Hughes and Herbert Griffin of Pleasant Grove rendered special music. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, commended the zone for its efficient work and its loyal support. The Zion society was awarded the attendance banner. Spring church invited the zone for the January meeting. Officers elected were: Mrs. H. W. Maddrey, leader; Mrs. Luther Johnson, assistant leader, and Mrs. Russell Johnson, secretary-treasurer. A very gratifying feature of the meeting was the presentation of 17 life memberships. Editor's note: A complete list of all life memberships presented in the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. during 1941 will be published on this page at an early date.

ORDER PLEDGE CARDS NOW!

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, reminds us that pledge cards for the new conference year are ready for mailing and is urging that every society in the conference order the required number of cards in time to have them for the January meeting, which will be the pledge meeting.

Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, is likewise urging that all Guilds order 1942 membership cards and 1942 W. S. G. handbooks and pledge cards immediately.

All of the above material mentioned above may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Our children like to sing "Friends, friends, friends, we have some friends we love." Our singing class was with two fine groups of friends yesterday and on our return to the Children's Home in mid-afternoon we found our yards full of friends. They had come bearing gifts. Some of our older girls were finding joy in showing them around about the place and into the buildings. Some friends were finding their sponsored children and inquiring what Santa Claus might bring to them. Everybody loves friends, particularly children.

BLESSED BETHLEHEMITES

Our friends at Bethlehem, on the Pleasant Garden cricuit, were among the first to pay their ten per cent apportionment for the new conference year. Yesterday a delegation of these Bethlehemites came to see us bringing with them 168 jars of choice canned fruit and some peanuts, oranges and some Irish and sweet potatoes. Added to the foregoing was a choice quilt pieced by Mrs. D. E. Hemphill, 86 years of age. Page Fields presented the fifth Sunday offering amounting to $25. Miss Mae Fields and others were interested in learning what they should tell Santa Claus to bring little Margaret Sherrill, their sponsored child. The Bethlehemites shed blessings upon us.

THE ARTFUL DODGER

There came a parent yesterday who promised when his children were accepted at the Children's Home to help our Methodist people provide for them. The mother, a mighty good woman, had died and the children were scattered about. Eventually they came to the Children's Home. The father makes good money but refuses to live up to his agreement in helping provide for his children. Repeated promises have been broken. His visits to the Children's Home are of the dodging kind. He ought to go live at Bethlehem a while. Our responsibility is to the children. We cannot penalize them because of the frailty of an unreliable father.

ST. MARK REMARKS

With Miss Jones and the singing class we hurried along the Box Mountain road to St. Mark, in the northern area of Forsyth county, where at 9:45 we began our program under the direction of Rev. W. R. Harris, pastor of the Walnut Grove circuit. A new stove of the modern type was being cristened, and by the time the church was comfortable the congregation was plentiful. Following our program, St. Mark raised its apportionment while we hurried into the bus to meet another morning engagement.

PALMYRA PLEASES

Following Pastor Harris, we hurried along by the parsonage at Walnut Cove and thence over into Stokes county to palmyra, where by 11:15 our children were seated on the rostrum before a large congregation in that spacious church. Following the presentment of the program by the children and some remarks by the Children's Home representative, our Palmyra friends raised practically all of their apportionment for this year. Our children were then allocated to choice homes in the community for dinner. The pastor and his wife, along with Miss Jones and the writer, went to the home of the Greens, long time supporters of the program of the church and the cause of Christianity. Reassembling at the church at 3 o'clock, our children departed with the blessings of our Palmyra friends. Brother Harris proceeds quietly but surely.

OPEN AIR TEACHING

The picture this week is that of some little first graders and their learning process under the direction of Miss Donnie Matheson, one of our good teachers, a product of the Children's Home. While a new school room was being prepared early this fall for our increased number of children, these little youngsters learned their lessons on the lawn under some tall pine trees. Open air teaching has now gone out of style, and the little youngsters, along with their instructor, have gone into a warm room.

THE JOY BELL

The joy bell, the ten per cent apportionment ringing bell, continues to peal forth its joyful sounds. The following congregations have pulled the bell cord during the past week announcing that they have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full for the new conference year. Join us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors for having done a good deed in a joyful way:

Rocky Ridge, Concord, Rev. E. B. Edwards.

Fairmont, Olin, Rev. D. T. Huss.

Wingate, Marshville, Rev. R. C. Kirk.

Wesley Memorial, High Point, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle.

Salem, Morganton, Rev. F. W. Dowd Bangle.

Catawba, Concord, and Claremont, Catawba, Rev. W. Q. Grigg.

Mt. Harmony, Connelly Springs, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Glenwood, Greensboro, Rev. E. M. Avett.

Groome's, Guilford, Rev. H. C. Byrum.

First Church, Wadesboro, Rev. Chas. P. Bowles.

First Church, Boone, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Sr.

St. Mark, Walnut Cove, Rev. W. R. Harris.

South Point, Lowell, Rev. C. E. Price.

Ebenezer, South Fork, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

SANTA CLAUS SENTIMENTS

A large number of our children have clothing sponsors, meaning that church school groups forward cash contributions during the year, usually semi-annually, for purchasing clothing for their sponsored child. This is a beautiful business transaction, a sharing process that brings joy to everybody concerned. In addition to these contributions, sent directly to the Children's Home, most of the sponsoring groups have formed the habit of playing Santa Claus to their sponsored children. Letters are being received every day inquiring as to what a particular child would like to have Santa Claus bring on Christmas morning. We not only believe in Santa Claus but we believe in the spirit of Santa Claus.

GIVE US TIME

Some of our friends do not understand why we can't respond to a request immediately after it is made. Such requests have to do with applications of children for admission, the making of photographs of sponsored children and the taking of our singing class to help raise the apportionment. We do some of all these, but because of the volume of work connected with our undertaking we must follow some system of procedure. Lines of activity must take their turn lest we get mixed up in a lot of scattered details.



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HIGHLY HONORED—Prof. J. O. Sanderson, principal of the Methodist Orphanage school, was elected president of the Wake County Duke Alumni Association a few weeks ago. Mr. Sanderson is an honored alumnus and an ardent supporter of Duke University.

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COUPONS—It is generally known throughout the conference that the Societies of Christian Service will undertake to secure enough Octagon soap coupons to pay for battleship linoleum for our large dining hall. In a separate paragraph on the Orphanage page you will find an appeal from Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.

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ENCOURAGING RESPONSES — Several of our pastors have remembered the Orphanage during the Thanksgiving season by sending a substantial part of their apportionment for this new conference year. It is highly gratifying to know that our pastors and churches are taking advantage of the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons to raise part, or all, of their six per cent apportionment.

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Dear Friends:

The Orphanage has on hand cash and coupons to the value of $347. The linoleum will cost $1500, which means we are $1153 short of our goal. If you will help us collect 288,000 more coupons, they can be redeemed for the much needed money. We appreciate your interest and co-operation, and hope each society will become "Coupons and Orphanage" conscious and help us collect the 288,000 needed coupons. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "On Sunday, November 23, the singing class was with the Methodist congregation in Oxford. The pastor, Rev. C. Freeman Heath, was not able to be with us, but he hopes to be out again soon. In his absence Dr. Finch, who is superintendent of the church school, conducted the devotional. Our friends in Oxford prove themselves loyal to the Orphanage by giving early in the conference year."

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FOOTBALL—Our boys closed their football season last week and defeated the strong Henderson high school team 12-7. It was home coming day for the Henderson high school, and a large crowd gathered to witness the game. There were six bands that paraded over the field at the half. It was one of the hardest fought games our boys have played this year. Our boys are light, but are thoroughly trained and in the very best physical condition. Our boys were happy to close the season with a victory over the strong Henderson high school team.

BACKWARD PROGRESS

How a preacher's stories help his hearers to remember his teaching is illustrated by the fact that one of my readers has a clear remembrance of a sermon he heard much more than half a century ago, because he remembers one of its anecdotes. The preacher was Mr. Wallis Waugh, brother of the Rev. Thomas Waugh, and his tale about a boy in a Cumberland school who was very backward and unable to get out of the A B C class in the infants' school.

This was a great disappointment to his father, who, to encourage him, said one day: "John, I want you to try harder at school, and so I'm going to give you a silver threepenny bit every time you turn to a new page in your lesson book." A few days later Johnnie came home in great glee, saying, "Father, I'm overleaf!" "That's splendid," said his father. "Where are you now?" "I'm doin A B a b now," said Johnnie. "That's a great boy," said his father. "Here's the threepenny piece I promised you." Then a week passed, and the father said: "Well, Johnnie, and how are you getting on now?" "Oh, I'm overleaf again," he said. "That's good," said his father, feeling amongst his loose change for another threepenny piece. "And where are you now?" "Back again to A B C," said Johnnie.

The sermon was about those who are still on milk diet when they ought to be feeding on meat, but I presume you have guessed that.—Methodist Recorder.

IF—

By Ernest C. Durham

If you can speak one hopeful word
To cheer some fellowman;
If you can make one doubter see
The wisdom of God's plan;
If you can mend one broken heart;
If you can cause one smile
To play across a troubled face—
Your life will be worth while.

If you can be a child again,
When playful child you see;
If to the old, near journey's end,
You can a comfort be;
If vision you can have with youth,
And with the youth have fun—
By no means you'll have lived in vain
When life on earth is done.

If you are worried o'er the fact
That big things you can't do,
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ADULTS

Real progress has been made in adult work in our conference during this year. We are grateful for the co-operation and leadership that has been shown by our seven district directors. We wish to thank the district superintendents for their leadership and helpful co-operation in planning and executing a constructive district program. Through faithful planning and through execution of those plans we are looking forward to a larger service in the program of Christian education for adults.

The Youth Adult Fellowship

The Youth Adult Fellowship for the conference was organized on July 3, 1941, at Louisburg College during our workers' assembly. At the same time plans were made for the organization of the Young Adult Fellowship in each district. Under the leadership of Rev. T. B. Hough, the Durham district was the first to organize a Young Adult Fellowship and the second district was organized by Rev. Robert L. Jerome, the district director of the Wilmington district. The other district directors are making plans for their district organization in the near future.

Bible Conferences

Two area Bible conferences, at Roxboro and at Burlington, and two local church Bible conferences have been held this year. These were new ventures in our program for adults and were highly successful. We expect to see an expansion in this type of training work next year.

College Work

Five institutions of higher learning are of immediate concern to our board, four of them within our state serving the youth of this and other states, one serving Methodism in a very significant way throughout the whole connection.

Duke University

Duke University continues its fine service of preparing young ministers for this conference and other conferences of Methodism. Students on the Duke Foundation are rendering an increasingly fine service to the rural churches in the two North Carolina conferences, through their ten weeks of summer work. They assist in revivals, teach in training schools, help in vacation church schools, and in youth week programs. Members of the staff have had the privilege of working with Dr. J. M. Ormond in helping these students prepare for their summer work.

Greensboro College

Seventy-three counties of the state and eleven states are represented in the present student body of Greensboro College. Seventy-one per cent of these students are Methodists, among whom are the president and treasurer of the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship. This institution is ever seeking to increase its service to the church through the enriched lives of the young women it serves.

High Point College

High Point College is the contribution of the former Methodist Protestant Church to united Methodism in North Carolina. Of the total enrollment of 492, 80 per cent of whom are from North Carolina, 54½ per cent are Methodists. More than 30 pastors serving Methodist pastorates in North Carolina are graduates of this institution, and at this time there are 14 students who are studying for the ministry of the Methodist Church.

Louisburg College

Louisburg College meets a distinctive need on the part of young people within the bounds of our conference. With a steadily decreasing debt and an increasingly effective service this insttitution has established itself in a fine way among the institutions of higher learning in the state. Your executive secretary had the privilege of conducting Religious Emphasis Week services on the campus during the year and was greatly impressed with the fine type of work being done at the institution as well as by the high type of student attending the school.

Scarritt College

Scarritt College serves Methodism in a very distinctive way, in that it is the only Methodist institution of its kind in the country. It is designed to prepare persons for definite Christian service in many areas of work, and at the same time prepare for higher Christian living those not planning to engage in full-time Christian work. Your executive secretary has visited Scarritt during the year and has been deeply impressed with the real service it is rendering and will render to our church.

Methodist Student Work

Approximately 200 students from more than 20 colleges in the state attended the North Carolina Methodist Student conference at Greensboro in February. A retreat for officers and faculty advisors of our student work was held in September. Your executive secretary has assisted in both of these meetings and will serve as dean of the next student conference when it meets in Chapel Hill in February, 1942.

Methodist Student Day

Your conference staff assisted in the promotion of Methodist Student Day in the conference and a number of churches made an offering on that day to the support of the Student Loan Fund of our church.

Pastors' School

Ninety-five persons from the North Carolina conference received certificates of credit in our pastors' school at Duke in June. Attendance upon the school reached a high peak and there was sustained interest in all phases of the program.

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We suggest the following emphases in the work of Christian education during the coming year for which we would enlist the support of the workers in our conference.

General

A renewed understanding of and consecration to the ultimate objectives of our work—the bringing of every person we can reach into a vital personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

An awakened sense of responsibility for the total program of the Methodist church, developed through the use of each fourth Sunday as a day of cultivation in the World Service program of the church and expressed through offerings to the support of this program.

A recognition of the need for better preparation for doing the work committed to us that will result in taking advantage of opportunities designed to meet that need—formal and informal training agencies, institutes, assemblies, rallies, and conferences, and the better use of the literature prepared for us.

A clearer understanding of the total program that our board of education is endeavoring to sponsor in the conference which we believe will lead more of our churches to give support to this program through church school rally day offerings.

A real co-operation on the part of all churches in the United Christian Education Advance, a movement sponsored by more than forty Protestant denominations to bring to bear the impact of the full force of these groups on the life of our country.

Area of Children's Work

More time for the religious training of children through extended sessions of the church school and through more vacation church schools.

More effective work on the part of individual workers with children through enlistment in the fellowship of study which furnishes an opportunity for directed reading that will lead to better service.

Wider participation by workers with children in all training agencies that may be available—institutes, schools, conferences, and the like.

Area of Youth Work

Support of the Methodist Youth Fellowship in each local church, with an increasing sense of unity on the part of the youth of the local church with the total Methodist youth program.

Increased number of churches using assemblies, institutes, and conferences for the developing of youth for leadership in their own churches.

Wide-spread interest in and support of the Methodist Youth Fund, the missions opportunity of youth.

More churches providing youth activities weeks to provide a period of

study and inspiration for the mass of young people not attending asemblies.

Area of Adult Work

Further development of the conference and district young adult fellowships, with the ultimate goal of enlisting all young adults in the program of the church.

An enriching of the lives of adults through study in Bible conferences, learning for life schools, and other enrichment opportunities.

A deeper appreciation of the possibilities that lie in the developing adult program of our church.

PAUL BECOMES A LITERARY INFLUENCE

(By Albert E. Barnett, Professor of Literature and History of the Bible, Scarritt College for Christian Workers. The University of Chicago Press. Price $2.50).

With the clearly stated purpose of tracing "the emergence of Paul as a literary influence in the early church," the author makes a valuable contribution to the study of the New Testament by bringing within the confines of one brief volues the Christian writings that fall between the publication of Paul's letters and the closing years of the second century.

Stating that the publication of Luke —Acts apparently awakened the Christians to a renewed interest in Paul, "at least one discerning leader (decided) to let Paul speak to the church at large through his own letters." The next quarter of a century was a period of great literary activity and the influence of the Apostle upon this literature is unmistakable. The first half of the second century saw a waning of the Pauline influence, due perhaps, to the fact that heretical Christian groups had misappropriated some of Paul's teachings unto themselves. The second half of the century, however, was marked by a gradual increase in the influence of the Apostle's letters upon current Christian writings.

The author makes a scholarly survey by citing passages in the original Greek from the New Testament writings, the works of the Apostolic fathers, and from other pre-Catholic writers. He compares these statesments with Greek passages selected from Paul's letters gleaned from a comprehensive knowledge of the writings of the Apostle in the original language. For the convenience of the reader he carefully tabulates the evidence of the Pauline influence.

In his dedication, Dr. Barnett acknowledges his especial indebtedness to Dr. Edgar Johnson Goodspeed, under whom he studied for his degree of doctor of philosophy, at the University of Chicago, and to the late Dr. Andrew Sledd of Emory University whose ideals of scholarship are so evident upon the pages of this volume. In the Foreword, Dr. Goodspeed gives a true estimate of the value of this book by stating: "It is good that the New Testament study is now to have such a tool, an instrument of research at its command."

WHO IS THY NEIGHBOR?

An old gentleman, living in a quiet Eastern village, had a visit—the first in many years—from his son, a prosperous storekeeper in western Canada. On Sunday father and son went to church, where they listened to a sermon on Christian missions. Throughout the service the old gentleman was restless.

"I'm sorry," he said, as they left the church, "that I brought you here today. I'm sorry that you listened to that sermon. I don't believe in missions. They're a stupid waste of men and money."

The young man made no reply at the time, but when he reached home he asked his father and mother to let him tell a little story.

"A few years ago," he began, "a young man left his father's farm to seek his fortune in the Canadian West. He got into bad company, and was left one day by the roadside drunk and unconscious.

"At that place, living in a little sod-covered shack, there was a young man who had been sent out by a missionary society. He was brave. He loved men and sought them in the spirit of his Divine Master. He found the drunken fellow, who had been left by his companions to die from alcohol exposure, and carried him to his shack, placed him in his own bed, and worked over him until he brought him back to consciousness. Then after he had fed him, he remonstrated with him for wasting his life, and prayed earnestly with him, that he might repent.

"The young man confessed his sins and sought pardon. His after life proved the genuineness of his conversion. He has become an honored and respected citizen, and as the world goes, a prosperous man. He is an officer in his church, and in order to add to the comfort of his aged parents, he sends them gladly five hundred dollars a year.

"Father and mother, I am that man, and I tremble to think what I should have been but for that faithful missionary."—Youth's Companion.

WHY CHURCH SCHOOLS?

Why church schools? I can think of four good reasons:

(1) Because an education that leaves out religion regards man as merely mind and body, whereas heart and soul need to be nourished. If we neglect the heart and soul of man we leave him open to the ravages of secularism and atheism.

(2) Because secular education which enlarges our sources of knowledge and opens up new avenues of power is impotent to motivate the use of either.

(3) Because while we are spending more money than ever on secular education, statistics indicate that we are producing more young criminals than ever.

(4) Because it is becoming increasingly evident that education without religion may be more harmful than than utter ignorance.—Dr. Fred Ingley, in The Living Church.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Nature and Work of the Church

The rock on which the church is founded consists of those who like Peter have been enabled by the Spirit to realize that Jesus is the Christ, and who are brave enough to confess it. Leaders, like Peter, are privileged to have such a large measure of the spirit of love and understanding that they will not shut out any one who deserves to be received, nor receive any one who deserves to be shut out.

This authority to bind and to loose is not dependent on official position like that, for instance, of a pope or a bishop, but is wholly conditioned on the extent to which these leaders respond to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. When Peter voiced a worldly spirit, shortly after Jesus gave him the authority to bind and to loose, the Lord said to him, Get thee behind me, Satan.

At Pentecost the disciples received a great reinforcement of the Spirit of Christ which made them doubly conscious that they were not merely an organization but an organism. They were flooded with a vivid awareness of the fact that Christ was their living head, not merely the leader who died and left them an inheritance of wisdom, but the leader also who would go before them, make them spiritual pioneers, inspire them to work together, and continually surprise them by an inflooding of power whenever they were willing to learn from one another and sacrificially co-operate for the salvation of the world.

I can test the extent to which I am really a member of the Christian church by asking myself: To what extent am I making the followers of Jesus my most intimate friends? To what extent can I echo the words of the Psalmist when he says, As for the saints that are in the earth, they are the excellent in whom is all my delight? To what extent am I enlisted with them in aggressive efforts for the betterment of the world?

The early church on the Lord's Day had a common meal in which they forgot class distinctions, broke social caste, and sat down together as one family in Christ Jesus. And it was at this common meal that the bread and wine were passed as a symbol of the sacrifice Christ had made for their sins, and of the fact that they were privileged to feed on him by faith with thanksgiving.

When we speak of the church as the body of Christ we imply, of course, that each member has a necessary function to perform. And this is true of the least gifted. The church needs him, no matter how humble he is, and the more gifted members should recognize this fact, and make him feel that they recognize it.

The church is intended to be a super-racial and super-national organism. Its function is to bind together in ties of deepest understanding and sympathy races and nations that are now jealous and warlike. The church indeed is the only hope of the world for a permanent peace. Our national loyalties and local enthusiasm for the leaders that for the time challenge our imagination, can only be restrained from working havoc by a dominant enthusiasm for a Supreme Leader who binds us all together.

Great national and world movements are never inspired by principles merely, they are always centered around leaders. We need only to look abroad to see this. And the Christian religion, centered as it is around Him who died on the cross for all men, is the only religion, the only binding force that has any hope of appealing to the whole race.

We must remember, however, that the church is made up of very imperfect disciples, that even the best of us try the patience of those who live and work with us. Hence forbearance, mercy and longsuffering are absolutely essential to the church's spiritual power. And not only forbearance and longsuffering, but willingness to learn from people whose teaching has in it a good deal of static, and is at times very tiresome. Despise not prophesyings, says Paul (implying that they were often imperfect and boresome); prove all things, hold fast that which is good. Let every man have a passion to learn from every brother, and every man be consumed with a passion to co-operate with all the other members of the body of Christ, and power will come into the world of which none of us have ever dreamed.

THE TEST OF TEACHING

Each child in our Sunday Bible school is a potential force for good or evil. The future course of his life and of our nation will be determined by the thoroughness with which our teaching is making, and continues to make, its influence felt upon his life. Has he been nurtured in a Christian home? Has the hour on Sunday morning been under the leadership of Christian personality? Will he as a member of this community find a Christian environment and establish a Christian home, help to solve social issues, respond to world-wide needs, and thus hasten the dawn of a better world? The answer to these questions depends upon the thoroughness with which adults teach children in our homes and in our schools to become builders of a new and better world order.—Dr. H. U. Roop, Chicago.

IF I COULD BE

By Lalia Mitchell Thornton

No bird would kill me to possess
The feathers fair in which I dress;
No beast would follow to my lair
To take away the clothes I wear;
And if I were too small to cook
No fish would catch me on a hook;
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PLAIN MARY

Promptly at five o'clock Judy returned from the dolls' party, bringing only "Plain Mary," the rag doll.

"Mother," she said in explanation, "I was the only girl there who had two dolls with her, and Emily had invited that little girl down at the end of the street, whose father is in the hospital. You know, her mother comes to wash for Emily's mother. She hadn't any doll, and she looked so lonesome that I gave her Gloria."

"You gave her your beautiful Gloria?" her mother asked, in surprise.

"But mother," said Judy, "if you could have seen her and seen how happy it made her, you would have been glad, and you know, I never cared for Gloria the way I do for Plain Mary. I could never give Plain Mary to any one. I've had her so long that I could never be happy without her. She's so plain and good."

"Well," said mother, "if you feel that way about it, I guess it is all right. You know which doll you love the best."

"But, mother," said Judy, "everybody thought that I was so brave and unselfish to give Gloria away and keep Plain Mary, and made such a fuss that I was awfully ashamed, because really I gave away the doll I did not want.

Judy loved to visit the boats. Some of the sailors were so lonely because they could not have their families with them and they liked to have callers.

So, with Plain Mary in her arms, Judy went to visit the tramp schooner. A tramp schooner is one that goes to any place where its owner can find a cargo to carry and sometimes it is a long time before it gets back home again.

"Oh, mother," said Judy, "there is a little girl at the back of the ship. I'll go and talk to her."

The little girl was very glad to see Judy, and Judy learned that she had always lived on the ship and that she had no one but her daddy, who owned the ship. She said that on this trip they were going away over to Japan.

"What a lovely doll you have," she said to Judy, as she looked wistfully at Plain Mary. "Could I hold her for just a moment?"

Judy laid Plain Mary in the little girl's arms.

"Do you really think she is beautiful?" asked Judy, so pleased to have some one admire Plain Mary.

"Oh, I think she is beautiful. I had a doll once a very long time ago, when I was quite small. I left her on the deck one night and there was a terrible storm in the night and the poor thing was washed away. I guess I will never have another, as daddy says that everything goes wrong nowadays and he has no money at all."

So they talked on about Plain Mary and the poor doll that was washed away years ago, until it was time to go.

Then Judy saw the little girl's eyes fill with tears as she laid Plain Mary back into her arms and, in spite of her great love for Plain Mary, she was too tender-hearted to take her away from her.

"Would n't you like to keep her?" she asked, offering to give Plain Mary back.

There was no need for words. The little girl's face was enough for Judy.

"I know you will be good to her," said Judy.

Then one of the visiting ladies came up to them.

"It's too bad you did not have a better doll with you to give her," she said. "That is not much of a doll."

Judy's heart was too full to speak, and she walked away with the lady. As she was about to leave, she turned back to the little girl.

"I shall always watch for your ship to come back, and I will come and see you and Plain Mary. Good-bye."

She walked silently home beside her mother.

"Anyway, God understands," she said to herself, "God and mother."—Junior World.

KITCHENS

By Ann Sherbourne

At home we have a kitchenette
As small and neat as can be;
There's hardly room for both of us
When mummy gets the tea.

The kitchen at my granny's house
Is big and warm and wide,
With a couch, rag rugs and flower-pots,
And cupboards at the side.

And a rocking-chair in the window
Where you look far out to sea.
There's a pussy cat, and a cooky jar,
So that's the place for me!

—The New Outlook.

HELEN'S CELEBRATION

Fourth of July was a beautiful, clear summer day—just the right kind of day for a picnic—and the Jones family had been planning one for ever so long. They were going to pack the car with their bathing suits and all sorts of good things to eat, and drive to their favorite spot on the shore of the lake.

Everyone was hurrying to get things ready for an early start. Father was greasing the car, and brother John was packing in the baskets of food as mother handed them out to him. Alfred and Helen were collecting bathing suits and caps and poking them in here and there where there was a little space. At last all was ready, with just enough room left for the five Joneses.

"I hope I haven't forgotten how to swim," said Helen as father put his foot on the starter.

"I hope the water's warmer than last time," said Alfred.

"Let's wave to Cousin Mary as we go by," suggested mother. So father slowed up the car and brother John whistled.

Cousin Mary came to the window and called. Father stopped the car and Cousin Mary came running out of the house. Her face was white and her eyes looked worried.

"Cora fell off her tricycle yesterday and broke her leg," she explained. Cora was Cousin Mary's little girl who was just Helen's age. "I think she minds missing the Fourth of July fun more than she does her pain," added Cousin Mary.

"Would she like Helen to run in for a minute to see her?" asked mother.

"She certainly would," smiled Cousin Mary.

Helen climbed over the baskets and jumped out of the car. In a few minutes mother called to her and she came slowly out of the house with a very thoughtful expression on her face. Father put his foot on the starter and the car began to move.

"Stop," Helen suddenly exclaimed.

Mr. Jones stepped on the brake. "Did you forget something?" he asked, turning around.

"No, father," replied Helen, "but I can't go on this picnic with you."

"Why not?" asked mother in astonishment, knowing how her little daughter had been counting for days on the outing.

"Because," said Helen very solemnly, "I should be thinking all the time of Cora with her broken leg and no chance to have any fun. Do you suppose Cousin Mary would let me stay and help take care of Cora? Maybe I could cheer her up."

Mother said she was sure that Cousin Mary would, and father turned the car around. Cousin Mary gave Helen a big hug as the little girl wistfully waved goodbye to her family in the picnic automobile.

But it was a happy Helen who waited for them to pick her up as they came back late that afternoon.

"Cora and I have had such fun," she laughed as she climbed into the car. "Cora cheered up as soon as I went back, and Cousin Mary fixed us a real picnic, and we let our dolls go swimming in the dish pan. Cora's leg doesn't hurt nearly so much tonight."

Mother kissed Helen's brown curls. "We always have good times when we make other people happy," she said smiling.—Selected.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Alamance, Center, 10:30 4
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 4
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 5
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 5
Person, Oak Grove, 10:30 6
Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 7
Hillsboro, New Sharon, 3 7
Durham Ct., Bethany, 7:30 7
Lakewood, 7:30 8
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 10
Carr Memorial, 7:30 10
Pittsboro, Chatham, 10:30 11
Cahepl Hill, 7:30 11
Carrboro, Massey's, 10:20 12
Mebane, First Church, 11 14
Orange, Hebron, 3 14
Mebane, Central, 7:30 14
Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 10:30 16
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 16
Bynum, Bynum, 10:30 17
Calvary, 7:30 17
Davis Street, 11 21
Graham, 7:30 21
Mount Tirzah, Mount Tirzah, 11 28
Bahama, Mount Sylvan, 7:30 28

January

Branson, 11 4
Lakewood, 7:30 4
Trinity, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 11 11
Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
District Missionary Institute at Trinity Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 19
Long Memorial, 11 25

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Ahoskie, 11 30
Aulander, 3 30

December

Belhaven, Trinity, 11 7
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 7
Swanquarter, Providence, night 7
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 14
Hatteras, Buxton, night 14
Murfreesboro, 11 21
North Gates, Parkers, 3 21
Hertford, night 21
Williamston, 11 28
Windsor, night 28

January

Currituck, Mt. Zion, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 3
Manteo, 11 4
Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 2:30 4
Wanchese, night 4
Chowan, Anderson's, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 7
Columbia, Wesley Memorial, 11 11
Creswell, 3 11
Plymouth, night 11
City Road, night 14
South Mills, Newland, 2 16
Bath, 11 18
Washington, night 18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 21
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25

February

Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Hemp, 11 7
Hemp Circuit, 3 7
Carthage, 7:30 7
Broadway, 3 8
Sanford, 7:30 8
Jonesboro, 7:30 9
Rowland, Centenary, 11 14
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 14
Pinebluff, 7:30 14
Aberdeen, 7:30 15
Raeford, 7:30 16
Stedman, 11 21
Downing Street, 3 21
Person Street-Gardner's, 7:30 21

January

Glendon, High Falls, 11 4
Troy Circuit, 3 4
Biscoe, Star, 7:30 4
Troy, 1:30 5
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 5
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11 11
Mt. Gilead Ct., Parsonage, 3 11
Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Raleigh, Fairmont, 7:30 5
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 6
Vance, Spring Valley, 11 7
Stem, Stem, 3 7
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 7
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 8
Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 7:30 9
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 10
Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 7:30 11
Erwin, Erwin, 11 14
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 14
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 17
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 19
Oxford Ct., 11 20
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 21
Cary, 7:30 21
Millbrook, Youngsville, 11 28

January

Granville, Union Chapel, 11 4
Louisburg, 7:30 4
Oxford, 7:30 7
Fuquay, Fuquay, 11 11
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25

February

Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30 .. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Atlantic-Williston, 11 7
Morehead Ct., Franklin Mem., 7:30 7
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 8
Ocracoke, 7:30 9
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 10
Aurora, 11 11
Snow Hill, 11 14
Fremont, Eureka, 3 14
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 7:30 14
Ayden, 7:30 16
Kinston, 7:30 17
Grifton, 7:30 18
Newport, 7:30 19
Oriental, 11 21
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3 21
Vanceboro, 7:30 21
Jones-Trenton, 11 28
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 28
Pink Hill, 7:30 28

January

Mt. Olive-Calyso, Calypso 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Walstonburg, 11 4
Grimesland, 3 4
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 6
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 7
Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Nashville, 7:30 2 4
Warrenton, 11 6
Norlina, 11 7
Warren-Providence, 2 7
Middleburg, 7:30 7
Bethel, 7:30 8
Farmville, 7:30 9
Kenly, 7:30 10
Elm City, 7:30 11
Roanoke Rapids, 11 14
Rosemary, 3 14
Halifax, 7:30 14
Stantonsburg, 7:30 15
Tarboro, 7:30 16
Robersonville, 7:30 17
Marvin-St. Paul, 7:30 18
Clark Street, 7:30 19
Garysburg, 11 21
West Halifax, Eden, 3 21
Enfield, 7:30 21

January

Nashville, 11 4
Sandy Valley-Gold Valley, 3 4
Spring Hope, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25

February

Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 4
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7:30 5
Graland, Centenary, 11 7
Lumberton Ct., Pleasant Grove, 3:30 7
Carver's Creek, 7:30 7
Richlands, 7:30 8
Jacksonville, 7:30 9
Maysville 2:30 10
Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 7:30 11
Town Cree. Bolivia, 7:30 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 14
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 7:30 14
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 15
Elizabeth, Trinity, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deem's Chapel, 7:30 17
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 18
Southport, 7:30 19
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 11 21
Faison-Kenansville, King's, 7:30 21

January

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 4
Wilmington, Methodist City Society, 8 4
Clinton, ... 11
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville

FIRST ROUND

December

Wolf Mountain, 11 7
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 7
Brevard, night 7
Tryon, 11 14
Saluda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Central, Avenue, 11 7
Zoar, 3 7
Lilesville, Lilesville, 7:30 7
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 8
Weddington, Weddington, 7:30 10
Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Brevard Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22

Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Helton, 11 7
Warrensville, 3 7
Todd, night 7
West Jefferson, night 10
Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
Farmington, night 17
Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Cooleemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Belwood, 11 7
Fallston, 3:30 7
Polkville, night 7
Main Street, Gastonia, night 9
Belmont, Park Street, night 10
Rock Springs, 11 14
Maylo-Smyre, night 14
East End, night 17
South Fork, 11 21
Lincoln Ct., 3:30 21
Cherryville Ct., night 21
Bradley Memorial, 11 28
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 28
Kings Mountain, Central, night 31

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Moriah, 7:30 6
Stoneville, 11 7
Spray, 3 7
Draper, 7:30 7
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 10
Midway-Burnetts, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 11 14
Summerfield, 3 14
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 14
College Place, 7:30 15

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point
FIRST ROUND

December

Asheboro St., C. F., 7 4
Seagrove, S., 7 6
Randleman-Franklinville, F., 11 7
Pleasant Grove, 7 7
Main Street, 7 10
Why Not, N. H., 7 11
Linwood, 7 12
Denton First, D., 11 14
Liberty Ct., R., 2 14
Archdale, 7 14
Asheboro First, 7 17
Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Valdese 11 7
North Morganton, 7:30 7
Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

December

Norwood, 11 7
Tabernacle-Palestine, 2 7
Salem, 4 7
Epworth, 7 8
Ann Street, 7 9
Kerr Street, 7 10
Harmony, 7 11
Jackson Park, 7 12
Roberta, 11 14
Bethpage at Shiloh, 3 14
Badin-New London, 7 16

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Midway, 7 17
Friendship, 7 18
Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Mt. Mitchell, 3 21
Trinity, 11 28
Park Avenue, 7 28

January

Westford, 11 4
Rocky Ridge, 3 4
Central, Spencer, 7 7
Forest Hill, 11 11
China Grove, 7 11

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11 7
Waynesville, 7:30 7
Bryson City, 7:30 10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30 14
Highlands, Highlands, 11 21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30 21
Franklin Ct., 11 28
Macon Ct., 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 7
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 3 7
Marvin, 7:30 7
Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
Lewisville, 11 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 21
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11 28
Davidson Ct., Centenary, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

January

Green Street, 11 4
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 4
Morris Chapel, 7:30 4
Thomasville First, West End, 11 11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3 11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1

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On November 14, 1941, John Nebraska Hollingsworth, 66 years of age, a faithful church member and devoted husband and father, was called to his heavenly home suddenly. He was an active church member as long as health permitted, being on the board of stewards for a number of years. John, as he was called, was the son of Mary Fredrick and Monroe Hollingsworth of Warsaw. He leaves to mourn their loss a devoted wife, Mamie Mallard Hollingsworth; two daughters, Miss Estelle H. and Mrs. C. R. Smith of Delway; two sons, J. P. Hollingsworth of Wallace, and N. M. Hollingsworth of Warrenton, Va.

We know our loss is his gain; so sleep on, dear papa.

Some day the silver cord will break,
And I no more as now shall sing;
But oh, the joy when I shall wake
Within the palace of the King!

Some day my earthly house will fall,
I cannot tell how soon 'twill be;
But this I know, my all in all
Has now a place in heaven for me.

Some day when fades the golden sun
Beneath the rosy tinted west,
My blessed Lord will say, Well done!
And I shall enter into rest.

Some day! Till then I'll watch and wait—
My lamp all trimmed and burning bright;
That when my Saviour opens the gate
My soul to him may take its flight,
And I shall see him face to face
And tell the story, saved by grace.

Mrs. C. R. Smith,
A Daughter.

WHITE—Albert E. White, chairman of the board of stewards of Chestnut Street Methodist church, Lumberton, for the past 35 years, went to his eternal home on Tuesday, October 21, 1941. He was 79 years of age and had been a faithful member of Chestnut Street Methodist church for 57 years.

The life of this good Christian layman was characterized by devotion to his home, his community, and his church. He was a successful business man, and was a person of high principles. He was a large contributor to the church which he loved. Not only did he give financially, but gave much in service. He was one who endeavored to follow daily the three general rules of Methodism—"doing no harm, doing all the good posible, and attending upon the ordinances of God." He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Mrs. R. S. Beam, and by one grandson, Russell S. Beam, Jr.

Brother White will be greatly missed by those who had the privilege of knowing him, but his life will long be an inspiration to his home, his community, and his church.

Edgar B .Fisher, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Each member of the board of stewards of Central Methodist church recognizes that Frank A. Michael was a good and upright man, an earnest and conscientious member of this board for many years, a loyal and faithful member of this church, and a sincere Christian gentleman.

Therefore be it resolved by the board of stewards of Central Methodist church of Asheville, N. C., in meeting assembled on Monday, November 3, 1941, that this board and each member thereof sincerely regret the tragic passing of the said Frank A. Mitchell from this life and extends the deepest sympathy of the board and each member thereof to the widow and children, with the assurance to them that he will be sorely missed by each member of the board, by the entire membership of this church and by the community at large.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this board, a copy be furnished the family, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

C. S. Brown,
C. E. Morgan,
Claude L. Love,
Committee.

This the 3rd day of November, 1941.

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"Gee!" Cries the Musher, and This Fast Running Team Swings Right

To start their dogs drivers usually shout "Yake," not "Mush." "Gee" means a right turn and "Haw" left. This team tearing along at about thirteen miles an hour at Sun Valley, Idaho, is driven by Miss Mary Joyce, young veteran of Alaska trails. Her seven-dog team is harnessed in the "gang hitch," with the dogs in pairs following a single leader and all attached to the "gang line."—Photo, Courtesy National Geographic Magazine.



A Creed for Americans

By STEVEN VINCENT BENET

We believe in the dignity of man and the worth and value of every living soul, no matter in what body housed, no matter whether born in comfort or born in poverty, no matter to what stock he belongs, what creed he professes, what job he holds.

We believe that man should have a free and equal chance to develop his own best abilities under a free system of government, where the people themselves choose those who are to rule them and where no one man can set himself up as a tyrant or oppress the many for the benefit of the few.

We believe that free speech, free assembly, free elections, free practice of religion are the cornerstones of such a government. We believe that the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights of the United States of America offer the best and most workable framework yet devised for such a government.

We believe in justice and law. We do not believe in curing an evil by substituting for it another and opposite evil. We are unalterably opposed to class hatred, race hatred, religious hatred, however manifested, by whomsoever instilled.

We believe that political freedom implies and acknowledges economic responsibility. We do not believe that any state is an admirable state that lets its people go hungry when they might be fed, ragged when they might be clothed, sick when they might be well, workless when they might have work. We believe that it is the duty of all of us, the whole people, working through our democratic system, to see that such conditions are remedied, whenever and wherever they exist in our country.

We believe that political freedom implies and acknowledges personal responsibility. We believe that we have a great and priceless heritage as a nation—not only a heritage of material resources but of liberties, dreams, ideals, ways of going forward. We believe it is our business, our right, and our unescapable duty to maintain and expand that heritage. We believe that such a heritage cannot be maintained by the lack-luster, the selfish, the bitterly partisan, or the amiably doubtful. We believe it is worth the sacrifice of ease, the long toil of years, the expense of our heart's blood.

We know that our democratic system is not perfect. We know that it permits injustices and wrongs. But with our whole hearts we believe in its continuous power of self-remedy. That power is not a theory—it has been proven. Through the years, democracy has given more people freedom, less persecution, and a higher standard of living than any other system we know. Under it, evils have been abolished, injustices remedied, old wounds healed, not by terror and revolution but by slow revolution of consent in the minds of all the people. While we maintain democracy, we maintain the greatest power a people can possess—the power of gradual, efficient, and lawful change.

Most of all, we believe in democracy itself—in its past, its present, and its future—in democracy as a political system to live by—in democracy as the great hope in the minds of the people. We believe it so deeply rooted in the earth of this country that neither assault from without nor dissension from within can ever wipe it entirely from the earth. But, because it was established for us by the free-minded and the daring, it is our duty now, in danger as in security, to uphold and sustain it with all that we have and are. We believe that its future shall and must be even greater than its past. And to the future—as to the past of our forebears and the present of our hard-won freedom—we pledge all we have to give.—Zions Herald.

CHAPLAINS WANTED

The state of war makes more urgent that Methodism furnish chaplains. Our church trails other denominations in meeting quota. 226 Methodist chaplains wanted immediately in army reserve camps, also vacancies in naval reserve. Candidates must be members of conference under fortieth and forty-fourth birthdays for army and naval reserve, respectively, and have degree from recognized college and theological seminary. Candidates who seek commissions in this non-combatant service please confer at once with Methodist Commission on Camp Activities, 100 Maryland Avenue N. E., Washington, D. C.

A. W. Leonard, Secretary.
Jacob S. Payton, Exec. Sec.

CHURCH LEADEDS MEET AT CENTENARY CHURCH, NEW BERN

Pastors, charge lay leaders, church school superintendents and other church leaders of the New Bern district met at Centenary church, New Bern, Wednesday, December 3, to plan the work of the district for the new year. Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, presided. Rev. Leon Russell, pastor-host, conducted the devotionals.

The budget of the district and of the various charges was discussed. It was recommended that an every member canvass be conducted in each church of the district, and that each church adopt a sound financial program.

It was announced that group meetings in the four areas of the district would be held at various times during the year. The areas will include the Morehead City, New Bern, Kinston and Goldsboro sections, with organizations to be made in each of these centers. Pastors in these several areas will meet periodically for fellowship and study and to plan a co-operative program.

Major W. A. Graham, district lay leader, was in charge of a brief meeting with the laymen. G. W. Robbins.

WEEK OF PREACHING AT DUKE

The fall week of preaching, sponsored by the second year homiletics class of Duke University divinity school was held in York Chapel from December 1 to 5. This project of student preaching was under the able direction of Drs. Hickman, Lener and Rowe of the divinity school faculty. The messages and speakers for the week were as follows:

"I Call It God"—John Beard.
"An Awareness of God"—James Magar.
"Practicing the Presence of God"—George Culbreth.
"No Other Gods"—Charles Sharpe.
"A Suffering God"—Ralph Reed.

The master theme for the week was The Centrality of God. The preaching of five men under this heading reveals the significant fact that the minds of students are turning again to the more vital and powerful aspects of our faith.

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Why do people drink liquor The answer is not so simple as some may think. But why a man under the influence of drink will attempt to drive an automobile has but one answer: it is simply a want of sense. When sober he may have as much sense as the average run of folks, but when drinking he is disastrously deficient in sound judgment. Our judges need to teach these temporary imbeciles and "smart alecks" wisdom. Road service is the medicine that will heal their malady.

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The Christian Century a few weeks ago warned against the effort to "regiment the clergy." A recent issue warns against an attempt by intimidation to silence certain ministers and thus intimidate the churches. Two incidents are cited, one in Los Angeles, California, and the other in Phoenix, Arizona. "An effort is taking form and gathering impetus to force the American clergy to say only what the government wants them to say and to remain silent on all issues in which they are not ready to give complete support to government measures . . . is now coming into the open," insists the Christian Century. In the issue of December 3 appears this editorial to which reference is made.

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Carefully selected books are the best and most desirable Christmas gifts for both young and old. They need not be, necessarily, new books, and perhaps should not be unless the donor be able to properly estimate the value of books, because so many new, untried volumes are strikingly inferior in quality. Horace Mann said: "The house without books is like a room without windows. No man has a right to bring up his children without surrounding them with books, if he has the means to buy them. It is wrong to his family. Children learn to read by being in the presence of books. The love of knowledge comes with reading and, . . . in a young mind, is almost a warrant against the inferior excitement of passions and vices."

In the official language of the President of the United States: "On December 7, 1941, the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan." At that very hour the United States was not only at peace with Japan but upon the solicitation of Japan was still in conversation with its government looking to a maintenance of peace. This treacherous and murderous attack demanded and received a prompt declaration of war on the part of the United States, and it becomes the duty of every good citizen of this country to defend to the uttermost his home and land that we love. And we expect that the same unanimity which characterized the Congress of the United States in its vote last Monday will mark the conduct of our citizens. This is no time to discuss academic questions of peace and war; our business is to win this war, and at the earliest moment possible in order to do a thorough job.

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We are again in the maelstrom of a second world war. Less than twenty-five years ago we were caught in the first world war, and now we as a nation are forced to encounter those experiences that are contrary to the desires of the American people. For the people of these United States are lovers of peace and of the dearly bought liberties that our fathers provided for us. This war like all wars are more than distasteful to us, for we hate war with an abiding hatred. To use a common expression of the English, "It is a nasty job," but nothing remains except to see it through. And let us hope that every man and woman will do his or her part. And let us pray to be delivered from those "windjammers" who talk war and urge other people to hasten to the battle front when some of them have lived through more than one war and never gave a day of service. Such men are contemptible in our eyes. They will render fine service by keeping their mouths shut, and leave a better taste in the mouths of patriotic citizens.

Should Clergymen from the Pulpit Discuss American Participation in the War?

A MAJORITY of American people answer No, according to the Gallup Poll recently conducted among men and women from coast to coast representing all churches in proportion to their membership. This belief prevailed also among both church members and non-church members.

The issue put to the public in the survey was as follows:

"Do you think preachers and priests should discuss from the pulpit the question of American participation in the war?" The vote is:

Yes, per cent	34
No, per cent	55
No Opinion, per cent	11

Those who replied in the affirmative were next asked:

"What course of action would you like to see them recommend?"

The results reveal a wide divergence of views, indicating the problem that a clergyman faces in taking a definite stand on war if his congregation is at all typical of community opinion.

Of every 100 persons who said they believed the clergy should discuss war, courses of action were recommended as follows by varying proportions:

They should advocate staying out of war	20
They should recommend getting into war	12
They should deal with the kind of peace needed after the war	11
They should stress building U. S. defenses and achieving national unity	9
They should advocate aid to Britain but no troops	10
They should say frankly and openly whatever they believe	5
Other and No Definite Recommendation	33

This revelation of public opinion upon a timely topic is of interest in several particulars. One of these is the obvious difficulty in meeting the demands of the 34 per cent minority who desire the subject to be discussed. There are at least half a dozen aspects of the subject that clamor for discussion, according to the answers given in the poll.

Another thing of interest is that public opinion conforms right well with the present day practice of the clergy. So far as our information extends the war has not figured largely thus far in pulpit discussions. Perhaps the preachers learned a lesson in the first world war when many pulpits were little more than recruiting stations, and many of these men afterward saw their mistake and other ministers of the gospel learned a lesson they have not forgotten.

The study found church members more inclined to favor discussion of war from the pulpit than non-church members. On the whole, Protestants interviewed in the survey were slightly more in favor of open discussion than were Catholics.

	Should Discuss	Should Not	Undecided
Church members	36	35	9
Non-members	25	58	17
Catholics	31	59	10
Protestants	37	54	9

Rounding to a Finish

ONCE more the year is rounding to a close. This happens with the regularity of the coming and going of the seasons. But after all the finish ends in a new year of beginnings. The day rounds to close with the fall of darkness and in like manner life's little day fades before we are well aware. The wise man is careful by utmost diligence to set his house in order before the end comes. Both of these, however, the end of the day with the going down of the sun and also the end of life with the coming of the "three score years and ten," are but the preparation hours for the new and larger tasks ahead of man.

These busy weeks, when the farmers labor to gather in the ripened harvests as the fields and the forests turn brown, belong to every golden harvest time with its sear and yellow leaf. All this is essential to meet the needs of the bleak winter months that intervene between the harvest season and the glorious spring time. So the wise man, careful to finish well his earthly career, carefully sets his house in order for the approach of the end. With the close of life's day, he cherishes the beautiful hope of a glorious immortality. Then he can wrap the draperies of his couch about him and lie down to pleasant dreams. He does not regard the finish of life's day the end of all any more than does he regard the going down of the sun as the harbinger of the tomorrow.

With the task of life done we can look with joy to its finish, not as the final end but as the preparation for a bigger and better work in the days ahead. Such would we have the close of this year to be as we move into the holiday season with its joys of the Christmas time. Then the jingle of the Christmas bells may bring assurance of new life and fresh conquests in the coming days of new beginnings. Thus the years may round to a close, the tasks of life come to an end, and man move on to his long home when the mourners will go about the streets, but all these will be only stages in the onward march of the centuries. So as this year comes to a close why not greet the end with the fond assurance that this is my Father's world and the best is yet to come.

The American Church

WE are in the midst of another world war. The desperate situation breaks upon us here in America at the cherished Christmas season which means so much to our people. Over against the voices of children and the glad hearts of childhood is the hurried call to the colors. The death dealing machines of war are on every continent of earth. A mad world this!

The Christian church is the body of Christ and the spirit of Christ is its vital breath. So the dominant purpose of the church must be "To know Christ and to make him known." Are we who lead in the church at this tragic hour here in America going to keep this dominant purpose to the front? Will the Christian church these coming months prove a saving factor during the war and then be able to speak a master word for permanent peace with the end of the clash of arms? Not if we are drawn aside to cherish a spirit and to waste our strength on something less than true Christianity. This was one of the mistakes made during the first world war. By word and life in the pulpit and in the pew our unwavering effort should be to make the Christ dominant in every undertaking of the American church, the one and only insittution with the spiritual message for a war stricken world. Would that every minister and every devoted layman might feel a sacred sense of responsibility to hold the church true to its divine mission.

"For We Are Many"

THE man out of the tombs came running to Jesus and cried with a loud voice saying, "Torment me not." Jesus said, "Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit." When asked his name, he said, "My name is Legion; for we are many." This man was full of devils—not one but many. And in this connection we are reminded of the woman with the stubborn husband. To a neighbor she complained that the devil could not change him. The devil would not wish to change him, replied the neighbor.

Often we say a certain man or woman has a devil. Would it not be more accurate to say of many, even in these last days, "They are ful of devils." How else can we account for the hells on earth on every continent of the planet? Most men would agree that Hitler is full of devils. But he is not the only one whose name is Legion.

Those men who are possessed of one or of legions of devils can be made to act in their right mind only by bringing them to Jesus. "See him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting and clothed, and in his right mind." Such an ancient scene should become a commonplace in this modern world.

Religion Primarily Personal

YEARS ago in North Carolina there was a Methodist preacher who year after year would ring the changes, urging the need for more teaching and more preaching of Methodist doctrines. He insisted that this would cure most of the ills of the church. The people do not know what they believe, he would insist in every Methodist gathering as he urged that the teaching of doctrine begin in the home and continue through life. All of which is good, but he failed in that he had little to say about the place of the personal element. Not whom but what had the first place in his pleas. "I know in whom I have believed" had first place with the greatest of the apostles. It was primarily a matter of personal relationship with Paul. Fellowship with his Lord in the storm and in the third heaven was to the front.

We do well to remember that attitudes of mind in the human being are shaped before the individual begins to think for himself. In other words, our religious faith begins not with what we believe but with whom we live and from whom we get our attitudes in life and religion. The atmosphere and the association of the home are much more effective in shaping the child than are the doctrines taught. We know in whom we believed long before we believed in anything specific about anything. The whom means more than the what. So the atmosphere of a school and the character of the teachers do more for the molding of character than do the subjects taught. Especially true is this in religion. For the essence of the Christian faith has always been such as to be passed on through people in whom men have believed. Parents, teachers and preachers get in their chief work in this way. It is in the realm of personal relationship and not of metaphysical abstractions that life is shaped and character formed. The turning point in most lives is similar to that of the woman by the well who felt the personal potency of Jesus that constrained her to say, "I met a man that told me all that ever I did." Her past lived again under the personal touch of the wonderful Presence—such is the potency of the personal touch.

People and Things

Please say in the Advocate that my address is now 108 Clifton Avenue, Louisburg, N. C.—John P. Bross.

Geo. F. Ivey, a leading man of Hickory and active in all good works, has just sent us 11 new one year subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Tin Pan Alley got into the war today. Four new songs are: "They Asked for it," "The Sun Will Soon Be Setting for the Land of the Rising Sun," "You're a Sap, Mr. Jap," and "The Japs Haven't a Chinaman's Chance."

My permanent address for the winter is 1115 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix, Arizona. I prayed much for the conference in the recent session in Durham, and if the brethren and other friends back there love me like I love them, I believe they will write me.—J. A. Dailey.

The Record, along with many other newspapers and individuals, for years vigorously opposed the sale of American scrap iron to the little brown bombers of the Pacific. Now there is no longer any question as to what the Japanese wanted with that scrap.—Greensboro Daily Record.

Stumpy Point charge of the Elizabeth City district is without a preacher. Any local or retired preacher who might be willing to serve this appointment for this conference year will please communicate with me at once.—T. M. Grant, District Superintendent, 713 W. Church St., Elizabet City, N. C.

Last Sunday morning a congregation that filled the spacious Trinity church, Durham, enjoyed the uplifting service and the most appropriate sermon on the theme, "The Church in the World," by the pastor, Rev. James G. Huggin. Brother Huggin is making a fine start at Trinity and being heard by attentive crowds.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, was in Salisbury on December 3 at Catawba College's celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the college. Dr. Gobbel was invited as guest of Dr. Sam Whitley, president of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary School, which Dr. Gobbel represented.

Rev. T. V. Crouse did a monumental work the 11 years that he served as pastor of the Reidsville circuit. Every interest of the church received the pastor's interest and as a consequence the charge developed in all particulars. At the last conference he was moved to an adjoining charge and success is already camping on his trail. One of his first works was to send $7 for new subscribers to the Advocate.

First Church, Mebane.—Our W. S. C. S. is progressing nicely. Many things of importance have taken place recently. We have successfully participated in many local activities. We gave Mrs. Spencer, our outgoing president, a surprise birthday shower at the home of Mrs. A. H. Jobe on November 7. We served our annual Thanksgiving supper and realized around $40 clear. Miss Pauline Nicholson was elected president to succeed Mrs. Spencer, who was moved to another field of work. We wish for her much success in this new field.—Mrs. Gill, Rep.

The A Capella choir of the Louisburg College sang at the Sunday evening service of the Louisburg Methodist church. In the course of the service they rendered in their usual fine manner the following numbers: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," "Come, Holy Ghost," "Evening Hymn," and "Beautiful Saviour." The choir will broadcast their annual Christmas concert next Sunday evening, December 14, from 8:30 to 9 o'clock from the college auditorium over the facilities of radio station WPTF, Raleigh. Prof. James E. Byerly is the director of the choir.

Miss Margaret Thompson, Asbury College '28, who was en route to Africa on the S. S. Zam Zam at the time of its sinking by a German raider, was a visitor on the campus the week-end of November 15-17. Miss Thompson was under appointment to work with the National Holiness Missonary society in Africa and was beginning her first term of service. She spoke a number of times on the campus. Miss Thompson will leave again for Africa in a short time.

Eighty persons, composing the board of stewards of Belmont Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., recently made a Sunday afternoon visitation of 1,000 homes of the members. The purpose of the visits was to get acquainted with the membership and to compile data for the church's card index system. A souvenir directory listing the activities of the church and the official personnel was left in each home visited. Under the direction of the pastor, Dr. J. L. Ferguson, and the assistant pastor, Rev. Blaine Duncan, Belmont church has launched a lively church program.

A Roman Catholic bishop, William L. Adrian, a Protestant bishop of the Methodist Church, Paul B. Kern, and a Jewish rabbi, Julius Mark, found a common ground for gratitude in the fact of living in a land of religious freedom, in the first city-wide inter-faith observance of Thanksgiving by Catholics, Protestants, and Jews, held on the eve of Tennessee's official Thanksgiving date, November 27, at the state's capaital city, Nashville. The mass meeting was held at 8 p. m. on Thanksgiving eve and was a community affair with all religious faiths taking part.

Joint University Library of Nashville, Tenn., representing a new movement in higher education, research and library service, was dedicated in two-day ceremonies, December 5 and 6. Sessions were held in the chapels of the three participating institutions of higher learning, namely, Peabody College for Teachers, Scarritt College for Christian Workers, and Vanderbilt University. The building and endowment represent an investment of approximately $2,000,000, one-half of which came as a grant from the General Education Board, a substantial sum from the Carnegie Corporation, and the remainder from more than 5,000 students, faculty members, alumni, and friends of the three institutions.

The collection is a joyous event in one Negro church. The taking of the collection is the least inspiring event in most churches. Not so in a certain congregation of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in a Southern city. It was "women's day" with the women in full charge. The chancel was a bower of flowers; the program was crowded with enthusiastic songs and addresses. Suddenly the program ended and the collection began. The church was changed into a counting room, a social hall, a neighborhood gathering. Tables placed here and there and presided over by swift money-counters handled the little bags of pennies, dimes, nickels and quarters that needed to be re-counted before totals could be made.—Emily J. Reid.

Students in the Duke divinity school are from the following states: North Carolina contributed nearly half the total nnumber, there being 51 students enrolled in the school who reside in this state. Virginia follows with 11. Eight are from Alabama and seven from Texas. Arkansas, South Carolina and West Virginia each contributed six students. Mississippi sent three, and Georgia, Maryland and Missouri are represented by two each. States sending only one student are: District of Columbia, Iowa, Kentucky, and Louisiana. Korea is the only foreign country represented. Thus it may be seen that the majority of the students are from the South and Southwest. The Methodist Church is the denomination having the largest number of students enrolled.

Six new members were added to Johnson Memorial Methodist church Sunday night, two on profession of faith and four by letter. This makes a total of eight additions since conference. Two weeks ago the preacher, W. E. Smith, and family were agreeably surprised by an old fashioned pounding by Johnson Memorial congregation. The pantry was "comfortably" filled.—W. E. Smith.

In spite of war and rumors of war the church with its active forces are marching on. These are days unlike any we have experienced in history. Churches are built and dedicated, more Bibles are read than ever before, and many new places of worship have gone up in our camps over the country. The Son of God goes forth to war, and he will some day win the crown. May the church continue to grow and march on on, carrying the gospel to every creature. "Lead on, O King Eternal, the day of work has come."—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

Governor and Mrs. J. Melville Broughton were host and hostess at dinner last Tuesday evening at the Executive Mansion honoring the Hon. Josephus Daniels, former ambassador to Mexico, and Mrs. Daniels. Among the long list of distinguished attendants appeared among others the names of Governor and Mrs. Broughton, Ambassador and Mrs. Daniels, former Governor and Mrs. Cameron Morrison of Charlotte, Chief Justice W. P. Stacy, Dr. and Mrs. Thurman Kitchin of Wake Forest, Justice and Mrs. W. A. Devin, Justice and Mrs. A. A. F. Seawell, Dr. and Mrs. William C. Pressly, Dean and Mrs. Robert House of Chapel Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Daniels.

Rev. Dr. Frank Kingdon, honorary chairman of the Laymen's National Committee promoting the observance of Bible Week, December 8-14, is a former Methodist pastor and a member of the Newark conference. This emphasis upon the Bible as a symbol of democracy, says Dr. Kingdon, is to create "a national realization of the part religion plays in government—a realization that our spiritual defense must keep step with military preparedness." Dr. Eric M. North, general secretary of the American Bible Society, is also a Methodist. He is a member of the New York East conference and the son of the late Frank Mason North, noted mission secretary and hymn writer.

Dr. John R. Church, general evangelist of the Methodist Church, was guest speaker at the Duke divinity school chapel on December 3. Mr. Church came at the invitation of the committee on evangelism of the student body. His theme for the morning service was the superiority of the Christian religion. In the message Mr. Church pointed out that Christianity alone offers the world a seeking God and an experience of forgiven sin. His conclusion was a challenge to the ministry that they go out as ambassadors of heaven crying to a lost world, "Be ye reconciled unto God." In the afternoon Dr. Church led a forum on the topic, "Some Modern Problems in Evangelism." The interest in evangelism is increasing and such a meeting as this is indicative of many more institutes of this nature in days to come.—Committee Chairman.

The Winston-Salem district, under the leadership of Dr. Weaver, is well on its way to a busy and, we trust, successful year in the service of our Lord. With the district stewards' and ministers' meeting well behind us, the missionary work of the district was given a powerful impetus on December 2 at the district missionary institute. The meeting was held at the Community Methodist church, and by virtue of the happy circumstance of the presence of Dr. E. Stanley Jones in a series of meetings in Thomasville, the institute was able to command his appearance as the inspiration speaker of the day. Following the address of Dr. Jones on world missions, the district missionary secretary, Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, presented Miss Sarah Smith, Rev. Carl H. King, Dr. C. C. Weaver, and Rev. S. E. Howard on related aspects of the missionary work of the local church, and distributed an abundance of missionary literature. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 with the benediction by Dr. Weaver.—Joe T. Shackford, Reporter.

THE E. STANLEY JONES MISSION IN THOMASVILLE

By Lee F. Tuttle

Dr. Plyler has asked that I "write up" the work of Dr. E. Stanley Jones in our Thomasville Mission. Without any attempt to elaborate, I am going to state briefly the facts upon which both the laymen and the ministers of Thomasville are agreed.

The first of these facts is the perfectly tremendous spiritual impact of Dr. Jones' personality and work upon the lives of all our people. We are agreed that the spiritual success of this undertaking was far in excess of even our wildest expectations. Religious interest and church activity have definitely been placed on a new high level.

The attendance at all of the services was large to the point of embarrassment. Our largest auditorium, the high school, was overtaxed at each of our general mass meetings. Only thirteen hundred persons could be seated, but great numbers of people stood during the entire services, while hundreds were turned away. We were happily able to make up for our inability to handle the crowds by the fact that three of our four mass meetings were covered by the locally owned High Point radio station. We have no way of knowing how many thousands heard Dr. Jones over the radio. A conservative estimate of the total attendance at the nine services exceeds 8,500, of which approximately 500 were ministers from all sections of our state.

The financial arrangements under which Dr. Jones came to Thomasville were the most unselfish imaginable. Five offerings were taken at the general services, which offerings totaled around $1050. From this total we were allowed to take all local expenses. Then Dr. Jones' expenses were taken from the offerings, with all the remainder going to Dr. Jones for the missionary projects which he supports personally. Our local expenses were held to a minimum, and we were able to turn over to Dr. Jones almost one thousand dollars for his expense and missionary work. All in all, this preaching mission was a most happy experience for Thomasville.

DISTRICT INSTITUTE OF STATESVILLE DISTRICT

An effective and challenging district missionary institute was held in the Statesville district on December 1. A well planned program moved on schedule and came to a fitting climax with the luncheon and inspirational address by J. C. Cornett. The effectiveness of the program was a tribute to Reid Wall, district secretary, and to J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent, who worked out the plans for the institute. The program was as follows:

Theme: "Methodism Serves the Suffering World."
10:00 a.m. Period of worship. Rev. J. Clyde Auman.
10:15 a.m. The Task We Face: "The World We Serve," Rev. Herman L. Nicholson. "The Spiritual Glow in the Home Church," Rev. H. G. Allen.
11:05 a.m. Missionary hymns and special music. Led by Rev. H. E. Jones.
11:20 a.m. Preparing for the Task.
"The Women Do Their Part." Presented by members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, First church, Lenoir.
"The Fourth Sunday for World Service," Rev. W. Q. Grigg.
"The School of Missions," Rev. W. A. Rollins.
"The Book of the Year," Rev. A. G. Lackey.
12:30. Luncheon. Address: "Methodism Has Served and Will Serve the World," Rev. J. C. Cornett.

W. Q. Grigg, Reporter.

PASTOR AND PEOPLE DOING THINGS AT STONY POINT

Rev. Lindsey F. Strader, pastor of Stony Point, when sending $11 for new subscribers to the Advocate adds:

"I hope to have more subscribers on the way later. The people in Stony Point are fine and are doing things. It is a pleasure to be associated with these good folks, and to work with a church that is alive, up and going places."

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

"DREAMERS HOLD THE FUTURE"

By Dr. Herbert Booth Smith, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S.A.

"Put up again thy sword into its place." This does not sound like Hitler or Mussolini or Napoleon. Here is a man who thinks that the proper place for a sword is in its sheath. If everybody would keep his sword there, there would not be any use of making swords, except for ornaments. The only person in the New Testament was rebuked. . . .

Just what did Jesus say to his men? (for his directions have been misunderstood). He said these words: "He that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise a wallet (a provision basket); and he that hath none, let him sell his cloak, and buy a sword." What a text for the militarist! But he must not rejoice too soon. Christ, we must remember, was speaking as an Oriental, in the usual figurative language of the East. "Sword" stands for all lawful means of self-defense. When St. Paul pleads his case before Nero he doubtless employed counsel to defend him. This was "buying a sword" in the sense which Jesus intended.

I. Peace was a distinctive feature of Christ's mission. The Prophet Isaiah (Isa. 9:6-7) told the world of his day that a divine Child was Israel's only hope. In describing this coming One he said: "Unto us a child is born. . . . Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end." No king of David's line ever fulfilled this prophecy until Jesus came. One of Jesus' titles was Prince of Peace. Come on down nearer to his birth and you hear the song of old Zacharias in the Temple as he sings of the Deliverer as the "dayspring from on high" who would "shine upon them that sit in darkness . . . to guide our feet into the way of peace." On the night of Jesus' birth the angels sang a peace anthem, and his whole earthly ministry was one of reconciliation.

There are good folks today who feel that any human attempt to bring about peaceful and just relations between men and nations means just so much wasted time. They feel that nothing can be done until Jesus comes in the clouds of heaven, and that the world must go from bad to worse until he comes to set things right. It seems to me that if I believed this I would advocate closing all the churches, and recalling all the missionaries, and suspending every benevolent effort. On the other hand, when Jesus sent out his foreign missionaries he told them to preach this gospel to every creature, "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you." That certainly sounds as if he intended his precepts to be lived out here and now. If so, the precepts of his gospel would result in a veritable kingdom of God on earth, and surely war and violence could find no place in such an atmosphere.

II. Peace was a quality of Christ's character. What a wonderful bequest Jesus made to his followers when he said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you!" Most people are interested in inheriting money or property of some sort from deceased relatives. Sometimes much unfortunate litigation ensues. But this legacy of Jesus in which he bequeathed to his followers his own peace, was one of the richest ever left by Relative to heirs. What a wonderful thing it is to go through life a peaceful soul and to attract others, by the magnetism of the thing one possesses, to a desire for a similar blessing!

III. Peace is a characteristic blessing of the gospel of Christ. Dr. Jowett once preached a sermon in London on the theme "My Great Dream." In the course of the sermon he said that the peace of the new world would be created, not by a sharp sword, but by a tuning fork. We become part of God's great orchestra and attuned to the divine will. He said that he saw in a daily paper on a train a leading article to the effect that practical politicians have no use for dreamers. And as he rode along he sang softly to himself: "Yet in my dreams I'd be Nearer my God, to Thee, . . . Nearer to Thee."

After all, my brethren, the future of the world lies largely with dreamers like you and me; men who dare to dream of a day when the sweet reasonableness of Jesus will prevail over the program of ruthless force. Let us try to live up to the definition of the past:

We were dreamers, dreaming greatly, in the man-stifled town;
We yearned beyond the sky line, where the strange ways went down.

—Pastor's Journal.

HOW TO WASTE TIME AND WIN BOYS

A gray-haired man walked into the library at the Methodist Publishing House in Nashville.

"My name is ———. I am a retired railroad man," he said. "May I see a copy of the Tennessee Conference Journal of 1901?"

"Yes, indeed," said the librarian. "Will you have a seat in the reading room while I get the volume?"

"I want to copy the sketch of a member of the conference who died in 1901," continued the visitor when the volume was produced. "I'll just sit here and copy it if I may. That man was my pastor when I was a boy. I am trying to find out whether any of his children are living and where they are. He used to play ball with the boys of the Sunday school. Some people thought he was wasting his time, but we didn't. Once when he was going to England on a visit (he was born in England) he wanted to take me with him, but my parents were afraid to let me go so far away. I have always regretted missing that chance."

A pause, and then reminiscently, "That man was one of the best men who ever lived. I want to keep a copy of that sketch."

Wasted time—playing baseball with the Sunday school boys! But something like sixty years later one of those boys, having finished a railroad career, wastes some of his time copying what his conference brethren had to say of the friend of his boyhood as he finished the career of a Methodist pastor.—Contributed by Bertha Childs.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

Rocky Mount, Jan. 12—Rocky Mount, First church, E. L. Hillman, pastor.
Elizabeth City, Jan. 13—Hertford, R. F. Munns, pastor.
New Bern, Jan. 14—Kinston, Queens Street, W. C. Ball, pastor.
Wilmington, Jan. 15—Wilmington, Trinity, F. W. Paschall, pastor.
Fayetteville, Jan. 16—Aberdeen, Page Memorial, S. A. Maxwell, pastor.
Durham, Jan. 19—Durham, Trinity, J. G. Huggin, pastor.
Raleigh, Jan. 20—Raleigh, Edenton Street, J. C. Glenn, pastor.

Conference-Wide Mid-Year Missionary Meetings

April 7—Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville.
April 8—Grace church, Wilmington.
April 9—Edenton Street, Raleigh.

MEETING OF WESLEY FOUNDATION AT DURHAM

The Wesley Foundation, a joint commission of the two North Carolina conferences, met Tuesday afternoon of this week at Duke University in annual session to determine the procedure for the year. This Wesley Foundation has charge of the student work at Chapel Hill and College Place, Greensboro. The effort is to minister to the students of the University at Chapel Hill and of the Woman's College of the State University at Greensboro.

The money coming from the two conferences in the state is to be divided on a 50-50 basis. Since the churches at both places care for the support of their pastors, all money from the Foundation goes to student work. Not until this year has the church at Chapel Hill taken the entire support of the pastor as is done by the College Place church. This leaves the Wesley Foundation free to concentrate on work for the students. A plan agreed upon by all parties concerned. This clears the way for enlargement of the work with a student helper at both places. So now the possibility of securing increased funds for the work is improved.

In addition to the allotment of the money to go to the several causes a committee was named to care for the details of the work. Carl H. King and Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretaries, along with J. G. Phillips, G. Ray Jordan and the two pastors are to direct this work.

This was the most satisfactory meeting yet held and the outlook is for a more careful planning of the work from year to year.

In attendance upon the meeting were:

Mr. F. M. Brown, 324 S. Eugene St., Greensboro.
Rev. R. M. Courtney, College Place, Greensboro.
Rev. W. A. Stanbury, Centenary, Winston-Salem.
Dr. G. Ray Jordan, First Church, Charlotte.
Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, College Station, Durham.
Rev. Carl H. King, Box 828, Salisbury.
Rev. J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
Mr. J. S. Bennett, Chapel Hill.
Rev. J. G. Phillips, Bethel.
Rev. M. T. Plyler.

A PRAYER

Our Father,

Who taught us to pray that thy kingdom come and thy will be done on earth among men as it is done in heaven, we beseech thee to help us and all men to repent our sinful ways and to accept the teachings of thy Christ. Help us to find in him the way, the truth, and the life. Help us to find through him not only our own personal salvation, but the way of salvation for all mankind—for the healing of the nations as well as for the redemption of our individual souls, so that peace, justice, and brotherhood may come among men everywhere. Help us to remember in this dreadful hour of slaughter that the follower of Christ is always a peace-seeker and a peacemaker. Help us always to bear in mind that the spirit of Christ is the only durable basis for peace among men; that we must cast hatred out of our hearts, learn to forgive our enemies, and seek, if possible, a peace of reconciliation.

We pray for thy help in all these matters, not only because they seem beyond our human powers, but also because we recognize that we who call ourselves Christians are responsible for the present condition of our world for we have limited and distorted the teachings of thy Christ and followed him afar off, both as individuals and as groups. But now we know that we cannot take a jot or a tittle from his teachings without weakening them in all of life. Help us, therefore, who are members of thy church to be, by thy grace, both indvidually and collectively, "Jesus Christ alive in the world today," so that all men may turn toward him and through him find thy salvation. Only thus, we know, can thy kingdom come and thy will be done among men.

Charles A. Ellwood.

MYERS PARK CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

The Myers Park church, Charlotte. at the beginning of the conference year bought the Louis H. Asbury home at 1527 Queens Road as a parsonage. The house was built by Mr. Asbury, who drew the plans for Myers Park church, and who received the honor award in the division of ecclesiastical work for the drawing of these plans.

The house, for which the church paid $20,000, is a lovely home, and is an ideal parsonage for Myers Park church. Approximately $2000 was spent in buying new furniture, frigidaire, gas stove, furnace stoker, etc., for the house. Arrangement has been made to pay for the parsonage out of the budget within the next few years.

Such an undertaking as this would not have been possible if it had not been for the monumental work of the former pastor, Dr. Richard L. Ownbey, under whose pastorate of eight years the membership was nearly doubled, an educational building erected, and all indebtedness on the church paid.

The Myers Park church is led by a group of loyal and devoted men and women who believe in the church and who conduct the Lord's work as they do their own business.

Embree H. Blackard.

DANGER TO METHODISM

We Methodists are in danger.

1. We are in danger of losing the Methodist experience but retaining the Methodist vocabulary.
2. We are in danger of becoming so proud of our great church that God can not use us.
3. We are in danger of forsaking the masses and becoming a middle class church.
4. We are in danger of forgetting that we were raised up "to spread scriptural holiness over these lands."
5. We are in danger of losing the individual in mere bigness.
6. We are in danger of becoming merely a political machine.
7. We are in danger of thinking more of salary brackets than we do of service brackets, and of finances more than men.
8. We are in danger of fossilization and loss of souls because of disappearing evangelistic passion.

Let us stop! look! and listen! Let us re-examine our spiritual experience. Let us rededicate our lives, that Methodism might more effectively hurl her message out to a lost world.

Ralph Reed.

GLENWOOD HAPPY

Well, conference has passed and all Methodism has fallen in line for the coming year's work. Preachers have been moved from here to there. Everybody seems to be happy, especially Glenwood. We have welcomed Brother Avett with open arms. With his grand personality and wonderful sense of humor, we know he will be loved by the congregation. Although Brother Hardee shall be missed by Glenwood people, we know his new appointment will prove to be beneficial for him. Although we miss him, our loss is Mocksville's gain. He is a fine outstanding young preacher. Outstanding in two ways—in height and also in ability.

L. L. Burton.

Lord, if . . . ?

By JOHN E. COLLIER

Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother . . . — John 11:21.

When sorrow plows deeply into the soil of our souls, significant things are revealed. We are apt to ask questions at that moment which would never have been given a voice otherwise.

At the time of our Scripture lesson, Lazarus was dead. All the members of the family were close friends of Jesus. This home in Bethany was a place where Jesus found understanding when life was dealing harshly with him. The confidence and trust that these friends placed on him had given him courage when otherwise he might have despaired. But now this Bethany "haven of rest and security" had become overshadowed, for death had disturbed the tranquility of this home, making everything appear unstable and insecure. When Jesus started to go to this "house of sorrow and sacred memory" at Bethany, he knew that it was his task now to minister to those who had so often given him help in his time of great need.

Martha is the first of the two sisters to meet him, and the first words that escape from her bursting heart are: "Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died."

Jesus, knowing the family intimately, misses Mary and asks for her, and Martha, finding her, says, "The Master is come, and calleth for thee." Mary, leaving those who had gathered to console with her, comes to Jesus, and, strange to say, the first words that are born of her anguished faith are identical with the words of Martha; for she also says, "Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died."

We have expressed here in these words what I want to call the faith of regret. Faith is still there, but the present facts are such that it says, "Well, it is too late now."

The faith of regret is never a redeeming faith. What do I mean? Some years ago there was published a book that awakened considerable interest. It was called "I; or, History Rewritten." Its purpose was to look at things that might have been if history had been different—for instance, "if Booth had missed killing Lincoln," or "if Napoleon had won the Battle of Waterloo." It can very clearly be seen what a powerful imagination could do playing with such ideas, but the fact remains that such an exercise cannot alter the facts—history cannot be rewritten. We can write the future differently. To ask what would have happened "if Booth had missed killing Lincoln' 'does not eventuate in taking care of men like Booth who are at large in society, or in protecting potential Lincolns; therefore it is not redeeming.

There are many people who, unfortunately, have this "faith of regret" today. The harsh facts of life are such that they find it unpleasant to face them. It is much easier for them, when confronted with a difficult situation, to seek refuge in saying. "Lord, if . . ." "If only this had been thus and so . . ." "If only I had been privileged to go to college, I too should have the security of a good position and salary." "If only my parents had left me resources such as my neighbors had, I too could have achieved."

Such "faith of regret" is not redeeming. The fact remains that the college career is not there and the resources are not there. But the individual's real world is there, and while he may get pleasure out of toying with the thought of what might have been, and finding an excuse for what he has not become, that will not redeem the situation for him.

Martha and Mary expressed this faith of regret." 'Lord, if . . .' It is too late now. If only you could have been here a few days ago, we know what you could have done, for we have faith in you; but you see the worst has happened—Lazrarus is dead. How can we go on hoping now?"

Do you feel that way? "What is the use? Why work for good causes? Evil triumphs anyway. Why struggle against the threat to our way of life? The continent of Europe is gone now, and we can't change that. . . . Why should I keep hoping that a victorious life can be mine? Why don't I admit I am a failure and quit hoping?" Wait a moment! Do you recall that Jesus had something to say? Do you recall that Martha had not lost hope altogether? After she had said, through her tears, "Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died," before Jesus could reply—as though she sensed that she had hurt the faith that he had in her—she immediately added, "But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee." What do we have here? The faith of a resolute hope, which is always redeeming.

What is the faith that redeems? According to Martha, it is the faith which, after looking at the worst that life can do, accepting it, and acknowledging that it might have been different, says, with hope undying, "God can yet change things." That kind of faith is always redeeming. Even death had to submit to that kind of faith.

How human were these two sisters of Lazarus! How much like them we are! "Lord, if . . . ," they said. Their sorrow blinded them to the fact that, while he was not there then, he was here now—and he was able to do, and did, what they wanted done.

Empires have passed away, and other empires are tottering in the balance. Millions of our brothers have been swept into eternity, and civilization is in chains. From millions of hearts today I can hear, "Lord, if thou hadst been here, my . . . " But he is here. It is our sorrow that blinds us too. God has not abdicated or abandoned, and he will yet redeem.

Illness invaded your home that day, and how I well remember! It found its way to the most beautiful flower in your life's garden. How you hoped and prayed, how you toiled day and night, but death closed those beautiful eyes in the sleep that you had so long feared. I can hear you cry then—"Lord, if . . . if thou hadst been here, my . . . !" But—he was there! Who gave you the strength for that mighty ordeal? Who stanched the bleeding flow of your breaking heart? Who gave you the new horizon that helped you to pick up the threads of life and begin again to weave those new and deeper colors of richer

meaning into your life's tapestry? He was there, wasn't he?

Christ is eternally available. His time is the eternal now. The faith of regret gives up—does nothing. But the faith that redeems says, "God can even now . . ." With that faith, your miracle too will happen.—Zions Herald.

THE PENALTY OF HATE

By J. C. Stokes

"I'd like nothing better than to see some German parachute troopers come sailing down out of that plane," commented the young filling station operator as he washed the dust from my windshield. A plane from the local airport was circling slowly overhead. The young man's eyes lowered from the droning aeroplane, and, looking directly at me with glowering countenance, he declared, "All I'd ask for would be a good machine gun, and a couple of minutes to pick 'em off!"

Today the world currents of strong and bitter emotions are running swiftly, and all of us are in danger of being swept off our feet. We are prone to confuse issues and personalities, so that the distaste which we feel for the Nazi system of life, for instance, becomes a vengeful animosity against persons who are, at most, only instruments and, at the least, no more than innocent bystanders. In other words, unless we are guardedly careful, we will feel and speak as the service station operator mentioned above, who seemed not only willing to defend his way of life from attack, but who eagerly courted an opportunity to wreak destruction.

There is no doubt that many Christian people today see the inevitable necessity of our involvement in the present armed conflict. But I am sure that no person who cherishes the name of Christ ought to feel himself justified in tolerating an attitude of festering hate. There is an irreconcilable difference between one who inflicts pain because he finds in it a needful necessity, and another who, in sadistic glee, does it for the sheer pleasure of it.

It is said that in recent months doctors in China have frequently been compelled to operate upon wounded soldiers without the use of anaesthetics. Not that they enjoyed the cries of pain as the patients went under the knife, but simply because there were no anaesthetics available to be administered. It is one thing to do a difficult, heartbreaking, bloody job because you see it as the best way out, quite another thing to put your heart into it with enthusiastic pleasure.

No doubt all of us would like to see this present war become the last one in human history. We would desire this not simply as Christians concerned that the kingdom shall come into its own, but as human beings who are interested in health and happiness and hope. Perhaps we do not feel like using again the slogan which became the master-shout of the last war: "A war to end all wars." Still, we must do more than wish hopelessly that law and order and abiding peace will come out of our present debacle. We must do more than simply wish! Understanding the seedbeds in which war is spawned, we should each of us do all in his power to destroy those seedbeds. Hatred, built upon the foundations of past hates, when it has finally come of age, blooms forth into war.

Whenever I hear anyone express a relish to get at Nazi parachute troopers, or speak of tearing Germany apart piece by piece, I make a mental note of the fact that here is someone who is an enemy of the human race. He may be a member of the church, a civic leader of his community, a zealous supporter of many good causes, but he certainly does not understand the principles upon which peace and harmony can be established at home and abroad. When the wind of hatred is sown and cultivated in the fertile fields of human emotions, the whirlwind of war is not far behind.

I am not speaking of what we can do to avoid the present conflict. The time for that is past. But I am trying to point out what we ought to do and to be now in order that the next war may never see the light of day. We won the last war, but we lost the peace. We were strong to break the Hindenburg Line, but we were not strong enough to make a peace from which the venom of hate had been distilled. The final victory, the ultimate peace can come only when we defeat our enemies by making them our friends.

FLAG SALUTE DECISION IN MASSACHUSETTS

In July, 1939, three children, William Johnson, Jr., and his two sisters, Dorothy and Gloria, of Deerfield, were sentenced to the Hampden County Training School as "habitual school offenders" for refusal to salute the American flag. The children are members of Jehovah's Witnesses, a religious sect that holds with great tenacity to the doctrine that man's first loyalty is to God. Members of the group interpret this to mean that they must not salute the flag.

The ruling made by Judge John E. Swift of the superior court in July, 1939, was appealed, and Judge Swift stayed the execution of the commitments until the supreme court of the commonwealth had passed on his finding. The high court on Thursday of last week reversed Judge Swift's decision.

The finding of the Supreme Judicial Court, written by Chief Justice Fred T. Field and concurred in by a majority of the court, declared that the designation of the children as "habitual school offenders" was unwarranted. The decision further held that "no implication of power to discipline a child in this manner is necessary for the enforcement of the statute or the regulations. An intention that a child should be so disciplined is not lightly to be attributed to the legislature in the absence of express provision therefor."

In commenting upon the decision, George E. Lodgen, one of the counsel for the Civil Liberties Union of Massachusets, said:

"The decision is comforting evidence that the principles of the first settlers of this commonwealth, who themselves came to seek religious freedom, still survive. When democracy is facing the severest test of its existence, it is a strength to its believers that the right of free men to worship as their consciences dictate, without fear of imprisonment, is thus forcefully reaffirmed."

The decision of Chief Justice Field and the supreme court is to be highly commended, for it is in line with the great New England tradition of religious freedom. But the deliverance of the court comes as no surprise to one who is acquainted with the distinguished character of these jurists and their chief, who is known throughout New England as a man of remarkable ability and thoroughness as well as of great sensitiveness of conscience. —Zions Herald.

WHAT HAS CAUSED OUR WARS?

By Bishop Edwin H. Hughes

What has caused our wars in this country? The French and Indian War? The English and French were going to make gain out of the furs of animals. We killed men by the thousands in order to settle the question as to who was to get the money. The War for Independence? It was taxes. Not merely a tax on tea, but one hundred and nineteen other taxes that were piled up against our people by a king that I am more and more persuaded wasn't "all there." What caused the War of 1812? A blockade of our commerce on the coast of France by England. The War with Mexico, to which we never refer with pride? Losson said, "Debts that were owed by Mexican citizens to citizens of the United States led us to put the pressure of military methods on Mexico in order to get our arms back." Let us omit the War of 1861-65. What caused the War with Spain? The huge taxes that were placed on her Western colonies by Spain until one day old-fashioned Senator Procter delivered his address on Cuba and stirred the nation.

If it were possible for me to pass before you a procession of the shadowy figures that were blotted out in connection with the wars as caused by commerce, your hearts would be broken. Ere that procession was well started, men and women would be crying out to me, "For God's sake, stop, stop! Do not unearth those corpses."

Take our present problems. Panama Canal tolls—money! Behring Sea fisheries—money! Temperance question—money. Do you think a man gets into the liquor because he loves it? No. It is a question money. When you compromised with yourselves and did not go to the polls even to try to retain the Eighteenth Amendment, until we have turned loose in our land the greatest debacle of drunkenness that we have ever had—why did you do that? We listened to men in the United States, most of them immensely rich, who met in upper rooms and deliberately decided to legalize liquor because they thought it would relieve them of taxes. Before they get through with it, they are going to find that making inefficiency and misery saves no money. St. Paul was not superficial when he said, "The love of money is the root of all evil." Jesus was no surface talker when he declared that it was easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of of God.

WORK ASSEMBLY OF DURHAM DISTRICT AT MEBANE

Last Sunday afternoon the Work Assembly of the Durham District Board of Lay Activities met at Mebane to consider in detail the objectives of the conference board. In the absence of the district secretary, Prof. F. S. Aldridge, owing to sickness, Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, presided.

This meeting was primarily for the charge lay leaders. However, many other laymen were present, as well as a number of the pastors of the district.

Special attention was given to "Sound Church Finance in the Local Church" and also to "An Adequate Support of the Ministry." Dr. Greene discussed both these subjects and impressed upon all the responsibility of the laymen to give proper care to these two important phases of life in the local church. "This is the laymen's business," insisted this devoted layman.

The campaign for the N. C. Christian Advocate was presented by Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, in charge for the district. He spoke of the plans being formulated. Said he, "The first objective is for the Durham district to lead all the other districts in the number of new subscribers secured."

Since he will have more to say of his plans, we will not repeat them now.

Prof. B. G. Childs set out clearly the new plans for financing the Methodist Orphanage and the oultlook for the year. He is much interested in getting the organized Bible classes lined up back of the orphanage at Raleigh.

The Golden Cross and other phases of the laymen's work were also presented.

This meeting at Mebane is the first of these workers' meeting to be held in each district of the conference.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOUNDERS' AND BENFACTORS' DAY AND HOME COMING

"The present crisis in civilization reaffirms that what is to be in the culture of a people must be put into the curriculum of youth," stated Dr. John O. Gross, secretary of the department of educational institutions, Board of Education of the Methodist Church in his address Wednesday morning in Odell auditorium of Greensboro College at the annual celebration of Founders' and Benefactors' Day and Home Coming.

Dr. Gross' address followed the academic procession at 11 o'clock before alumnae, faculty, students, and friends of the college present for the day's activities. Discussing "The Unchanging Fundamentals of the Pioneer's College," he listed three "principles essential to character development as advocated by Greensboro College. The first states that a college must be a Christian institution, the second that it must be a liberal institution, and third, that it must seek for enrichment of all of life." Concluding, Dr. Gross gave his opinion that, "If these priciples which enabled the forefathers of our republic to practice equanimity of mind and to achieve social understanding on their frontier are reincarnated and reinterpreted in our day, they will furnish again the social cement needed to rebuild human society."

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, college president, presided. After the invocation by college chaplain, Dr. J. B. Craven, the college glee club, led by Walter Vassar, sang "The Lord Is My Shepherd" by Shubert. A litany of commemoration to the late Miss Elba Henninger, Dr. J. Roddey Miller, and Mr. H. G. McIntire, led by Dr. Gobbel, was followed by the glee club's second selection, "April," by Buchanan. Dr. Gobbel's welcome to the alumnae, parents and distinguished guests was answered by words of greeting from Rev. Carl H. King, Salisbury, representing the conference board of education, Rev. Gideon I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, and Mrs. H. T. Prosser, president of the general alumnae association.

Letters and telegrams of greeting from alumnae and friends of the college were read by Dr. Gobbel. Gifts from college benefactors listed included the Mrs. W. R. Odell scholarship fund; books in the memory of J. Roddey Miller by his family; a memorial gift to her parents by Miss Nannie Lee Smith, Greensboro; miscellaneous gifts of $1500; $100 from the Golden Anniversary class, $25 from the Silver Anniversary class; the creation of the Elizabeth J. Porter memorial fund; a donation from Mrs. J. R. Miller for giving a medal to the member of the graduating class distinguished by creative writing; funds for rebuilding plans in memory of Henry Grady McIntire; several sums in memory of the late Miss Elba Henninger; $1000 from the estate of J. B. Moffett, Lexington; and many local individual con-

tributions to rebuilding finances headed by Mr. Frank M. Devendorf of Pennsylvania.

After Dr. Gross' address Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the college department of religion, pronounced the benediction.

At 1 o'clock in the college dining room guests were entertained at luncheon. A meeting of the reunion class chairman at 2:30 was held in the East drawing room, where Mrs. Cabell Young, Charlotte, presided, while standing committee chairman of the General Alumnae Association, led by Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, held conference in the Lucy H. Robertson room at the same hour. Alumnae in charge of committee reports were Mrs. Kenneth Schuyler, Greensboro, nominations; Mrs. Richmond Smith, Rocky Mount, publicity; Mrs. Maude Bayner Foy, Kinston, memoir; Mrs. Wallace Taylor, Greensboro, membership; and Miss Juanita Maston, Winston-Salem, endowment and building. At 3:30 in the parlors of Main building the faculty and staff of the college entertained the guests at informal tea. A general tour of the campus later in the afternoon completed the day's activities.

GREAT TIMES ON WEST HALIFAX CHARGE

Well, we hardly know how to express our gratitude for the manifold blessings that have come to us since coming to the West Halifax charge. We were simply overwhelmed with joy and appreciation when on Monday evening, December 1, the good people of Bethesda church rushed in on us with an abundance of good things for the table. After the procession had marched through the parsonage and unloaded in the kitchen, one of the good sisters came up to the pastor and handed him a card with this inscription on it: "A turkey." She informed the pastor that he could get this fowl whenever he wanted it. With all these other good things we were very fortunate in having as our guests Rev. and Mrs. N. G. Bethea, a former pastor of this work. We enjoyed their fellowship immensely.

But this was not the end of these good things. On Wednesday evening, December 3, our good people from the Eden church came with the enquivalent of blessings, again loading our tables with the abundance of good things. But still this was not enough. Our wood pile was very scanty. We had made an effort to secure fuel but found it very difficult to get in this section, but we need not worry. These gracious people took care of that too. We also enjoyed the fellowship of the people from Eden church. Sister Parker, a good member of the Eden church, took the initiative on Wednesday in bringing to the group plenty of humor.

We are indeed grateful for such hours of fellwoship together with our people. We are indeed at home and feel and know that we are in the midst of friends. Such reception as we have received on this charge could not keep one from feeling at home. We are looking forward to a great year together. C. B. Peacock, Pastor.

PROGRESS REPORTED AT SYLVA

Sunday, December 7, we had a good day at the Sylva Methodist church. The pastor in charge, Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, preached at 11 o'clock on the theme, "Life's Overtones." Thirteen new members were received into the church. Following the service, a church conference was held with Mr. Dan K. Moore, charge lay leader, presiding. He asked Mrs. E. L. McKee to present plans for building an annex to our Sunday school building which will cost between $2500 and $3000. This annex will be built entirely free of debt, since over $2000 was raised last week. The conference voted unanimously to build it. Plans were made to start work immediately on the project.

The Sylva church enjoyed entertaining the missionary institute on Sunday, November 30. The night of the 30th a mass meeting for the young people of our zone was held at the Dillsboro church, at which time the church was packed to overflowing. Miss Lelia Judson Tuttle of Shanghai, China, spoke, using as her text, "Seekest thou great things for thyself: seek them not."

We are planning to have our young adult fellowship supper in the evening of December 17. Mary R. Cowan.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR IN WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

I suggested to the pastors of the Waynesville district that instead of reporting what had been done in the charge since conference they report worthy objectives for the coming year. Since the congregations remain for the business session of the quarterly conference this seemed wise. Many fine papers have been read, but the one enclosed embodies so much of wisdom and is so concise and to the point I am sending it to the Advocate with a request for its publication. The pastor who wrote the report and his congregation have begun to move along the lines herein suggested.—W. L. Hutchins, D. S.

Pastor's Report to the First Quarterly Conference

Your pastor does not consider himself to be sufficiently well acquainted with this church situation to make a dependable appraisal of the spiritual condition of the congregation. However, if I may judge from the cordial welcome extended me, the spirit of co-operation which seems to exist throughout the membership, and the enthusiasm with which the different organizations go about their tasks, I can only speak in the highest terms. That there is work to be done here is obvious, but it is also obvious that we have the consecrated spirit, the talent, and the financial means with which to carry out a splendid program during the year ahead.

As I plan the work before us I hold certain ambitions for this church which I should like to share with you as general goals or objectives to be realized. I should like for this church to have:

1. A program that will challenge the spiritual and financial support of every member of our congregation.
2. An organization that will utilize every available talent in the service of Christ and his church.
3. A church school which, in the personnel of its faculty and in the efficiency of its organization, will compare favorably with the day schools of this community.
4. A Christian youth program which is so extensive as to make this church known for its youth activities.
5. A church that provides well for its own household and takes pride in its own workmanship, but one that sees its responsibility as extending beyond the local situation into the community, the nation and the world to be expressed in terms of helpfulness and in the spirit of evangelistic and missionary zeal.

Looking to the realization of these goals the pastor and his advisory committee have been making detailed plans for the work ahead. The stewards have confidently undertaken to balance the church budget at least by the quarter if not by the month. The board of education is laying out plans for an attendance campaign in the church school that should substantially enlarge its enrollment. The membership committee and other officials have under advisement a personal evangelistic campaign for the pre-Easter season that offers great possibilities for the spiritual enrichment of our church as well as for the enlargement of our membership.

In the program of the year I solicit the prayers and cooperation of every member of this board, realizing that the succes or failure of our church will be determined largely by the attitude of the individuals who constitute its membership.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Walter Vassar, director of the Greensboro College glee club, has announced that the glee club will combine with the Meistersingers, a group of young business men from Greensboro, for their annual Christmas concert Wednesday night in Odell auditorium at 8:15 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to hear this group of 70 voices, accompanied at the piano by Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, and at the organ by Misses Albertine Lefler, Norwood, and Marguerite Thomason, Lexington. Mrs. Jesse Alderman, instructor in violin, will also appear with the group.

The program includes "When the Christ Child Came" (Clokey) with soloists, Miss Hilda Somers, Burlington, soprano; Margaret Foard, Lenoir, contralto; Sam Allred, tenor; and John Medearis, bass. Soloists in the "Seraphic Song" (Rubinstein-Gaines) are Miss Helen Ownbey, soprano, Greensboro, with Mrs. Alderman contributing the violin music.

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THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

No time can be spent more profitably than in looking toward heaven.—Grace Noll Crowell.

Pray for powers equal to your tasks. Every day you shall wonder at yourself and at the richness of life that has come to you.—Phillips Brooks.

Make the most of the best and the least of the worst.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne; no cross, no crown.—Penn.

MRS. B. T. MORRIS IN HOSPITAL

The many friends in the conference of Mrs. B. T. Morris will regret to learn that she is in the hospital in Gastonia suffering with a broken shoulder sustained in an accident when an automobile truck knocked her down as she was crossing the street near her home in Gastonia.

Mrs. Morris was for years one of the officers in the former Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. conference, having served as district secretary of the Shelby district (now Gastonia district) from 1915-1924, and superintendent of supplies from 1927-1930, and has many friends who will join us in wishing for her a speedy and complete recovery.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Our secretary of Organization and Promotion, Mrs. V. F. DeVinny of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, is having prepared annual report blanks for local societies. These blanks will be sent to the local societies in a letter, sent by our president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, in December, to the presidents of societies to be filled out by the local correponding secretaries and sent to their respective district corresponding secretaries at the close of the year. These blanks do not take the place of the fourth quarterly reports.

The efficiency aims for 1942 will be on an attractive poster which will be furnished each society by their district corresponding secretaries with the request that the poster be placed in their place of meeting as a constant reminder of the aims for the year.

Mrs. A. L. Thompson,
Cor. Secretary.

A PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace! Where there is hatred let me show love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console ;to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

DISTRICT BOARD MEETING IN WINSTON-SALEM

By Mrs. K. M. Yokeley

The district board of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Chruch, Winston-Salem district, met at the home of Mrs. T. L. Speas on Sunset Drive, during the past week. Mrs. C. C. Weaver conducted the devotionals, after which a round table discussion of all phases of the work was held. Mrs. Weaver stated that the board was "as a pioneer in the new field under the unification of Methodism." Duties of the district officers were outlined and the offices of secretary of spiritual life, status of women ,and students' work were announced by Mrs. Speas as being vacant through resignations. Information regarding reports, supply work, children's work, finances, and the Wesleyan Service Guild was given. Members were urged to attend the meeting in Thomasville December 2, when Dr. E. Stanley Jones would be the chief speaker. Mrs. Speas served a salad course at the close of the meeting and each guest was presented with a dainty corsage. Members attending were: Mrs. Arvil Masten, Mrs. C. C. Ausband, Mrs. B. J. Lindley, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. R. A. Hunter, Miss Milna Long, Mrs. A. C. Payne of Rural Hall, Mrs. L. V. Scott, Mrs. A. E. Hire, Mrs. J. L. Woltz of Mount Airy, Mrs. J. G. Sterling, Mrs. K. M. Yokeley, Mrs. John Hunter of Tobaccoville, and Mrs. Wilburn Shouse.

MEETING OF DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Approximately 150 representatives of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Asheville district met at Central church Tuesday, December 2, for a training day of officers, called by Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary. Mrs. C. S. Brown, district president, presided at the meeting, which was opened with a hymn, "Jesus, where'er thy people meet," with Mrs. George Schreyer at the piano. A most impressive worship service was led by Mrs. Mabel Baughman of Hendersonville, who used as her theme, "A Good Foundation," with 1 Timothy 6:18 as her scripture reference. She spoke especially of the spiritual foundation which should be well built and stressed the thought that "the present cannot hold us, we live for tomorrow." She defined eternal life as "a quality of living that carries on through the long tomorrow. We cannot hoard life, but we can build on values of today's experiences—for the future." She stressed the necessity for a foundation of faith which will stand firm in crises, and the need to work on a victory pattern—a pattern of triumphant living." Miss Hackney gave the record of the Asheville district for 1941, showing that on the pledge of $5250 assumed for the year about $5000 had been raised to date, and expressed hope for a "paid in full" record for the year. Group meetings of the several departments were held with district officers as leaders and for 45 minutes the various departmental work was discussed and explained. Reports from these meetings were brought before the entire body and laid open for discussion. The closing devotional was in charge of Mrs. F. A. Walton, district secretary of spiritual life, who spoke on "The Message of God," urging her hearers to go in the strength of the Lord to do his work. She asked each one present to read the 12th chapter of Romans and the 91st Psalm, and to go forward in our duty as Christian workers. She closed the meeting with prayer.

THE UPPER ROOM CIRCULATION INCREASING

The following is from the Southern Christian Advocate of Columbia, S. C.: "The 'Upper Room' is a devotional quarterly distributed by the Methodist Church not only among the churches of that denomination but of many others, and contains devotional material for the family or the individual. At a recent meeting of the committee on evangelism of the Methodist Church which gathered in Nashville, Tenn., it was reported that nearly 1,500,000 copies of The Upper Room were circulated last year. The book is printed not only in English, but also in Spanish, Portuguese, Hindustani and Braille for the blind. The commission resolved to send the value of $15,000 in copies of this booklet to soldiers and sailors. The Methodist Commission on Evangelism has decided to erect an office building in Nashville as permanent headquarters. Dr. Harry Denman is executive secretary of the commission."

100 PER CENT INCREASE IN CONGO METHODISTS

Bishop John M. Springer, in charge of Methodist Missions in the Belgian Congo, announced that the mission stations of that denomination last year almost reached its goal of a new believer for every present member. They were just a few short of the goal. It was also reported that the converts were showing substantial gains in tithes and offerings. One district showed an increase in a few years of over 10,000 members.—Charlotte Observer.

PRAYER—A PATH OF POWER

Prayer is not conquering God's reluctance, it is taking hold on God's willingness.—Phillips Brooks.

In all the world there is nothing that so rewards patient effort as the consciousness of God, and yet in all the world God is the only thing that we expect to get without any effort at all.—Winifred Kirkland.

I have so much to do that if I did not take two or three hours for prayer I could never accomplish it.—Martin Luther.

—From Week of Prayer Program, 1941.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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GRACE AND VIRTUE

Grace is unmerited favor from God. Grace is also a disposition created by the Holy Spirit (Schofield). Virtue is moral excellence. God has not called us to good enough but to excellence. He has called us to virtue (2 Peter 1:3b). To make this calling sure is our part (2 Peter 1:10a). God has called us to radiantly reveal him and to moral excellence in our inner life.—Miss Lucy Stelle, Bible Teacher, Peace College, Raleigh.

DAY OF PRAYER OBSERVED

A meeting of the highest type and one the effects of which will be far-reaching was held at Hay Street Methodist church on November 18, when approximately 50 women of the Fayetteville district gathered for the observance of a district spiritual life day of prayer. Many who would have been present were prevented because of military maneuvers in that area. Miss Elizabeth Lamb of Fayetteville, conference secretary spiritual life groups, led the three hour session. Mrs. B. Cole of Sanford, district spiritual life leader, Mrs. R. B. John, and Mrs. R. E. Brown of Fayetteville made contributions to the program. Following the morning session those present were guests of the Hay Street W. S. C. S. at a turkey dinner. Mrs. J. M. Lilley is president of the Hay Street society.

GOD WORKING IN CHINA

Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, is sharing with the readers of the N. C. conference woman's page a letter which she has recently received from Miss Alice Greene. Miss Greene is witnessing for Christ in a marvelous way in war torn China. Formerly of Jonesboro, N. C., Miss Greene is known and loved throughout the N .C. conference. She writes: "We have had no interference with our work thus far, but one can't say what tomorrow may bring forth. We try to be careful in all our movements. . . . I shall probably be in Sunggiang this fall, as that is near Shanghai and there will be at least one other American in the city. Our child welfare work at North Gate, Changchow is getting along beautifully. The young pastor and his wife have charge but there are other splendid helpers cooperating with them. There are now 65 children having their noon day meals at the church. When the children arrive each morning they are given a bowl of bean milk with the American whole wheat porridge. This keeps them from being too hungry at noon and is much better for their health. They have regular school work in the mornings. They have devotional services, singing and Bible classes. They sing well and have memorized a number of hymns. Several of these children have been baptized and have joined the church. In the afternoons they are taught to do things with their hands. One group is learning to make clothes, another makes shoes, some are knitting and some of the older ones do other work. They are now busy making Christmas cards. We are selling these cards two for five cents American money. We are working to help these children to be self-supporting. Some have already found positions and other needy children have taken their places in our school. The doors are wide open for the spreading of the Gospel, so far as the Chinese are concerned." Editor's note: Our hearts and prayers should be with Miss Greene as she goes about the Master's business in China. Truly she is following in the footsteps of one who said: "I must work the works of Him who sent me, while it is day."

MOTIVES FOR MISSIONS

In a recent sermon upon the subject "Motives for Missions," Dr. Forrest C. Feezor, pastor Tabernacle Baptist church, Raleigh, told his hearers that folk need to deepen their convictions upon the need of missions and that the offerings which are given for missions are given for the purpose of making Christ known around the world. Dr. Feezor pointed out that heathenism is brutish physically, economically, mentally, socially, and religiously. Said he: "Missionaries don't go to the mission fields to make money or for a life of ease, but because of the physical, economical and moral conditions if the people to whom they go—and more than anything else, because of their spiritual condition. Apart from Jesus there is no forgiveness for sin; apart from Jesus there is no remedy for sin. . . . Our religion is based on sharing. Our missionaries go as ambassadors of God to tell the people of Jesus —how he loves them, lifts them from sin and saves them. When we share our money for missions we are introducing Jesus through the missionaries."

CARTERET ZONE MEETS

Morehead and Franklin Memorial churches were hostesses to Carteret zone, New Bern district, on October 24. Mrs. Joel Davis, zone leader, presided. Three members of the young woman's circle for Beaufort W. S. C. S. led the opening devotional. Special music was rendered by Mrs. Will Webb of Morehead. Roll call revealed that 14 societies were represented. Camp Glenn, one of the newest societies, was awarded the trophy for having seven of its 15 members present. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, read a report and gave some helpful suggestions for work in the future. She suggested as a slogan for the coming year, "Pray together, work together, pay together." Mrs. Darden Eure, district secretary young women and girls' work, discussed the work of that department; Mrs. Leon Russell discussed student work and Mrs. W. F. Dowdy talked on children's work. Mrs. Jack Neil was elected zone leader and Mrs. Guy Daniels secretary. An inspirational address was given by Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president. Mrs. Chadwick pointed out that one should love his fellow Christians around the world as well as those in his own church.—Mrs. Guy Daniels.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTION

The gift of Chrstian literature is one which brings joy and spiritual growth to its recipient. What more appropriate gift then could Methodist folk make at this Christmas time, excepting the Bible, than subscriptions to World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. World Outlook is the missionary publication for the entire membership of the Methodist Church and should be in every Methodist home. The Methodist Woman is the missionary publication which every Methodist woman should read. Why not place one or both of these publications on your Christmas gift list this year. World Outlook $1.00 per year; The Methodist Woman 50 cents. When ordered together the bargain price $1.25 prevails. Give your subscriptions to the secretary of literature and publications in your local Woman's Society of Christian Service.

ORANGE ZONE MEETS

The fall zone meeting of Orange zone, Durham district, met at Hebron church on October 26. Mrs. J. A. Warren, zone leader, presided. Mrs. B. F. Wilson led the devotional. Mrs. J. S. Nelson extended words of welcome to which Mrs. Claud Murray of Efland responded. Effie Kay Nelson, daughter of Mrs. J. S. Nelson, was presented a life membership certificate. Miss Mary Hogan of Orange church, made a report. Presidents of the societies represented gave excellent reports which showed that all societies are engaged in co-operative work for the upbuilding of God's kingdom. Mrs. S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro, presented a poster on World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. A discussion on spiritual life groups was led by Mrs. Fussler of Chapel Hill. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, talked on the work of the district. Mrs. R. E. Warren discussed Christian social relations and local church activities. The various reports were interspersed with music given by Misses Josephine and Rose Ellen Nicholson. Mrs. E. E. Peacock of Chapel Hill presented the unified program of missionary education of children and young people. The meeting adjourned with prayer led by Miss Robertson.—Mary Hogan, Sec.

CONFERENCE MEMORIAL ROLL

The annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. will convene at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh during March, 1942. It is necessary that names of all members of the W. S. C. S. who have been deceased this year be sent to the respective district secretaries at a very early date, in order that they may be printed on the conference program.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

TIME FOR ACTION

The time for wishful thinking is over. A serious condition now faces us. The time for action is here. The welfare of our country is at stake. The American way of living must be guaranteed. Our institutions must be safeguarded. This is the time for everyone to come to the aid of his country.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S REACTION

Yesterday afternoon soon ofter the news came forth from our radios that serious and heavy attacks had been made upon the Hawaiian Islands and upon America's battleships in and about Pearl Harbor our family became seriously aware of the awful conditions now confronting us. Our little children inquired as to the meaning of it all. Those who hurriedly got into the bus to go on an evening singing trip engagement clustered around the chauffeur to know if they were safe, would any harm come to them? What would happen to the Children's Home and how would they get along? The chauffeur quieted their fears as best he could and assured them that by singing to the people they could allay their anxieties and encourage them to loving protectors. So the little children's anxiety was allayed. But down underneath there was the adult's anxiety as to what would come of it all.

SIX ON THE FIRING LINE

The Children's Home has six boys in and about the Hawaiian and Philippine Islands. James Walton and James Edwards are on battleships in the Philippine Island area and in the midst of daring. Gerald Armstrong, Lonnie Austin, Carlton Manley and Franklin Daniel are among Uncle Sam's stalwart soldiers on the Hawaiian Islands. While our boys are on the firing line in distant lands and waters our youngsters here at the Children's Home will be pulling for them in every possible way. The times demand it and the boys deserve it.

A LONG TIME FRIEND

The picture this week is that of George F. Ivey of Hickory, a charter member of the board of trustees of the Children's Home who has served throughout this time as secretary of the board. He and another member, whose picture will appear later, are the only charter members of our board, they having been among those who started the Children's Home over 32 years ago. Brother George has meant and does mean a great deal to the welfare of our family. Deeds rather than words commend him to all those who know him.

THE BELL RINGERS

The joy bell continues to ring. It gives us more than comfort. It gives us assurance of security. The following congregations and pastors are herewith listed with our grateful thanks for having forwarded their ten per cent apportionment in full during the past week:

Stony Knoll, East Bend, Rev. G. A. Hovis.

Bethpage, Kannapolis, Rev. R. W. McCulley.

First Church, Asheboro, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr.

Forest Hill, Concord, Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Bollinger's Chapel, Connelly Springs, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, Rev. E. H. Nease.



A friend of little children

Mitchell's Grove, Mitchell's-Vickery, Rev. W. H. Yokeley.

Hickory Grove and Fairfield, Guilford, Rev. H. C. Byrum.

Bethlehem and Prospect, Prospect, Rev. A. Mitchell Faulkner.

Smyre, Gastonia, Rev. J. N. Wise.

Gay's Chapel, Woodleaf, Rev. G. W. Williams.

First Church, Morganton, Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

Main Street, Reidsville, Rev. R. L. Ownbey.

Main Street, Thomasville, Rev. L. F. Tuttle.

First Church, Granite Falls, Rev. Reid Wall.

Hickory Grove, Winston, Rev. Joe T. Shackford.

Crews, Sedge Garden, Rev. W. B. Thompson.

SHACKFORD AND COMPANY

Our singing class visited with Rev. Joe T. Shackford and two of his congregations yesterday. We were at Mt. Pleasant in the morning and Hickory Ridge at night. We had a good time with him and his good people. Most of the apportionment was raised at Mt. Pleasant and all of it was raised at Hickory Ridge. Young Brother Shackford has three congregations, each one representing in a finely merged fashion the three former branches of our merged Methodism, Shiloh from the former Southern Methodist, Mt. Pleasant from the former Northern Methodist and Hickory Ridge from the former Methodist Protestant group. Brother Joe had five services yesterday, two at Shiloh, two at Mt. Pleasant and one at Hickory Ridge, a quarterly conference being included in the list.

THE SHARING SPIRIT

Choice covering continues to come to us. We are ever so glad to have the good, warm quilts made by the loving hands of warm-hearted women. In additions to these quilts some choice blankets are being received, the Adult Wesley Workers Class of Cold Springs having yesterday forwarded us five blankets, O. A. Swaringen, teacher of the class, bringing them over, accompanied by his good mother and three former members of our family, the Shelton youngsters. Two lovely blankets were also received from the Young Men's and Young Ladies' classes at Friendship on the Balls Creek charge.

WORDS ABOUT DEEDS

"I am sending check for $662.43, the Children's Home contribution from Main Street, Thomasville. This amount, including our fifth Sunday offerings and class specials, will more than make our 21 per cent."—Ed F. Pepper.

"The enclosed checks totaling $791.51 overpays the ten per cent apportionment for First church, Charlotte. We were afraid the November fifth Sunday, at which time our church school raised $279.03, coming so close to our Thanksgiving offering would reduce our giving. However, it had the opposite effect—seemed to get the folks sort of Children's Home minded."—Robin S. Kirby.

"You will find enclosed check for $110.63 covering ten per cent apportionment, Thanksgiving offering and fifth Sunday from Bethpage, Kannapolis. We had some joy bells ringing at our church yesterday when we raised our amount for the Children's Home."—J. C. Brown.

"I am happy to enclose check for $127.63 covering contribution from the Prospect circuit, Bethlehem and Prospect's total amount being included. Carmel, Midway and Trinity will soon have theirs in."—A. M. Faulkner. Brother Faulkner is the new pastor on the charge. In spite of his newness he is getting at the matter of leading his charge in a business like way.

"Muir's Chapel, Greensboro, is a station now and things are going to hum. The Children's Home has a great friend in Rev. Kenneth Goodson. When you add that to the many friends you have always had at Muir's Chapel don't be surprised if you get the 15 per cent you are asking from us. Am enclosing check for $79.70 as a starter."—B. I. Hoffner.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

GUESTS—A few weeks ago several guests were invited to the Orphanage to enjoy a chitterling supper. When our hogs are killed we often invite a number of good friends to enjoy such a rare treat. There are several professional men in Raleigh who render us much needed service. These friends thoroughly enjoyed the chitterling supper, and we were happy to have had them as our guests on such occasions.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "On November 30 the singing class made its first visit to Newland church, on the South Mills charge. Rev. W. N. Vaughan is pastor in charge. The class gave a short program in the church school, and at that time the entire Orphanage apportionment was raised without difficulty. We were in Spring Hope for the evening service. At both churches we had excellent congregations. This proved to be a most delightful day for the class."

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COVERING—The recent cold nights forcibly remind us that we need more covering for our children. Many of our friends through the years have been very generous in supplying us with needed quilts and blankets. I feel confident that our friends will continue to supply us with a sufficient number of quilts and blankets to keep our children warm. I am deeply grateful to all who have remembered us in the past, and I want to assure others that their gifts will be appreciated.

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HEALTH—Our health record is remarkably good. I am amazed over the fact that we have so few children who become seriously ill. I think wholesome food, good sanitary living conditions, work and play contribute to our fine health record. Of course there are some minor illnesses where there are three hundred children. Our registered nurse and competent staff of doctors devote much time to the prevention of sickness. We are very fortunate in having such expert service for the physical care of our children.

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CLOTHES—It is highly gratifying to know that most of our children have received their fall and winter outfits. It is both thoughtful and generous of the Societies of Christian Service to provide such beautiful, warm clothes for our youngsters. The boys and girls deeply appreciate their clothes, and the fine Christian spirit that prompts our friends to provide them. Christmas is almost here, and the weather is getting quite cold. It is the wish of the superintendent that the few remaining children be provided with clothes within the next week or two, if possible.

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PROGRAMS—I find that there is a growing demand for more information about the Methodist Orphanage. In order to supply such information I am seriously considering providing interesting programs for the use of our church schools on each fifth Sunday in the year, beginning with the first fifth Sunday, which is March 29, 1942. I am planning to send all church school superintendents several copies of the programs for use in their Sunday schools. These programs, which will result in increased interest in the Methodist Orphanage, will be brief but very interesting. The sole purpose of such programs would be to disseminate pertinent information about our church home and to inspire every Sunday school to become more Orphanage minded.

IT IS MORNING SOMEWHERE

It is always morning somewhere in the world. This is the word for us today. As we look at some sections of our world today, they are as unpromising as darkness and as ominous as the grave. Violenc eand tyranny seem to be invincible. Sin and moral chaos appear to rule with unrelenting fury. Just as surely, however, there are great sections of our world which are full of promise and radiant with hopeful outlook. These are the morning places, where the sun is shining and the denizens of darkness are driven to their lairs. Fear and terror are driven away by the coming of the morning. God is not dead, and rebellion against him must go down before his divine purpose and power. Every Babylon of iniquity will ultimately go down before him. It is always morning somewhere, and by and by it is going to be morning everywhere.—Dr. Truett, in The Baptist Courier.

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All demoninations are greatly indebted to Lee Tuttle and his fellow townsmen for bringing Dr. Stanley Jones into our midst even for a brief period. His messages were inspirational and practical. There are very few pepole who can come under the influence of Dr. Jones and go away without some change in outlook. We extend our hearty thanks to the ministerial association and to the laymen of Thomasville for this privilege.

Evangelism

In his message on Monday morning Dr. Jones clearly and forcefully presented the synthesis that is definitely emerging in the activities of Christian education and evangelism. "This synthesis (not a compromise) is one of the significant trends of our time," said Dr. Jones. The evangelistic message is and will continue to be so, but the technique and method must be changed and adapted so as to speak meaningfully to the age in which we live. In his closing remarks on this subject he quoted the well known statements that have come to us from China, "When education is evangelistic it is successful," and "When evangelism is educational it is permanent."

THE LAND OF THE SKY

It was a joy and privilege to spend a week in Asheville recently in the annual training school. The hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Lambeth and the people of Asheville was the best yet. A warm welcome and sustained interest throughout the week made this one of the best schools in Asheville for a number of years.

Brevard, Canton, and Sylva

During the week in Asheville it was the privilege of the faculty, consisting of Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, Wilson O. Weldon and the writer to attend meetings at Brevard College, Canton, and Sylva in behalf of the cause of Christian education. Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Dr. M. T. Smathers, Walter Kelly and Brother W. L. Hutchins gave us a hearty welcome at their meetings. The mountains are enticing in the summer, but are really beautiful in November.

MOUNT PLEASANT

The pastor and people are happy in their work at Mount Pleasant, Salisbury district. An evening spent with the church school workers there recently revealed a sincere, earnest group of workers striving to render efficient service for the cause of Christian education. The evening meal served by Mrs. Creech and the women of the community reminded us of a Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner and was deliciously appropriate for the occasion.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE, NASHVILLE, NOVEMBER 24-29

During recent years of transition as a result of Methodist union the annual meetings in Nashville have not been as helpful as they might be. The meeting this year, however, had a sense of direction and definiteness that gives confidence and perspective. It was the unanimous opinion of those persons in attendance that the meetings were practical and helpful. Our conference was represented by Mrs. O. D. Nelson, Greensboro; Sam Moss and Julian Lindsay, High Point; Gilreath G. Adams, Brevard; Robert H. Stamey, Belmont; and Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Earl D. C. Brewer and the writer from Salisbury. Both Miss Oliver and Mr. Brewer were elected to offices in their respective commissions.

The annual meeting in Nashville revealed the fact that the Western North Carolina conference led the connection with the largest number of vacation church schools, the largest returns in leadership education, and with one of the best approaches to the rural church. Significant progress has also been made with the Young Adult Fellowship and with the Methodist Youth Fellowship. With Kempton Jones as leader in the conference, in the jurisdiction, and nationally, our young people have made significant steps forward.

TRAINING SCHOOLS

Now is the time to plan for all training schools to be held between Christmas and Easter. Dates have been determined for schools in Charlotte, Gastonia, Concord, Salisbury, and Shelby. Dr. Elbert Russell, Dr. Albert Outler, Dr. Kenneth Clark, Dr. Ray Petry from Duke; Mrs. E. H. Ould, Roanoke; and Mrs. W. R. Reed, Appomattox; Dr. H. B. Trumble, Atlanta; and others from our conference have been secured. Schools will be scheduled wherever wanted and needed. There must, however, be considerable local interest to secure a school. Without local church or district-wide initiative and leadership these schools cannot make their best contributions and in some cases cannot be justified. Requests from pastors, district superintendents and laymen are gladly received and promptly acted upon.

BOWLES, BREWER AND MISS OLIVER TEACHING IN ALEXANDRIA, JACKSONVILLE, RICHMOND

During this week Charles P. Bowles is giving "Adult Work in the Church" in Alexandria, Va.; Mr. Brewer is giving "The Church Working with Young Adults" in Jacksonville, Fla.; and Miss Oliver is giving "Teaching Children" in Richmond. These invitations to serve reflect honor and credit on the training staff of our conference.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Since conference a number of delayed contributions to the Church School Rally Day offering have come in. Such contributions are always cheerfully received and carefully used. The Christmas season would be a good time for other churches to remit those delayed contributions. The following churches have reported since our last report on this page. Let others continue the good work!

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CARAVANS ARE COMING

The Youth Caravan movement has undoubtedly won a permanent place in our youth program. For the past two years a team has visited our conference. Requests are being received now for visits from the caravan next summer. All such requests should reach our office by January 1 if possible. To date inquiries have been received from the following: Asbury Memorial, Asheville; Muir's Chapel, Rutherford College, Glen Alpine, Kernersville, Lewisville, and Park Avenue, Salisbury.

Early in the new year we will know the needs and whether or not we can have one or more caravans. Requests will then be granted in the order in which they were received.

WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY, DEC. 28

There is always a slump in attendance and in the offering on the Sunday following Christmas. Why not plan ahead and see that this does not happen to World Service in our church schools on December 28. Our January World Service leter will be written by Bishop Clare Purcell. Watch for this new year message from Bishop Purcell.

NEED OF VISION

By Robert M. Hardee

Text: "Where there is no vision, the people perish."—Proverbs 29:18.

The great need in the world today is a vision of Christ and of God. Our world today is fast losing the feeling of dependence on God and is getting a vision of its own strength. We are beginning to see the soldiers move across the sections of our own nation and we cease to sing the prayer "God Bless America" and are putting our faith and trust in battleships, in guns, in tanks, and in the force of our human strength. We forget that Jesus said to Peter, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword." We are being swept with a wave of nationalism that is fast becoming our religion. It is so easy to feel that patriotism and nationalism can save us and be swept by its strong undercurrent into a feeling of dependence upon this type of substituted religion. That is what is happening, for we are opening the theaters on the Sabbath Day, we are saying in so many actions that we are becoming strong in physical defence and this is what will save us. We are losing the vision of God and will soon find ourselves down on the level of hate, reprisals, revenge, retaliation with the sense of brotherhood and love gone, with the Fatherhood of God forgotten and the kingdom of Christ only an idle dream of a fanciful person. The Roman Empire lost its vision of the spiritual, it crumbled from within. We are living in an age when we are giving amusement and pleasure the great right of way. We rush from one stadium to another to be amused; we rush to the fair ground to spend our hard earned money on gambling devices that should be outlawed. The public schools turn out for these old county fairs but have no time to teach a cause in Christian education. The divorce courts are crowded at every session and homes are crumbling. Why? have lost the vision of God. No time in the house of prayer, no time for Bible reading and even grace at the table, Christ crowded out of our homes. Our church conferences have come to be assemblies only for financial reports, inspiration is no longer the great theme but reports and finances. We need a spiritual vision in our church.

No time for revivals in the large churches, closing down on Sunday nights and blackout on prayer meeting nights, we are losing the vision of God. We will perish as a nation, as a church and a race of people unless we gain the vision of God, like the Prodigal Son who became tired of his waywardness and turned in the other direction..

There is but one way for an individual, for a family, for a church, for an institution, for a state, for a nation and for a world, and that way is Jesus Christ. If we follow him we will find inward peace, we will establish international justice, we will help bring a spirit of brotherhood and love and the Methodists of one nation will not be killing the Methodists of other nations, the Catholics of one nation will not be killing the Catholics of other nations. We will be more anxious to help bring better understanding between capital and labor, we will build our homes and schools and educational system upon his teaching, and we will build a spiritual defense which says love our enemies, pray for them, treat them justly, and they will have no cause to harm us.

The vision of God we so greatly need must come through the individual; he needs to be taught and he needs to be converted; he needs a changed heart. This the method of Jesus for his life was spent in teaching, preaching, and healing. The world is fast becoming weary of wars and strife and the burdens that wars leave upon the citizenship of every nation. The world will not forever be satisfied to go blindly on without seeking to go to the bottom of all of the trouble, and we become so weary and tired and seek to find a better way we will find it in the only Saviour that God ever sent to the world. Christ Jesus is the Saviour of all men, of all nations, of all races, of all creeds, colors and kinds. Jesus came with a vision of God as the Father of all mankind and he came to establish a kingdom on earth as it is in heaven, a kingdom in the hearts of men written with his own life and his own experiences, with his own blood. The great vision the world needs today is to see God and know him through his own Son and Saviour Jesus Christ. The day will come when all men will forget their denominations, their own little plans of saving the world, and start joining hands with each other in a united effort to put the vision of Christ and his kingdom above our own ways that are causing us at the present time to move rapidly in the direction of the big broad road that leads to hell and to self-destruction.

"THE DESPISERY"

A friendly old Negro is quoted as saying: "I never puts anybody in my despisery." What a grand disposition to cultivate in this era of hatred, greed and blooshed! We know some church members who have a good sized "despisery" and are daily increasing the number of victims deposited in it. The late Will Rogers said he never really met a man whom he did not like. It is much better to think too well of men than to think ill of them. If there is anyone against whom you feel a natural antipathy, you'd better start praying about it and for him. It is a dangerous thing to have a big "despisery." Ask God to help you get rid of it.

PEGGING AWAY

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Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 14

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christian Stewardship

The great Teacher, knowing that he must put his gospel into forms that would interest all men of all ages, gave his lessons on stewardship in the form of stories.

A man going into a far country called his servants together and gave to one five talents, to another two, and to another one. A talent is a large sum of money; hence even the one talent man was richly endowed—which, by the way, is true of the man whose ability and opportunity are comparatively limited. The talents here are not primarily money, although that is included. They are ability and opportunity of all kinds. They are the chance which a man has to do and to be. The man who had received the five talents and the one who had received the two made the most of their opportunities, and greatly increased them. So they were bidden to enter into the joy of their Lord. But the man who had received the one talent did not use it. He was like the modern church member who is not gifted with the ability to teach a Bible class, and hence not even study the lesson or help by his questions to make the class interesting; or like the other man who cannot give much, hence he gives little or nothing. Such men are doomed by the Master to darkness and remorse.

The next story in our lesson is that of the unjust steward who was about to lose his job, and so the rascal called together the men who owed his employer and drastically reduced their bills so that when he was discharged they would board him awhile. The point of this parable is that none of us will have our money more than a day, and we had better invest it quickly in heavenly securities that will pay lasting dividends.

And then we are referred to the story of the rich young ruler who was offered the supreme opportunity of joining the apostolic band, and as his new and high dignities would leave him no time to look after his estate he was told that he had better give it to the poor. And as he turned away sadly he illustrated the fact that a man who holds his riches as his source of security and happiness cannot enter the kingdom of heaven, any more than a camel can get through a needle's eye.

The portion of our lesson printed in the quarterlies refers to Paul's collection for the suffering Christians at Jerusalem. The church at Jerusalem had been so severely persecuted and boycotted that they were reduced to extreme poverty. The chief business in Jerusalem was the conducting of lodging houses and lunch stands for the multitude of pilgrims, and of course every one would warn the pilgrims against patronizing those miserable heretics who followed the Nazarene.

Paul felt that the Gentile churches that had received the gospel from the church at Jerusalem should, in common justice, do something to relieve their sufferings. So he promoted a collection for them. The movement was something new in the world. Distant Gentile churches were to raise money for another race, and that race doubly unpopular (Acts 18:2). Paul, although shrewdly appealing to every illegitimate motive, is very careful to avoid the appearance of compulsion or any high pressure money-raising methods. He instances the joyful generosity of the Macedonian churches, themselves very poor, and points them to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who, though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor that we through his poverty might be made rich. And he reminds them that he that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly.

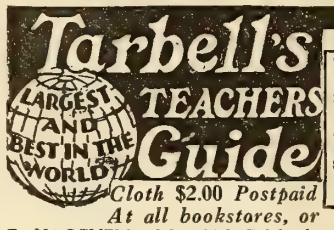
He was doubly careful to avoid any possible occasion for suspicion that he was raising the money for himself, for he had arranged that the churches should elect men to go with him up to Jerusalem and carry their own offerings.

Tithing is an excellent custom that brings wonderful blessings to the giver and the church. But it is noticeable that in all these passages from the New Testament there is no iron clad specification of a tenth. On the first day of the week, says Paul, let every one of you lay by him in store as God may prosper. Giving was not to be a matter of spasms, but of system. And the proportion of their income which they were to give was to be settled by each one in the presence of the cross of Christ.

A LOYAL SON OF CAROLINA

The Rev. W. A. Betts, Ph.B. of '80, now in his 85th year, is among the oldest living alumni. He, perhaps, more than any other alumnus not living in Chapel Hill itself, visits the campus most regularly. His birthday was September 22, 1857. Son of Rev. Dr. A. D. Betts (A.B. 1855, D.D. 1895), an eminent Methodist divine and loyal University alumnus, Rev. Dr. Betts now enjoys the distinction of being the oldest clerical member of the South Carolina Methodist conference. He is retired now, but continues in active correspondence with numerous denominational and secular newspapers. He also has written many evangelistic leaflets which he distributes to friends. The University is particularly close to Dr. Betts' heart. Each commencement finds him in Chapel Hill foregathering with the old grads. He is song leader of the Old Students' Club, the organization of alumni in classes graduated 50 years or more, and he takes the responsibililty of that role seriously. Sentiment and memories of the old days on the campus are constantly in his mind, and each June upon his arrival in Chapel Hill he goes to the large maple tree near the old college well and gets a leaf which he pins upon his lapel. His class of 1880 planted the tree at its class day exercises sixty-one years ago.—Alumni Review, December, 1941.

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LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP

"Aha, little brother! Look before you leap," taunted Phoebe, as Dick slid down the banister, turning a handspring over the newel post, saw the cat just too late to avoid tramping on her tail, and, startled, fell and bumped his head against the lowest step.

Dick was an inveterate tease, so as soon as Phoebe saw that he was not seriously injured, she saw her chance to turn the tables. Dick was a year younger than Phoebe and half a year taller. He objected to having his youth flaunted in his face. He made a dash to pull Phoebe's hair, but she was too quick for him. Springing into the sun parlor, she turned the key, tapped on the glass and called, "Look before you leap, little brother, little brother!"

"What are you two children up to now?" asked Mrs. Wayland, looking up from her sewing.

"Oh, just Dick," said Phoebe, giggling. "He stepped on the cat and fell down and bumped his head. Served him right. But, mother, just look here." She held out a pretty handkerchief with a rather unusual border.

"Well?" asked Mrs. Wayland.

"My handkerchief that Sue gave me Christmas."

"Oh," said Mrs. Wayland," I thought you'd lost it. Where was it?"

"Where do you think?" asked Phoebe, severely. "Right in our laundry basket sticking out of Maggie's bundle."

"And you took it out without speaking to Maggie?"

"I should say I did. And, mother, I think it's time to get a new maid. I've lost 18 handkerchiefs since Christmas. I had a whole dozen fancy ones. I counted them today, and all I could find were three of each. Eighteen handkerchiefs stolen! And here's one, so we know where they went."

"Go and put that handkerchief back in Maggie's bundle," said Mrs. Wayland, quietly.

"Mother!" exclaimed Phoebe.

"At once, dear. If Maggie misses it, she might suspect one of us of having stolen it." Mrs. Wayland dropped her eyes to conceal the twinkle. "You know, my dear, that if Maggie had taken that handkerchief, she would have hardly put it where it could have been seen. And it could easily happen that you and she might have handkerchiefs alike."

"Maggie!" sniffed Phoebe. "And do you mean you're not going to speak to her about all my handkerchiefs? Eighteen gone since Christmas!"

"Not at present," answered Mrs. Wayland, quietly.

"Maggie's a hateful thing," said Phoebe, beginning to cry.

"I know she's not pleasant, but that doesn't mean that she's dishonest. Never accuse anybody of dishonesty without proof. It is too serious."

"Isn't this proof?" sobbed Phoebe, holding out her handkerchief.

"Put it in the basket, Phoebe," said Mrs. Wayland, gently, "and then bring me your pink dress. I want to mend it."

Phoebe obeyed. She was still tearful when she came back with the dress

"Right there in the neck. I don't see how I did it," said she pointing out a small rent.

"What's this?" asked Mrs. Wayland, turning the top of the dress wrong side out.

"Oh!" cried Phoebe, forgetting her woes, "my pink handkerchief that Alice gave me. Goody! I remember now. I hadnt' any place to put it at the party, so I stuck it in my neck and fastened it with a pin. It must have been the pin that tore the dress."

"Only 17 lost, then," said Mrs. Wayland cheerfully.

The small rent was soon mended. "Now, while I'm in the mending business," said mother, "I might as well look through the rest of your clothes and see if anything else needs to be repaired."

They went together to Phoebe's pretty room.

"My fur coat hasn't done me much good this winter, has it?" said Phoebe. "I've only had it on three times, it's been so warm." She took it off the hanger and patted it lovingly. It was a beautiful coat.

"What have you in the pocket?" asked mother, looking at a corner of something sticking out.

"Oh," said Phoebe, blankly, "here's the embroidered hanky that Aunt Mary gave me. And here," thrusting her hand into the pocket again, "is one of my plain ones. A 'show-er' and a 'blow-er,' " she laughed.

"Only 15 stolen," murmured mother.

"What's up?" asked Dick, sticking his head in the door.

"Get out!" called Phoebe. "Look before you leap," she jibed. Dick came in.

"We might as well go through the rest of your pockets," suggested mother.

Reluctantly Phoebe began to empty the closet. In the depths of the pockets of her school coat four more handkerchiefs came to light, all plain. Dick, smelling a rat, was wide-eyed with curiosity. A dainty one peeped from the pocket of a suit. In the sleeves of two afternoon dresses were tucked three tiny ones. The school bag hanging on the back of a chair yielded two more, and a folded one had been used to mark a book.

"Here's one in the pigeonhole of your desk," shouted Dick, catching on and holding out a lace-trimmed one.

"That leaves only three that are missing," said mother.

"Two," said Phoebe, shame-facedly, but not losing sight of her grievance. "There's the one that Maggie has."

"Phoebe, I'm ashamed of you," said Mrs. Wayland. "Don't let me hear you accuse Maggie again."

Dick opened his eyes. He sensed now what it was about.

Next afternoon Phoebe came home from school embarrassed, but too honest not to confess.

"Mother," said she, "we all cleaned our desks this afternoon and I found my three handkerchiefs."

"Three?" asked mother.

"Yes," said Phoebe, frankly. "Two of my school ones and—this," holding up the duplicate of the handkerchief in Maggie's bundle. So Maggie had not had one after all.—Selected.

THE APPROACH OF CHRISTMAS

By Edgar A. Guest

There's a little chap at our house that
is being mighty good—
Keeps the front lawn looking tidy in
the way we've said he should;
Doesn't leave his little wagon, when
he's finishing with his play,
On the sidewalk, as he used to; now he
puts it right away.
When we call him in to supper, we
don't have to stand and shout;
It is getting close to Christmas, and
it's plain he's found it out.

He eats the food we give him, without
murmur or complaint;
He sits up at the table like a cherub or
a saint;
He doesn't pinch his sister, just to hear
how loud she'll squeal;
Doesn't ask us to excuse him in the
middle of the meal;
And at eight o'clock he's willing to be
tucked away in bed.
It is getting close to Christmas; nothing further need be said.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Teacher: "Now, Tommy, suppose you had two apples and you gave another boy his choice of them. You would tell him to take the bigger one, wouldn't you?"

Tommy: "No, mum."

Teacher: "Why?"

Tommy: "'Cause 'twouldn't be necessary."—Ex.

* * *

At the orchestral concert.

Mother (to small daughter who is tying a knot in the corner of her tiny handkerchief): "What are you doing that for, darling?"

Daughter: "Oh, mother, I do want to remember that pretty tune."—Ex.

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DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Pittsboro, Chatham, 10:30 11
Cahepl Hill, 7:30 11
Carrboro, Massey's, 10:20 12
Mebane, First Church, 11 14
Orange, Hebron, 3 14
Mebane, Central, 7:30 14
Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 10:30 16
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 7:30 16
Bynum, Bynum, 10:30 17
Calvary, 7:30 17
Davis Street, 11 21
Graham, 7:30 21
Mount Tirzah, Mount Tirzah, 11 28
Bahama, Mount Sylvan, 7:30 28

January

Branson, 11 4
Lakewood, 7:30 4
Trinity, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 11 11
Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
District Missionary Institute at Trinity Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 19
Long Memorial, 11 25

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 14
Hatteras, Buxton, night 14
Murfreesboro, 11 21
North Gates, Parkers, 3 21
Hertford, night 21
Williamston, 11 28
Windsor, night 28

January

Currituck, Mt. Zion, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 3
Manteo, 11 4
Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 2:30 4
Wanchese, night 4
Chowan, Anderson's, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 7
Columbia, Wesley Memorial, 11 11
Creswell, 3 11
Plymouth, night 11
City Road, night 14
South Mills, Newland, 2 16
Bath, 11 18
Washington, night 18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 21
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25

February

Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Rowland, Centenary, 11 14
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3 14
Pinebluff, 7:30 14
Aberdeen, 7:30 15
Raeford, 7:30 16
Stedman, 11 21
Downing Street, 3 21
Person Street-Gardner's, 7:30 21

January

Glendon, High Falls, 11 4
Troy Circuit, 3 4
Biscoe, Star, 7:30 4
Troy, 1:30 5
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 5
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11 11
Mt. Gilead Ct., Parsonage, 3 11
Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 7:30 11
Erwin, Erwin, 11 14
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 14
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 17
Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 19
Oxford Ct., 11 20
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 21
Cary, 7:30 21
Millbrook, Youngsville, 11 28

January

Granville, Union Chapel, 11 4
Louisburg, 7:30 4
Oxford, 7:30 7
Fuquay, Fuquay, 11 11
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25

February

Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30 .. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Aurora, 11 11
Snow Hill, 11 14
Fremont, Eureka, 3 14
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 7:30 14
Ayden, 7:30 16
Kinston, 7:30 17
Grifton, 7:30 18
Newport, 7:30 19
Oriental, 11 21
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3 21
Vanceboro, 7:30 21
Jones-Trenton, 11 28
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 28
Pink Hill, 7:30 28

January

Mt. Olive-Calyso, Calypso 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Walstonburg, 11 4
Grimesland, 3 4
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 6
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 7
Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Elm City, 7:30 11
Roanoke Rapids, 11 14
Rosemary, 3 14
Halifax, 7:30 14
Stantonsburg, 7:30 15
Tarboro, 7:30 16
Robersonville, 7:30 17
Marvin-St. Paul, 7:30 18
Clark Street, 7:30 19
Garysburg, 11 21
West Halifax, Eden, 3 21
Enfield, 7:30 21

January

Nashville, 11 4
Sandy Valley-Gold Valley, 3 4
Spring Hope, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25

February

Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 7:30 11
Town Cree, Bolivia, 7:30 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 14
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 7:30 14
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 15
Elizabeth, Trinity, 7:30 16
Bladen, Deem's Chapel, 7:30 17
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 18
Southport, 7:30 19
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 11 21
Faison-Kenansville, King's, 7:30 21

January

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 4
Wilmington, Methodist City Society, 8 4
Clinton, ... 11
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville

FIRST ROUND

December

Tryon, 11 14
Saluda, 3 14
Hendersonville, night 14
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Prospect, Carmel, 11 14
Unionville, Zion, 3 14
Peachland, Peachland, 7 14
Belmont Park, 7:30 15
Brevard Street, 7:30 17
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Ararat, Hunters, 11 14
Bryant Memorial, 3 14
East Bend, night 14
Farmington, night 17
Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Cooleemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Rock Springs, 11 14
Maylo-Smyre, night 14
East End, night 17
South Fork, 11 21
Lincoln Ct., 3:30 21
Cherryville Ct., night 21
Bradley Memorial, 11 28
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 28
Kings Mountain, Central, night 31

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Midway-Burnetts, 7:30 13
Carraway Memorial, 11 14
Summerfield, 3 14
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 14
College Place, 7:30 15

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point

FIRST ROUND

December

Why Not, N. H., 7 11
Linwood, 7 12
Denton First, D., 11 14

Liberty Ct., R., 2 14
Archdale, 7 14
Asheboro First, 7 17
Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Morganton, First, 11 14
Drexel Ct., Salem, 3 14
Morganton Ct., Salem, 3 14
Glen Alpine, 7:30 14
Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

FIRST ROUND—IN PART

December

Harmony, 7 11
Jackson Park, 7 12
Roberta, 11 14
Bethpage at Shiloh, 3 14
Badin-New London, 7 16
Midway, 7 17
Friendship, 7 18
Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Mt. Mitchell, 3 21
Trinity, 11 28
Park Avenue, 7 28

January

Westford, 11 4
Rocky Ridge, 3 4
Central, Spencer, 7 7
Forest Hill, 11 11
China Grove, 7 11

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 11 7
Olin Ct., Olin, 2:30 7
Statesville Ct., Midway, night 7
Hickory, First, 11 14
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 14
Hickory, Bethel, night 14
Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Crabtree, Mt. Zion, 11 7
Waynesville, 7:30 7
Bryson City, 7:30 10
Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 14
Delwood, Delwood, 7:30 14
Highlands, Highlands, 11 21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30 21
Franklin Ct., 11 28
Macon Ct., 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

December

Kernersville, Main Street, 11 14
Concord, Sharon, 3 14
Maple Springs, 7:30 14
Lewisville, 11 21
Welcome, Center, 3 21
Kernesville Ct., 7:30 21
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11 28
Davidson Ct., Centenary, 3 28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 28

January

Green Street, 11 4
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 4
Morris Chapel, 7:30 4
Thomasville First, West End, 11 11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3 11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1

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Now all these things are retailed unto you that I may show unto you "a nigger in the woodpile." For while all this transpireth behold a great host of brewerymen and distillers are taking great "gobs" of grain and rye, that the poor world needeth for food and making it into liquor poison, that men may drink themselvse drunk in the gutter thereof and wreck the gas buggy that remaineth and the destroying manpower by the ten thousands. Why, I pray thee, should not they curtail a few per cent also? Behold this is a great discrepency.

Yea verily: Words fail me, for I nearly make myself mad with the thinking thereon. "Oh consistency thou art a Topez." Ain't it so?—Paul W. Cox, in Religious Telescope.

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HAWKINS—Raeford Beaman Hawkins was born October 22, 1919, making his stay on earth just 22 years and 28 days. At the age of 14 he joined Asbury church, Bath circuit, and during those years he was faithful in attendance and contributed of his means to its support. Although frail in body he had a big heart; always kind and patient during his years of declining health. His life has been a blessing to those who administered to him during his sickness.

A jewel on earth transported to heaven
On angles' bright wings to a home that is given
To the servants of God who the straight road hath trod.

His devoted mother,
Mrs. H. T. Hawkins.

MARTIN — Brother E. A. Martin died at his home in Raleigh on November 26, 1941, at the age of 85. Funeral services were conducted by Dr. John C. Glenn and Rev. Howard M. McLamb. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Theresa Hinton Martin; four sons, Rev. W. C. Martin, Roxboro, R. H. Martin, Providence R. I., R. A. Martin and J. B. Martin, Raleigh; two daughters, Mrs. J. C. Lyndon and Mrs. W. S. Sudderth, Raleigh.

Brother Martin was a charter member and the oldest member of Fairmont Methodist church and a member of the board of trustees. He was a churchman—interested. loyal, devoted, and generous. His faith in God was unquestioned. Realizing that physical recovery was impossible, he wanted to go on and be with the Lord. A noble Christian has gone from us.

Howard M. McLamb, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the board of stewards of Mount Olivet Methodist church of Manteo wish to express our realization of the loss of our beloved brother, Ebenezer Midgette, October 14, 1941. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we have lost a diligent and faithful leader, and our church has lost a consecrated leader and Christian worker.

Second, That while we extend to the family our sincere sympathy, we rejoice with them that he has finished his work in faith and that his spirit has returned to God who gave it.

Third, We shall cherish his memory as a man of capable and devoted leadership, one who will be greatly missed in our consulations regarding material and spiritual welfare of our church.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to be recorded in our church minutes, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Board of Stewards.

M. W. Maness, Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

Miss Maggie Doughty passed from earth on the night of July 10, 1941; age 72.

Her virtuous life and beautiful character was one of the purest and sweetest among women. Her parents died when she was quite young. She lived in the home of her brother, where 13 children were reared. She was lovingly called "Auntie" by them and nearly all others in the neighborhood. She did all that loving hands and heart could do for all of them. When sickness or death entered the homes of the community she was first to be called on for her assistance. She did all she could. She comforted them with prayers and sympathy.

She lived in sight of Harrell's Methodist church, which she joined when a small child. She always took part in every phase of work. This writer can remember her pretty face and modesty in her girlhood days when she was taking part in children's programs. She was the first organist. She taught Sunday school classes; she always prepared the sacrament for the Lord's Supper with such a sacred touch one would feel they were in a holy place.

She was church and Sunday school treasurer; said she had made the church her Sabbath home. She saw God in everything; loved nature and flowers and saw beauty in every leaf and twig. She really walked and talked with her Lord to the end of her days.

She was feeble for several months, but she went to church the last Sunday that she lived. She went about her usual duties each day. On Thursday night she retired and suffered a heart attack. Before the midnight hour she was the welcome guest of Christ, her Saviour. The following Saturday her body was laid to rest in the church cemetery under a profusion of lovely flowers.

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Christmas Carols

CALL TO METHODIST YOUTH FROM COUNCIL OF BISHOPS: "ONE IS YOUR LEADER"

The Council of Bishops rejoices in the organization of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and heartily commends the world-wide Watch-Night Service of Dedication wherein the two million youth of Methodism proposes to consecrate themselves anew to Christ and his church.

We repeat the Scripture, "One is your leader, even the Christ," and call upon our youth to answer as did the crusaders of yesterday, "Crosses, give us crosses."

It is in the spirit revealed by the Leader who died upon a cross that we must march forward to that glad day when law and order shall have replaced war and internatinal anarchy, and justice shall rule in the work-life of man; when the major objective of social endeavor shall be the enrichment of personality, and all men shall realize self in the complete gift of self to others.

"Follow me" is the command of self-appointed leaders in many lands. Centuries age a God-appointed leader who is destined to become the "Ruler of the kings of earth" uttered the same command. When he said "Follow me" he called for absolute obedience, utter loyalty, complete surrender. He promised nothing but blood and sweat, toil and tears. He knew that his followers would be persecuted for righteousness sake. He promised a cross. He himself bore one.

But unlike contemporary leaders he coerced no man's will. He forced no man's allegiance. He based his right to command, not upon physical power to coerce, but upon the idenity of his command and his Father's will. His command and the moral law are one. He is the ideal incarnate, and in him the impersonal objective becomes personalized. Thus, in complete surrender to him, youth identifies itself with his cause. In such surrender we do not kneel before insolent might. We stand in the presence of Almighty God.

"One is our leader." Through him we agree on objectives. From him we receive power. With him we become fellow-workers with God. By him we conquer.

THE INNER MEANING OF JAPANESE TREACHERY

We are at war. In the midst of peaceful negotiations, the Japanese, without a declaration of war, suddenly on Sunday attacked our naval bases at Honolulu and other points in the Pacific. Under the stress of superheated emotions, Americans will now be thinking mainly of the physical conflict which is to ensue, and of the hoped-for victory of our forces. But there is an inner meaning to the incidents of Sunday which we should not miss. It takes us into the deeper ranges of theology, religion, and ethics. We face the might of a violent paganism which would reduce to a dead materialism all that we have been taught to regard as "sweetness and light." We are dealing, moreover, with leaders in Japan, Germany, and Italy who are without honor, who pursue the policy that the end justifies the means. They have sold their souls to the devil of power politics. The fact which this paper has repeatedy emphasized for the last two or three years has now been clearly brought into the light—there is no trusting the totalitarians. Their middle name is treachery. They are committed not only to force and more force, to unspeakable persecution and brutalities, but also to the lie as the instrument for successful negotiation. It is sad indeed to have to say it, but we are now fighting for our lives, yes, for the very existence of the fruits of civilization and for those ethical imperatives without which civilization is impossible. There is no other way. We are prevented from all negotiation. The Nazis, the Fascists, and the Japanese must not be allowed to enslave the human race.—Zions Herald.

WHO SAID THIS?

Not a clergyman. Nobody with a name high in the ecclesiastical world, but a scientist—one of the most distinguished in the surgical and medical world in this or other lands today—Dr. Alexis Carrel. This what he said:

"Today, as never before, prayer is a binding necessity in the lives of men and nations. The lack of emphasis on the religious sense has brought the world to the edge of destruction. If the power of prayer is again released and used in the lives of common men and women; if the spirit declares its aims clearly and boldly, there is yet hope that our prayers for a better world will be answered."

Can anything be truer than that "the lack of emphasis on the religious sense has brought the world to the edge of destruction?"—The Churchman.

THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN TO FEATURE JANUARY

To get the finest results for the church paper in January careful preparation must be made. The next issue of the N. C. Christian Advocate will appear January 1. We hope to have some carefully worked out plans for the Advocate campaign by that time. Let this office know of your plans in the districts and also in the charges so that we can aid in these. Especially would we like to know the leaders in each district. Of course it all gets back to and heads up in the pastor—he is the preacher in charge of every movement in his field.

GET YOUR LIST OF ADVOCATE SUBSCRIBERS

Many alert pastors will want to make preparation for the Advocate campaign in January. Some have already done so. Why not write the Advocate office at once for your list of subscribers so that you may know your present subscribers? Then you can make a prospective list.

Men on circuits will please give the postoffices at which their people get mail. Send us a postal card with this information and we will do the rest.

ADVOCATE FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Have you failed to get that Christmas present for a friend? If so, why not join those who have been sending the Advocate? It will be a Christmas reminder that will last all the year. Send us $2.00 before January 1 and we will send a card announcing the gift and from whom.

Try the enjoyment of a gift that lasts all the year.

NO ADVOCATE CHRISTMAS WEEK

Following the custom of years no paper will appear Christmas week. The next issue will be on January 1, 1942. We are wishing our thousands of readers the finest aspirations of the Christmas season.

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This week we come to the end of another volume of this Advocate. The Civil War, the Spanish-American War, the first World War; and now the second World War has broken upon us. All these have put our people to the test, but this paper continues on.

Christmas wisely spent contributes to the happy new year which fills the greetings of friends. Fresh courage and finer consecration in all our church people will do much to make secure the national defense of which we have heard so much. For at the heart of it all is the strength that the church supplies. Godliness, righteousness and spiritual sincerity are the stability of these times.

The good cheer about the hearthstone in intimate fellowship with the children, the inspiration in the churches and the special services of the Christmas time, the quiet hours apart from the turbulent multitude unite in recreation of soul and renewal of body for the months already so fraught with labor, anxiety and sorrow incident to a world at war. These blessings are set over against the present strife on sea and land. But our surest comfort and best consolation come from above.

When Jesus came there was a song in the sky. It was a song of peace and good will and of glory to God in the highest. It was a far off dream in that world ruled by force. It at times still appears to be a far off dream. But dream on, because it is a dream that must eventually come true. Christmas then and Christmas now is dreaming of what is to be. Very properly so. For the Christian religion cannot reason its way to victory. It must dream and sing, and pray in its march to conquests. Songs outlive sermons, and dreams outlive empires "Dream on, sweet child! Leave not your world of dreams! Cling to your fairies. Hold your angel's hand."

Time is the test. The worth of things and the full significance of events are not to be judged by the present, but by their ability to march in triumph through the judgment hall of history. The Ceasars and their gilded thrones have long since turned to dust. But through the passing millenniums the multitudes have brought gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the cradle of the Christ child.

Christmas is one time of the year when men should forget their cares and make a brave attempt to turn back at least in recollection to the days of early life when they were able to dream of the fine and beautiful things that the future held in store. Even a Scrooge should not be a skinflint and continue his snarling through the Christmas holidays. If you would keep young enter into the joys of little children and learn to appreciate the splendid characteristics of little children. If a man cannot enter into the Christmas joys of little children, good were it for that man if he had never been born.

"Even unto Bethlehem." What a record has this unsightly town near Jerusalem. It was here that Jacob lost Rachel when Benjamin was born—a deathless sorrow was that. Long afterward as Jacob lay dying and Rachel's other child, Joseph, stood by to receive a last benediction, Jacob lived over again those frightful hours near Bethlehem where Rachel died, carrying that unspeakable sorrow to his grave. All the world loves a lover like that. But about Bethlehem cluster other stories. This grave place of Rachel was the marriage place of Ruth, the birthplace of David and now at the first Christmas the cradle of the world's supreme hope.

"O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Yet in the dark streets shineth
The everlasting light."

Christmas Is Everywhere

LONG ago, on the Judean plains, there were shepherds talking together and watching their sheep by the light of the stars. The word of God was hidden in their hearts, yet one of the older shepherds carried a scroll wrapped in the inner folds of his coarse garment from which he often read to the friendly group who searched together for the green pastures to feed their sheep. Night after night the heavens disclosed the handiwork of God and the wonders of his creation.

In the stillness of the night their hearts yearned for the fulfillment of the promised Messiah who was to come and rule with righteousness; then there would come an end to ruthless tyranny, and he would recognize the poor and lonely, for the scripture had said: "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom and shall gently lead those that are with young."

Suddenly the heavens were filled with the glory of the Lord that shone around them and the voice of an angel said: "I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

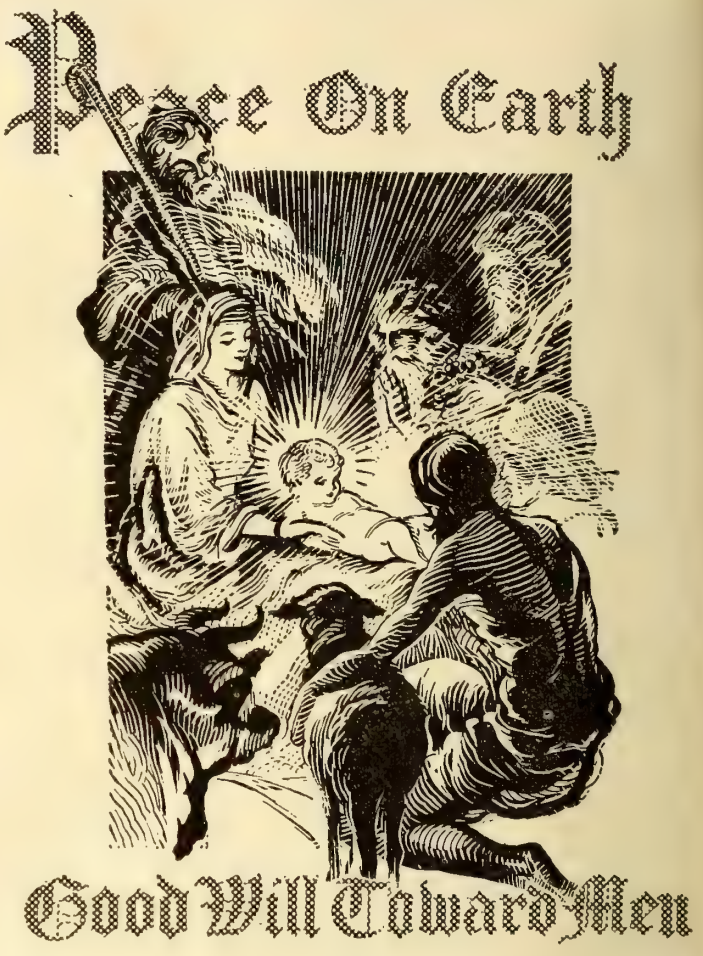
The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem, where they found the babe lying in a manger. Having seen the child, they returned praising God for all they had seen and heard and told abroad the good tidings of peace, good will toward men. There was no hate in their hearts, no prejudice or ill will, so these lowly shepherds were the first of mankind to give the Christmas message to the world.

For many weeks before the calendar brings Christmas day there is a sense of eager expectancy abroad. Truly, it is the festival of the hearthstone, where little children gather to find their gifts. It is a season of remembrance when plans and preparations are made to include the young and the old, the fortunate and the unfortunate, the sick and the well, the lowly and the lordly, that all these may find Christmas joy and heavenly peace.

Who would withhold Christmas? It came first to the shepherds of Judea, but the angel said it "shall be to all people"; and verily mankind is ready to pronounce a curse upon the Scrooge who would deny a bit of good cheer on the day of all days—the birthday of the King.

The heart with hate hidden within its depths cannot pass on to all people the spirit of good will that honors the advent of the Saviour. The heart overbrimming with good will to all men shall know heavenly peace and the joys of Christmas.

The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of good that is everywhere to bring joy and gladness; it is seen in the garlands of green, in the light-



ed candles, and in the gifts that betoken a kindliness among people of different races and conditions.

Christmas is everywhere, but those find it who give the good to other men.

The Sanctuary of the Soul

TO make every church a sanctuary for burdened, suffering, anxious souls should be the chief effort of every minister of the gospel called to meet needy humanity with all their anxieties about the altars of God. The secular spirit weighs down the souls of men and the urgent demands of this world war crowds God out, leaving us without God and without hope. No pulpit should become simply a platform to talk war and secular issues.

In the first world war some ministers allowed profanity and foolish pronouncements to desecrate their pulpits and to render secular their altars. In this war we should be careful to see that every church is pre-eminently a real

sanctuary for anxious, burdened souls. The face of the loving Christ should bring comfort to shadowed lives and healing to broken hearts. For only the Christ can lift men above the clouds of war and fortify the faith of men and women with courage and calmness of soul. The conscious presence of the living Christ enables a minister to speak the needed word to mothers sad with streaming eyes and drawn faces tell of sons on the battle front in the terrific onslaughts of war. Such a minister in the pulpit can bring poise and calmness of soul to men and women who need some one able to stand between the living and the dead.

Above all else these coming months do we need ministers of clear heads, calm spirits, and the shepherd heart able to lead the flock to follow the Good Shepherd of the sheep. Such a minister can rise to the occasion of this current crisis.

Some Fundamentals to Cherish

FUNDAMENTAL to the welfare of this world: 1, Faith, not fear; 2, Love, not hate; 3, Order, not chaos. It must be apparent to all that our present world situation results from making dominant fear instead of faith; hate instead of love; and, as a result, chaos threatens us instead of order.

A world at war tends in all its ways to keep fear before faith; hate above love; and chaos to supplant order. Much will be heard of victory to end it all, but this will be necessarily a victory won by force. So the efforts of all spiritual leaders should be to win ultimately a victory of faith over fear, of love over hate, and order over chaos. But this will be no easy task in the life of the individual. Moreover, in the group such will be far more difficult because every crowd tends to become a mob devoid of reason and of the finer elements of life. Victory always comes hard; this victory over fear, hate and chaos will be far more difficult. Not easy is it to change the individual even with the aid of the Christ. Only by Christ enthroned in the hearts of men can such victory be won.

The creative Christ in us as individuals and also in corporate life will enable us to hope to transform the world. Think of what he has done for the world and what he is capable of doing! The carpenter of Nazareth made a coffin for the Roman Empire. Other coffins will yet be made for the empires that leave God out of their lives.

God Is Our Help

WE are now in the midst of the second world war with Germany, Italy and Japan arrayed against us on the various world wide fronts. All material resources and every military agency will be brought into the conflict. The might of earthly power and of human skill will be employed to the limit. These are essential in the waging of war. But the highest and most potential elements in winning the victory belong to God and to those who are girded by the righteous and spiritual resources of the universe. God is still on his throne and holds sway in the heavens and in the earth. He is able to make the wrath of man to praise him and to bring to naught the schemes of designing men.

More than the material resources of a nation is the spirit of a people and their reliance on the living God. So the church of God is of primal concern in giving the spirit of victory to a hard pressed people. In the coming months we will be pressed with all sorts of pleas to help win this war, but the spiritual leaders should not be diverted from their chief business of making God real to men. The church of Jesus Christ here in America must not fail at this hour by being turned aside to worldly undertakings. Never should the church be such a spiritual power in this land and in other lands as when the whole world is at war as death and desolation spread over land and sea. The church of God is the one saving force and the only source of spiritual power to help this broken world at war and in the coming of peace. Were we to keep this well known truth vividly before us these eventful days it would from many a blunder free us these months when the world is so much with us.

Then, too, the church of Christ is world wide in its sympathies and limited to no one land and people. A world church in the days of a world war is a fit representative of the God of the whole world who rules over the whole of humanity among the nations now set to destroy each other. The ages pass and nations go down, but the church of God is praying yet. The altar of every church should be a place to meet God, to rebuild faith, and to grow sufficiently strong for the sorrows and burdens of life. A message from God, spoken by a man of God in the pulpit will do much to hearten and to help all who gather about the altars of the sanctuary. God is our help. To renew a right spirit within us he is able.

People and Things

The postoffice address of Rev. G. L. Reynolds is Troy, N. C.

The postoffice address of Rev. H. H. Robbins is 112 Lane Street, Kannapolis, N. C.

Out of 397 students enrolled in Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina, this year 26 states, the District of Columbia, and the British West Indies are represented.

Rev. Gipsy Simon Smith to preach in union revival at Bethlehem Christian church, near Altamahaw off Reidsville-Burlington highway, February 1-15. This will concern nearby towns and communities.—M. C. Ellerbe.

On December 5 Dr. Paul F. Maness of Atlanta, Ga., was commissioned a lieutenant in the medical corps of the United States Navy. Dr. Maness is a son of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Maness of Jackson, N. C.

"Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Patrick Holder announce the marriage of their daughter, Valeria Claudia, to Mr. John W. Autry, Jr., on Tuesday, November the eleventh, nineteen hundred and forty-one, Fayetteville, North Carolina."

The Journals of the Western North Carolina Conference were shipped out some days ago and if you have not received yours let us know about it. And if anybody thinks that this journal should have been delivered earlier, do not blame the secretary of the conference but write your complaint to us and we will tell you how big and how difficult is this job of printing the Journal of the Western North Carolina Conference.

Taking advantage of a generous offer made by one of our members to pay the last thousand dollars of our indebtedness, we have launched a campaign to wipe out the $6400 unsubscribed balance of indebtedness on our church school annex. Pledges will be accepted payable either at once or at any time prior to September 1, 1942. Let everyone cooperate in making our church entirely free of debt!—First Church Bulletin, Asheboro.

A cablegram from Bishop Edwin F. Lee of Singapore to the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, on Monday, gave the information that all missionaries in the Malay Peninsula are safe following the bombing by Japanese planes. The Methodist Church, through its division of foreign missions and its woman's division of Christian service of the board, has 50 active missionaries in service on the Peninsula. Eight others assigned to Malaya are in the United States on furlough.

The pastors and district stewards of the Elizabeth City district met at Hertford Methodist church Thursday, November 27. District Superintendent T. M. Grant conducted the devotional and presided. Mr. J. S. McNider discussed the program of the conference board of lay activities. Other important matters of the church program were discussed. Nearly all the pastors were present with a large attendance of district stewards and other church officers.—M. W. Maness.

Friends of Mrs. Isabelle C. Marsh will regret to hear of her passing on December 1, 1941. Mrs. Marsh was born August 31, 1853, in Randolph county, the daughter of Kelly Coltrane and Mary Gossett. For 70 years our friend and sister in Christ proved to be a friend of the Ebenezer Methadist church, in which she worked for the advancement of the kingdom of God. She leaves to mourn her passing many friends, two sons, V. L. Marsh and Charles V. Marsh, one daughter, Mrs. H. M. Cooper of Chicago, and one sister, Mrs. J. S. Murrow of Greensboro, Route 1.—Thos. E Strickland, Pastor.

The Methodist Church sponsors one of the accredited theological seminaries for Negroes in America. Gammon Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Ga., under auspices of the Methodist Board of Education, is the only accredited church-related theological seminary for Negroes in the world. Besides preparing young men for the Christian ministry, Gammon trains every year several missionaries, and religious education workers. Much of this training is made possible by funds raised on Race Relations Sunday throughout the Methodist Church. The observance comes February 8.

The work on the Mattamuskeet charge is going fine. Our official board began the year by increasing pastor's salary 20 per cent. It is a pleasure to serve a people who are so appreciative; so many of our people remember their pastor when they kill hogs. The youth fellowship, Sunday schools, societies of Christian service, and the various other auxiliaries of the church are getting off to an early start. We are sorry to report that some of our fine young men are leaving for service to the nation; yet we are glad that they are responsive in such an hour of great need. Our churches, nevertheless, are missing their fine service to the church.—J. R. Regan.

I have just received a phone call that Rev. W. J. S. Walker, a veteran local preacher, has passed away this morning at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin. Brother Walker has served as pastor of a number of charges during his younger days and has been in great demand as an evangelist, both as a preacher and singer. He has done a great work. As Paul said, he has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith. He leaves his wife and a number of children to carry on where he left off. Many men and women are numbered among his spiritual sons and daughters, for he was truly a soul winner. His membership was at Center Methodist church, one of the best churches on my charge. We will miss him much.—G. W. Fink.

One hundred fifteen students from ten southeastern colleges attended the eighth annual institute on socio--religious affairs at Paine College, Augusta, Ga., from November 28 to 30, when the topic chosen for discussion by white and Negro students was "Christians Building a More Democratic Order." Platform leaders included Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen of Union Theological Seminary, New York, and Dr. J. W. Nicholson of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta. During one day students divided into groups to consider various factors contributing to the democratic order—the individual and the family, social groups, the church, local and state political units, and the democratic state in the world order. The conference is sponsored annually by Paine College and the Candler School of Religion at Emory University.

Under the direction of the board of stewards and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Basnight Memorial church in Ahoskie "open house" was held at the parsonage on Wednesday evening, December 10. Members of our own church, together with the members of all the other churches in town had been invited and were met at the door by Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Williams and members of the board of stewards and their wives. Committees were stationed at various places in the house to show guests into the different rooms that they might see the improvements that have recently been made. Members of the society served refreshments. It was a fine fellowship meeting and greatly enjoyed by all who came, but most of all by the parsonage family. The house had been refurnished and repainted, and although we were not moved by the bishop this year we are living in a "new" home.—A. L. Thompson, Pastor.

SUCCESSFUL MISSIONARY INSTITUTE CONDUCTED IN HIGH POINT DISTRICT

The High Point district missionary institute was held during the afternoon and evening of November 30, at Main Street and First Methodist churches in High Point.

The afternoon session began at 3 o'clock, with the host pastor, Rev. N. C. Williams, conducting the devotional period. Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, then outlined the aims of the institute, and introduced Rev. N. S. Ogburn, for many years a missionary in Japan. The address concerned itself with "Methodist Missions and the World Today." Following this address some time was devoted to the technique of implementing the mission program in the local church. Brief statements were made by three ministers of the district, Rev. J. W. Braxton, Dr. J. E. Pritchard and Dr. O. E. Croy on the following subjects, "Organizing the Church Board of Missions"; "The Successful Board of Missions"; and "World Service Sunday in the Church School." The group was then divided into panel discussion groups. The group for preachers and laymen was led by Rev. N. S. Ogburn, that for youth and youth leaders by Mrs. E. A. Lamb, and that for women by Mrs. W. C. Hammer. Upon returning to the church auditorium roll call was conducted by the district missionary secretary, Rev. I. L. Roberts. An open forum period was provided, after which Rev. G. E. White gave an explanation of the literature designed for missionary promotion. The afternoon session was concluded with the pronouncing of the benediction by Dr. Taylor.

The evening session for adults featured an inspirational address by Dr. W. S. Fitzgerald, member of the faculty at Duke University. Dr. Fitzgerald spoke in general on The Qualities for Christian Happiness. The speaker was unusually well received by the audience.

A service for the youth of the district was conducted at First Methodist church at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. I. L. Roberts presided. The prayer was led by John Brown, president of the High Point area, sub-district Youth Fellowship, and Glen Pugh, president of the Randleman area, sub-district Youth Fellowship, read the Scripture. Special music was rendered by the young people's choir of First church. The speaker for the occasion, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, was introduced by Rev. W. A. Jenkins. Mr. Rozzelle spoke on the subject, "What I Expect from Youth." The speaker manifested a most wholesome optimism in this age of physical, mental and spiritual strife. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Jenkins.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Christmas activities at Greensboro College, preceding holidays December 20-January 5, began Saturday, December 13, at noon with caroling in Odell auditorium, Miss Alia Ross, instructor in public school music, directing the entire student body and faculty in a number of Christmas songs. Miss Marguerite Thomason, Lexington, played a selection of organ numbers, and Miss Julia Nell Whitehurst, Bethel, read "Why Come Christmas" by White.

Vespers Sunday night in Irving Society hall at 6:15 centered around the story, "Immaculate Conception," read by Miss Nancy Wall, Leaksville. Miss Louise Taylor, Oxford, sang "O Holy Night" by Adams.

On Wednesday night at 8:15 o'clock the college glee club and Meistersingers will present "Seraphic Song" by Rubinstein-Gaines, and "When the Christ Child Came" by Clokey. The glee club will also present a coast to coast broadcast of Christmas music from radio station WBIG on Monday, December 23, from 8:15-8:45 a. m.

Striving each year to fulfill Tiny Tim's Christmas wish "God Bless Us Everyone," G. C. girls plan a party for a number of underprivileged children of Greensboro. The party this year will be Thursday afternoon in Irving Society hall. Miss Octavia Temple, Kinston, chairman of the social service committee of the Y. W. C. A., is in charge of the party with a huge tree, toys and Christmas candles. Santa Claus will distribute gifts.

Climaxing season activities with formal dinner on Friday night, Miss Melbe Patzkie, college dietitian, has planned dinner in the college dining room with a tiny tree loaded with gifts for each table. Following dinner, all dormitory students will participate in traditional Y. W. C. A. White Christmas. Each girl will bring for the less fortunate an offering of food, wrapped in white, and place it under the family tree in Main reception room. A service of carols, poetry, and Tolstoy's Christmas story, "Where Love Is, There God Is Also," read by members of Miss Charlotte Searles' speech class, will complete a full week of pre-Christmas celebration before girls leave Saturday for their homes in several states for the annual Christmas recess lasting until January 5.

SOME CHEERING WORDS AND ACTS

Rev. R. Odell Brown of Pilot Mountain sends a list of seven new subscribers, adding these cheering words: "The Lord bless you in your editorial work in these trying days ahead." Such means much since the same mail may bring words of censure for the editors from one for our opposing the war, and from another for our approving this war. So it goes.

Rev. A. A. Kyles sends $9, including four for new subscribers.

Rev. C. B. Peacock of West Halifax, in forwarding a report, tells of his plans:

"We have begun our campaign on the West Halifax charge, and we are expecting to have most of our people reading our great paper by January 15. We have appointed representatives for the North Carolina Christian Advocate in each of our five churches. We are also emphasizing it from the pulpit. Once they subscribe to it, we will have no more trouble in getting the people to take it. Our people are co-operating wonderfully in this respect."

REV. C. W. RUSSELL LEADS SO FAR

Rev. C. W. Russell of Summerfield charge turned in yesterday $30 for 15 new annual subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This is three more than the quota for his charge. He fully expects to double his quota.

This brother who always succeeds takes the lead for the Advocate, though others have made a good start.

We might multiply words in disclosing C. W. Russell's fine elements for success, but no words can compare with his ability to do well the job assigned him. He does not have to wait for Christmas to hear the angels sing.

SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE SURE TO HELP

We are fully expecting the women to aid wonderfully in the effort for new subscribers to the Advocate. No group uses the church paper to finer advantage than the women's societies and none can do more to promote the work of the Advocate. They are the home-makers. The church paper renders its best service in the home.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF MARION DISTRICT

The ministers' wives of the Marion district met at the district parsonage Sunday afternoon, following the district missionary institute. Mrs. Kirkpatrick, the new district superintendent's wife, greeted the guests and the ministers' wives were introduced. The special guests were Mrs. Crawford, the new bride of the district, and Mrs. Zeb Barnhardt of Rutherford College. A business session was held and officers for the new year were elected. Mrs. Frank Smathers was elected president and Mrs. R. L. Bass secretary. After the business session was over Mrs. Kirkpatrick served delicious refreshments. Mrs. R. L. Bass, Secretary.

THE CHRISTMAS NOELS

By Charles O. Ransford

Christmas 1941 will mark the third year and the third holy day of the Advent season through which this horrible war has been waging.

When the first World War began in August, 1914, men and nations stood aghast. They could not believe war possible. At the very time war was declared representatives of all the nations were assembled at The Hague Peace Palace in the first church peace conference.

They had assembled with large expectations, that their deliberations would lead to disarmaments and extensive peace agreements. When the terrible war began this distinguished company of Christian leaders was dissembled immediately and the delegates fled in fear to England to continue their session.

The tragedy of war is that evil men in their machinations "fear not God, nor regard man." They defy all teachings of God and his churches and set at naught all sacred things. War is God defying. That is its most serious indictment. Men and nations cannot war as Christians.

The church cannot bless war. War ignores all of Christ's words of peace and good will. His spirit of love and forbearance are despised. Yet Christian nations make wars and Christian young men are forced into battle and trained to kill each other.

All international agreements and laws are set aside. All fraternal and commercial relations, no matter how long operative or mutually advantageous, no longer are considered binding.

Worst of all, kinship of humankind and their sonship in God and brotherly obligations are set in defiance. Religious duties become a mockery. Sabbath days and the holy seasons of the church are not observed by men at war.

The disaster of war is the loss of the finest instincts cherished in home and church. The high days of Easter and Christmas see no cessation in war and further war preparation.

One cannot reconcile himself to such a spirit. The thought of the young men in battle, if they are conscious of these holy days as they come, must be sad and tearful. Home with fathers and mothers and their dear brothers and sisters must deeply stir in their souls many precious thoughts.

Easter and Christmas for centuries in all European homes and churches have been precious days. Each nation has been the most cherished day in sweet home ties and has had its own peculiar customs. Christmas particularly has been the most cherished day in sweet home ties and festivities. The family hearthstone has been the place of their loved meeting.

We cannot get away from these treasured days and graces of home and church. Children never forget and "E'n down to old age" parents have sweet memories of their own childhood days and with warm hearts make plans for the little ones in their homes.

The extent of our hymnology in hymns, noels, chants, masses, and oratorios reveals how esteemed are all these high church days. A hymn book of one of the great churches contains more than 30 Advent and Christmas selections. Such music will be sung in all our churches, over the radio, and in house to house carols. Would God they may deeply stir all hearts and bring to every soul new devotions.

This present war has its roots in the Franco-Prussian War of 1870. On the evening of December 25, 1870, when the Franco-Prussian War was going on, a French captain was asked by one of his men for permission to leave the trenches. The captain refused, thinking the man wanted to go to Paris, but the man pointed toward the German lines, and said he wanted to go in that direction. The captain's curiosity was aroused, and he granted his permission, but warned him that he would probably be killed. "No fear," he said, and leaping over the ramparts, he walked into the middle of the plain. His comrades followed him with their eyes, listening for the sharp crack of the enemy's rifles and expecting at every step to see him fall. Not a sound save the crunching of the frozen snow beneath his feet! As soon as he had come within hearing of the German sentinels, he paused, saluted and began to sing a well known Christmas hymn with the refrain: "Noel! Noel! Christ is King of Israel."

It was so unexpected and so simply done, the strain took from the night, the scene, the circumstances, such a beauty and sublimity, that the least religious of them hung upon his words and the hardest hearted were moved.

The Germans neither spoke nor stirred. The simple strain had doubtless made them think of home, and the happy groups around the glittering Christmas tree beyond the Rhine. When the singing was done, he gave another military salute, turned on his heel, and walked back to the French line.

"Well, captain," he said, "are you sorry that you gave me leave?" Before a reply could be made, a soldier had begun to move across the snow from the opposite camp. He also saluted, and, between the companies of armed men, he sang the lovely German version of the "Noel, Noel," that the French recruit had sung. He sang the hymn through, verse by verse, and when he came to the refrain, the soldiers in both camps joined in the chorus: "Noel! Noel! Christ hath ransomed Israel!"

The same emotion filled all hearts. All differences and enmities had been forgotten in the presence of the Prince of Peace.

"The hopes and fears of all the years" are at stake in the outcome of the present hostilities. In fearfulness we await the outcome.

"O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in.
Be born to us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel!"

In the present world conflict all men will say, "We must fight." The Christian must not forget the hymns of the Advent and Nativity. When Christ and his disciples had concluded the Passover and the first Holy Sacrament, Matthew and Mark both say, And when they sung a hymn they went out into the mount of Olives. And then Gethsemane and Calvary.

LEE'S CHAPEL, GREENSBORO

A small boy watched his father work at breaking stones. After watching his father work for some time on one stone he saw the stone divide. The boy remarked. "The eighteenth lick did it, dad." The father replied, "No, the eighteen licks did it."

The Lee's Chapel church in the Greensboro district is off to a fine start on the new conference year. There has been a steady progress in this church for the past several years. We feel that this is due to the co-operative work of the pastors and the people. Lee's Chapel is a church of good people, and has had good pastors.

We may be a small church, but we are going to do big things. This is the first time that Lee's Chapel has been a station church. Last year we were on with Newlyn Street with Rev. A .L. Latham as pastor. His fine work has helped in making it possible for us to become a station. Now that we are a station we are going to let the people know that there is a Lee's Chapel church in the Greensboro district.

J. J. Powell, P. C.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE

The portrait of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, wife of the Generalissimo of China and one of the famous Soong sisters who attended Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia, has been offered the Wesleyan Alumnae Association by the China Emergency Relief Committee. In return, the alumnae association has pledged to raise $1,500 for China Relief.

The portrait, which is to be hung in Wesleyan College, is now on exhibition in the High Museum of Art in Atlanta. It is the work of Lazar Raditz, distinguished Russian-born painter, now living in Philadelphia.

BLACK SUNDAY! DECEMBER 7, 1941

A Sunday so near the celebration of the coming of the Prince of Peace! Yet we are at war. A war thrust upon us. Next to the liquor and narcotic traffic of the world, war is the greatest enemy of mankind!

War is another name for hate, deceit, greed, covetousness, and lesser evils which defile men and nations.

Men of wisdom in the church and out of it have seen the shadows of war gathering for months. The missionaries of the leading denominations have been evacuated from Japan, Korea and parts of China. The few remaining in Korea have been subjected to persecutlon.

We are Christians but we are also citizens. Being Christians does not release us from defending our nation. Our highest allegiance is to God, but we have an allegiance to the men and women who, waiting for the daily blessing of life from the rising sun of God, received a rain of death from the Rising Sun of Japan. Up until now we were trying to help our neighbors put out the fire devastating their homes and lands. The torch has been applied to ours. We cannot stop the conflagration without stopping those guilty of human arson.

What shall be the position of the church? The church has its commission from the Lord Jesus Christ. The terrible sins which result in war must be condemned.

Our people will need courage, inner courage, for they will have great sacrifices to make. This is a four-alarm fire. We must lead them to the Christ whose courage never fails and who supplies all courage.

Our people will need comfort, for hearts and homes will be broken. Our freedoms will be baptized in blood and tears. We must lead our people to the Christ whose blood was shed against the evils of the world and whose life opened the way to a tearless day.

Our people will need love. Let us denounce the terrible sins which bring on war, sins whose roots are in the whole human race; but let us keep bitterness and hatred out of our hearts and out of our pulpits.

Let us lead our people to a new appreciation of prayer. They will need the companionship of God! We can pray for forgiveness for our personal and national sins.

War in our case is the lesser of two evils. It is not our choice. There are causes for which any man should be willing to give up his life and no man ever comes to his highest and best until he finds that something for the achievement of which he would be willing to lay down his life. May God help us in this fateful hour!—Harry S DeVore in the Southwestern Advocate.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

At the last formal dinner before the Christmas vacation, Dean R. B. House of the University of North Carolina was the speaker. These dinners are highlights of the social side of life at the college and the address by Dean House was one of the best heard in the college in years. In a delightful mixture of the frivolous and the serious, Dean House held the attention of the entire group from start to finish. In part, he said: "The person who is a success in life is the person who enjoys what he is doing and puts all that he has into it. Select your work; then do it. Self-consciousness is a handicap which we all have and which all have to overcome in order to be a success in any work. There are three aspects of life that affect every personality: self, others, and the Infinite. We must learn to adjust ourselves to these three in such a manner that life will be a balanced whole."

The college A Cappella choir broadcast its annual Christmas concert last Sunday night over WPTF in Raleigh from 8:30-9:00. Under the direction of Prof. James E. Byerly, head of the music department, the choir presented music from the composers of the middle ages, spirituals, and the traditional Christmas music. The concert was presented over WPTF from the college chapel, and a large number of students and townspeople were present to hear the broadcast as it originated. Dr. Walter patten spoke briefly in the course of the program and expressed the good wishes of the school to the listeners to the broadcast.

AN AMERICAN METHODIST PREACHER LEARNS FROM THE ENGLISH

Several years ago I sent a form to my school in England asking for a "transcript of my credits" to submit to the University of Chicago. I had my doubts when I sent off the request and they were confirmed by the reply which came from Dr. Stevens, the headmaster, who wrote: "You Americans amaze me! You measure everything with a yardstick! I can't fill this thing out. All I can say is that you attended this school and passed the Oxford Associate exams, and that you were a fairly good student. Would it do any good to say you were a decent half-back but a rather poor wicket-keeper?"

I begin to see just how he felt. These amazing forms that call for a psychological analysis of an applicant's personality and ability are getting beyond me. All I can say is that I consider him an honest, industrious, capable individual, a young person of sound character and good reputation, one to be trusted with responsibility—and I hope he gets the job!—Charles Parkin, in Zions Herald.

THE THRIFT TECHNIQUE

I was asked the other day by a brother preacher to tell him what method I followed in securing subscribers to the N. C. Advocate. As I have recently led not only the N. C. conference but the W. N. C. conference as well, and as I led the conference while I was at Branson and, I think, while I was at Plymouth also, perhaps I might say a word that might be of help to some of our preachers at this time.

Here is my method both with individuals and from the pulpit: "The N. C. Advocate is our conference paper. It is a good paper. It ought to be in every Methodist home in North Carolina. The price is $2 a year or six months for $1. Don't you want to subscribe now?" This is about all that I say plus something else. That plus is the energy necessary to get the subscriptions. I have myself secured nearly one hundred per cent of all subscriptions on my charges. I would say at least ninety-nine and forty-four one hundredths of them to be perfectly safe. So there is very little mystery about my technique. It has worked for me and I've no doubt it will work for others. A little of my success may be attributed to inspiration, but the same percentage named above has been perspiration or just plain "sweat."

C. T. Thrift.

THE GREAT TEACHER

Consecrated, selfless, each word fraught
With poignant meaning, thus the Master taught
The ones who followed him down lane and street,
Or gathered close and sat low at his feet
To drink the water and to eat the bread
That quench their thirst and left them fully fed.

"I wish I might have been among them there
Out in the sunlight, in the bright clean air,
Learning of Him!" the hungry heart cries out,
Yet still today, without the slightest doubt
That voice is speaking quite as true and clear
For every eager listening one to hear.

I turn the pages of his holy word,
And he is speaking. Truly I have heard
His voice along the highroads of today
Calling my name, and pointing out the way
To the eternal hills. I, too, am one
Of the countless pupils of God's Teacher-Son.

—Grace Noll Cromwell.

The Babe at Bethlehem

By CHARLES R. BROWN

Where is he that is born King? They said it with their lips. They had been saying it in their lives as they cherished unsatisfied longings and yearnings. They craved the knowledge of him before whom reason and conscience could bow. They sought a vision of him to whom the best that was in them could say, "Thy will be done." It was their quest for a sovereign ideal ,for an ultimate standard of action, for a satisfying interpretation of human life.

It is the quest of all time. Where is the King? "Oh, that I knew where I might find him! I would order my cause before him. I would know the words which he would answer me." The mind does not rest in thinking its way out to the edge of our little planet. The mind and heart never rest until they feel that they have some genuine grasp of that which is fundamental. Where is he that is born King, the One in whom the soul may place its final confidence? It is the quest of all time.

The wise men from the East were led in this quest from within their own dominant interest. The messenger of the Most High commonly appears in the main road of each man's vocation. The music loving shepherds were led to Christ by songs in the air. The two aged saints, Simeon and Anna, haunting the Temple as if it were their home, found the Messiah through a vision they saw in the place of worship. The sick were led to Christ by the healing of their ills, and the rich Zaccheus was reached by an appeal to the spirit of hospitality active within him but owing to the social ostracism he suffered cut off from suitable expression. In each case the angel of the Lord traveled the main road of the soul's interest that he might lead that soul into the presence of the King.

In like manner these Magi, students of the stars, were led by something they saw in the silent heavens. Wise men they were, for they were ready to trust the highest impulse they felt and set forth upon their quest without waiting for perfect knowledge. The man of sense acts habitually upon incomplete knowledge where his fragment of knowledge warrants a start in the right direction. If the wise Magi had waited until they knew all that we know today about the Christ they would not have come at all. They came not immediately to the manger where the young child lay, but to Jerusalem, where they made further inquiry. They were feeling their way step by step as they moved toward the light.

The light which guided those serious men was dim, it was starlight. But starlight is light from heaven even though it be a hundredfold less brilliant than the sun shining in its strength. The starlight served to guide the Magi into the presence of the King.

The faint light which falls upon the path of moral duty, upon the stairway of spiritual privilege in some poor, ethnic religion is still light sent from God. It is not the true light which comes from the Sun of Righteousness, rising with healing in his wings but it is not to be despised nor discredited. The light which shines uncertainly in some mind puzzled and troubled by the harder doctrine of the Christian faith is not to be slighted if it but guides that nature toward the King. If it makes duty seem precious, if it kindles the hope, be it ever so wavering, of something higher, if it keeps alive the flame of love for one's fellows, then it is light from above to be cherished, to be followed.

When the wise men found the object of their quest they gave him of their best. They opened their treasures and presented him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. The giving of their homage was significant. "When they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, they fell down and worshipped him"—him, not her. They gave their final allegiance to the Son of Man and not to Mary the mother. They gave him of their best. The confused sense of allegiance which has found place in one great branch of the Christian church finds no warrant in the original documents of faith.

We have become so sternly practical in these days that we hesitate to do anything unless the clear utility of it is instantly apparent. These men of wealth and wisdom from the East were not so narrow. They brought gifts to this young child which might have no immediate utility. But the precious offerings served to beautify and sweeten the atmosphere of that lowly place where the mother of the young child lay. And the gifts served to utter in gracious manner the love and respect which filled their hearts. There are values in life which transcend the estimates of utility.

The sentiment and the poetry of life are not to be lightly regarded because their values cannot be submitted to the test of Fairbanks' scales. There are situations where it becomes unseemly to thrust in considerations of utility. We may sing hymns in his praise, we may make beautiful his altars with greens or with flowers, we may pour out in generous abundance the worship and adoration of our hearts before the Highest, and like the gold, frankincense and myrrh brought from the East, these will all have value in the work of spiritual advance. The wise men gave of their best without calculating too closely the precise effect of their generosity.

And the Magi took pains to guard the safety of this kingly life as it lay there in helpless infancy. Herod had charged the wise men to search diligently for the young child, and when they had found him to bring him word that he, too, might worship the one who was born King of the Jews. His lips said "Worship" while his guilty heart was saying, "Kill." When the wise men had paid their homage to the Christ they resolved not to expose him to the peril of Herod's wrath. "They departed into their own country another way," to escape the summons of Herod. They sacredly guarded the interests of that Kingdom while it lay helpless in the arms of Mary.

What a picture of human experience! Here was Herod "troubled" over the advent of this new spiritual force in the life of earth, a force destined to sit in judgment on his whole mode of life. Here he stood representing the cruelty, the lust and the greed which would destroy the young life which incarnated this spiritual force. And here are men of insight and consecration seeking to guard that life until it shall come to its mature strength and bear rule in all human affairs. The chivalrous deter-

mination of the Magi to protect those tiny beginnings of a nobler order and to lend aid while these beginnings were being brought up to their full strength holds before us all a commanding and a timely ideal.

Bring, then, at this Christmastide of your own best! Your best is not gold, frankincense and myrrh, generously as we may give of these material goods. Your best is to be found in the love and sympathy of your own hearts, in the service and devotion of your finer selves. If you have been hoarding these for personal gratification, for self-culture or for the exclusive benefit of a small circle of kindred, this Christmas Day is the appointed time to bring them out and lay them in willing surrender at the feet of a broader service.

Let the wreaths and the gifts, the bright anthems and joyous greetings become the symbols of something deeper. Let them lead you even unto Bethlehem, where for an hour you may look upon him in whose face we see the Eternal. You will then return from the exaltation of this holiday season into the common problems of everyday life "by another way" and in a loftier mood. You will return "glorifying and praising God for the things you have seen and heard." You will go breathing the spirit of unselfish good will into those familiar relations and activities which make up the bulk of human experience.—Advance.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGERS OF PASTORS' SCHOOL

The board of managers of the North Carolina Pastors' School, composed of representatives from the two Methodist conferences in North Carolina, met in the trustees' room at Duke University on Tuesday, December 9, 1941. Dr. M. T. Plyler, president, presided.

Plans were outlined for 1942 session of the pastors' school, which will be held at Duke during the week of June 8-13. Dean J. M. Ormond reported to the board that a number of outstanding leaders have already been invited to give lectures or courses, including Dr. John C. Bennett of the Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Cal. Dr. Gaius Glenn Atkins of Auburn Theological Seminary, Dr. O. E. Baker of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Dr. Dwight Sanderson of Cornell University, and others. It was noted that interest in this school has been growing in recent years and that last year's school was the most successful ever held. It was agreed to co-operate with the Rural Church Institute which will be held at the same time on the Duke campus, so that persons attending either the pastors' school or the Rural Church Institute may have the benefit of hearing speakers and teachers of both.

Officers of the board were elected as follows: President, Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham; vice president, Dr. C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem; secretary, Rev. W. A. Kale, Kannapolis; treasurer, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Durham; member of executive committee along with the four officers of the board, Dr. S. W. Taylor, High Point; dean, Dr. J. M. Ormond, Durham.

The following members attended the meeting: From the North Carolina conference—R. W. Bradshaw, M. T. Plyler, E. B. Fisher, R. L. Flowers, F. S. Love, J. M. Ormond, W. A. Parsons, and H. E. Spence. From the Western North Carolina conference—W. A. Stanbury, S. W. Taylor, C. C. Weaver, P. N. Garber, Paul Hardin, Jr., C. H. King, G. Ray Jordan, W. G. McFarland, Wilson O. Weldon, and W. A. Kale.

AFTER ONE YEAR

By Wm. F. Quillian

The united Board of Missions and Church Extension has been in operation a little more than one year. During this period important work at home and abroad has gone forward with remarkable success. Many difficulties have been encountered, but all of them have been overcome.

The necessary adjustments in uniting these boards in the city of New York have been made; the Publishing House at 150 Fifth Avenue has been completely remodeled, and is now one of the most beautiful and adequate denominational buildings in America; the worthwhile values in each of the three uniting churches have been conserved, and definite progress has been made by the four divisions, viz: Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Church Extension, Woman's Division of Christian Service and the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation.

The new Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, under the leadership of Dr. W. G. Cram, has been effective now for a little more than a year. During this period new literature has been distributed, World Outlook has been enlarged, visual education has been emphasized, and work in conferences, districts, local churches, colleges and seminaries has been promoted. A speakers' bureau has been organized, summer conferences have been held and mission schools have been conducted in stategic centers. We have co-operated with other boards, and with interdenominational agencies, in the promotion of missions at home and abroad. District missionary institutes have been held in every district of the Southeastern and South Central jurisdictions, and in all but two conferences of the Western jurisdiction. Similar meetings and conferences are being held in the other jurisdictions.

At the recent session of the board held in New York City, the treasurer of World Service reported that collections made during the year have been encouraging, and that there is a strong probability that the present deficit of less than $100,000 will be covered by income yet to be received. This is a demonstration of what our people can do, and shows that when a Methodist knows the needs of his own country and the world, he will respond. However, it is true that the average contribution of our Methodist people is exceedingly low. Last year on an apportionment of $8,000,000 for World Service, the Methodist people paid a little more than $4,000,000, or an average of 55 cents per member per annum. This is about one-sixth of a penny per day for the eleven interests of World Service, covering missions, at home and abroad, education, retired ministers, temperance, lay activities, evangelism and other important interests.

Without doubt we are now entering one of the most critical periods in human history. This is no time for retreat or defeatism. War tests our national resources, but in a more definite way it tests our faith in God and in the ultimate and complete triumph of justice and righteousness. Dr. Moffatt gives a new translation to the familiar phrase, "The light shineth in darkness" when he says, "Amid the darkness the light shone, but the darkness did not master it." We follow Him who is the Light of the World. Under his leadership darkness shall disappear and the light that lighteth every man shall shine to the ends of the earth.

CAN GERMANY DESTROY THE RED ARMY? WILL STALIN QUIT?

(By Joseph E. Davies, U. S. Ambassador to Russia, 1936-1938)

These two questions are answered by last Sunday's New York Times in the following terms:

What is happening in Russia today comes as no surprise to those who were able, as I was, to watch developments in Russia in the important years before the war broke out. For two years I saw the people and leaders of Russia as they co-ordinated their army, industry and agriculture to erect a bulwark against any invader.

When people ask, "Can the Germans destroy the Red Army?" my observations in Russia of the army and its leaders, my visits through the armament factories of the Soviet Union lead me to the conclusion that the Nazis cannot do the job. In my opinion the Red Army has not lost its capacity to attack or defend as a co-ordinated unit. And, it must not be forgotten that unless the Red Army and Soviet government are rendered helpless, Hitler's supreme objective fails and his Eastern campaign becomes a monumental disaster.

There is another question which people frequently ask: "Will Stalin quit and make a separate peace with Hitler?"

My contacts with the Russian leaders convince me that Stalin and his government will not violate their pledged word and that the Russians will fight on against the common Nazi foe. For years Stalin has not trusted Hitler. He surely does not trust him now. Unless Stalin is let down or double-crossed as he was at Munich, he will not quit. We should, therefore, give Russia all the material aid we have promised.

The people of the United States should know the truth about Russia. We should divest ourselves of naive prejudices. I am a capitalist, an individualist and anything but a Socialist. I have an unshaken faith in the Christian religion. Yet I have respect and admiration for the Russian people and their leaders. They are fighting on our side. We are the beneficiaries of Russia's sacrifices. Russia has given us the priceless gift of time.

MAKING PLAY OF WORK

By Harry Emerson Fosdick

Life is pretty much what we make it by the way we do our work. One of the most difficult things in childhood is learning to like hard work. That's natural. As children we start life by playing, and we love it, and then we come to the place where we face what looks to us like something very different from play—work, hard work. Some people never grow up beyond that point. They always like play, but they never like work, and that's a pity.

Athletics ought to teach us that. We say we like to play, but if we are going to play a good game—tennis or baseball or football—we must work at it. Once there was a college football game where the side that was expected to win never really got into the game at all during the first half. They just slumped and at the end of the half the score was six to nothing against them. Those boys knew what they were going to face when they went back to the dressing room they knew that the coach would come in and bawl them out. So they sat down and waited. No coach came. They grew more tense and anxious, waiting, and no coach came. The minutes dragged slowly by, but no coach came. Then just as the time for the second half to start, the coach poked his head in the door and said, "All right, girls, it's time for the second half." Well, that's hardly fair to the girls, but you know what he meant, and they knew what he meant, and they went out and tore off three touchdowns and won the game. See! Play and work are not so different. You can't play well without working at it, and you can't work well without making play of it.

THE SPIRIT THAT WINS

By M. A. Huggins

This story concerns the burning of a church building and the building of the chapel at Wake Forest College.

Some weeks ago on a Sunday morning the building of Sulphur Springs church in the Tar River Association was burned. That particular Sunday had been set aside as Wake Forest Chapel Day in the church. However, when the hour for the morning worship service and the offering for Wake Forest Chapel arrived the building was in ashes. The church, undaunted, held services in the nearby Methodist church and went ahead with the program as planned. Prof. A. L. Aycock of the Wake Forest College faculty was present, along with the pastor, Rev. W. R. Wagoner, and the offering for the chapel was made as a part of the morning service. A generous offering for the erection of a chapel at Wake Forest College was made.

We heartily commend the Sulphur Springs church and the spirit manifested on that day. Surely that sort of spirit will win and enable us to build the chapel.

The work on the chapel has begun. Let Baptists rally that the work may go forward without interruption until the buildings has been completed.—Biblical Recorder.

NORLINA CHARGE ON THE MARCH

We have been at Norlina three weeks tomorrow and a great many interesting things have occurred.

A delegation met and welcomed us to the parsonage and provided dinner and pantry supplies, which we supposed was a pounding. A few days later the Norlina people gave the parsonage a handsome living room suite and a beautiful art square, and the Zion people gave a splendid dining room suite consisting of table, six chairs, sideboard and a lovely china closet. They are planning to give another new bed for the company room and a chest of drawers. I do not know a parsonage that has better furniture.

We had hardly gotten settled when our district superintendent, Brother Larkin, came on the 7th for the first quarterly conference; but we had a splendid financial report, including $113.50 for the orphanage and $273 on ministerial support. Zion reported the whole of its first quarter of its entire budget.

The pastor's salary was raised $200 and the sustentation and orphanage funds were accepted on the percentage basis fixed by the annual conference.

A generous lady has donated an $800 piano to our primary department here at Norlina, which was used last Sunday for the first time. That makes five pianos and an organ which the church here has and we use them all to good advantage.

Last Friday evening, in spite of the rain, a large number of our Norlina people brought us another pounding that was a pounding and that will abide many days.

We go up to Jerusalem and Zion every other Sunday and are here at Norlina the other two. Our three churches and church schools are well attended and our young people here

are giving a Christmas pageant Sunday night, and with the help of the Zion young people are entertaining the county young people's union on Monday evening and will also give the Christmas pageant.

We are much pleased with the Norlina charge and feel that our lines have been cast in pleasant places.

W. T. Phipps, P. C.

BIG BEN

During the period of German raids on London the voice of Big Ben, the famous clock at Westminster, London, was hushed. But in recent months its bells have rung out again. And at 9 p. m. the British people listen for its chimes and spend one minute in reflection and prayer. This is not limited to the people in the British Isles.

Thus, for example, the House of Representatives in Wellington, New Zealand, hears the chimes relayed into the debating chamber nightly at nine o'clock. It is understood that members stand in recollection while the chimes are sounding. A group in England, which has taken a keen interest in the Big Ben observance and includes in its membership a number of British M. P.'s has telegraphed to the Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives in the following terms: "We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for inspiring lead given by your House on historic inauguration of Big Ben Silent Minute. Much appreciated by fellow members in House of Commons."

Sweden takes a great interest in Big Ben. "In March last the Gothenburg Handelstidning called upon its readers to 'listen in the evenings to the boom of Big Ben. Its mighty, sonorous voice sounds like a hymn of freedom and justice.'" Reuters' Stockholm representative reported (Daily Mail, August 7), "A writer in Handelstidning claims to have observed a different tone in Big Ben lately. In the dark days the tone was 'consoling, strong, indomitable.' Now, the tone is less dark, and seems to have captured the 'lighter tone of daybreak.' It is posible to realize that the moment is approaching when it can ring in a new age."

A British soldier escaped in a dramatic way, having been a prisoner of war in Belgium. When he eventually arrived in Britain he told him, during three months' hiding in Brussels, he and others stood up every night and kept the Big Ben Silent Moment. They found it a source of strength and encouragement, and said that it seemed to be a voice from England telling them that London was still there.

It is said that many prisoners of war in Germany observe the Silent Minute, although of course they are unable to hear the chimes of Big Ben.

Messages from the occupied Channel Islands coming to Methodist sources in England make frequent reference to the encouragement which Big Ben brings them. There are frequent messages such as: "Remember you all at nine." "Listen Big Ben." "Don't forget Big Ben. Continually thinking of you all." A writer in the Methodist Recorder adds that this news "may serve to repay the B. B. C. for their inspired, and inspiring, suggestion of making 9 p. m. a spiritual rendezvous."—Editorial in the New-Church Messenger.

SEEMS NOT TO AGREE WITH THIS ADVOCATE

I together with a limited number of other readers have seen your advocacy of fighting now since provoked Japan turned on those who for months set about taking vengeance out of God's hand into their own hands, and they (the latter) avenge the wrongs to the others.

I would call your attention to the statement in the Old Testament that David—correct in heart in much manner though he was—was told he could not build a "temple to God" because he had been a man of war. His son was allowed to in the years of his innocency. That statement foreshadowed what the Christ would say when he came, who making or giving a new agreement between God and mankind said, "Travel not broad street of the herd," and also said, "Resist not evil." The Lord also said "Beware of dogs in sheep's clothing," beware of the doctrine of Herod (worldly rulers), and scribes (revengeful, modernistic and contrary purports of ministers in religious societies). The matter of lawyers and judges, of whatsoever title or description, placing stumbling blocks before those seeking to get into the fold of God—before those praying that they may steadfastly believe that "the way of the Christ leads home"—is also duly treated by the unresisting Prince of Peace, who taught and exampled the only way to bring an end to wars and who denounced above every other class those purports of ministers who tempt contrarily.

Your paper has passed a lot of worldly minded judgment on the course of late day worldliness, and that paper a poverty stricken debacle of contradictory man-wise (so-called) advice so far as it goes, and it about totally opposes Christ's testament.

I would be well pleased for you to consider the foregoing.

J. Bruce Thompson.

MY BIBLE

In my childhood days I had access to a big, ponderous family Bible. It rested on a table in the chief room of the home. The print was large. There was space for records, baptisms, marriages, deaths. There were pictures, one of them an artist's conception of heaven; domes and spires of a beautiful city, clouds of golden hue, angels, little children, an atmosphere of glory over all.

Years ago a friend just returned from Scotland presented me with a miniature, photographic copy of the Robert Burns Family Bible. It is one and three-fourths inches in length, and one and a fourth in width, and a half-inch in thickness. It contains the complete Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, with pictures and family records. The register is in the poet's handwriting. A pocket in one of the lids contains a magnifying glass with the aid of which the ordinary reader may obtain the message of Holy Writ. About 16 years ago, Dr. J. A. McConnelee, on furlough from India, picked up the little volume and read a few verses without the help of glasses of any sort. I have found few persons who could duplicate the performance.

Very dear to my heart is a small, leather-covered New Testament which accompanied me to France during World War No. 1. It has the signs of wear and tear. The first six pages are missing, the seventh beginning with Matthew 4:19. This Testament was my companion in army truck and on the march, in sunshine and rain and in the black night, in hut and dugout, in the quiet of the gospel service and in the noise of battle—from Bordeaux to Verdun, to the Meuse-Argonne, to Paris, to Le Havre, to London, to Liverpool, and home. Nothing but death will ever separate me from the friendly little book.

While a student in our theological seminary, I was privileged to serve for a year as superintendent of the Fifth Ward mission in lower Allegheny where, in contact with more than 57 varieties of human beings, I learned some valuable lessons which were not taught in the school of the prophets on North Avenue. In my possession today is a beautiful Bible, with golden-lettered writing on the inside cover, presented by members of the mission. To be sure, it is counted among my treasures.

There are some very helpful modern translations of the Scriptures, such as Weymouth, Goodspeed, Moffatt. I prefer Moffatt's for its literary excellence. Following are some of the sermon-texts I have used: "Your words have kept men on their feet" (Job 4:4). "Myrtles instead of nettles" (Isaiah 55:13). "In him who strengthens me I am able for anything" (Philippians 4:13). "To give is happier than to get" (Acts 20:35). "Maintain the spiritual glow" (Romans 12:11). "Enabling you to have a sense of what is vital" (Philippians 1:19).

But whether it be King James version or American Standard revision or Moffatt translation, this sacred literature written through hundreds of years by many authors, this library of 66 books compacted into one volume yet exhibiting a marvelous spiritual unity, this Divine Message which enlightens my mind, appeals powerfully to my conscience, strengthens daily my will, inspires me with love for God and my fellowmen, gives me the incomparable portrait of the Christ, moves me to serve in his name, and assures me of life more and more abundant in time and in eternity—this is MY BIBLE—W. E. McCulloch, in The United Presbyterian.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE CHRIST CHILD

Earth lay wrapped in peaceful silence,
Whispering winds blew low and chill,
Faithful shepherds watched their flocks
Browsing on Judea's hills.
Thus in thoughtful meditation,
Sat these shepherds—fearless, brave,
Apprehensive of grave dangers,
Risking all—their flocks to save.

As they gazed on star-lit fields,
A glory filled the night so cold;
Shone a light of wondrous beauty
On the keepers of the fold.
Lo! an angel stood before them,
Clothed in raiment pure and white,
Joyfully to them proclaiming
That a babe was born that night.

And a star of brilliant radiance
O'er the roads a light would shed,
Leading to a lowly manger,
Where the cows and oxen fed.
In a stable they would find Him,
In their hearts His love would shine.
Counselor—the Prince of Peace—
Fulfillment of a plan divine.

Wise men from the East came seeking
God's gift of love to all the earth.
Bethlehem, most highly favored,
Chosen for the Saviour's birth.
On this holy day we worship,
Praise and adoration sing.
He lives enthroned today—
The Christ Child—
Humbly born to be a King!

Mrs. J. E. Faulkner.
Greensboro, N. C.

Our heartiest Christmas greetings and best wishes are extended to each and all of our readers!

MISSIONARIES RETIERED

Miss Kate Hackney, of Asheville spent several days last week in New York, where she was called by the Board of Missions to be retired after 30 years of active, faithful and efficient missionary service. Others retired at the same time were Miss Mary M. Tarrant of China, Miss Ida Shannon of Japan, and Miss Hallie Buie of Korea. Miss Hackney served nine years as a home missionary, but in 1915 was consecrated as a foreign missionary, and soon after her consecration left for China, the field of her choice, and the greater part of her years there she was in charge of the kindergarten training department of the Laura Haygood Normal School in Soochow. The meeting of board at which this retirement was made was held in the great Methodist building on Fifth Avenue, New York, and Bishop Arthur Moore, chairman of the board, was the presiding officer. Among the members of the board from the Western North Carolina conference present on the occasion were Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our W. N. C. conference, and Dr. Walter B. West, pastor of First church, Salisbury.

"O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM"

In the December 11th issue of the National Christian Advocate, Paul E. Carson gives an interesting account of the Christmas carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" which we feel will be of special interest just at this time as we near the Christmas season.

He says: "Seventy-three years ago a minister and his church school superintendent gave to their church young people a gift that is beloved today by tens of thousands of people. This gift was the well known Christmas carol, 'O Little Town of Bethlehem.' The words were written by Phillips Brooks and the tune, 'St. Louis' was composed by Lewis Henry Redner. In 1865 Phillips Brooks, then minister of Holy Trinity church in Philadelphia, received the inspiration which led him to write the Christmas hymn three years later. He was traveling in the Holy Land during the Christmas season, making the journey from Jerusalem to Bethlehem on the day before Christmas, visited with the shepherds along the way and on Christmas eve, near the place where Christ was born, he was one of a large group attending services of the church of the Nativity.

Of this experience he wrote in the Christmas hymn when he wanted something very special and impressive for his church school. Mr. Brooks asked his organist, Mr. Redner, who was also the church school superintendent, to set it to music.

"The request was made Saturday night and by Sunday morning the melody was ready. Other tunes were written and published for Dr. Brooks' poem, but the tune, St. Louis, and the words by Dr. Brooks are inseparable in America. While the hymn became known from printed leaflets, it was not until twenty-five years later that it found a place in the Hymnal of the Protestant Episcopal Church. While Dr. Brooks had five stanzas in his original poem, only four are used in the hymnals. Dr. Brooks' career as a preacher and bishop made him known as one of the greatest ministers America has ever produced, and one of the things which has helped to perpetuate his name is the Christmas carol, 'O Little Town of Bethlehem.'"

A GREAT HARVEST DAY MEETING

With more than 100 members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central church, Asheville, in attendance, a most impressive and inspiring harvest day meeting was held on Monday, December 8, with Mrs. F. R. Baker, president, presiding.

The meeting opened with the hymn "Come Ye Thankful People Come," and was followed by a most beautiful and helpful message on stewardship by Mrs. Eugene Coston. After the usual preliminaries, the reports of the society officers and chairmen of circles were heard ,and brought the glad news of a successful year's work with all obligations met in full.

Lunch was served at one o'clock and a social hour enjoyed. During the lunch Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central church, was introduced and brought a greeting to the society and suggested a most important project of work in the local church, which was unanimously adopted by the society later in the day. A feature of the afternoon was the installtion of the officers and circle chairmen by Mrs. R. H. Latham. It is of interest to note that a number of the new officers for the society for 1942 and a large per cent of the circle chairmen are representatives of the younger women of the church, who last year composed the young women's circle.

An impressive service remembrance was held as a close of the afternoon program, honoring the three members who had passed away during the year: Mrs. J. S. Handte, Mrs. J. W. Wolfe and Mrs. J. E. Dickerson. Tributes to Mrs. Handte and Mrs. Wolfe were read by Mrs. W. R. Harris, and to Mrs. Dickerson by Mrs. Frank S. Smith. Mrs. M. B. Tilson sang at the opening of the service "There Is No Night There," and at the close the hymn of other years, "In the Sweet By and By." Flowers used in the service were taken to the "shut-ins" who have birthdays in December, and to the sick.

W. S. C. S. OF WESLEY HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH

By Miss Jean Hendrix

Ever since 1883, the organization year of the Wesley Heights Methodist church in Charlotte, the women of the church have been an outstanding organized group of the church. The Woman's Society of Christian Service functions in all departments of the woman's work, and in addition to a regular monthly circle meeting it has four afternoon circles and the business woman's circle, which has recently become the Wesleyan Service Guild in the united Methodism. In the early spring a church "hut" was completed with the aid of the woman's society, the modern kitchen equipment was furnished by the society, and they serve suppers for the Men's Fellowship Club. In addition the hut is used for other church organizations for the young people. The 80 members of the society are divided into five circles nad they take an active interest in every project of the church, and are donating liberally to the new Bethlehem House in Charlotte. The growth and progress of this church is due to the fine cooperation of the entire congregation and the excellent leadership of the pastor, Rev. W. B. Davis and the officers of the church."

"Christ died for the ungodly." This is the testimony of Scripture. We get the doctrine where we get the fact. The responsibility of rejection lies with the reader. It is easier to blow out a light then to create one.—Ecce Deus.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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CHRISTMAS IF

If Christ were what he ought to be,
To you and all mankind and me,
Teacher, Master, Saviour, Lord, then
Salvation would have come to men,
And greater praise to God in Heaven:
"Glory to God in the Highest."

If men were what they ought to be,
One to other on land and sea,
Comrade, helper, lover, and friend,
To greed, hate, war there be an end,
And men could sing with greater truth:
"Peace to men and good will on earth."

—Rev. Clarence E. Norman, pastor
Holy Trinity Church, Raleigh, N. C.

A LETTER FROM MRS. KNIGHT

Mrs. W. L. Knight of Weldon, conference secretary of supplies, is making an urgent appeal for the promotion of the work of that department. Mrs. Knight writes: "As we come to the close of another year we realize that our reports are not just as we would have them. If you have helped with supplies this year and have not reported, please do so at once. If you have not contributed to this work, please do so at once. At this time I would like to urge you to send money for the Methodist student center at East Carolina Teachers College and report the amount to me. Send contributions to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, 1508 E. Fifth St., Greenville, N. C. Any Council institution will give you credit. Thank you for all you have done in this department."

FIELD WORKER TO VISIT N. C.

During the month of January the district missionary institutes of the N. C. conference will be held. These institutes are under the direction of Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary, and the district missionary secretaries of the ministers' conference. However, the women of the W. S. C. S. have a prominent part on the programs and receive great blessings in sharing in them. This year Miss Ruth Wheaton, a field worker from the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will appear on the programs of each of the seven institutes in the N. C. conference. Her chief topic will be "The Missionary Education of Methodist Youth." Following her address a question period will be held and after the lunch hour Miss Wheaton will lead a forum for the women. All women are invited and the officers are urged to attend. Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretary of young women and girls' work, and Rev. Robert Bradshaw, executive secretary N. C. Conference Board of Christian Education, will co-operate with Miss Wheaton and the others who are promoting the institute. The meetings will convene at 10 a. m. Lunch will be served each day of the institute. The district secretaries will begin immediately to advertise and create interest in the respective meetings. The places and dates of the institutes are: Rocky Mount district, January 12, at First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, Rev. E. L. Hillman, pastor; Elizabeth City district, January 13, at Hertford, Rev. R. F. Munns, pastor; New Bern district, January 14, Queen Street church, Kinston, Rev. W. C. Ball, pastor; Wilmington district, January 15, Trinity church, Wilmington, Rev. F. W. Paschall, pastor; Fayetteville district, January 16, Page Memorial church, Aberdeen, Rev. S. A. Maxwell, pastor; Durham district, January 19, Trinity church, Durham, Rev. J. G. Huggin, pastor; Raleigh district, January 20, Edenton Street, Raleigh, Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor.

BOARD OF MISSIONS MEETS

The Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, of which the Woman's Division of Christian Service is a section, convened in New York City on November 24-December 4. Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh, a member of the board, reports an intensely interesting and enthusiastic atmosphere in both the general and the committee meetings. Mrs. Coltrane is a member of one of the standing committees, also the resource committee on International Relations and World Peace of the department of Christian social relations and local church activities. The N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. is fortunate in having so able a representative on the board of missions and church extension.

STUDENT VOLUNTEER RETREAT

That folk in China realize the need of God and the power of prayer is evidenced in many ways, one of which has recently been shared with Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, by Miss Alice Green, our own N. C. missionary in China, and which Mrs. Lawrence is sharing with our woman's page readers. Let's meditate upon the significance of the story as Miss Green writes it: "For weeks our young people had been planning and praying for the student volunteer retreat, which was to meet at Centenary Institute, Changchow, July 1-5. There were about 50 who came, not all of them volunteers, but all wanting to know more about God and his plan for their lives. Carefully selected leaders were present, so from the beginning there was an earnest response to the messages as given in the early morning devotionals, the Bible classes, the spiritual life messages, the division groups and the vesper services. At the last sunset service a pageant, "The Challenge of the Cross," was given by a group of young women, most of whom had prayed through to full surrender while they were practicing, and so, when the pageant was presented they were not acting. They were testifying. The message went over in a big way, because they first gave themselves and God's Spirit worked through them, touching every heart in the audience. On the last day of the retreat, in the quietness of the morning hours, an unforgettable service was conducted by Miss Song Weitsung, our conference leader of young people, at which these young women told of the good things they had received and the victories they had won. Many told how, in the quiet hours of the retreat, they had heard the Master's voice and had answered "Here am I, send me." They go on year after year, these volunteer groups, gathering in the youth of our conference, and helping them to find their places in the work of bringing in the kingdom."

BURGAW WOMEN STUDY

Mrs. W. F. Walters, formerly of Burgaw and now of Halifax, where her husband is pastor of the Methodist church, sends the following item concerning a study class at the former place: An all day study was conducted in Burgaw Methodist church on November 5. Those participating were representatives from Rocky Point, Jordan's Chapel and Burgaw W. S. C. S. The text used was "A Christian Imperative." The morning devotional was conducted by Mrs. W. F. Walters, who had charge of the program, the president being unable to attend. The afternoon devotional was given by Mrs. Jeptha Casey. The text was presented by Mrs. Kenneth Futch, Mrs. W. H. Young, Mrs. Jeptha Casey, Mrs. C. L. Moore, Mrs. J. H. Burnett, Mrs. W. F. Walters and Miss Susie Balcombe. Several skits were presented during the day by members of the Rocky Point church. Mrs. Jeptha Casey prepared several interesting and attractive posters which added much to the interest of the study. Ruth Burnett rendered several vocal selections. During the noon hour lunch was served in the recreation hall by the Burgaw ladies, assisted by those from Rocky Point and Jordan's Chapel.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

At the fall meeting of Northampton zone, Rocky Mount district, which was held in Sharon church, all of the 16 W. S. C. S. were represented. Mrs. P. F. Newton of Rich Square, presided. Thirteen baby life certificates and three adult life certificates were presented. Mrs. W. W. Carter of Woodland, led the morning devotional. Visitors were Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, and Miss Russell of New Bern. Mrs. Chadwick, conference president, spoke on "He that findeth his life shall lose it and he that loseth his life shall find it." She stated that when Christ comes into our lives he does not stay in one corner. Our lives get bigger and bigger. We are happy that we are losing our lives and finding them again in this work for Christ. Mrs. Larkin discussed young women and girls' work. The Sharon society served a delightful lunch. Officers elected for the new year were: Mrs. H. W. Maddrey, Severn, leader; Mrs. L. J. Johnson, Conway, assistant leader, and Mrs. Russell Johnson, Conway, secretary.—Mrs. Russell Johnson.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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CHRISTMAS COMES

In spite of anxiety coming from a world-wide war, reminders of which are constantly with us, our children have many assurances that Christmas is coming. Children don't brood over trouble. They don't get scared and stay scared and stay afraid. They look for joy and usually get all there is around. So our family is turning its thoughts to the joyful days that are connected with the coming of the Prince of Peace.

THE INSIDE LIGHTS

We will not string electric bulbs this year on the big spruce tree in front of our Administrative building. This tree is generally regarded as a most striking instance of decorative symmetry and beauty. It will not give off its loveliness this year. A terrible war is on in which thirty Children's Home boys are enlisted to give their lives, if necessary, for America's Christian principles and Christian way of living. They will dare to give their all in order that a more lasting peace may come. But inside our buildings will be the smaller trees suitably decorated, around which will be the packages and the household of children. The lower lights will be kept burning while our family, with mingled emotions, enjoys the homelike atmosphere and wishes for the tempest tossed sailors and soldiers some bit of Christmas joy.

RINGING THE JOY BELL

The home bases must be made safe before security can come to far flung areas. Good tidings to distant lands must come from security at home. Our friends are seeing to it that their Children's Home family may be privileged to hear the ringing of the joy bell. During the past week the following congregations and pastors have pulled the joy bell cord, causing good tidings of great joy to peal forth. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

Olin, Macedonia and Snow Creek, Olin, Rev. D. T. Huss.

Polkville, Lee's Chapel and Harmony, Polkville, Rev. W. L. Scott.

Madison, Rev. O. J. Jones.

Snow Hill, Candler, Rev. C. W. Bates.

Mt. Carmel, Rocky Ridge, Rev. E. B. Edwards.

Central, Albemarle, Rev. R. Dwight Ware.

Central, Shelby, Rev. G. B. Clemmer.

First Church, Waynesville, Rev. J. C. Madison.

First Church, Elkin, Rev. H. F. Duncan.

Mt. Zion, Cornelius, Rev. W. S. Smith.

FOOTBALL FELLOWSHIP

Some evenings ago we held our annual football banquet in which 130 boys participated. Frank Spencer, sports editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, in making the principal address, emphasized the value of football as a builder of morale and a promoter of discipline and fair play. Other speeches were made but none better than those of the eleven varsity graduates who have played their last game for the Children's Home. A recapitution reveals thirty-two of the thirty-three games scheduled were played, twenty-four of which were won. The varsity won five, tied one and lost four, the reserves won five and lost three, the 125-pound team won its two games, the third one being cancelled by the opposing team, the 100 pounders won seven and lost one, while the 80 pounders won their four games with a total score of 100 to 0, only one first down being registered against them.

WHEN CHRISTMAS ROLLS AROUND

O what a jolly feeling
When Christmas rolls around,
When holly decks the ceiling
And merry sleigh bells sound!
What fun it is to scurry
Out in the falling snow
While footsteps past us hurry,
A-crunching as they go!

The faces all are beaming,
And everybody's gay,
As mid the winter gleaming
We near the happy day.
At last, on Christmas morning,
We're up at six o'clock,
While presents hand adorning
Or bulging from the sock.

How glorious and jolly
To cut the strings apart,
With boxes all in holly
To thrill a fellow's heart,
And when it's time for dinner,
We dine in merry cheer.
Yes, Christmas is the winner
Of all the happy year!

—Lindsay George Lucas, in Chicago Advocate.

THE INDOOR SPORT

With the passing of football, the great fall outdoor sport, basket ball comes to take its place, the great winter indoor sport. Both our boys and girls are very much interested in this developing game. Well over 100 of our youngsters will be working hard to make their various teams. Cheering them on will be the rest of the family. Already the practice games and the two scheduled competitive games have been won. Others will be won and some will be lost, but the value of fine competitive sports will be chalked up to the profit side of our childhood and youth development processes. A family as large as ours must have a consuming interest under normal conditions. This is all the more true under alarming conditions.

ORPHANAGE YOUNG PEOPLE

The ninth semi-annual meeting of Orphanage Young People held recently at Mills Home, Thomasville, was declared by our representatives to be the best one yet scheduled. It has become the custom for the leading orphanages in the Piedmont area of North Carolina to send representative young people to these conferences twice each year, in the fall and in the spring. These meetings are directed by the young people themselves, without adult supervision. They discuss their problems and opportunities without fear or favor. In the early stages of these conferences the young people centered their attention on securing privileges for themselves. They are now paying more attention to ways and means of developing on their own part a fine orphanage citizenship.

ASHEBORO FRIENDS

Accepting the invitation of Rev. J. W. Braxton, pastor of Central, Asheboro, our singing class had a very enjoyable time with his fine congregation last Sunday morning. A congregation that taxed the capacity of the auditorium was present and many evidences of interest in our children were manifest. This former Methodist Protestant congregation was one of the most liberal contributors to the High Point Children's Home. It has already contributed its supplementary apportionment for this year, the regular ten per cent apportionment being a part of the church's budget. Brother Braxton and his people are enthusiastic in the service they render humanity. The church has been recently redecorated, a new furnace installed and an adjoining house and lot secured for further expansion.

R. L. CAVINESS AND COMPANY

In line with our agreement with Rev. R. H. Trolinger, who gave this scribe a new penny to remember that his name has only one "l" in it, our singing class filled an engagement at Coleridge Sunday afternoon following a happy time with our Asheboro friends in the morning and during the noon hour. Our Coleridge friends had assembled from four of the five congregations on the charge and gave us a good hearing. One of the most interesting characters this scribe knows is Dr. R. L. Caveness, now 75 years old and yet a vigorous leader in his community. He and my father were great friends years ago, each enjoying telling "yarns" on the other. After our program was over this scribe greatly enjoyed going with Dr. Caveness over his cotton mill, which he designed, down to the engine room and through the company's big store. Dr. Caveness' mill is so arranged that it can use water power, steam or a big Diesel engine. Concord Methodist church at Coleridge is the most impressive building in the village.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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HARD BLOW—Last week the Methodist Orphanage had to pay $2,347.06 for taxes. Since our resources are so limited this large amount of money paid for taxes deals a hard blow to the Methodist Orphanage. In view of our increased operating expenses. this is doubly discouraging.

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GOOD JEWISH FRIEND—The following letter is from one of our good Jewish friends who often remembers the Methodist Orphanage: "Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C. Dear Children: To be thankful to G-O-D would not be fulfilled by me on my birthday without remembering the orphans of the Methodist Orphanage. So enclosed you will find my check for $5.00. With love, I remain, Yours truly." ————-

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THANKSGIVING RETURNS —The Thanksgiving returns, both from churches and church schools, have been very gratifying up to the present time. Many of the pastors have written me that they expect to raise their entire Orphanage apportionment within the next few weeks. It is highly pleasing to me to know that our pastors, churches and church schools are so deeply and genuinely interested in the support of our home. I wish to assure our many, many friends of my sincere gratitude for their interest and co-operation.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER—One of our former Orphanage sons writes as follows: "Have enlisted in Civilian Technical Corps, and am on my way overseas. Hope to be back in three years. I am enlisting as radio maintenance techician for radio locators with R.A.F. Wish me luck, for I will be thinking of the fine training and consideration of the Orphanage while under your leadership. Any steps that I have taken were for the purpose of doing my bit to save, and not destroy, lives and make this—the second world war—as short as possible. A very devoted friend, Kenneth Cobbs."

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES—The Methodist Orphanage is being conducted as nearly as possible like a big family. Our boys and girls have the same impulses that all other young people have. In order to meet their demands we are providing as many wholesome social activities as we can. Our young people enjoy weiner roasts, attending competitive games of all kinds, and social hours together in the different cottages. All of our social activities are under the supervision of some responsible person. There was a time, unfortunately, when our children were not granted many opportunities for social contacts. It is our experience that the more opportunities we give our older boys and girls for friendly contacts, the more they respect our wishes in such matters.

WHAT MARY GAVE

She gave an hour of patient care to her little baby sister, who was cutting teeth. She gave a string and a crooked pin and a great deal of advice to the three-year-old brother, who wanted to play fishing. She gave Ellen, the maid, a precious hour to go and visit her sick baby at home, for Ellen was a widow, and left her child at its grandmother's while she worked to get bread for both. She could not have seen them very often, if Mary had not offered to tend the door while she went away.

But this was not all that Mary gave. She dressed herself so neatly, and looked so bright and kind and obliging, that she gave her mother a thrill of pleasure whenever she caught sight of the young pleasant face. She wrote a letter to her father, who was absent on business. She gave patient attention to a long story by her grandmother, and when it was ended, made the old lady happy by a good-night kiss.

Thus she had given valuable presents to six people by one day; and yet she had not a cent in the world. She was as good as gold, and she gave something of herself to all those who came into touch with her all the livelong day.—Apples of Gold.

RUN THE STRAIGHT RACE

As I ended the second lesson on Sunday evening with the words, "Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith," there flashed back into my memory the tale, heard years ago but long forgotten, of two boys who were playing in the snow, when one said, "Let us see who can make the straightest path in the snow."

His suggestion was at once accepted, and they started. One boy fixed his eyes on a tree and walked along without taking his eyes off it. The other also fixed his eyes on the tree and, when he had gone a short distance, turned and looked back to see whether, so far, he was keeping a straight course. Then he started his journey again, and again paused and turned to look at his footprints in the snow. When they arrived at their destination both stopped and looked back. One path was as straight as an arrow, while the other ran in a zigzag fashion.

"How did you get your path so straight?" asked the boy who had left a crooked track behind him. "Why," said the other boy, "I just fixed my eyes on the tree and kept them there till I got to the end; while you kept stopping and looking back, and so wandered out of your course."—Methodist Recorder.

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A GREETING

Many persons—preachers, laymen, youth, children—have contributed to our joy in service during the past 12 months. We are mindful of all of these persons as we approach the season when hearts are mellowed by thoughts of the Bethlehem Babe who came to teach supreme Joy in Service and to unite us in that common joy. To these friends who have made life a little sweeter because they have passed our way this year we would send a wish that the very depths of the Christmas message may be felt at Christmas time and that out of this deeper understanding may truly come the "Peace that passeth understanding" which the Christ-child came to bring. "God bless you—everyone."

The Conference Staff.

STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY

Sunday, December 28, is designated as Student Recognition Day in the Methodist Church. The purpose of the day is to recognize the students of our local churches who are attending colleges and universities. It furnishes a good opportunity for the local church to strengthen the ties that bind the student to the home churches, ties that are in danger of being weakened by the absence of the students from the home community.

A suggested service of worship for Student Recognition Day centering around the theme, "The Christian Community on the Campus," has been prepared and is included in the Christian Community on the Campus," has been prepared and is included in the Christian Education Mazazine for November-December, 1941, which was sent to all pastors. Copies of the program are available in limited numbers to any church desiring them. They can be secured from the Division of Educational Institutions, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Our national conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship is sponsoring the watch night service will be held young people across the country. It is hoped that every local church will provide an opportunity for the young people to join in the great fellowship of those making their dedication on that night. In many churches, of course, the wacth night service will be held for the entire church membership with the young people having their part in the service.

An order of worship for the night watch service has been prepared and can be obtained by the local church from the National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. The service is so planned that it can be made a part of a full evening's watch night program. This leaflet is 25 cents a dozen or $1.00 a hundred. A copy of the watch night service of commitment appears in the December issues of Workshop and Motive.

SIGNIFICANT MEETINGS

In the past two weeks your executive secretary has had the opportunity to share in several significant meetings which warrant a brief account on our page this week. This is being presented for any value it might be to others who are in process of working out the year's program.

Selma

On the night of December 3 the workers' counsel of the Edgerton Memorial church at Selma, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor, met for a supper meeting to check on previous work and to make plans for the future. A good attendance of earnest workers gave a good background for an inspiring and helpful meeting. Reports were heard from various officers, plans were made for the future, and the pastor spoke words of encouragement to the group. Following this meeting many of the adult workers joined with the young people of the Selma church and the youth of other Methodist churches of Johnston county in an organization meeting of the Johnston county sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Alice DuBose of the Selma group presided. Short talks were made by Francis Edwards, district director of youth work in the Raleigh district, and by the conference director of youth work. There was an enthusiastic expression of approval to the idea of organizing the sub-district Fellowship, and a nominating committee was appointed to function at that meeting. Alice DuBose was elected president. The list of other officers will be published later. A brief social hour was enjoyed by the young people from Four Oaks, Clayton, Princeton, and Selma. Rev. P. O. Lee of Clayton, Rev. John T. Greene of Four Oaks, and Mr. Hathaway assisted in the organization of the Fellowship. At the conclusion of the meeting a reel of mo;tion pictures taken at the Louisburg youth assemblies was shown by Rev. T. M. Vick of Roxboro, who took the pictures during the assemblies last summer.

Mount Gilead

On December 5 a supper meeting was held for officers of all organizations in the Mount Gilead church, of which Rev. M. W. Lawrence is pastor. Each group—youth fellowship, woman's society, church school, board of stewards—through its leader reported the objectives of the group for the year. The pastor presented the church calendar for the year, based in large part on these objectives, and called upon the entire group to support the program as outlined. More than 60 out of a total of 75 leaders were present and enthusiastically responded to the pastor's call for support. The calendar as presented included every item in the program of Methodism.

Centenary, New Bern

On December 10 an "officers' night" meeting was held at Centenary church, New Bern, Rev. Leon Russell, pastor. Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, was present and conducted the first quarterly conference of the charge. The pastor's report took the form of the presentation of the church calendar for the year, listing the objectives for the year, and indicating a special emphasis for each month of the year. A representative of each organization in the church spoke relative to the objectives of his particular organzation. Copies of the church calendar were distributed and each person was asked to take two—one for his own use and one to be taken to another church family. At the conclusion of the meeting the reel of motion pictures taken at the Louisburg youth assemblies was shown by Mr. Vick. The whole-hearted response of the people to the total program outlined by the pastor foretells a good year in Centenary church.

THE HARRIS CHAPEL METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Harris Chapel Methodist Youth Fellowship has set up a new organization for 1941-42 and has annuonced the following officers:

President—Miss Emma Louise Greenway.

Vice President—Miss Willie McCann.

Secretary-Treasurer — Miss Tilene Greenway.

Counselor—Mrs. Brady Boyde.

Harris Chapel church is on the Vance charge in the Raleigh district, with Rev. O. W. Mathison, pastor in charge.

METHODIST YOUTH FUND

In the November 27 issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate there appeared on the Western North Carolina Board of Education page (page 18) an excellent statement with reference to the plan of missionary education of youth in the Methodist Church and the plan for missionary giving by the youth of our church. We think it unnecessary to print a similar statement about the same matter, and we are suggesting that our adult leaders of youth and the local church officers themselves read this statement and save it for future reference.

There are just a few additional facts that should be added with reference to the details of the youth fund as it applies to our own conference. January has been set apart as pledge month for the youth of our conference. Pledge cards and descriptive material will be sent to every youth division superintendent the first week in January. The half of the money to be applied on world comradeship will be sent to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C., conference youth treasurer, who will in turn remit it to the conference treasurer. Mrs. Dwight L. Fouts, Jonesboro, N. C., is the conference secretary of young women's and girls' work, responsible for the promo-

tion of this work on the part of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Further information relative to the missionary education of youth or to the Methodist youth fund may be secured from Mrs. Fouts or from the Conference Office, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

PRAYER—UNUSUAL INCIDENTS

By Rev. E. H. Davis

The S. S. lesson dealing with the matter of prayer recently revived some memories regarding prayers that I had heard somewhat out of the ordinary. There was Brother N——, an upright man of clean life and a regular reader of the Bible, which he read with absolutely no knowledge of Greek or Hebrew and with no help of Commentary which he spurned, saying he "was not concerned about what the Bible meant to Adam Clarke or anybody else, but what it means to me and what God says to me through it"—an attitude that shows the dangerous fallacy of a half truth. So we need not be surprised to hear him saying in his prayer regularly, "Lord, we are like the church we read of in thy word where prayer was much wanted to be made"—a wrong slant on Lydia and the praying group at Philippi. The same brother would insist on saying that the Master said to Peter, "Get thee behind me, for thou savour'est—accent on second syllable—not the things that be of God but those that be of men." I never could tell what idea he got from that statement. A thoroughly sincere man he was with his intentions all good.

There was Brother B—— in another community where every public prayer contained these words, "O Lord, awaken the unawakened and alarm the unalarmed," and in revival season when the spiritual tempo was quickened and contributing to that end he would add this: "Make these mourners to see that they are hair-hung and breeze-shaken over hell." With the singing and the preaching keyed to the same tempo nearly always a rattling of the dry bones followed.

One of the most impressive prayers I ever heard was one in which there was scarcely a word uttered. The occasion was during a revival service in a warehouse in High Point, conducted by W. P. Fife, evangelist. An unlettered man well known in the community and of strong physique had been wondrously saved. Some time afterward the evangelist called him to the front of that congregation of 1000 and asked him to lead in prayer. He said he would try. He began, "O Lord"—but overcome with feeling got no further. Again, O Lord, with same result. Then the evangelist, "Make one more effort, brother." He did; result the same. But by this time not only he and the evangelist but the whole congregation were overcome with feeling and melted to tears. An effective prayer with no words uttered.

Here is another prayer of quite a different sort where words were used—quite orthodox, according to revised standards. The incident was told me by a lawyer friend of prominence in the political life of the state. He had a friend who was much of a sport but rather short on religion. He was taken desperately ill while at Greenbriar White Sulphur Springs. Told by his physician of the seriousness of his illness when he thought he was out of hearing by anyone, he was heard to pray after this fashion: "O Lord, here I am away from home and among strangers. The doctor tells me I am desperately ill and unless I get better soon I am gone. Won't you please help me? I never have bothered you before, but please help me now. And if you will help me, O Lord, you will have to be mighty d—— quick about it." My friend, himself a Christian, said he was sure that this prayer was not discounted by the use of this bad word, as his friend in talking to the Lord was not putting on at all, only using the language he was accustomed to use and to hear used.

A scene and an experience that impressed me most deeply regarding prayer are connected with that day of fasting and prayer called for by President Wilson (son of a Presbyterian minister) at a critical time in the last world war. It was in the spring or early summer of 1918 when things seemed at their blackest. The Italians had slumped at Capontto, and there was the Russian debacle at Brest-Litovsk. The big Bertha had sent its death dealing shell into that Paris church on Easter Sunday, and allied divisions were falling back or were being paralyzed before Von Kluck's advancing Boche. Then the day of prayer. At Laurinburg where I was it was that—all of that. Prayer was in the air. It was dominant in the conversation of the people and pictured in their faces. There was a service of prayer at six in the morning at the Methodist church, at 11 o'clock in the Presbyterian, and at 7 p. m. in the Baptist—at each of which the church was crowded. At that early morning service at the Methodist church I noted a stranger who gave evidence of deep interest—in showing late comers to seats, supplying hymn books, etc. After several had prayed I said to him, "Brother, will you offer a word of prayer?" His answer: "I have never before attempted to offer a word in public prayer, but in a time like this it seems to me that anybody could and should do so." His few earnest words thrilled everybody there. Only one, doubtless, of many such scenes that transpired that day between Main and California. It was not long after that day of prayer before the tide began to turn. There came that 18th of July, Chateau Theiry—and that company of U. S. marines ordered by their French commanding officer to retreat—to whom one of them made a surprising answer: "Retreat, h—" said he, "tell the Bosche to retreat. We have just got here." Nor did they retreat, but advance to St. Miheil, the Argonne Forest, November 11, and the Armistice. Would not another day of that sort be in order right now, when those we are helping over yonder are in a life and death struggle with their foes?

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Coming of God's Son

The Hebrew prophets began to ring the Christmas bells centuries before Jesus was born. Isaiah rang them tumultuously when he said, Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulders, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. And the long line of prophets proclaiming with eyes aflame the advent of the Messiah, rang them over and over again. And strangely enough, now two thousand years after he was born the Christmas bells are still ringing.

What keeps them ringing? What makes a million choruses take up the angel's song on this glad day? And what is it about Jesus that makes Christmas for the multitudes the happiest day of the year?

There certainly was a strange lack of harmony between the glory of the angelic vision and the sight of the babe born in a stable, cradled in a manger. And all through his life men found a great deal that did not seem to fit in with the glorious predictions of the prophets and their preconceptions of what Messiah ought to be. True, there was something about his countenance and the majesty of his words that filled them with awe, but then suddenly they noticed his peasant's garb, and his retinue of humble men, and they said, Surely this cannot be the Christ. And at the end of his career we see the worst contradiction of all. The King of glory nailed to a cross amid the mockery of the chief priests rejoicing that this blasphemous pretender was dying in shame.

And yet something keeps the Christmas bells ringing. What is it? It is not one thing, it is many things. In spite of the fact that he was rejected by Israel, "as many as received him, to them gave he the right to become the children of God ,even to them that believe on his name, who are born not of blood nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." Receiving Christ means the ushering of men into a new life, and a transformation so wonderful that we can only ascribe it to the hand of God. This has been happening all through the centuries. Our faith in Christ is not based on an argument that is liable to be demolished by the next acute and critical mind, but upon great and constantly repeated facts of experience. Men receive from him more than simply a great experience at the beginning. If a man is faithful and keeps his eyes steadfastly on the Master, he receives grace for grace, one great experience after another. The teachings of Jesus keep lighting up suddenly with new revelations suited to new conditions, answering new questions. Always there is new truth for the intellect, and then a new current of vitality enabling men to live out the new truth.

But Jesus not only reveals God to us, but in his presence the secrets of our own hearts are revealed. Come, see a man that told me all things that ever I did, said the Samaritan woman; and soon she could be adding, Come, see a man that told me all the great things that ever I may become.

When one is in the presence of Jesus it is always morning. He is the bright and morning star, as well as the root and offspring of David. In the glance of his eyes disheartened men seem to hear the words, Behold, I make all things new. How strange it is that every age looks forward to him as the one who has the secret that will solve their problems, and open up the gates of new life.

The Christmas bells also keep ringing because of Christ's appeal not only to men of one race, but to all races of the most diverse levels of culture; and every tribe when we take the gospel to them see in him something that we ourselves had missed, and in their excitement they ring the bells anew. This is one of the most remarkable things about Jesus; that a tribe in the center of Africa sees in him something that has escaped us. And such repeated experiences of his universal appeal make us doubly sure that he is the Christ, the Saviour of the world.

TIMELY SPECIAL COURSE in ADULT STUDENT

Distinctive privileges, obligations, and limitations of Christian citizenship are set forth in the two-months special course (elective) beginning in the January Adult Student, editors of the magazine have announced.

These Sunday school lessons are written by F. Ernest Johnson, Methodist minister, author, and professor of education at Columbia University. They are given the general title, "The Christian Citizen and His Government," and their purpose is to show how the church can best prepare adults, especially young adults, to assume full citizenship repsonsibilities. They will also indicate how the Christian may make democracy work in all present day relationships, editors said.

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In January the magazine will begin a series of Uniform Lesson studies in the Synoptic Gospels entitled "The Life of Christ." Writers for this six-months course and their conributions are James T. Carlyon, professor of Christian doctrine in the school of theology, Southern Methodist University, text studies; Edwin Lewis, professor of systematic theology at Drew Theological Seminary, lesson expositions; and Halford E. Luccock, professor of homiletics at Yale Divinity School, lesson applications.

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CHRISTMAS ON A CITY STREET

By Carrie Belle Boyden

She was a little waif in a big city. She stood in front of a big toy store feasting her eyes on the gorgeous Christmas display in the big window. People crowded and jostled her in their efforts to see, but she stuck firmly to the spot which afforded her the best view. She was little but she could stand up for her rights if necessary, and there was no law against window shopping.

Carol's eyes were open wide, her mouth also, for the dolls in the window were having a tea party. Around a little table spread with a lace cloth sat four beautiful, curly-headed dolls dressed in dainty frocks. The little dishes on the table were decorated in pink rosebuds, and there was real food on the table. At least it looked to Carol like real grapes in the fruit dish and real little cakes covered with white frosting and tiny red candles. To think of any little girl having a doll's tea set like that and dolls to go with it almost took Carol's breath away.

It made her hungry, too, so she finally wrenched herself away and went home to her mother. Yes, she had a mother, but her mother could not help the too-short dresses and the worn shoes and coat which Carol was wearing. She was a seamstress and glad enough to get a little work to do so that she could support Carol and herself.

Carol reached home a little late. Her mother was looking up and down the street when she appeared. "The potatoes will be cold," said Mrs. White. "I meant to make a little milk gravy to go with them but I had no milk."

"Nor any bacon to season it, probably,' 'said Carol. "Well, cabbage and raw carrots are good for us, so we will fill up on those." Which they did. It was not a new experience.

"How did school go today?" asked Mrs. White.

"All right," answered Carol. "The other girls are all so excited about Christmas they don't study much." She was silent a few moments, then continued. "Mom, Alice Bennett says that they are going to have a grand Christmas dinner; turkey and fixings or else roast pork and applesauce; and besides that she thinks she is going to get a work basket and a cute little doll to make dresses for, and they're going to have a Christmas tree."

"That is nice for them," answered Mrs. White in a tired voice. "Probably she has a father who earns a good salary somewhere."

"No, she doesn't," replied Carol earnestly. "I mean she has a father but he is out of a job, but they have Christmas just the same."

"How do they manage it?" asked her mother.

A CHRISTMAS SONG

By Mary Frost

Oh, I should love to sing a song
That held the shining mystery
And all the magic there may be
In Christmas time!
And in my song would be the star
That beckoned wise men from afar
To find their King!
Oh, this is what I'l dove to sing!

I'd sing of joy in Mary's eyes,
And little Jesus as he lay
Upon the soft, sweet smelling hay;
I'd echo angels in the skies
And sing again
Peace, peace on earth; good will to men!
All hail our King!
Oh, this is what I'd love to sing!

"The Charities help them," answered Carol.

Mrs. White did not answer, but Carol already knew what her mother was thinking. As the days passed Mrs. White sewed faster than ever to finish some garments before the holidays. The last one was delivered the day before Christmas, and when Carol was not there she worked swiftly on a new coat which was to be Carol's Christmas gift. Meanwhile, as they lived not far from the big stores, Carol went window shopping every spare minute she had. She loved the odor of the Christmas greens and she sniffed the spruce trees as she passed them. She had ten cents of her own which she had earned to buy a Christmas gift for herself. It took a long time to look over the counters of the ten-cent store, but at last she found a handkerchief trimmed with lace which she thought was very pretty.

On Christmas Eve Carol went to bed very early with the handkerchief all nicely wrapped and hidden away. Her mother stayed up late, very late in fact, to finish the new coat, but at last it hung on a chair beside Carol's bed all finished to the last buttonhole. Outside it was raining and cold, and her fire was out. She was shivering, and thankful enough to crawl under the covers of her bed.

In the morning Carol awoke early. Snow was on the window sills, and outside the streets and buildings were white. Even the trees were covered. Snow had come in the night and covered all the city soot with dazzling beauty.

"Mother," called Carol. "Merry Christmas, mother. Just look outside." But her mother did not answer. Carol ran into the kitchen and found her mother hovering over the hot stove shaking with a chill. It was only a few minutes until Carol was dressed and had put on the new warm coat and was running to the clinic to find a doctor. Such a kind young doctor was in the office that Christmas morning! Everyone called him Dr. Bob. He heard Carol's story and quickly put on his overcoat and accompanied her home.

It was a queer Christmas day for Carol. She heated water and cracked ice and followed the doctor's directions carefully. By afternoon a kindly nurse came to take charge of her mother, for Mrs. White had a light attack of pneumonia.

When everything was in order and her mother was sleeping quietly, Carol remembered that it was Christmas Day. She stood at the outside door, a lonely little figure, and looked out into the snowy streets. It was then that Dr. Bob drove up. "Put on your new coat," he called cheerily, "and come for a ride with me. Mrs. Bob told me to bring you home for dinner."

In a twinkling Carol had put on her pretty new coat and had spoken to the nurse, who seemed to know all about it, and was out in the doctor's car. It was a little home where she went but it was filled with happiness that Christmas Day, and as soon as Carol crossed the threshold she was happy, too. Betty, the doctor's young wife, put her arms about her and told her that her mother would soon be well; she just needed rest and good care. She had done her best all these years without asking help from anyone, but now the city was glad to help her out until she was well and strong again.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Johnnie had just had a new baby sister. A neighbor, to tease him, offered to buy the baby and give him a dollar a pound for her, but Johnnie refused. The neighbor then said: "Johnnie, you seem to like your baby sister a lot."

"It isn't that," said Johnnie, "but if you are going to buy her by the pound I'll wait till she grows some more."—Pathfinder.

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One little girl was attempting to show a young friend how deficient a mutual friend was in the art of roller-skating.

"This is the way she skates," began the child, demonstarting the incorrect manner. The words were scarcely out of her mouth when she fell rather heavily to the walk.

Rising quickly, she continued:

"Well, well, she doesn't skate right anyway."—Indianapolis News.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Davis Street, 11 21
Graham, 7:30 21
Mount Tirzah, Mount Tirzah, 11 28
Bahama, Mount Sylvan, 7:30 28

January

Bramon, 11 4
Lakewood, 7:30 4
Trinity, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 11 11
Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
District Missionary Institute at Trinity Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 19
Long Memorial, 11 25

February

Trinity, 11 1

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Murfreesboro, 11 21
North Gates, Parkers, 3 21
Hertford, night 21
Williamston, 11 28
Windsor, night 28

January

Currituck, Mt. Zion, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 3
Manteo, 11 4
Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 2:30 4
Wanchese, night 4
Chowan, Anderson's, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 7
Columbia, Wesley Memorial, 11 11
Creswell, 3 11
Plymouth, night 11
City Road, night 14
South Mills, Newland, 2 16
Bath, 11 18
Washington, night 18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 21
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25

February

Maycock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Stedman, 11 21
Downing Street, 3 21
Person Street-Gardner's, 7:30 21

January

Glendon, High Falls, 11 4
Troy Circuit, 3 4
Biscoe, Star, 7:30 4
Troy, 1:30 5
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 5
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11 11
Mt. Gilead Ct., Parsonage, 3 11
Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Creedmoor, Banks, 7:30 19
Oxford Ct., 11 20
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 21
Cary, 7:30 21
Millbrook, Youngsville, 11 28

January

Granville, Union Chapel, 11 4
Louisburg, 7:30 4
Oxford, 7:30 7
Fuquay, Fuquay, 11 11
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25

February

Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Newport, 7:30 19
Oriental, 11 21
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3 21
Vanceboro, 7:30 21
Jones-Trenton, 11 28
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 28
Pink Hill, 7:30 28

January

Mt. Olive-Calyso, Calypso 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Walstonburg, 11 4
Grimesland, 3 4
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 6
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 7
Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Marvin-St. Paul, 7:30 18
Clark Street, 7:30 19
Garysburg, 11 21
West Halifax, Eden, 3 21
Enfield, 7:30 21

January

Nashville, 11 4
Sandy Valley-Gold Valley, 3 4
Spring Hope, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25

February

Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 18
Southport, 7:30 19
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 11 21
Faison-Kenansville, King's, 7:30 21

January

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 4
Wilmington, Methodist City Society, 8 4
Clinton, ... 11
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

December

East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 11 21
Fairview, Bethany, 3 21
Fletcher, Balfour, night 21
Mills River, Avery's Creek, 11 28
Asheville Ct., Sardis, 3 28
French Broad Avenue (Asheville), night 28

January

Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hendersonville-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 11 21
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 21
Hickory Grove, 7:30 21
Derita, 7:30 22
Marshville, Wingate, 11 28
Wesley Heights, 7:30 28

January

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Davie, 11 21
Mocksville Ct., Union Chapel, 3 21
Cooleemee, night 21
Trap Hill, Charity, 11 28
Saint Paul, Asbury, 3 28
Advance, night 28

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

South Fork, 11 21
Lincoln Ct., 3:30 21
Cherryville Ct., night 21
Bradley Memorial, 11 28
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 28
Kings Mountain, Central, night 31

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Moriah, 11 21
Tabernacle, 3 21

January

Mitchell Grove, 7 2
Flat Rock, 11 4
West End, 7:30 4
Grace, 11 11
Jamestown, 7:30 11
Madison, 11 18
Calvary, 7:30 18
Leaksville, 11 25
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, 7:30 25

February

Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point
FIRST ROUND

December

Asheboro Central, 7 18
West Randolph, Mt. Z., 2 21
Wesley Memorial, 7 22
Farmer, N. H., 7 23
Rankin Memorial, 7 24

January

Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Cliffside, 11 21
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 21
Spindale, 7:30 21
Henrietta, 11 28
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 28
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 28

January

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Forest City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

December

Friendship, 7 18
Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Mt. Mitchell, 3 21
Trinity, 11 28
Park Avenue, 7 28

January

Westford, 11 4
Rocky Ridge, 3 4
Central, Spencer, 7 7
Forest Hill, 11 11
China Grove, 7 11

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Hudson, 11 21
Grace-Rhodhiss, 2:30 21
Hickory, Highlands, night 21
Cornelius, Mt. Zion, 11 28
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 2:30 28
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, night 28

January

Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Highlands, Highlands, 11	21
Highlands, Flats, 7:30	21
Franklin Ct., 11	28
Macon Ct., 3	28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Lewisville, 11	21
Welcome, Center, 3	21
Kernersville Ct., 7:30	21
New Hope, Oak Summit, 11	28
Davidson Ct., Centenary, 3	28
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	28
	January
Green Street, 11	4
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3	4
Morris Chapel, 7:30	4
Thomasville First, West End, 11	11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3	11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30	11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11	18
Pinnacle, 3	18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30	18
Thomasville, Community, 11	25
Thomasville Ct., 3	25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30	25
	February
Rural Hall, 11	1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3	1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30	1

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

GREGORY—Elsie William Gregory, wife of J. M. Gregory, was the daughter of the late M. T. and Ella Cotten Williams. She was reared in a home where God and his church came first, and it was natural that she joined the church in early life.

As a young woman she was active in the Sunday school and served her church as a steward for several years before moving to Raleigh.

She remained a faithful member of the Pittsboro Methodist church until she passed from this life to the great beyond. In her going we have lost a faithful member. We shall miss her always. A host of devoted and sorrowing friends joined in the sacred service when her body was laid to rest in Montlawn cemetery in Raleigh.

Mrs. D. B. Nooe.

CANNON—In the passing of Mr. Ivey Cannon Salem church on the Grimesland charge has lost one of the oldest members. Brother Cannon had been very feeble for some time and on November 28 the dear Lord called him home to be with him. Funeral services were conducted in Wilkerson Funeral Home, Greenville. He was laid to rest in the family burying ground.

Brother Cannon was a member of Salem church for 50 years or more. He was faithful and loyal as long as he was able to attend the services. We feel a great loss, but we know our loss is his gain and we look forward to the time when we can again be reunited in glory. Our prayers go up for the bereaved ones. May the dear Lord comfort each one and help them to so live that when they shall be called they will be ready. Services were conducted by the writer.

R. L. Vicery.

A TRIBUTE

On November 11, 1941, our hearts were saddened by the passing of our beloved member, Mrs. J. T. Mangum. She leaves behind her a heritage of Christian love, a life of service and devotion to her family and friends, and a tradition of unselfishness that her dear ones may well be proud to carry on.

With sad hearts we also record the passing of another beloved character and faithful member of our Society of Christian Service, Mrs. F. M. Tilley. She was a loyal Christian, a devoted mother, and to her three devoted sons she leaves a rich heritage. Though often prevented by illness from attending church services her prayerful interest was a constant source of inspiration. For many years she has been identified with everything which was for the betterment of the community. Her passing will long be mourned.

Woman's Division of Christian Service, Rougemont Methodist Church.

A TRIBUTE

Just before midnight on November 10, 1941, the spirit of Mrs. Geneva Ellen Maulstby, wife of S. W. Maultsby, Polivia, N. C., passed from time to "The land that is fairer than day."

The deceased was 58 years and 8 months old. She was the daughter of the late Armlin C. and Emma C. Willard, and was a member of the Methodist church from her youth.

In September, 1909, she married S. W. Maultsby, who survives her. Other survivors include three daughters: Mrs. Leonard Gaskill, Kinston; Mrs. Evelyn Bell, Bolivia; Miss Ina Glenn Maultsby, Charleston, S. C.; one son, Hurley K. Maultsby, Fayetteville; two sisters, Mrs. T. B. Player, Wilmington; Mrs. Frances L. Dixon, Bolivia; one brother, F. H. Willard, Bolivia, and two grandchildren.

Rev. Walter Pavy, pastor of the deceased, was at conference in Durham, and Dr. Sankey Lee Blanton, pastor of First Baptist church, Wilmington, very kindly conducted the funeral services, which were held at the home 4 p. m. November 11. Burial was in the cemetery nearby. The large attendance of friends and neighbors showed the high regard in which she was held.

Our loved one had been in declining health for some years, but her loving ministry in the home continued almost to the last. On the day of her death she had been planning her Christmas remembrances for loved ones, but the Christmas she was planning for will be her first in "the home over there."

Not only in the home circle did her goodness shine forth, but to friends and acquaintances as well. Her life was spent in loving and unstinted toil, and her happiness was in doing kindly deeds for others. "Her children arise up and call her blessed."

F. H. Willard,
For the Family.

A TRIBUTE

Main Street Methodist church, Reidsville, mourns the passing of Mr. Eugene Doll Watt, who died November 25, 1941, after a long and highly useful life as a Christian citizen. He was born November 30, 1868, at the old Watt homestead, "Edgemont," the youngest in a large family, and outlived all his brothers.

He was reared in a devout Christian home and united with the Methodist church in his young manhood, devoting his life thereafter in loyal service to his church and community. He served faithfully as a leader of the men's Bible class, as superintendent of the Sunday school, and as trustee of church property, and never allowed anything to interfere with his duties and obligations, counting it a privilege to be used in any way in the Master's service.

It may be truly said of him that he loved God and his fellowmen, courageously stood for the right as he saw it, fought against all forms of injustice, and was a sympathetic friend of all classes, both white and colored. In his clean and honorable life and in his deep sympathy with all the distressed he exemplified the spirit of the Christ whom he served. "We shall miss him, but we know where to find him."

Richard L. Ownbey.

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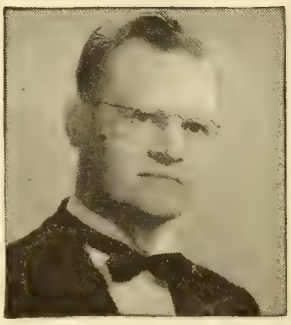
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by J. Daniel Barron
Pastor, Eastland, Texas

"I WISH we had something fresh and interesting to do at our Christmas party," said a leader in my Adult Division. I flipped open the December number of the *Adult Student* to the regular recreation section conducted by E. O. Harbin, the master at the matter, and said: "Take a look." "A Toyland Party!" she exclaimed. "Why, here the whole thing is. Our crowd'll eat it up." And they did.

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